U.S. Citizenship for Illegal Immigrants Must Be Denied

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Outline

1. Introduction: The U.S. government should not allow immigrants who are here illegally to become U.S. citizens because they could mean the endangering of the nation and its citizen’s safety, because they can have a negative impact on resources, jobs, and services in the country, because they are breaking the law and because the Catholic Church Catechism teaches that those immigrants are not respecting the heritage of that particular country they are entering.
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Illegal immigration into the United States should not be permitted and should repeatedly be stood against and condemned. Illegal immigrants are those who enter a nation without its permission and they should not receive authorization to be in the country legally. Illegal immigrants possess a possibility for potential terrorism. Illegal immigrants can negatively impact a nation’s capitals and service industries. Immigrants who enter the United States illegally break the law. The Catholic Church teaches that illegal immigration should not be how immigrants enter a nation. Illegal immigrants, mainly because of these previous statements, should not be legalized to stay in the United States. The U.S. government should not allow immigrants who are here illegally to become United States citizens because they could endanger the nation and its citizen’s safety, because they can have a negative impact on resources, jobs, and services in the country, because they are breaking the law and because the Catholic Church Catechism teaches that those immigrants are not respecting the heritage of that particular country they are entering.

Illegal immigrants coming into the United States could present a dangerous possibility and as a result the U.S. government should not allow those illegal immigrants to become U.S. citizens. The United States could be endangered by illegal immigrants because illegal immigration affects national security. Illegal immigration might contain seriously harmful consequences for the U.S. safety as a nation.[[1]](#footnote-1) Illegal immigrants could be terrorists and bring terrorism into the nation. Illegal immigrants with harmful intentions could enter unnoticed, and undetected, making way for dangerous intentions.[[2]](#footnote-2) Attention must be used to prevent intrusion

making way for possible destruction on the surrounding people inside the U.S.[[3]](#footnote-3) In addition, the United States has more than eleven million illegal immigrants continuing to live inside its borders, which makes the U.S. not a safe nation. A conservative columnist named Sam Francis says that an overcrowded nation because of illegal immigrants “is not a nation experiencing immigration, it is a nation experiencing invasion and conquest.” Also, the columnist Francis says that too much illegal immigration into one nation is aggression toward that nation.[[4]](#footnote-4) Illegal immigration threatens the United States. because the illegal immigrants could have deadly intentions, which are focused on targeting our nation.[[5]](#footnote-5) Some illegal immigrants may attempt to intrude past the unprotected borders of the United States to find a chance to hurt the nation.[[6]](#footnote-6) Potential attack could come from the illegal immigrants.[[7]](#footnote-7) In fact, the United States is a nation which has more than 300,000 immigrants entering illegally each year.[[8]](#footnote-8)Illegal immigrants entering into the United States should not become U.S. citizens because of the dangerous possibility they could present.

Illegal immigrants should be prevented from becoming U.S. citizens because they could threaten the safety of the United States. In fact, violence is abundant in U.S. cities, especially in Phoenix, Arizona, by illegal immigrants.[[9]](#footnote-9) Violence by illegal immigrants threatens families and communities.[[10]](#footnote-10) U.S. citizens are terrorized, robbed, and murdered by illegal immigrants.[[11]](#footnote-11) Some illegal immigrants into the United States have made good contributions to the nation, but others are found to be drug dealers and other violent criminals. An additional concern to allowing illegal immigrants to become U.S. citizens is drugs. Illegal immigrants frequently bring drugs into the United States.[[12]](#footnote-12) Furthermore, some illegal immigrants in the U.S. are involved in drug-related kidnappings.[[13]](#footnote-13) Illegal immigrants becoming U.S. citizens should not be permitted due to the possibility of threatening the safety of the United States as a nation.

The U.S. has a large population, but with new surges of illegal immigrants intruding, the population could become an overflow and could create quality-of-life issues. This should present firm reasons and emphasize why the U.S. government should not allow illegal immigrants to become U.S. citizens. Illegal immigrants take away needs necessary for the U.S. Illegal immigrants present a negative impact on quality-of-life issues by draining on the resources of the U.S.[[14]](#footnote-14) The United States has used considerable amounts of resources to attempt to stop the flow of illegal immigrants.[[15]](#footnote-15) It can become burdensome because the situation deals with money. Our borders need to be protected from illegal immigrants entering because it is expensive to detain every immigrant found. It costs American tax payers about $160 per detainee per day-which comes to about $2 billion annually.[[16]](#footnote-16) When immigrants enter illegally into the country, they drain services of the U.S. Illegal immigration degrades quality-of-life issues such as community health.[[17]](#footnote-17) Illegal immigrants take jobs from American workers, in addition to suppressing wages for Americans in certain low-skill jobs.[[18]](#footnote-18) With the nation’s resources being drained by illegal immigrants it is necessary to prevent them from becoming U.S. citizens.

Immigrants are law breakers when they enter the United States illegally, so they should not be allowed to become U.S. citizens. Illegal immigrants enter the nation without legalized permission. They fraudulently enter the United States. Illegal immigrants at ports of entry in the United States present fraudulent documents in order to obtain entry into the nation. Immigrants use visas to legally enter into the United States, but their entry becomes illegal when they overstay their legally authorized period.[[19]](#footnote-19) The immigrants with visas in the United States do not obey the law when they overuse the legalized stay time that has been given to them.[[20]](#footnote-20) The illegal immigrants who overuse visas are calculated to be about forty percent of the total illegal immigrant population.[[21]](#footnote-21) The immigrant visa users who come into the United States are first legalized to enter and stay for an allotted time, until they sometimes stay several weeks and even a couple months over the actual time they were supposed to stay. [[22]](#footnote-22) Illegal immigrants enter the United States and during their illegal stay they expect compliance to their expectations. Illegal immigrants come to the United States in hopes that they will discover some reason to be able to obtain a green card and eventually become a citizen. If some illegal immigrants believe they might get a benefit by breaking the law, other illegal immigrants might attempt to do the same.[[23]](#footnote-23) In addition, while illegal immigrants trespass over the border, most are detained, and then sent back to the country they came from. Instead of staying in that country, they break the law again upon attempting to trespass over the border a second time. Again, some illegal immigrants are returned to the country they came from, while others enter this time without being caught. The second time returned illegal immigrants violate the law, further, upon future multiple times of trespassing.[[24]](#footnote-24) Illegal immigrants entering the country in hopes of becoming U.S. citizens should not be allowed by the U.S. government to become legalized U.S. citizens because they have seriously broken the law, in the first place, instead of entering the United States legally.

Immigrants who have entered the United States illegally should not be permitted by the U.S. government to become U.S. citizens because the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches that immigrants who go to a country must respect the "heritage of that particular country." The Catechism of the Catholic Church has reasons for limiting immigration. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that immigrants must respect the heritage of that particular country. That means that illegal entry is not permitted, only respect should be shown to a country who receives the immigrants. Respect is not shown by illegal entry into any country. The Catholic Church standpoint is not uncertain as to how immigrants should treat the country. The Catechism of the Catholic Church explains that the nation that has immigrants entering it has the right to limit immigration. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that the nation could be pictured as a family. [[25]](#footnote-25) Whereby, immigration would be limited to ensure the family’s safety. Furthermore, the Catechism of the Catholic Church says that a family must first provide for its children, and the

same provision should be taken to provide for the nation, before providing for immigrants.[[26]](#footnote-26) The Catholic Church firmly states that to whatever country the immigrants come, illegal entry is not respectful to that country's graciousness in receiving them, than if they would have come in legally. As a result, illegal immigrants should be prevented from becoming U.S. citizens because they have entered the United States illegally without respect for the nation’s heritage which is its laws.

Illegal immigrants who have illegally come into the U.S. should not be allowed by the U.S. government to become U.S. citizens because of four main reasons which are illegal immigrants possessing possible danger to the U.S. nation, illegal immigrants negatively impacting the U.S., illegal immigrants breaking the law, and the Catechism of the Catholic Church statement of respect by illegal immigrants for the country. Illegal immigrants could possibly be terrorists intending to harm the U.S. nation. Illegal immigrants drain the U.S. nation’s resources, jobs, and services. Illegal entry into the United States breaks the law. Illegal immigrants are not respecting the U.S. nation by illegally entering into the U.S. because the Catechism of the Catholic Church upholds that respect should be shown by immigrants to wherever they are coming into. In conclusion, these previous four reasons firmly prove that illegal immigrants who immigrate illegally should not be allowed by the U.S. government to obtain legalized citizenship into the U.S.

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