Bush calls for troops on border

In a move designed to win support from conservatives. President Bush plans to station thousands of National Guard troops along the Mexican border to help curtail illegal immigration, However, Mexican President Vicente Fox has expressed concern over the "militarisation"



of the border CALIFORNIA

National Guard: Will support Border Patrol, who keep primary responsability for quarding border

Border Patrol Sectors: Arrests for illegal entry to U.S. via Mexico in 2004 - 1,139,282

FI Paso

104.399

ARIZONA NEW MEXICO Tucson 491,771 Yuma

TEXAS 150 miles Marfa 10.530 Laredo

Del Rio

53.794

250km

74.706

McAllen 92.947

Border Patrol: 11.000 agents

San Diego 138,608 EL Centro 74.467

fence: Congress debating whether to construct two-layer fence along 1.125km of 3.220km Mexico-U.S. border.

98.060

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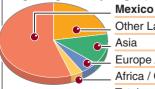
Around 500,000 enter U.S. illegally each year - mostly from Mexico without getting

caught

Mexico City

Illegal migrants by origin (millions, 2005)

Border



Other Latin America 2.5

1.5 Asia Europe / Canada 0.6

Africa / Other 0.4

Total 11.5 million Livina in U.S.

(millions, 1980-2005) 1980: 1989: 3.0 2.5

1990 1980

2000

2005:

11.5m

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, Pew Hispanic Centre, USCIS, CBP Pictures: AP @ GRAPHIC NEWS

Fencing already exists along 160km of border near cities

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