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White House officials have issued a discussion document on immigration that calls for legislation that would grant legal status to illegal immigrants and guest workers, but would not put them on a *path* to *citizenship*. It would allow illegal immigrants to remain in the country indefinitely, under certain conditions, and would require guest workers to leave the country after six years. The document, drafted after several meetings with Republican senators, was designed to garner broad Republican support for key immigration principals. Democratic and Republican senators are negotiating in hope of coming to a consensus on an immigration bill. RACHEL L. SWARNS

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