QUESTIONNAIRE 161

SUB: PROPOSED POLICY REVISION RE: U.S. IMMIGRATION LIMITS & QUOTAS

Dear U.S. Citizen,

You are hereby requested to answer the enclosed questionnaire concerning proposals to make significant changes in the current U.S. Immigration Policy.

Your responses to this questionnaire are strictly confidential. Please take a moment to answer this questionnaire and return it to our processing center by the date indicated.

- Do you think today's immigration policy is too restrictive, too open, or about right?
- Does the increasing use of foreign languages in the United States concern you?
- Do you believe the U.S. can continue to absorb an unlimited number of immigrants without adversely affecting the economic and social fabric of the nation?
- Are you aware of the number of immigrants that are allowed into America yearly?
- Do you think more or fewer immigrants should be allowed into America annually?
- Are you concerned about open borders that allow drugs, diseases and criminals to enter America?

Your completely candid answers to these and other questions are extremely important to helping Congress and the Department of Homeland Security (which includes U. S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement – ICE) gather data to evaluate and determine whether or not to institute proposed major reforms in U.S. Immigration policy.

So please take a moment to complete this questionnaire and return it <u>within the</u> <u>next seven days</u>. Your answers will be coded for anonymity and kept strictly confidential. So please be completely candid and honest with your answers.

The reason you are being asked to participate in this questionnaire is because, for the first time since the "open border" immigration changes of the 1960s, there is a serious debate on regaining control of our borders and restoring immigration levels to historic and successful norms, but there is also a serious push underway by President Barack Obama to further loosen limits on immigration. President Obama and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi have characterized immigration law enforcement by ICE officers as "terrorism," and workplace raids against businesses employing illegal aliens have been halted.

Hearings, town hall meetings, legislative sessions, editorial discussions and frank and open debates are being held in Washington, DC and throughout the country in greater and greater frequency to gauge public sentiment on this controversial issue.

This ongoing debate has been precipitated by U.S. census projections indicating that if we continue on our current course, the U.S. population will nearly double and we will become what has been described as a "majority-minority" nation, with "non-Hispanic whites accounting for barely half of all residents."

The impact of the growing use of Spanish and other foreign languages in our schools, our economy and our political and social fabric has also increased the call in many corners of the nation to re-think our "open border" immigration policy.

Some elected officials, columnists and policy experts are being increasingly candid in their questioning and criticism of current policy, and polls indicate that if the current momentum continues, Congress could soon enact serious immigration reform. But strong public sentiment regarding this sensitive issue remains uncertain.

That is why you are being contacted now, and why it is so important that you return your questionnaire promptly.

This survey could play a vital role in increasing the momentum toward a major rethinking and reform of U.S. immigration policy by helping establish an objective statistical sampling of the general public's accurate sentiments regarding this issue.

This is not a government sponsored project. It is financed and organized by a non-partisan, non-profit federally recognized 501(c)4 tax exempt organization representing hundreds of thousands of citizens, voters and taxpayers.

This survey represents the largest national, state-by-state campaign to provide stated toward ever-increasing levels of immigration into the U.S. Its ultimate focus is to build public awareness and support in every state for the movement to restore traditional limits on America's immigration policy.

This is recognized as being increasingly important in light of the fact that America today has the most unrestricted immigration policy in our modern history: Even in the current recession, immigrants — legal and illegal — continue to pour into our country.

Whether this is good or bad for America is the subject of much debate and demagoguery. But what is indisputable is that no other issue is having a more profound impact on every facet of American life.

Data supporting U.S. Census projections clearly indicate that if we stay on our current course, our population will double this century; English will no longer be our clear, predominant language; and we will become what is increasingly being described as a "New America;" or "A Very Different Nation²;" or "The Changing Face of America³;" or the "Browning of America⁴."

Indeed, evidence of the process of transforming America through the current virtually unrestricted immigration flow is mounting daily. For example:

- It has been estimated that services for immigrants, legal and illegal, cost taxpayers

² U.S. News & World Report

³ The New York Times

⁴ Newsweek Magazine

- almost \$87 billion a year.
- Ineffective bilingual education programs cost taxpayers over \$12 billion each year.
- English as America's primary language is eroding, with drivers' licenses, voting ballots and citizenship ceremonies now being offered in dozens of languages.
- It has been estimated that 400,000 foreigners collect SSI benefits from the Social Security Administration without having to work in America.
- According to some projections, immigration costs U.S.-born workers \$133 BILLION a year in job losses.⁵
- Households headed by illegal aliens receive an estimated \$2.5 billion in Medicaid benefits each year, as well as \$1.9 billion in programs such as food stamps and free school lunches.
- Research indicates that immigrants are almost 50% more likely to get welfare than native-born Americans.
- Over half of our nation's population growth is due to immigration.

Again, whether these changes are ultimately good or bad for our nation is the subject of much heated debate. But as the organization sponsoring this questionnaire, Americans for Immigration Control, Incorporated (AIC), we are working to make the politicians face the issue of unrestricted immigration and bring responsible leadership to this issue. To be effective we need your participation.

Specifically, to help us establish a climate of opinion that will lead toward responsible immigration reforms, we need you to answer this questionnaire.

Your name will not be used. AIC will release the total results of this survey to newspapers, TV and radio stations across America. We will give the results to every Senator and Congressman on Capitol Hill. We will make sure that news programs and talk-shows from coast to coast get a copy.

In short we will make this an issue that can no longer be ignored, swept under the rug or dismissed with phony solutions. So please — fill out and return your questionnaire immediately so we can release the results to your elected officials and the media. Together, we can make a real difference in the future of America... if we move fast!

And at the same time, we would like to invite you to support this project by including a contribution of \$15, \$25, \$100 or whatever you can afford to help support this campaign to reform America's immigration policy.

AIC, the nation's largest immigration group working to bring about common-sense change in our policy, is totally citizen-supported. We do not have the backing of any interest group, lobbying organization or foreign country. Every dime we have to spend on this effort to alert our politicians comes from individual Americans... like you.

So please — send what you can. Even just a \$10 contribution will be extremely helpful. But if you can send more — \$15, \$25, \$50 or more, please do so. Because there is hope for change — if we can demonstrate to the Obama Administration and Congress that

there is a broad public sentiment in favor of reasonable limitations on the level of immigration.

Immigrants continue to come to America in massive numbers — more than to nearly all other developed nations of the world combined — thousands each day, hundreds of thousands each month, millions each year. Indeed, since 1970 the percent of immigrant vs. native-born Americans has doubled. Today we may have as many as FIVE TIMES the number of illegal aliens in the U.S. as we did just 18 years ago.

And so our schools continue to get more strained, an estimated 15 million Americans are unemployed, and almost 40 million Americans are living at or below the poverty level, our cities continue to get more crowded, our welfare rolls continue to rise, our tax burden continues to increase.

We believe it is time to address this issue honestly and openly, and open up the debate to the American citizens. There may be no clear wrong or right answer to all of these complex issues. We believe it simply makes common, prudent sense to at least re-consider the path we are on and open the debate to the American people as to whether America's "open door" immigration policy should continue as is, or should be revised.

If you do not participate in this project, the issue will be decided for you — and America will continue on its course toward what many feel will be irreversible changes in the economic and social fabric of our nation — toward what some are already calling "A New America."

How do you feel about this? Please let our leaders and legislators know by completing and returning this questionnaire. And include the most generous contribution you can afford — \$15, \$25, \$50, \$100 or more — to help sustain and expand this important campaign.

Sincerely,

Bob Goldsborough, President

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P.S. The purpose of this survey is to determine the views of the "average American" regarding the high levels of immigration going on in America today. The findings of this survey could have a dramatic impact on how Congress votes to set America's immigration policy over the next decade. So please take a few moments to answer the enclosed questions and return them by the date indicated. Even if you choose not to answer any of the questions, please return your unmarked survey for statistical accuracy.

Thank you for your prompt help.