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Mr Leonel J Castillo  
Commissioner, Immigration and  
Naturalization Service  
Department of Justice

Dear Mr Castillo

Recently, several Congressmen requested that we furnish them with information showing the relationship between the number of U S citizens unemployed and the number of illegal aliens employed in selected cities

Using certain estimates concerning illegal aliens and their unemployment supplied by your agency and data obtained from other sources, we prepared two tables containing the requested information One table presents the information by selected Immigration and Naturalization Service district offices and the other by selected States We cautioned the Congressmen on the softness of certain of these data

Our analysis sheds some additional insight into the relative impact of the illegal alien problem across the country It may, therefore, be of interest and possible use to you

We wish to express our appreciation for the assistance and cooperation of your staff in providing us with information we requested

Sincerely yours,

Daniel F Stanton  
Associate Director

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<u>INS office (note a)</u>	<u>Estimated population (note a)</u>	<u>Estimated illegal aliens (note b)</u>	<u>Illegal aliens apprehended (note c)</u>	<u>Unemployment (note d)</u>	<u>Estimated illegal aliens employed (note b)</u>
Atlanta	1,806,100	142,000	742	77,000	117,000
El Paso	414,700	84,000	120,043	16,000	50,000
Houston	2,297,300	500,000	8,351	55,000	425,000
New Orleans	1,094,400	50,000	6,245	29,900	12,000
Cleveland	1,975,400	72,000	1,171	69,000	44,000
Denver	1,404,300	37,000	6,030	49,000	34,000
Detroit	4,444,700	58,000	2,666	248,000	41,000
Phoenix	1,217,500	54,000	2,022	65,000	35,000
Portland, Ore	1,081,700	30,000	1,147	50,100	26,000
Baltimore	2,136,900	66,500	1,399	76,000	27,000
Newark	1,995,900	300,000	6,767	92,000	240,000
Philadelphia	4,797,200	85,000	2,100	171,000	65,000
Los Angeles	6,944,900	1,300,000	39,728	313,000	825,000
San Diego	1,587,500	190,000	1,534	72,000	125,000
San Francisco	3,128,800	250,000	7,502	161,000	160,000
Washington, D C.	3,016,200	56,000	2,487	79,000	30,000
Miami	1,438,600	408,000	6,778	78,000	265,000
Chicago	6,982,900	415,000	5,746	225,000	270,000
New York City	9,635,200	1,500,000	23,336	412,000	730,000
San Antonio	977,200	330,000	7,388	32,300	225,000
All other	<u>154,654,600</u>	<u>109,000</u>	<u>622,733</u>	<u>5,459,700</u>	<u>71,350</u>
Total	<u>213,032,000</u>	<u>6,036,500</u>	<u>875,915</u>	<u>7,830,000</u>	<u>3,817,350</u>

a/ Estimate of the Population of Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas by Population--July 1, 1975, Table 3

The INS office indicated may cover in some cases a large part or all of a State's area, therefore, some offices may cover more than one standard metropolitan statistical area.

b/ INS estimate as of November 22, 1976

c/ INS statistics, El Paso, New Orleans, and Miami Border Patrol apprehension figures were added to the INS office apprehension figure to obtain total

d/ Unemployment figures for El Paso, New Orleans, Portland, Phoenix, and San Antonio taken from Employment and Earning, May 1977, p 120 and 121, the other figures taken from Geographic Profiles of Employment and Unemployment, 1975, p. 14-26 Total unemployment, NEWS, U S Department of Labor, January 17, 1977

<u>State</u>	<u>Estimated population (note a)</u>	<u>Estimated illegal aliens (note b)</u>	<u>Illegal aliens apprehended (note c)</u>	<u>Unemployment (note d)</u>	<u>Estimated illegal aliens employed (note c)</u>
Florida	8,277,000	408,000		370,000	
North Carolina	5,441,000	55,000		217,000	
Oklahoma	2,715,000	70,000		83,000	
Texas	12,237,000	818,800		295,000	
Illinois	11,197,000	285,000		355,000	
Indiana	5,313,000	80,000		206,000	
Michigan	9,111,000	58,000		490,000	
Ohio	10,735,000	72,000		430,000	
Washington	3,559,000	18,000		146,000	
Maryland	4,122,000	66,500		127,000	
New Jersey	7,333,000	300,000		332,000	
New York	18,076,000	1,512,000		730,000	
Pennsylvania	11,860,000	69,000		422,000	
Arizona	2,212,000	54,000		(note e)	
California	21,198,000	1,728,000		925,000	
All other States	<u>79,646,000</u>	<u>442,200</u>		<u>2,702,000</u>	
Total	213,032,000	6,036,500		7,830,000	

a/ July 1, 1975--Series P-25, No 642, Population Estimates and Projections, U S Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, December 1976

b/ INS estimate as of November 22, 1976.

c/ INS does not have this figure available by State(s)

d/ Report 481, table 3, p 5, Geographic Profile of Employment and Unemployment, 1975, U S Department of Labor Total unemployment, NEWS, U S Department of Labor, January 17, 1977.

e/ Department of Labor did not have figure available