Temporary Citizenship Markets: A Radical And Fair Solution to Immigration

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# Introduction

Suppose the NFL Commissioner decides to distribute Super Bowl tickets under a rules system. Fans are now required to submit a form with personal information, education levels, current and previous employment, their skills, and answers to questions on why they think they should be given a ticket to attend the Super Bowl. You can quickly see how problematic this system is. The NFL would need additional staff to process the paperwork and assess every applicant against each other, rank them, and finally assign tickets based on internal criteria unbeknownst to applicants.

Alternatively, suppose now the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) Director decides to distribute visas under a price system. The USCIS publishes a schedule of visas and their respective prices, applicants review visa conditions, and submit forms and the visa fee to the USCIS. Unless there are red flags with one’s application, the USCIS approves the candidate’s application and they are allowed into the United States. You are also likely to oppose this proposal, fearing that ill-intended individuals will apply and that this policy discriminates against poor people who cannot afford visa prices.