

# At last - The “grave risk exception” guide under the HCCH Child Abduction Convention has been published

The Hague Conference on Private International Law (HCCH) has announced that the **Guide to Good Practice under the Child Abduction Convention: Part VI - Article 13(1)(b)** is now available in both English and French.

Article 13(1)(b) of the HCCH Child Abduction Convention sets out: “Notwithstanding the provisions of the preceding Article, the judicial or administrative authority of the requested State is not bound to *order the return of the child* if the person, institution or other body which opposes its return establishes that - b) there is a **grave risk** that his or her return would expose the child to **physical or psychological harm** or otherwise place the child in an **intolerable situation.**”

We expect to post a more detailed comment soon. In the meantime, see our previous post **here**.

The HCCH news item is available **here**.