

# Revolutionary Threats, National Security States, and the Post Cold War: 1965-Present



## **PRESENTATION 6**

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# Alliance for Progress



# Alliance in Retreat



## I. Harsh Realities

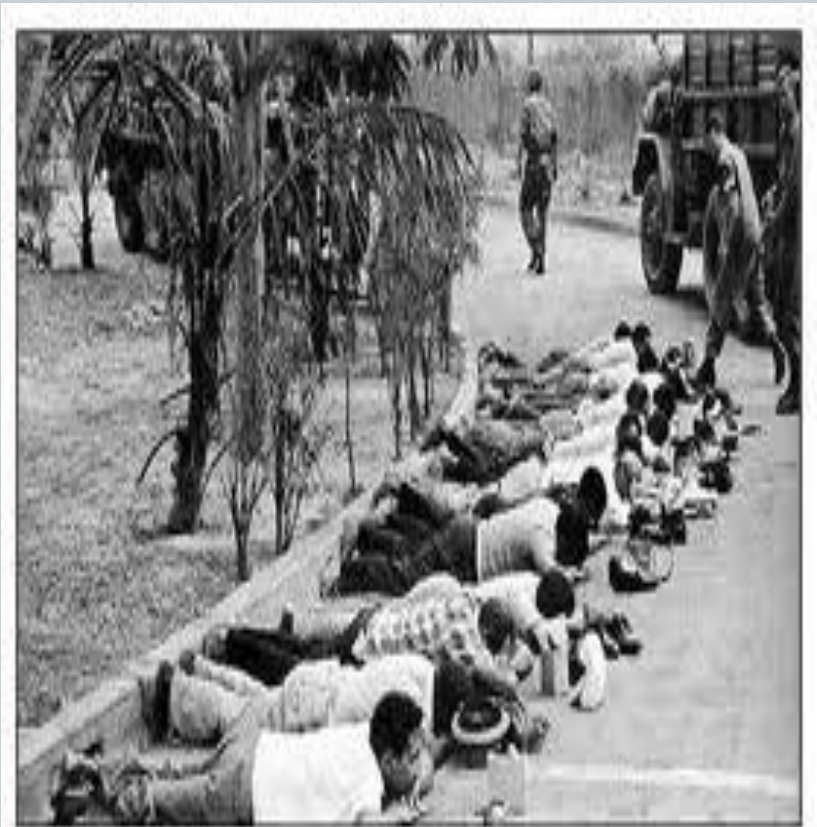
1. domestic politics and international economics
2. political instability
3. resentment of U.S. restrictions on use of aid funds
4. death of JFK in 1963
5. disenchantment in U.S. with foreign aid programs
6. diversion of attention and resources to Vietnam War

# Dominican Intervention



- I. “Progress and justice do not flourish at the point of a gun.” LBJ
  1. Lyndon Johnson – focus on Great Society
  2. Alliance for Progress - conventional aid program
  3. avoid “second Cuba”
  4. assassination of Rafael Trujillo in 1961 – instability
  5. civilian reformer Juan Bosch
  6. April 1965: rescue operation → peacekeeping mission
  7. wear down and isolate pro-Bosch forces
  8. Inter-American Peace Force
  9. intervention denounced throughout Latin America

# Dominican Crisis 1965



The U.S. invaded and occupied the Dominican Republic in 1965.

# Che Guevara Passport

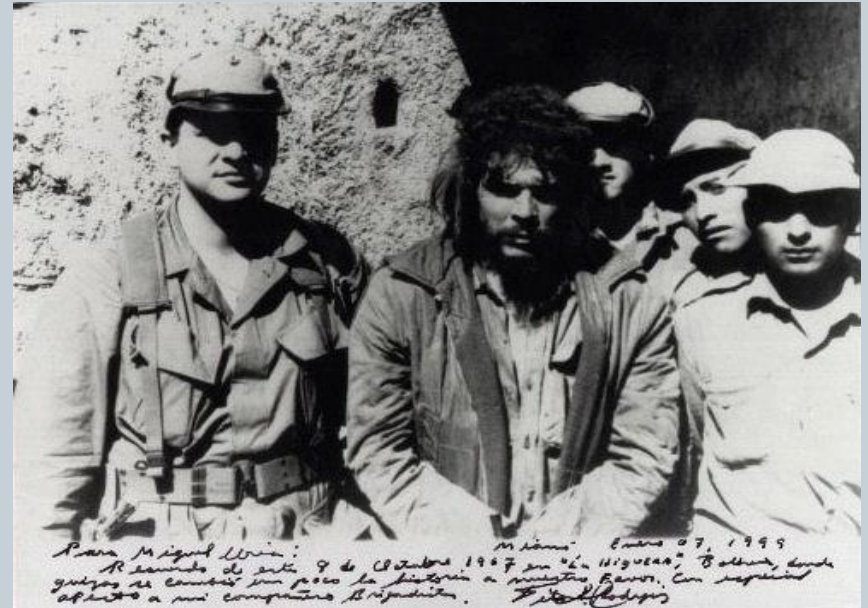


*Pasaporte falso de Ernesto "Che" Guevara*

# Che in Africa 1965: "This is the history of a failure."



# Che Guevara in Bolivia 1967





# Execution and Public Display



# Che Guevara Mausoleum, Santa Clara



# National Security States



## Counterinsurgency Strategies

1. guerrilla movements <—> military
  - a. revolutionary fervor
  - b. tyrannical governments sparked armed opposition
2. climax of struggle in 1960s
3. changing role for armed forces in Cold War
4. dedication to domestic order - internal threats to security
5. new military doctrine
  - a. U.S. training programs - School of the Americas
  - b. inter-American military brotherhood
  - c. enemies: rural or urban-based Marxist insurgencies
  - d. removal of civilian leaders who threatened stability
  - e. armed services could run countries more efficiently
    - 1) professional training
    - 2) sense of discipline
    - 3) dedication to national well-being
6. Cold War mission of Latin American military = nation-building

# Salvador Allende



# September 11, 1973



# Jimmy Carter, the Canal, and Human Rights



# Panama Canal Returned in December 1999

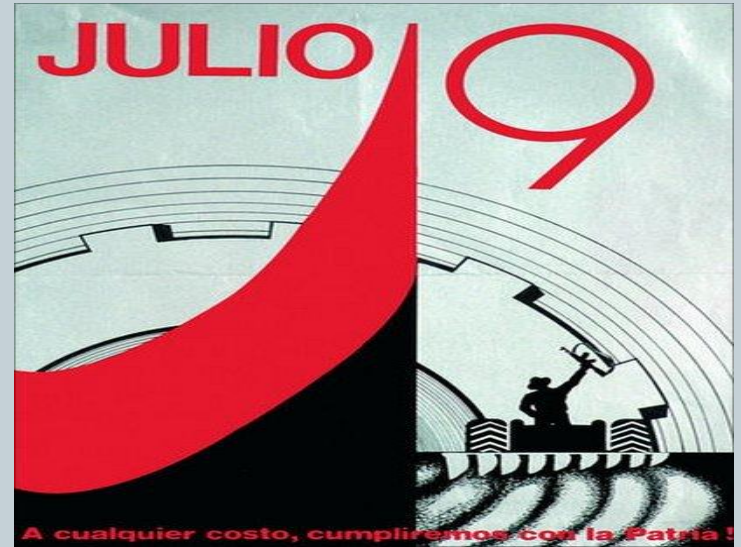


# Cuban Internationalism





# Sandinista Victory of July 19, 1979



# Fidel Castro and Daniel Ortega



# Ronald Reagan and the Heightening of the Cold War



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**TIME**  
Reagan's Secret Dealings With Iran

**TIME**  
"I was authorized to do everything that I did"  
— Oliver North

**TIME**  
HOW FAR DOES IT GO?

**The New York Times**  
NEW YORK, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1986

Completes Cabinet  
**BUSH PARDONS 6 IN IRAN AFFAIR, AVERTING A WEINBERGER TRIAL; PROSECUTOR ASSAILS 'COVER-UP'**

**THE IRAN-CONTRA AFFAIR**

**BUSH DIARY AT ISSUE**  
6-Year Inquiry Into Deal of Arms for Hostages Not Just Swept Away

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Once again the rightwing Republicans make a mockery of our nation.

# Struggle to End Decline of U.S. Power Worldwide



## Policy Change and New Perspectives

### 1. military and ideological threats

- a. rebel movements = Marxist
- b. Nicaragua = Soviet beachhead
- c. Contras = freedom fighters

### 2. return to containment:

repression to contain poor and fractious masses

### 3. upper-level officials: covert and overt use of force

Alexander Haig, Vernon Walters, Robert McFarlane, George Schulz

Jeane Kirkpatrick – “Central America is the most important place in the world for the United States today.”

“Dictatorships and Double Standards”

### 4. massive aid to support U.S. interests in Nicaragua and El Salvador

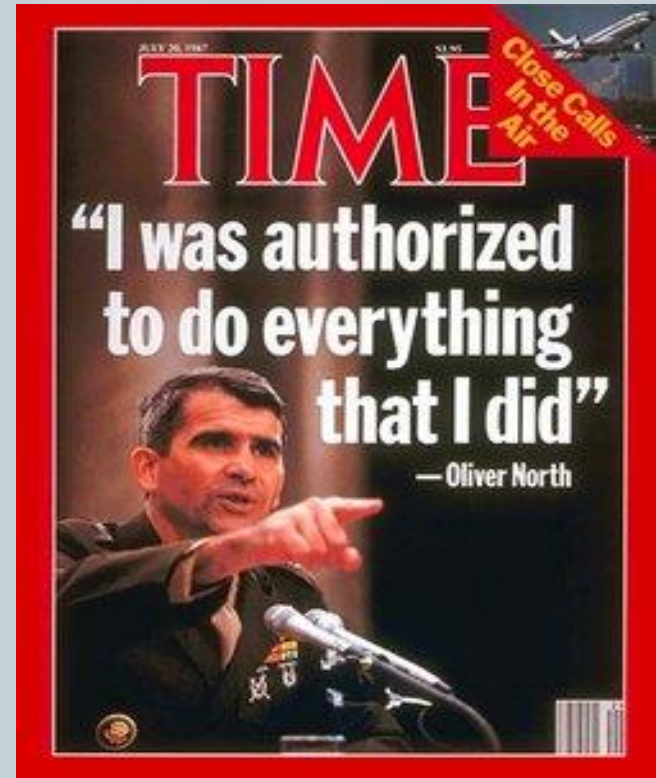
# Reagan Doctrine and Iran-Contra



## Plot Thickens

1. landslide reelection for Reagan in 1984
2. Reagan Doctrine: U.S. support for anti-Soviet insurgents
3. miscalculations of Daniel Ortega
4. military aid to Contras restored in June 1986
5. NSC, Robert McFarlane, and Lt. Colonel Oliver North
6. arms, hostages, and money for the Contras
7. role of retired Air Force General Richard Secord
8. affair unravels in October 1986 – plane shot down
9. congressional investigation and fallout – blow to Reagan's credibility and prestige

# Aftermath



# Operation Just Cause



# Contemporary Issues



1. consultation and cooperation with United States
2. challenges of development and inequality
3. Cuba
4. illegal drug trade
5. migration and immigration
6. Venezuela

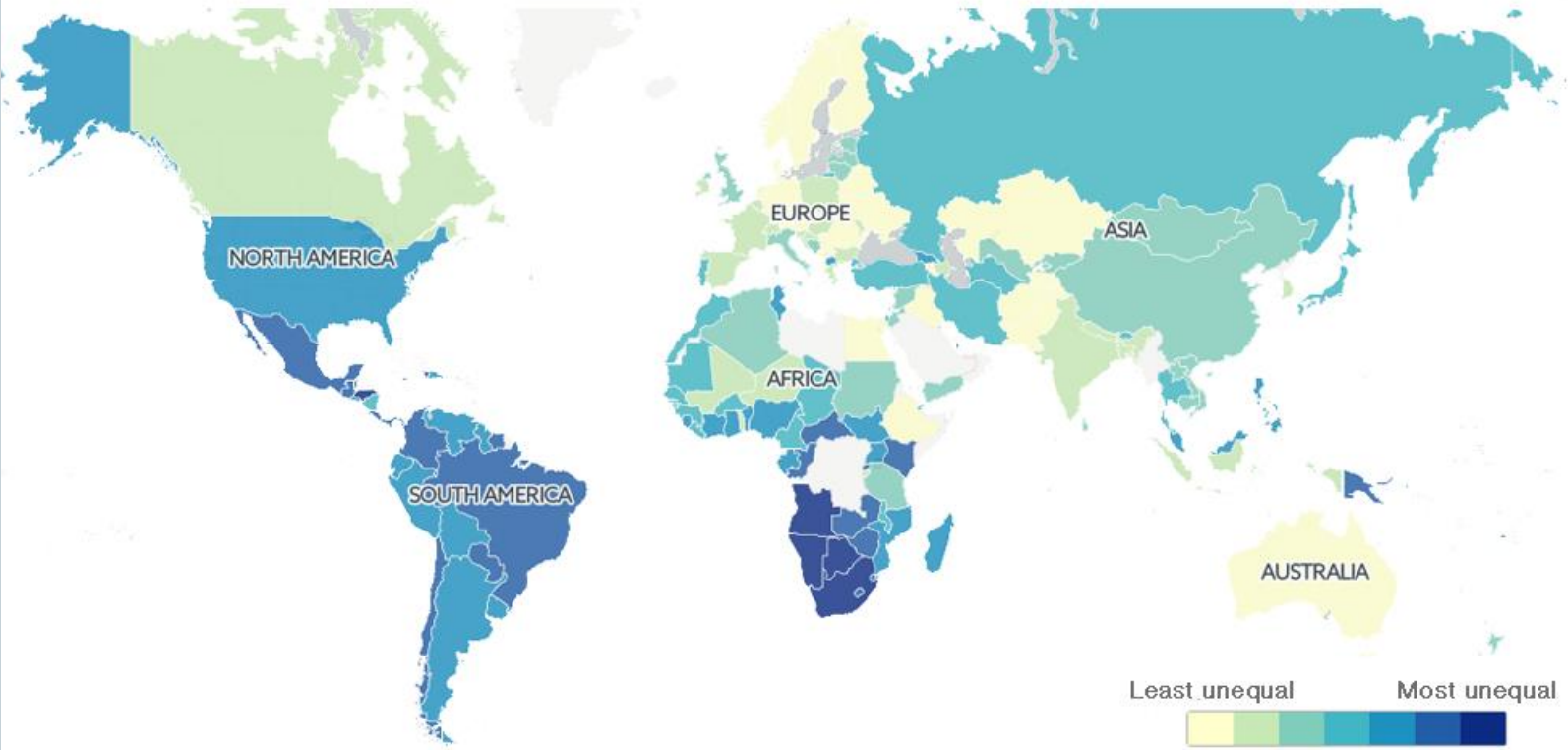


# Global Inequality



## The most unequal regions in the world

GINI index measure of inequality



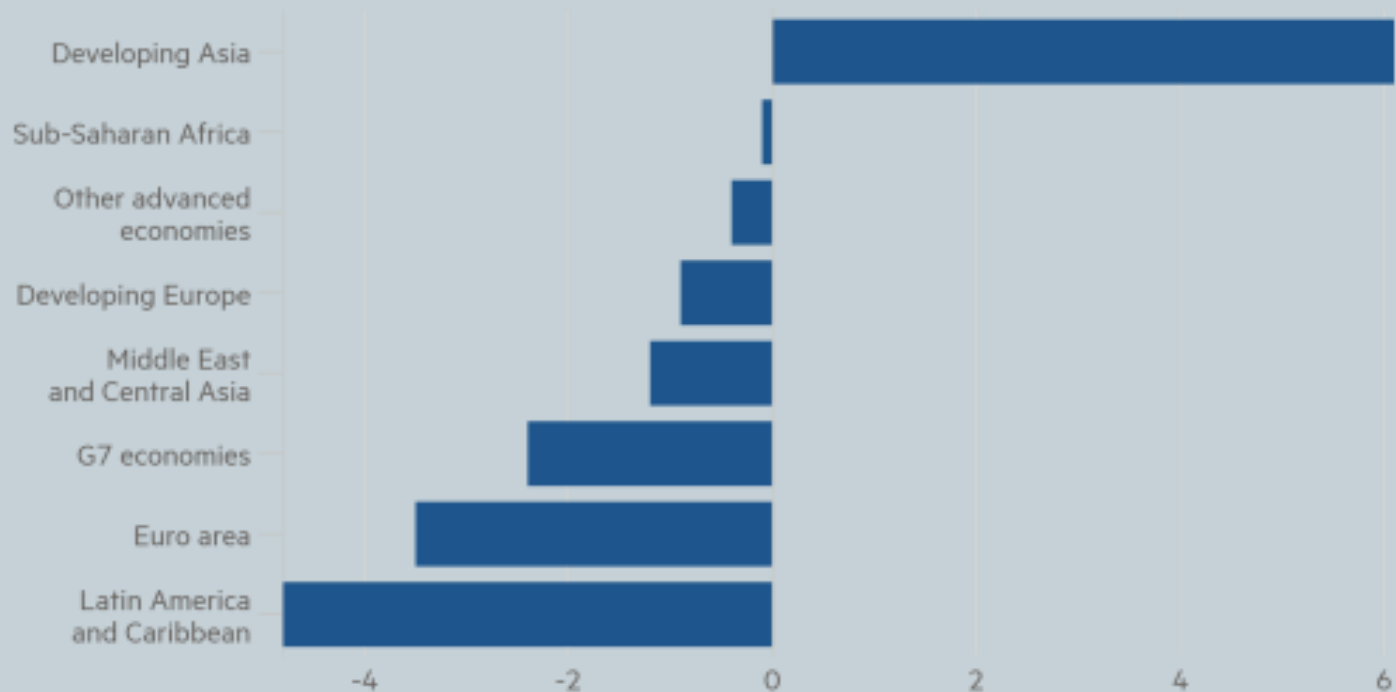
Source: GINI Index (World Bank estimate)

# Covid 19 and Latin America



## Latin America faces worst economic legacy of coronavirus pandemic

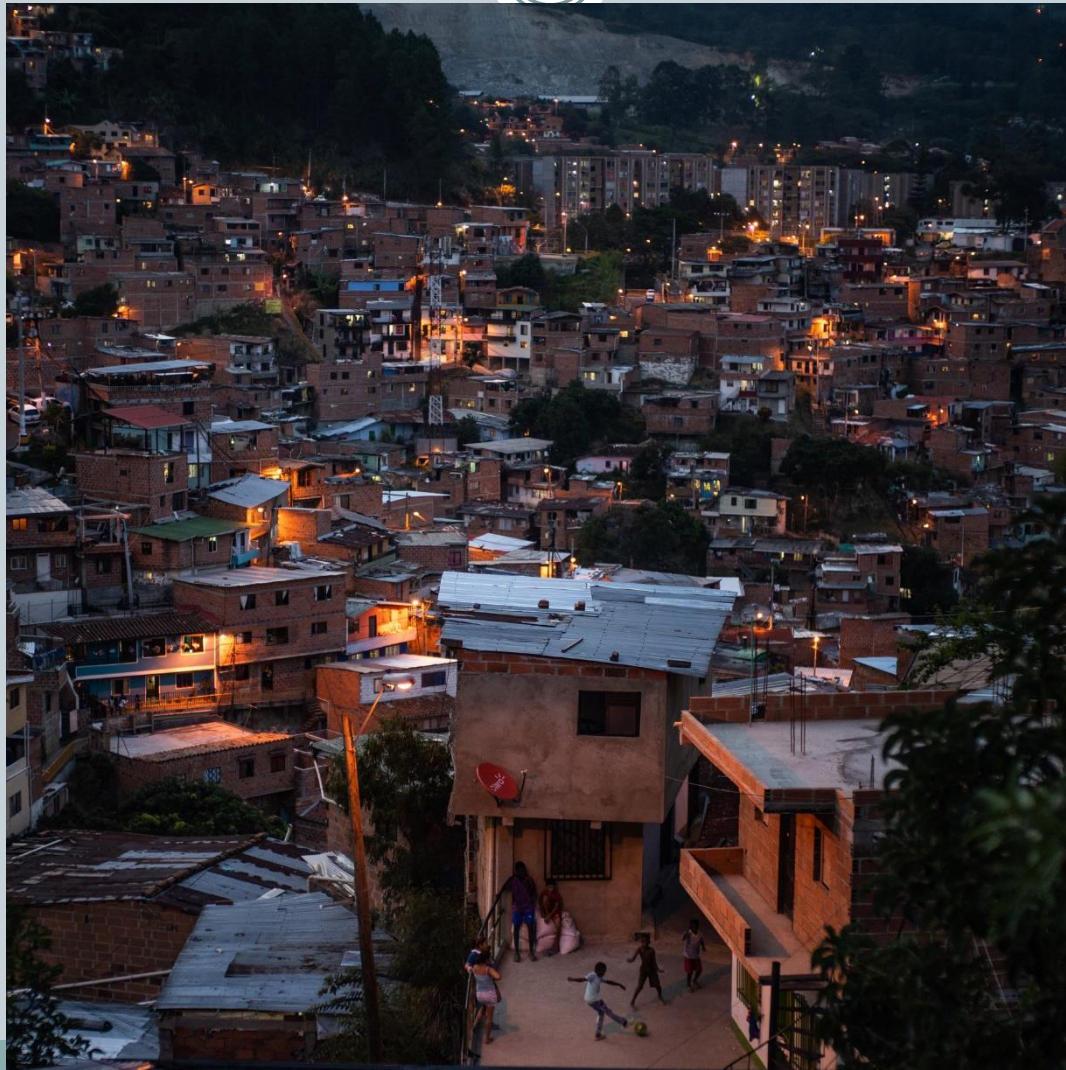
Forecast change in GDP from pre-pandemic level to end-2021 (%)



Source: IMF

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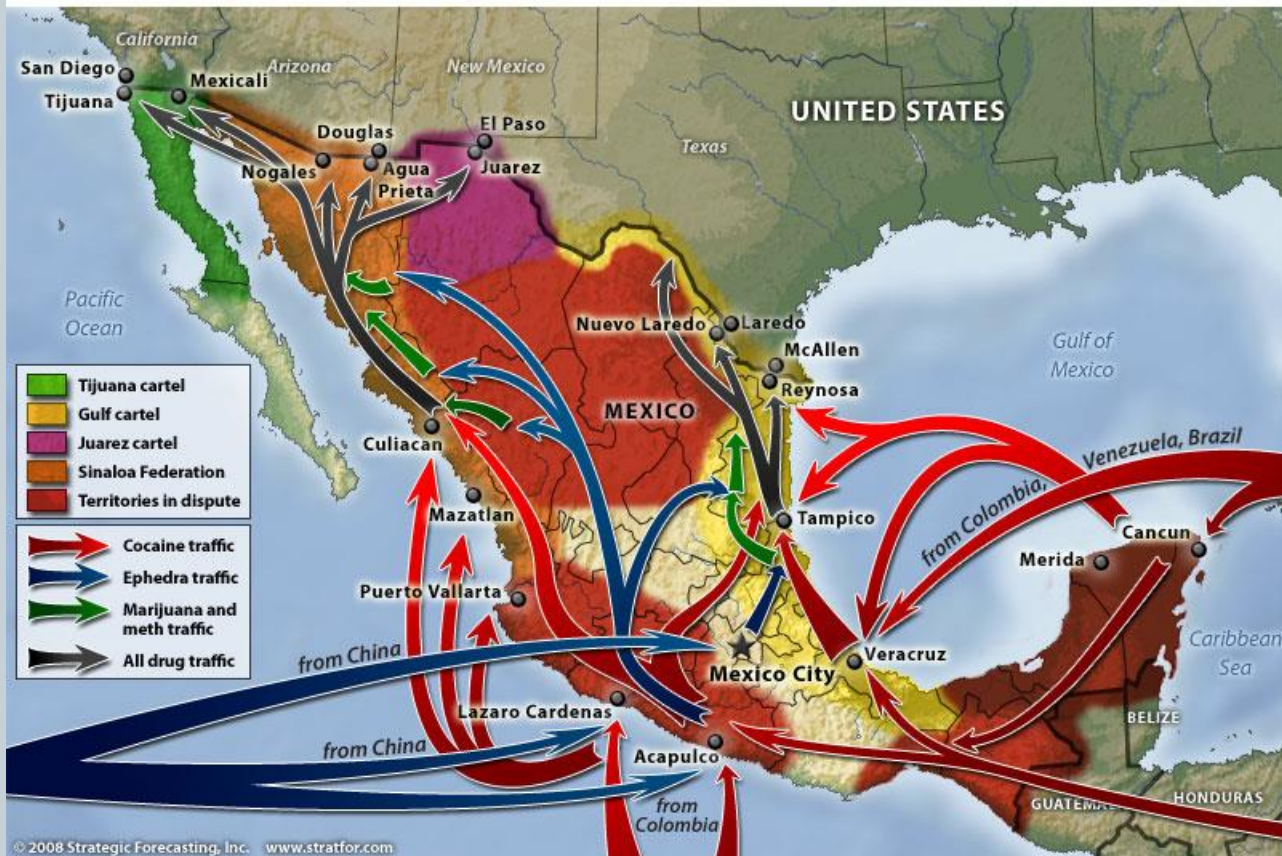
# Poverty



# Mexican Drug Trade



## CARTEL TERRITORIES AND DRUG ROUTES



# Immigration



# Cuba-United States Relations, March 2016



# Death of Fidel Castro on November 25, 2016 December Funeral Procession



# Hugo Chavez and the Bolivarian Revolution



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# Venezuelan Unrest



# Haiti Earthquake January 12, 2010



# Assassination of Jovenel Moïse



# Reasons for Optimism

