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export crop production, which is often seasonal, relying on wildly fluctuating prices, and founded on underpaid labour. It is argued that there is an ineluc between historically inherited patterns of dependence, current misconceive development strategies on the part of Western aid agencies, the food crisis human rights crisis. KEYWORDS: RURAL | Industry | sugar industry | migrar transnational corporations | food security | slavery | historical analysis | D Republic | Haiti.

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