

**Fashion Economics: FM 4339**  
**Quiz #7: The US Textile Industry**  
**Chapters 8**

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**Rosen, E. I. (2002). The Globalization of the U.S. Apparel Industry: Making Sweatshops. University of California Press.**

- a. Where was the “second act” of trade liberalization played out? What countries did it include (Look at a map)? How did Reaganomics include these countries in foreign affairs? What was their relationship? (2 pts)

One of the biggest differences between the second act and the first act is the country or continent in which it is played out. The second act was staged in Latin America, including the Caribbean, Central America, and Mexico (Rosen, 2002, Pg.129, Par.1). According to the map (figure 1 take place in question e), the Caribbean includes Cuba, Jamaica, Haiti, Dominica Republic, St. Kitts & Nevis, Antigua & Barbuda, Dominica, St. Lucia, Barbados, St. Vincent & The Grenadines, Grenada, Trinidad & Tobago (Geology, 2023). Central America (figure 2 takes place in question e) includes Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama (Geology, 2023).

Reaganomics brought these countries into foreign affairs by having trade and investment dealings with them (Rosen, 2002, Pg.130, Par.2). These methods help the economies of these countries recover or grow while also opening new markets for American goods. That is to say that goods (for example sugar) from these countries are exported to the United States. The relationship between the United States and these countries involves economic and trade aspects. The United States exists as a supporter of these countries (Latin and Central America, Caribbean).

- b. What was occurring in Central America? How could history been repeating itself? How do you think the U.S. would respond to the crisis in Central America? (2pts)

Central America was experiencing a political crisis at that time, the left-wing power have been growing stronger and stronger, and the rebellion led by Soviet Union (a representative of communism) threatened the political and economic development of Central America (Rosen, 2002, Pg.131. Par.0). This political crisis is undoubtedly an even worse blow for Central America. This is because of the economic difficulties that existed in Central America before the crisis. However, the emergence of this crisis may be one of the direct causes of Central America becoming poorer because Central America needs to allocate part of the money to fight against evil forces (left-wing and the rebellion led by Soviet Union). History could repeat itself because that country may still have political risk, which means political unstable, or economic woes still haunting them.

One thinks the U.S. can help Central America economically first. The second is to send reinforcements to Central America to fight against the evil forces -- left-wing movement and the rebellion launched by the Soviets. Finally, make a plan about the follow-up development of Central America, that is, the follow-up development after defeating the enemy or failing in the battle with the enemy. In the book, Rosen expounded two ways for the United States to help Central America, economic and military assistance (Rosen, 2002, Pg.131, Par.1).

- c. Please research and bring to class two examples of military, political, or economic affairs that occurred in the Caribbean or Central America between 1953 and 1985. Make sure your examples are from credible sources. Why did I ask you to research events in this region? How does it pertain to the chapter entitled, “*The Reagan Revolution*”? (2pts)

Event 1: In this event, in the 1980s Central America was the main force against the left-wing movement, and Central America was part of the new right-wing (Lilley, 2021). Event 2: From 1953 to 1959, the Cuban revolution was happening during this time, and it was a war in Cuba about Cuba's fight against the pro-American dictatorship (BritannicaEditors, 2022).

Professor ask one to research events in these regions because the United States has something to do with these two regions. These events relate to Reaganomics’s foreign affairs. Event 1 related to chapter 8 because the Reagan government wanted the left-wing power to disappear from Central America. Event 2 also related to this chapter because the Reagan government provided some help for the Caribbean region. But after that event, the Reagan government had to re-examine relations with Cuba before deciding whether it would be part of the political and economic aid region.

- d. Define CBI? What was their economic status? What was the purpose of developing programs that would support new business opportunities in the Caribbean? (2pts)

CBI means the Caribbean Basin Initiative. CBI is an Act about new trade policy and helps the Caribbean to recover its economic issues. And one of the most important purposes to have this act is to “fight” against the effects in the Caribbean that were brought by communism (Rosen, 2002, Pg.129, Par.2). The economic status of the Caribbean is pretty much the same as that of Central America. That is because at that time the Caribbean also received economic assistance from the United States (Rosen, 2002, Pg.132, Par.0). From this, it can be seen that the economic status of the Caribbean was not good, and it can even be described as poverty.

The purpose was the United States wanted to cooperate with the Caribbean in goods trading like sugar. Rosen explains, “exports of raw sugar from the Caribbean Basin countries,” (Rosen, 2002, Pg.130, Par.4). The U.S. wants to help the Caribbean improve its economic status through this purpose.

e. Print out a map of the Caribbean and Central America? (2pts)



Figure 1: The Map of Caribbean



Figure 2: The Map of Central America

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