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# To Adjust or Not to Adjust?

A Seminar on the Cuban Adjustment Act

September 16, 2014 | 6:00 PM | Modesto A. Maidique Campus | Rafael Díaz Balart Hall 1000

Since 1966, the Cuban Adjustment Act (CAA) has regulated the entrance of Cubans into the United States. This law stipulates that Cuban citizens and their accompanying spouses and children may become permanent residents of the United States one year after arriving in the country. This automatic application process is exclusive to Cuban immigrants. After the 1994 immigration agreement signed by the Cuban and U.S. governments, only those Cubans who reach U.S. soil are covered by the CAA, while those intercepted at sea before reaching U.S. soil are returned to Cuba. This "adjustment" to the CAA is known as the "wet foot / dry foot" policy.

This seminar will convene several legal experts to discuss the implications, relevance, and future of the Cuban Adjustment Act. Confirmed participants include:

- Professor R. Alexander Acosta, Dean, FIU College of Law
- Mr. Pedro A. Freyre, shareholder, Akerman Senterfitt
- Professor José Gabilondo, FIU College of Law
- Professor Juan Carlos Gómez, FIU College of Law

The seminar is free and open to the public. It is cosponsored by the FIU College of Law. To RSVP and for more information, please call (305) 348–1991 or write cri@fiu.edu.

