

**Skilled or Not, Immigrants Aid U.S. Economy;  
Pandering to Bias**

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To the Editor:

Your May 27 editorial "Immigrants and the Economy" pointed out the lack of foundation for anti-immigrant sentiments based upon the economy. Such sentiments are sadly widespread and have even found a place in the New York State Lottery's promotion of one of its products. One ad reads: "In 2007 intelligent life will be discovered on Mars. Then they'll come here and take your job." When the government of a state with a high immigrant population panders to anti-immigrant prejudice in such a fashion, it's clear that much needs to be done to re-educate ourselves and our leaders.

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