A Federal Jury Indicts 2 In Immigration Scheme

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A <u>Federal immigration</u> investigator and a Long Island businessman were <u>indicted</u> yesterday on charges involving an <u>immigration</u>-fraud <u>scheme</u> in which the investigator allegedly sold his influence to help foreigners enter or remain in the United States. Law enforcement officials said the indictment was an indirect outgrowth of the Abscam investigation of corruption.

Federal immigration investigator and Long Island businessman are indicted in immigration-fraud scheme

A second businessman was cited as an unindicted co-conspirator in the alleged <u>scheme</u>. The 15-count indictment was handed up by a <u>Federal</u> grand <u>jury</u> in Brooklyn. The prosecutor in the case, Laura A. Brevetti, said the three men had been promised a total of \$15,800 in payments and had received \$7,300 from various foreigners who were aided.

The defendants were identified as Gerard W. Gentile, 33 years old, of Commack, L.I., an investigator for the *Immigration* and Naturalization Service, and Manuel Horacio Lima de Jesus, 40, of Great Neck, L.I., the businessman. The unindicted alleged coconspirator was identified as Dieter Schmidt, 36, a former businessman now living in Florida.

At their arraignment in <u>Federal</u> Court in Brooklyn last night, Mr. Gentile and Mr. de Jesus pleaded not guilty and were released pending further court proceedings.

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