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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 | |
| u 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.