

SECURITY CHANGES INCLUDE NEW IMMIGRANT ID CARDS

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Immigrants to Canada will get a new plastic photo ID card instead of papers that are easily forged, the government said Friday -- the latest security measure since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States.

Immigration officials also will have broader powers to detain and deport anyone trying to enter the country illegally, Immigration Minister Elinor Caplan told a news conference at the border crossing at Niagara Falls.

The tighter immigration measures follow earlier announcements this week that Canada was spending \$165 million to bolster security at airports, toughen anti-terrorism laws and crack down on immigration fraud in response to the attacks in New York and Washington.

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