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Preface

On March 24, 1984, the plenary session and three consecutive regular sessions of the Kroeber Anthropological Society annual meetings were devoted to the topics of migration and resettlement. The plenary session papers are published here almost exactly as presented on that day, as are the papers by Gold and Colson. The essays by Desbarats, Underwood, Cooke, and Habarad have been revised from their original form. James Anderson of UC Berkeley's department of anthropology moderated the three regular sessions and provides the introduction here.

In 1983, a group of graduate students in the social sciences, led by Jonathan Habarad and Marcelo Suarez-Orozco in anthropology, organized Migration and Resettlement Studies (MARS). From 1983 to 1984, a well-attended seminar was led by Elizabeth Colson and George De Vos. Detailed case presentations of different migrant groups and discussions of migration and resettlement theory were the topics of the seminar.

MARS was intended to become an ongoing research center with archives and possibly a group research project comparing immigrant and refugee groups in California. For many reasons, these dreams were not meant to be, and today MARS is more accurately considered a network of scholars interested in migration and resettlement.

This group of papers is companion to another set of research reports published as a book with the title *People in Upheaval*, which is edited by myself and Elizabeth Colson and published by the Center for Migration Studies (Staten Island, New York, 1987). There are related articles there by Gold and Habarad, and revised versions of papers given at the KAS meetings by Wei-Yang Chao, Marcelo Suarez-Orozco, and myself.

—Scott Morgan