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"Race Realism and the US Rise to Globalism"

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As Donald Trump conjures visions of battering "Chinese walls" to US commerce and erecting border walls to stem drugs, crime and surplus people from "s**thole countries" of the Western hemisphere at the center of his foreign policy project, we might want to reconsider the place of racial imaginaries within US foreign relations. In dominant scholarly accounts of post-WWII US foreign policy-making, civilizational, race-thinking retreated in the face of both IR realist and liberal internationalist concerns with the management of decolonization under aegis of global capitalism. In this talk, I consider how a tradition of what we might term, "race realism" has endured, shadowing and supplementing post-WWII globalism. In this, as in many aspects of the contemporary moment, Trumpism marks a return of what has been repressed.

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