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For the first time since 1928, a sitting U.S. president will visit Cuba. Barack Obama's trip on March 21 and 22 will cap 15 months of negotiations to normalize relations with the Island. "Where we disagree," President Obama said of Cuba on December 17, 2014, "we will raise those differences directly—as we will continue to do on issues related to democracy and human rights in Cuba." Will the president's historic visit yield the powerful symbolism and concrete policy progress his administration is seeking? How will the visit affect the daily lives of ordinary Cuban citizens? How will the Cuban-American community respond to the visit?

To discuss the broader implications of President Obama's trip to Cuba, the Cuban Research Institute and the Kimberly Green Latin American and Caribbean Center have convened a group of commentators with diverse opinions on the subject:

- Pedro Freyre, Partner and Chair, International Practice, Akerman
- José Gabilondo, Professor of Law, FIU
- Orlando Gutiérrez Boronat, Secretary, Cuban Democratic Directorate
- Dario Moreno, Associate Professor of Politics and International Relations, FIU

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