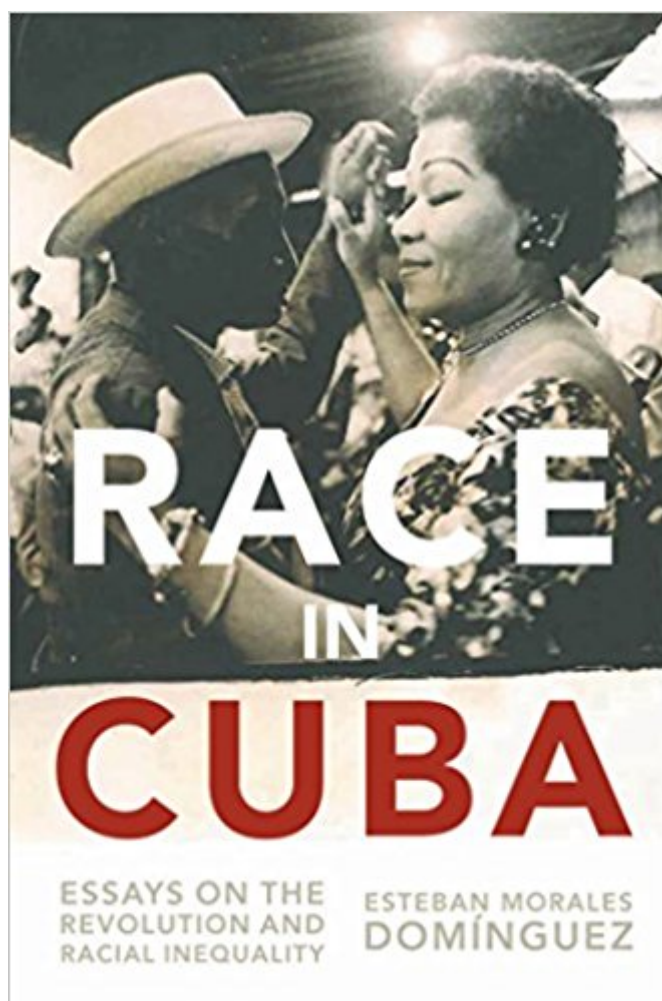


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As a young militant in the 26th of July Movement, Esteban Morales Domínguez participated in the overthrow of the Batista regime and the triumph of the Cuban Revolution. The revolutionaries, he understood, sought to establish a more just and egalitarian society. But Morales Domínguez, an Afro-Cuban, knew that the complicated question of race could not be ignored, or simply willed away in a post-revolutionary context. Today, he is one of Cuba's most prominent Afro-Cuban intellectuals and its leading authority on the race question. Available for the first time in English, the essays collected here describe the problem of racial inequality in Cuba, provide evidence of its existence, constructively criticize efforts by the Cuban political leadership to end discrimination, and point to a possible way forward. Morales Domínguez surveys the major advancements in race relations that occurred as a result of the revolution, but does not ignore continuing signs of inequality and discrimination. Instead, he argues that the revolution must be an ongoing process and that to truly transform society it must continue to confront the question of race in Cuba.

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has published more than a hundred theoretical articles; his 2007 book, *Desafios de la problemática racial en Cuba* (Challenges of the Racial Question in Cuba) was the first book-length academic publication on this subject by a scholar based in Cuba since the 1959 revolution. August Nimtz, Jr. is Professor of Political Science at the University of Minnesota. He is the author of *Marx, Tocqueville, and Race in America: The "Absolute Democracy" or "Defiled Republic"; Marx and Engels: Their Contribution to the Democratic Breakthrough*; and *Islam and Politics in East Africa: the Sufi Order in Tanzania*.

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