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For the relief of certain aliens who were aboard the Golden Venture.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. SMITH of New Jersey introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

A BILL

For the relief of certain aliens who were aboard the Golden Venture.

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. ADJUSTMENT OF STATUS FOR CERTAIN ALIENS**
4 **WHO WERE ABOARD THE GOLDEN VENTURE.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subsections (a)
6 and (b) of section 201 of the Immigration and Nationality
7 Act (8 U.S.C. 1151), the Secretary of Homeland Security
8 shall adjust the status of each alien referred to in sub-
9 section (b) to that of an alien lawfully admitted for perma-
10 nent residence, if the alien—

11 (1) applies for such adjustment;

1 (2) has been physically present in the United
2 States for at least 1 year and is physically present
3 in the United States on the date the application for
4 such adjustment is filed;

5 (3) is admissible to the United States as an im-
6 migrant under the Immigration and Nationality Act
7 (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.), except that, for the pur-
8 poses of determining admissibility under this para-
9 graph, the grounds for inadmissibility specified in
10 paragraphs (4), (5), and (7)(A) and subparagraphs
11 (A), (D), and (E) of paragraph (6) of section 212(a)
12 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C.
13 1182(a)) shall not apply; and

14 (4) pays a fee (determined by the Secretary of
15 Homeland Security) for the processing of such appli-
16 cation.

17 (b) ALIENS ELIGIBLE FOR ADJUSTMENT OF STA-
18 TUS.—The adjustment of status provided for under sub-
19 section (a) shall apply to the following aliens:

20 (1) Zhu Zhai Yong.

21 (2) Dong Su Gi.

22 (3) Zhou Xin Siong.

23 (4) Zheng Shi Ji.

24 (5) Liu Bao Jin.

25 (6) Lin Yeng Ming.

1 (7) Zou Xue Can.

2 (8) Liu Jia Wen.

3 (9) Cheng Son Ching.

4 (10) Chen Xue Dian.

5 (11) Dek Fun Lin.

6 (12) Wang Dar Hua.

7 (13) Lin Rui Kang.

8 (14) Dong Sou Xing.

9 (15) Ni Zhou Hua.

10 (c) OFFSET IN NUMBER OF VISAS AVAILABLE.—

11 Upon each granting to an alien of the status of having
12 been lawfully admitted for permanent residence under this
13 section, the Secretary of State shall instruct the proper
14 officer to reduce by 1, during the current or next following
15 fiscal year, the total number of immigrant visas that are
16 made available to natives of the country of the alien's birth
17 under section 203(a) of the Immigration and Nationality
18 Act (8 U.S.C. 1153(a)) or, if applicable, the total number
19 of immigrant visas that are made available to natives of
20 the country of the alien's birth under section 202(e) of
21 such Act (8 U.S.C. 1152(e)).

22 (d) APPLICATION OF IMMIGRATION AND NATION-
23 ALITY ACT PROVISIONS.—The definitions contained in the
24 Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101 et seq.)
25 shall apply in the administration of this section. The fact

1 that an alien may be eligible to be granted the status of
2 having been lawfully admitted for permanent residence
3 under this section shall not preclude the alien from seek-
4 ing such status under any other provision of law for which
5 the alien may be eligible.

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