

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION

WASHINGTON

ADDRESS REPLY TO  
COMMISSIONER GENERAL OF IMMIGRATION.  
AND REFER TO

No. 55409/General

June 2, 1925.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE COMMISSIONER-GENERAL:

In re: Salary obligation of the border patrol force.

The table next hereunder shows the authorized number of employees and the annual salary obligation of that force:

32 Inspectors in Charge	⊙	\$2460	\$ 78,720 ✓
(9) Immigrant Inspectors	⊙	1860	16,740
454 Patrol Inspectors	⊙	1740	789,960
32 Clerks	⊙	1440	46,080
2 Motor Mechanics	⊙	1740	3,480
<u>1 Charwoman</u>	⊙	<u>72</u>	<u>72</u>
530			\$935,052

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454*

*935,000  
348  
1283*

Our appropriation for border patrol is \$1,000,000, and after deducting the reserve of \$20,000 there remains \$980,000 for immediate allotment.

The annual salary obligation of our present force of 495, as of June 1, is \$855,692. Deducting \$5,692 for lapses, we will need about \$850,000 to carry our present force during the fiscal year 1926, which is 35 employees short of the authorized strength.

This leaves only \$130,000 for other expenses, including the purchase of additional motor vehicles. On the basis of this year's expenditures we will require about \$250,000 next year for expenses other than salaries. It is therefore apparent that our salary roll must be brought down to about \$750,000.

This can be accomplished by reducing the authorized force of patrol inspectors about 17%, or 80 inspectors, if the total reduction is to be made from the inspector force. The following tabulation shows the number of patrol inspectors now authorized for each district, the percentage reduction for each district, the number of remaining inspectors and the patrol inspector force as of June 1:



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<u>District</u>	<u>Number P/I authorized</u>	<u>Reduction</u>	<u>Number P/I remaining</u>	<u>P/I on duty June 1</u>
Montreal	40	7	33	39
Buffalo	21	3	18	19
Jacksonville	17	3	14	17
Detroit	34	6	28	32
Grand Forks	36	6	30	36
San Antonio	83	15	68	81
El Paso	96	16	80	84
Spokane	36	6	30	34
Seattle	22	4	18	22
Los Angeles	66	11	55	57
Galveston	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>
	454	80	374	424

If the reduction in personnel above suggested is made, the following force would remain:

31 Inspectors in Charge	\$ 73,800
9 Immigrant Inspectors	16,740
374 Patrol Inspectors	650,760
28 Clerks	40,320
2 Motor Mechanics	3,360
<u>1 Charwoman</u>	<u>72</u>
445	Total - \$ 785,052

As already stated, \$750,000 should be about the maximum expenditure for salaries next year, and it is estimated that the difference of \$35,000 shown in the preceding table would be taken up by reason of lapses, resignations, etc.

Approximately \$722,000 will be expended for salaries this year.

As it is necessary to make allotments to the field for the fiscal year 1926, the matter is respectfully brought to your attention for instructions as to the amount which should be allotted for salaries so that the field may be notified before July 1 as to its authorized force and the amount available for allotment for other expenses.

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