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The Intertwined History of Chinese in Cuba and the United States

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Abstract:

The paper will address the intertwined dynamics of Chinese immigration to Cuba and to the United States from the mid-1800s to today. It will look at the consequences for Chinese Cubans and Chinese Americans of the interrelated yet divergent courses of the class struggle in Cuba and the United States over the last 150 years and address the question: how has discrimination against men and women of Chinese descent been virtually eliminated in Cuba today, while anti-Chinese racism, both blatant and subtle, flourishes elsewhere throughout the world, the United States and Canada included?