**Get in Line!**

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Which line should I get in?

Should I go to the random lottery line,

Calculative employment line,

Obscure family line,

Or the impossible-to-qualify-for refugee line?⁠1

You know what?

I will make my own line since you haven’t given me one.

And who’s going to stop me?

Not the businesses, since they get money.⁠2

Not the great Trump Wall, since visas aren’t checked.⁠3

Not the government, since they get taxes.⁠4

“Wetback”

Work or Rights

Technical Rights⁠5

But None Protected⁠6

These things should stop me, but

They don’t.

What else should stop me is the

3000-4000 dollar fees that go to⁠7

Cartel Bribes

Government Bribes

Legal Crimes

72 Undocumented Immigrants lined up and executed⁠8

Illegal Crimes

Kidnapping, Sexual Violence, Cartel Violence (if the bribes aren’t enough

But apparently not.

I am an immigrant.

I will keep making my new lines to the US

Until there’s a line back to me.

1 "Why Don’t They Just Get in Line?," American Immigration Council, last modified March 14, 2013, accessed May 27, 2016, http://www.immigrationpolicy.org/just-facts/why-don%E2%80%99t-they-just-get-line.

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The actual immigration quotas are much lower than the business needs for labor. It’s possible that quotas are kept low to incentivize illegal immigration so businesses save money (undocumented immigrants do not have any workers rights like minimum wage).

3 Stephen Dinan, "99 percent of illegal immigrants who overstay visas aren’t investigated," The Washington Times, last modified January 20, 2016, accessed May 29, 2016, http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2016/jan/20/illegal-immigrants-who-overstay-visas-rarely-inves/?page=all.

4 Andrew Soergel, "'Undocumented' Immigrants Pay Billions in Taxes," UsNews, last modified March 1, 2016, accessed May 29, 2016, http://www.usnews.com/news/articles/2016-03-01/study-undocumented-immigrants-pay-billions-in-taxes.

5 "Are Illegal Immigrants Protected By Labor And Employment Laws?," The Warshawsky Firm, last modified February 4, 2013, accessed May 30, 2016, http://warshawskylawfirm.com/lawyer/2013/02/04/Employment-Law/Are-Illegal-Immigrants-Protected-By-Labor-And-Employment-Laws\_bl6663.htm; "Undocumented Workers: Employment Rights," Legal Aid Society- Employment Law Center, accessed May 30, 2016, https://las-elc.org/fact-sheets/undocumented-workers-employment-rights.

6 Ibid.

They technically have workers rights, in the sense that they are employed, and all employees (undocumented or not) are entitled to basic rights like minimum wage. However, if those rights are not respected, the undocumented immigrant has no legal recourse since the Employer would report them to ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement).

7 "Human Smuggling Fees." Open Borders The Case. 2012. Accessed June 14, 2016. http://openborders.info/human-smuggling-fees/.

8 Walser, Ray, Jena McNeill, and Jessica Zuckerman. "The Human Tragedy of Illegal Immigration: Greater Efforts Needed to Combat Smuggling and Violence." The Heritage Foundation. June 22, 2011. Accessed June 14, 2016. http://www.heritage.org/research/reports/2011/06/the-human-tragedy-of-illegal-immigration-greater-efforts-needed-to-combat-smuggling-and-violence.