For this week’s Precis report I decided to look into the struggle of colonized nations and ethnic groups such as India by the British, and Hispanic Americans by immigration expectations to enclave belongingness. Colonization has been happening for thousands of years and it primarily starts when a nation takes over anther nation for its land, national resources etc.

When colonization has geographically happened entirely psychological colonization begins by the colonizers forcing their religion, language and traditions on to the colonized. India started been colonized by many European countries since the 1600’s for their natural resources such as condiments and textiles and lost much of its freedoms of expression in arts, language, and religion. Due to the greed of many European authorities India was colonized and enslaved for many centuries, and until this date many would say that certain taxation is still of form of slavery that the Indian governments suffers from. This is something that in a way is happening to Hispanic Americans, for example many Californians that have lived in the state for many decades here since the colonization of Spain to Mexico are now being recolonized by adopting a new sub culture because of the transition of California being part of Mexico to being a state of the US in the 1850’s, with this many changes came and now Hispanic American feel alienated from both groups and many cultural enclaves.

American Hispanics have been struggling for years to identify themselves as American or Hispanics, and part of this is because the media keeps making it hard for them to just have one label. America is a country of immigrant but not all ethnical groups go through the same assimilation process, for example children of people with light skin from European countries would be call Americans and would fit right in the dominant culture that currently exist in the US or at least the expectation of the typical “American”. Hispanic American are now having a hard time assimilating to American society as a whole due to some friction of identity. The need for categorize groups by some officials has made it difficult Hispanic Americans to assimilate which is what many children of colonized Indian states went through.

Discrimination to Hispanic Americans happens in many ways. They are sometimes not allowed to express their uniqueness to media outlets and are many times stripped from their culture by media stating that its culture is a derivative of white America roots or Mexican roots. When colonizers take over, there are long term plans so that the culture taken does not raise up and fights back. Indian colonization in a way is a reflection of what is going on in America to Hispanic culture, since both groups were stripped of their original religion, language and many traditions.

As a conclusion Indians were colonized by Great Britain and have since then paid taxed to them and let them control their land in some way. Many things such as education, segregation and culture have been affected by this and this can be compared to what American Hispanics are going through when they cannot own their own culture without adding a second label to it such as Hispanic-American as supposed to just American.

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