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SUBJECT:

ILLEGAL ALIENS IN THE U.S.

What's the Administration doing to assist in the passage of  
H.R.982?

**GUIDANCE:** The Department of Justice has testified in support of this bill in both the House and Senate.

In addition, in his message to Congress on September 12, President Ford listed his priority legislation that should be passed before Congress adjourns this year. Included as priority legislation is the "Illegal Aliens" legislation. President Ford stated that this legislation "is necessary to establish clear guidelines regarding the law for employment of aliens who work in this country. The House has already passed a bill. I would hope the Senate could consider this measure during the fall term."



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What about the one million aliens holding jobs in the United States illegally?  
What is the Administration doing about this?

**GUIDANCE:** Last month the President ~~sent~~ sent to Congress a supplemental request for 3.5 million dollars for the Immigration and Naturalization Service to assist them improving the border patrol. In addition there is a bill pending on the Hill, H. R. 928, which would make it illegal for an employer to hire an alien who was not properly certified. In addition, we have talked with the Mexican government about this problem.

**FYI ONLY:** We will be establishing a Committee to study the problem but won't be announcing this and other action until ~~after~~ the State of the Union Message.

