

Alien smuggling the Greek way is the most complicated and most expensive method of getting illegals into the U.S.—but also the most difficult to break up, Immigration and Naturalization sources said yesterday.

The technique involves lawyers, stand-in brides, subsequent annulments or divorces and perhaps later immigration of the aliens' legitimate families from Greece. Between 2,000 and 3,000 illegal Greeks come into New York City each year, the immigration service estimates.

Practically all of them are seamen who jump ship here and make their way to the so called "little Greece" in Astoria, Queens, where they seek restaurant jobs.

Unlike many illegals of other nationalities, the Greek aliens do not work for sub-scale wages. But many are willing to work long hours six days a week, and hence are in brisk demand. Immigration has traced them to jobs in Albany, Buffalo, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Columbus and Cleveland.

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