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contends that their responses, in times of cultural or political crisis,

have given rise to profound cultural transformations, enabling the so-called "Latino subject" to emerge. Analyzing a