



“We don’t do empire”

- De centrale role van Cuba
- De (in)flexibiliteit van VS beleid gebaseerd op binnenlandse ervaringen en waarden
  - Vrije markten, ondernemerschap, commerciële expansie en democratie
  - Een open wereld leidt tot materiële voordelen en versterkt morele waarden

- Neergang Spaans kolonialisme
- Economische belangen
- Belang Amerikaanse Marine/Panamakanaal
- Monroe doctrine (1823)
- Manifest Destiny

- John O’Sullivan 1839:

“The far-reaching, the boundless future will be the era of American greatness. In its magnificent domain of space and time, the nation of many nations is destined to manifest to mankind the excellence of divine principles; to establish on earth the noblest temple ever dedicated to the worship of the Most High--the Sacred and the True.

For this blessed mission to the nations of the world, which are shut out from the life-giving light of truth, has America been chosen.”

- The homegrown principle of manifest destiny was reinforced by the importation from Britain of Darwin's theories of natural selection
- Yale economist William Graham Sumner: millionaires are the product of natural selection and should be unimpeded in their accumulation of wealth.
- Baptist minister Russell Conwell: "It is your duty to get rich. It is wrong to be poor."

Amerikaanse idealen en zelfbeeld

Alfred Beveridge

‘our institutions are the noblest known to man’

Bisschop van Peoria

‘favored children of heaven’

- In 2008 zei de bekende journalist James Traub

The Freedom Agenda of George W. Bush was the latest restatement of the venerable idea that Providence had chosen Americans to ensure the blessings of liberty for all

- Onafhankelijkheidsoorlog Spanje-Cuba
- Economische belangen
- Mensenrechten



- President McKinley: “It is no answer to say this is all in another country, belonging to another nation, and is therefore none of our business [...] It is especially our duty, for it is right at our door.”

“Some nations may be able to turn a blind eye to atrocities in other countries. The United States is different”

- 1898 Vrede van Parijs
- Platt Amendment
- Guantánamo

- That the government of Cuba consents that the United States may exercise the right to intervene for the preservation of Cuban independence, the maintenance of a government adequate for the protection of life, property, and individual liberty ...
- The government of Cuba will sell or lease to the United States lands necessary for coaling or naval stations at certain specified points

- 33 interventies in 33 jaar
- Redenen voor interventie
  - Bescherming Amerikaans bezit/levens
  - Bevordering vrede en stabiliteit
  - Voorkoming van revolutie
  - Stichting neutrale zones

- Teddy Roosevelt

Law and order

Gunboat diplomacy

- Woodrow Wilson

Teach them democracy

Elect good men

- Verzet tegen bezetting (D.R)
- Oprichting lokale milities en nationale gardes
- De opkomst van dictators
- De politiek van goed nabuurschap (FDR)

- Onrust door invloeden van buiten?
- Communisme: reden of excuus?
- Het domino-effect
- Amerika's achtertuin



- Niet-militair: propaganda, sabotage, financiële steun
- Economische oorlogsvoering (Embargo)
- Interventies
  - Multilateraal
  - Vluchtelingen

- Tweesporenbeleid
  - Containment
  - Alliance for Progress

- Drugs
- Migratie
- Containment Venezuela
- Nieuwe relatie met Cuba

Eerdere pogingen en het obstakel Angola

Conservatieve tegenkrachten

Cuba's eisen:

Guantánamo

Radio Martí

Embargo

Herstelbetalingen

Eisen aan Cuba

Mensenrechten (inclusief Internet/persvrijheid)

Cubaanse migratie naar VS

- Zakenwereld
- Congress
- Ballingen

- Migratie
- Grondstoffen
- Infrastructuur
- Politiek??

# The end of colonialism, now what?

- Stuart Hall
- Michael Manley
- The double-edged relationship
- Obstacles to progress