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conclusion, but none will be able to dismiss his views lightly. Powerfully argued by one of the world's leading political philosophers on the
issue, The Ethics of Immigration is a landmark work on one of the most
 important global social trends of our era.