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Choy, Armando; Chui, Gustavo; and Wong, Moisés Sío. *Our History Is Still Being Written: The Story of Three Chinese-Cuban Generals in the Cuban Revolution*. New York: Pathfinder Press, 2005. 216 pp. Edited by Mary Alice Waters. ISBN 0-87348-978-0, \$20.00 (pb).

Mary Alice Waters has been a noted advocate of the Cuban Revolution, assiduously compiling and translating the works of its leadership. She has contributed especially to understanding the role of women in the new Cuba. In *Our History Is Still Being Written*, she provides further historical resources, offering original perspectives on and from the Chinese-Cuban community.

The history that is "still being written" refers to the personal histories of three Chinese-Cuban generals. In the mid-nineteenth century, extensive contracting of Chinese labor occurred, necessary to lay the rail network for sugar exports. The Chinese came in the wake of black emancipation, supplying additional cheap labor. Intermarrying with Cubans of African and Spanish descent, Chinese-Cubans established in Havana one of the largest and oldest Chinatowns in Latin America. Marginalized in the patriarchal stratification of the Cuban plantocracy, the ethnic minority of Chinese descent responded to the effort of Fidel Castro to overthrow Batista in 1959.

Serving in the revolution, the young officers accompanied Castro and Che Guevara. In *Our History*, Waters provides a biography of each general and records his reminiscences. They relate their experiences of growing up in Cuba, participating in the strategies and outcomes of the revolution, accompanying its crises, and carrying out their varied current responsibilities. Included in the book are speeches by Castro and Nelson Mandela, the latter praising the role of Cuban soldiers in the Angolan civil war. Maps, photos, images, tables, and a glossary complete this historical resource.

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