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PREFACE

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The papers and commentaries contained in this volume cover a wide range of subjects related to Cuba’s transition to a free-market economy, among them: recent economic reforms; trade; investment and financial markets; markets in the Cuba of today and of the future; macroeconomic and legal issues; expropriation and privatization; the environment; citrus and sugar markets; sociological issues; banking; and United States policy toward Cuba.

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