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*Capital City Politics in Latin America tells the story of these cities: how they are changing operationally, how the the empowerment of mayors and other municipal institutions is exacerbating political tensions between local executives and regional and national entities, and how the cities' growing significance affects traditional political.*

By afternoon he is in the Capitalvision studios videotaping Guadalupe, his latest Spanish-language telenovela, seen around the globe. Meanwhile, out on trendy South Beach, Dutch businessman Ger Vrieling is busy sorting a barrage of faxes from German catalog clients waiting for pictures from the latest fashion shoots. Developing real estate has made him a millionaire at Yes, the rumors about Miami are true. Just ask Jose, Ger and Ugo. There are Brazilians buying condos, Frenchmen opening clubs, Nicaraguans selling TVs and washers, Italians building public rail systems. And the Cubans -- everywhere. Dade is the largest metropolitan area in the U. While some Americans might look askance at the prospect of Hispanization, it is already a fact of life in Miami. What seemed like a burden at the time, however, has become a business bonanza. Miami, once a town of tourists and retirees, is today being remade by its bilingual immigrants into a hemispheric crossroads for trade, travel and communications in the 21st century -- a sort of Hong Kong of the Americas. Sociologists and businessmen alike see Miami as a model for other American cities learning to cope with multiethnic populations and new economic realities. Ships sail from Biscayne Bay to virtually every port in the world, from Barranquilla to Bombay. For the first time last year, the number of foreign visitors to Miami 4. Despite the bad press, European airlines like British Airways and Iberia Airlines of Spain have increased capacity to the city. Even the Russian airline Aeroflot makes money on Miami by picking up Florida-bound tourists at a stopover in Shannon, Ireland. And in a record 1. The mass exodus of middle- and upper- class Cubans, driven into exile by communism in the s, began a process that lifted the city from its utter dependence on domestic tourism into the global economy. The Cubans, given immediate political asylum and resettlement help by Lyndon Johnson and subsequent Administrations, prospered. Intent on returning home, however, those early exiles did not bother to assimilate into the American melting pot. Instead, they "acculturated," learning the American way of doing business while building a Spanish-speaking enclave unlike anything anywhere else in the U. Unlike in New York or Los Angeles, where Spanish is primarily heard in the barrios, it is spoken in Miami not just by the exiles playing dominoes in Little Havana but also by businessmen in the boardrooms of Brickell Avenue. Increasingly that power is political too: And the Metro-Dade Board of County Commissioners, recently reshaped by court redistricting, now has six Hispanics, four blacks and three "Anglos. The prevalence of Spanish language and culture has become a lure to Latin visitors, who freely call Miami the capital of Latin America. This year it is the Argentines who have arrived in droves. All the major record companies have Latin offices in Miami, and dozens of Spanish-language magazines are based there. The city offers not just trade but also services that range from banking and insurance to medical care. With trade barriers falling and economies improving across Central and South America, economists are predicting that by the end of the decade, Latin America will be one of the fastest-growing markets in the world. In return, Central America, Chile and Brazil send about , tons of refrigerated produce annually to Miami. The airport runs the largest cut-flower operation in the world, daily processing 15, boxes of buds from south of the border. With so many Latin stars in residence, "Latin" Miami has gained the upper hand over "Anglo" Hollywood in attracting Spanish-language TV and film production from all over the world. Both the top Spanish-language networks in the U. The trade sector is, to a large extent, based on glorified mom-and-pop businesses offering low-paying service jobs. There is no doubt that waves of immigrants have put an enormous strain on Miami, both financially and socially. Some areas of the city today resemble the Third World, with the homeless and immigrants living under highways or in matchstick houses along canals. Three times in the past decade, Miami has erupted in racial disturbances -- caused in part by blacks frustrated as each new immigrant wave passes them by economically. The black Cuban-American neighborhood of Allapattah now serves as an uneasy buffer between the blacks of Liberty City and the white Cubans and Nicaraguans living in Little Havana. New surveys show, however, that the new generation, although bilingual, prefers to speak English. If

they assimilate too well, they risk diluting the Spanish-speaking enclave that is making the city an international success. By the time they take over, of course, Miami may be well established as a hemispheric power thanks to the latest arrivals: The British are the second biggest investors from the Continent. The Germans are snapping up waterfront property along the beach and Biscayne Bay. The mysterious Munich investor Thomas Kramer even has visions of building something between a modern-day Manhattan and a reconstructed Portofino at the tip of Miami Beach. Miami has already become a chic hangout for the international set. Foreign photographers have turned Miami into the third busiest fashion spot, after Paris and New York. By the time the Americans wake up, perhaps it will be too late.

Chapter 2 : Latin America - Wikipedia

*As Latin America's new democratic regimes have decentralized, the region's capital cities have gained increasing importance. This is the story of how these cities are changing operationally and how.*

In lieu of an abstract, here is a brief excerpt of the content: Latin American Research Review Dominican Migration to the United States. Columbia University Press, Capital City Politics in Latin America: Edited by David J. Myers and Henry A. Lynne Reinner Publishers, Migration, Mujercitas, and Medicine Men: Living in Urban Mexico. University of California Press, Linking Civil Society and the State: The Pennsylvania State University Press, Valle and Rodolfo D. University of Minnesota Press, The contemporary human condition is urban. The majority of Latin Americans reside in urban areas; cities make a disproportionate contribution to economic well-being and are increasingly understood as the incubators of innovation, as well as the strategic arenas for citizenship and the principal influences on consumption. More than physical locations, cities are windows into every aspect of the human condition such that, as Ed Soja has claimed, "to an increasing degree we are all urbanists" , Embracing the positive possibilities of such a claim, however, is constrained by the narrow field of vision offered by scholars of the Latin American city. The dominant optic is to write about cities through representations of "familiar" urban spaces, a reliance on established categorizations of human agency the informal sector being perhaps the most pervasive , and on framing narratives through concerns for reform and planning. Few attempts consider how the meanings [End Page ] and representations of spaces are contested by different social and political groups, and fewer still consider everyday spatial practices. Yet the opportunity for accounts of the urban condition in Latin America to hold explanatory value to social, political and cultural change is immense. Latin American cities may be perceived as fractal or fragmented spaces, physically and metaphorically divided by "walls" and gates, organized into corridors and micro-zones, run by city managers and private security companies. Littered with unfinished or never-started projects, buildings that no longer serve their primary purpose, cities in Latin America reflect the lost aura of modernity that, according to Rem Koolhaas, failed to deliver on its promise to transform quantity into quality. We are left, following Koolhaas again, with a condition in which urbanity is not recognized as a cultural concept since it would appear that people can be "miserable in anything and ecstatic in anything" Koolhaas , But is the recourse to embrace postmodernist nihilism, reject urbanism and consider only architecture, or adopt the autarky that is suggested by some notions of the sustainable city? A possible direction for thinking about the Latin American city is to afford less attention to those agents who think that their decisions are capable of bearing influence, despite, of course, the ever-growing evidence of the informal, illegal or vernacular city. Considering everyday life warns against dismissing places as superficial and generic, and the fault of developers, architects and politicians, conducive only to diminished face-to-face encounters, anomie and depleted collective memory. As Koolhaas notes, the urban spaces that academics decry as superficial urbanism are invested with complex meanings and identities by those who work, shop and live in them. As a raft of interesting studies have shown, it is vital that we understand how people "make do" in spaces no longer

**Chapter 3 : Miami: the Capital of Latin America - TIME**

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The idea that a part of the Americas has a linguistic affinity with the Romance cultures as a whole can be traced back to the 1840s, in the writing of the French Saint-Simonian Michel Chevalier, who postulated that this part of the Americas was inhabited by people of a "Latin race", and that it could, therefore, ally itself with "Latin Europe", ultimately overlapping the Latin Church, in a struggle with "Teutonic Europe", "Anglo-Saxon America" and "Slavic Europe". The Allure and Power of an Idea His argument is that French imperialists used the concept of "Latin" America as a way to counter British imperialism, as well as to challenge the German threat to France. Idea for a Federal Congress of Republics. The second event happened the same year both works were written, in opposition to the decision by U. Both authors also ask for the union of all Latin American countries as the only way to defend their territories against further foreign U. Both rejected also European imperialism, claiming that the return of European countries to non-democratic forms of government was another danger for Latin American countries, and used the same word to describe the state of European politics at the time: He asked Latin American intellectuals to search for their "intellectual emancipation" by abandoning all French ideas, claiming that France was: However, in France the term Latin America was used with the opposite intention. It was supported by the French Empire of Napoleon III during the French invasion of Mexico as a way to include France among countries with influence in the Americas and to exclude Anglophone countries. It played a role in his campaign to imply cultural kinship of the region with France, transform France into a cultural and political leader of the area, and install Maximilian of Habsburg as emperor of the Second Mexican Empire. Latin America is, therefore, defined as all those parts of the Americas that were once part of the Spanish, Portuguese and French Empires. This definition emphasizes a similar socioeconomic history of the region, which was characterized by formal or informal colonialism, rather than cultural aspects see, for example, dependency theory. Spanish, Portuguese, French, and the creole languages based upon these. The distinction between Latin America and Anglo-America is a convention based on the predominant languages in the Americas by which Romance-language and English-speaking cultures are distinguished. Neither area is culturally or linguistically homogeneous; in substantial portions of Latin America e. The term is not without controversy. Historian Mauricio Tenorio-Trillo explores at length the "allure and power" of the idea of Latin America. But it is not easy to declare something dead when it can hardly be said to have existed," going on to say, "The term is here to stay, and it is important. Hispanic America with the inclusion of nations that according to him do not share the same pattern of conquest and colonization. If defined as all of the Americas south of the United States, the basic geographical subregions are North America, Central America, the Caribbean and South America; [31] the latter contains further politico-geographical subdivisions such as the Southern Cone, the Guianas and the Andean states.

Chapter 4 : Latin America & Caribbean - BBC News

*Capital City Politics in Latin America by Henry A. Dietz, , available at Book Depository with free delivery worldwide.*

Colonial times[ edit ] Juan de Garay founding Buenos Aires in The initial settlement, founded by Pedro de Mendoza , had been abandoned since Santiago de Liniers, 1st Count of Buenos Aires. The settlement founded by Mendoza was located in what is today the San Telmo district of Buenos Aires, south of the city centre. More attacks by the indigenous people forced the settlers away, and in the site was abandoned. During most of the 17th century, Spanish ships were menaced by pirates, so they developed a complex system where ships with military protection were dispatched to Central America in a convoy from Seville the only port allowed to trade with the colonies, to Lima, Peru and from it to the inner cities of the viceroyalty. Because of this, products took a very long time to arrive in Buenos Aires, and the taxes generated by the transport made them prohibitive. This scheme frustrated the traders of Buenos Aires, and a thriving informal yet accepted by the authorities contraband industry developed inside the colonies and with the Portuguese. The capture of Porto Bello by British forces also fueled the need to foster commerce via the Atlantic route, to the detriment of Lima-based trade. War of Independence[ edit ] See also: In the British successfully invaded Buenos Aires, but an army from Montevideo led by Santiago de Liniers defeated them. Buenos Aires became the capital again after its liberation, but Sobremonte could not resume his duties as viceroy. Santiago de Liniers, chosen as new viceroy, prepared the city against a possible new British attack and repelled the attempted invasion of The militarization generated in society changed the balance of power favorably for the criollos in contrast to peninsulars , as well as the development of the Peninsular War in Spain. However, by it would be those same armies who would support a new revolutionary attempt, successfully removing the new viceroy Baltasar Hidalgo de Cisneros. This is known as the May Revolution , which is now celebrated as a national holiday. This event started the Argentine War of Independence , and many armies left Buenos Aires to fight the diverse strongholds of royalist resistance, with varying levels of success. The government was held first by two Juntas of many members, then by two triumvirates , and finally by a unipersonal office, the Supreme Director. Buenos Aires managed to endure the whole Spanish American wars of independence without falling again under royalist rule. In the months immediately following the 25 May Revolution, Buenos Aires sent a number of military envoys to the provinces with the intention of obtaining their approval. Many of these missions ended in violent clashes, and the enterprise fuelled tensions between the capital and the provinces. In the 19th century the city was blockaded twice by naval forces: Both blockades failed to force the city into submission, and the foreign powers eventually desisted from their demands. During most of the 19th century, the political status of the city remained a sensitive subject. It was already the capital of Buenos Aires Province , and between and it was the capital of the seceded State of Buenos Aires. The issue was fought out more than once on the battlefield, until the matter was finally settled in when the city was federalized and became the seat of government, with its mayor appointed by the president. The Casa Rosada became the seat of the president. Public-health physicians and politicians typically blamed both the poor themselves and their ramshackle tenement houses conventillos for the spread of the dreaded disease. People ignored public-health campaigns to limit the spread of contagious diseases, such as the prohibition of spitting on the streets, the strict guidelines to care for infants and young children, and quarantines that separated families from ill loved ones. In addition to the wealth generated by the Buenos Aires Customs and the fertile pampas , railroad development in the second half of the 19th century increased the economic power of Buenos Aires as raw materials flowed into its factories. A leading destination for immigrants from Europe, particularly Italy and Spain, from to Buenos Aires became a multicultural city that ranked itself with the major European capitals. A second construction boom, from to , reshaped downtown and much of the city. These laborers became the political base of Peronism , which emerged in Buenos Aires during the pivotal demonstration of 17 October , at the Plaza de Mayo. In the s the city suffered from the fighting between left-wing revolutionary movements Montoneros , E. The March coup , led by General Jorge Videla , only escalated this conflict; the " Dirty War " resulted in 30, desaparecidos people kidnapped and killed by the military during the years of the junta. The plan, however,

called for a seemingly indiscriminate razing of residential areas and, though only three of the eight planned were put up at the time, they were mostly obtrusive raised freeways that continue to blight a number of formerly comfortable neighborhoods to this day. The return of democracy in coincided with a cultural revival, and the s saw an economic revival, particularly in the construction and financial sectors. On 17 March a bomb exploded in the Israeli Embassy , killing 29 and injuring Another explosion, on 18 July , destroyed a building housing several Jewish organizations, killing 85 and injuring many more, these incidents marked the beginning of Middle Eastern terrorism to South America. Jorge Telerman , who had been the acting mayor, was invested with the office. In , the elections went to a second round with Starting in , most streams were enclosed. Notably, the Maldonado was tubed in , and runs below Juan B.

### Chapter 5 : Capital Cities of the Americas - Nations Online Project

*The politics of innovation / by Tom Axworthy ; with editorial assistance from Andrew Quarry ; and research assistance from J. Cassidy, Paul Peterson and Judy Friedrick. JS F88 NO.2 The citizen and neighbourhood renewal: a collection of working papers on planning with people in the inner city.*

### Chapter 6 : Political Map of South America ( px) - Nations Online Project

*Latin America, then, we might expect greater political participation in the region. Indeed, democracy generally relies upon citizen participation to promote healthy and representative input of public opinion about policy issues to decision-making authorities.*

### Chapter 7 : Capital City Politics in Latin America : Henry A. Dietz :

*List of South American capitals. This region is characterized by substantial inequality in the economic development of countries. And the capital cities here often have higher standards of living compared to other towns.*

### Chapter 8 : South America Countries & Capitals

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### Chapter 9 : Project MUSE - Culture and Politics in the "Latin American" City

*Latin America is a group of countries and dependencies in the Western Hemisphere where Romance languages such as Spanish, French and Portuguese are predominantly spoken; it is broader than the terms Ibero-America or Hispanic America.*