

105TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 2210

For the relief of certain aliens residing at 37–54 93d Street, Jackson Heights,  
New York and 104–15 34th Avenue, Corona, New York.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 22, 1997

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ introduced the following bill; which was referred to the  
Committee on the Judiciary

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## A BILL

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Jackson Heights, New York and 104–15 34th Avenue,  
Corona, New York.

1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. PERMANENT RESIDENT STATUS FOR CERTAIN**  
4                       **ALIENS RESIDING IN JACKSON HEIGHTS AND**  
5                       **CORONA, NEW YORK.**

6       (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a)  
7       and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality  
8       Act, any alien described in subsection (b) of this Act shall  
9       be eligible for issuance of an immigrant visa or for adjust-  
10      ment of status to that of an alien lawfully admitted for

1 permanent residence upon filing an application for issu-  
2 ance of an immigrant visa under section 204 of such Act  
3 or for adjustment of status to lawful permanent resident.

4 (b) ALIENS ELIGIBLE.—An alien described in this  
5 subsection is any alien from among the Mexicans, many  
6 of whom are hearing impaired and mute, who—

7 (1) were abducted from their country, or de-  
8 ceived by another person into coming to the United  
9 States, after which they were forced into servitude in  
10 Jackson Heights or Corona in Queens, New York;  
11 and

12 (2) were residing at 37–54 93d Street, Jackson  
13 Heights, New York, or 104–15 34th Avenue, Co-  
14 rona, New York, on July 19, 1997, the day on which  
15 their status and living conditions were brought to  
16 the attention of law enforcement authorities.

17 (c) ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS.—If an alien described  
18 in subsection (b) enters the United States before the filing  
19 deadline specified in subsection (d), he or she shall be con-  
20 sidered to have entered and remained lawfully and shall,  
21 if otherwise eligible, be eligible for adjustment of status  
22 under section 245 of the Immigration and Nationality Act  
23 as of the date of the enactment of this Act.

24 (d) DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION.—Subsections (a)  
25 and (c) shall apply only if the application for issuance of

1 an immigrant visa or the application for adjustment of  
2 status is filed within 2 years after the date of the enact-  
3 ment of this Act.

4 (e) NO OFFSET IN NUMBER OF VISAS AVAILABLE.—  
5 When an alien is granted the status of having been law-  
6 fully admitted for permanent residence pursuant to this  
7 Act, the Secretary of State shall not be required to reduce  
8 the number of immigrant visas authorized to be issued  
9 under the Immigration and Nationality Act and the Attor-  
10 ney General shall not be required to charge the alien any  
11 fee.

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