



Unintended Consequences:

Considering Mexico's Stability when
Designing U.S. Immigration Reform

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Motivators of Mexican Migration

Mexico's unfulfilled economic promises

Mexico's increasing criminality

Mexico's weak institutions

Large, established Mexican immigrant group

Obstacles to Mexican Middle-Class Migration



Visa distribution



Economic circumstances



Social integration

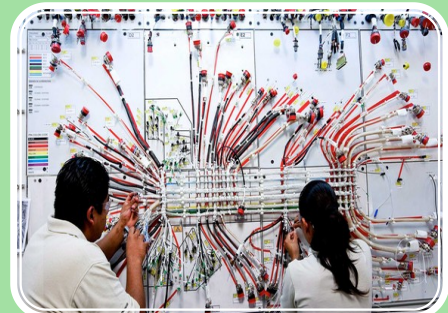
Proposed U.S. Immigration Reforms



Undocumented
immigrants



Immigrant
youth



Immigrant
workers

After Reform: Mitigated Obstacles to Migration

Motivators of Mexican migration

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U.S. OBSTACLES TO MIDDLE-CLASS MEXICAN MIGRATION

Visa
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Economic
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Social
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Possible consequences for Mexico

 Effect reduced

 Effect eliminated

Outcome 1: Loss of leadership and skilled labor



Outcome 2: Limited Remittances from Middle Class



Outcome 3: Reduced Job Creation



Effect of Mexico's Instability on U.S. Security



Cross-border violence



Deteriorating economic ties



Instability in Central America

Conclusion



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