

UNDER CUBAN SKIES

WORKERS AND THEIR RIGHTS

Under Cuban Skies – Workers and Their Rights is an account of the systematic violation of human and labor rights committed by Fidel and Raul Castro ever since they took power fifty years ago, supposedly on behalf of the Cuban worker. Their revolutionary government, as the film shows, is the only hiring entity and, as such, is guilty of discrimination in employment, of confiscating 97% of the salaries paid by foreign investors, and of the prohibition of worker's right to organize representative unions, to conduct collective bargaining, or to go on strike. Interviews with hotel workers – the “privileged” class of the Cuban labor force – and with independent labor leaders and dissident journalists, were conducted in Cuba between March and May, 2009, while counterpart interviews were filmed during the same period in Spain, the Dominican Republic, Mexico, and Miami. The two sets of interviews make clear the stark contrast between the labor conditions in hotels operated by multinational corporations in Cuba and hotels run by those same corporations abroad.

WHAT:

Premiere of "Under Cuban Skies -
Workers and their Rights"
Light lunch courtesy of the Cuba Study Group

WHEN:

Thursday, July 30, 2009 1:00pm-2:00pm
Annual Conference Association for the Study of
the Cuban Economy

WHERE:

Hilton Miami Downtown
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