Although Cuba lies only 90 miles off the U.S. coast, it is often necessary to go much farther than that to obtain information about the island. The end of the Cold War has dramatically altered the face of Cuban foreign policy, and Cuban officials guard information about the island even more closely than they did five years ago, or even one year ago. This book is an attempt to discern Cuba’s new ties to a changing world. It brings together articles written by scholars from around the world who have carefully researched their respective country’s or region’s relations with Cuba.

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