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never had blind confidence in anything human, because everything that is done blindly is done badly. It is true that I had confidence in North American material help, reasons because we were seeing it. (I do not think it was a secret to anyone where the weapons we used in the invasion came from.) I had no scruples in accepting American weapons to offset those from Russia which Fidel Castro was receiving in gigantic shipments.

After leaving prison I lost confidence in that assistance because since then not only have I seen none, but also I have not seen the possibility even of getting any.

Not only has my interest switched toward Latin America, but also my gratitude toward those people who have opened their arms to offer us help when all doors were being closed against us. Thanks to them we can continue the struggle.

Q. What opinion do you think the conduct of nations like England and France deserve, who, turning their backs on principles they claim to hold and on moral and humane considerations, take part in propping up Castro's bloody regime by supplying him with credits and all kinds of financial backing?

A. First I do not want to confuse countries with governments. Most people are innocent of the atrocities

ties and treacheries of their governments.

That kind of behavior never surprised me in the case of the English government, as they did something even worse in Korea where their soldiers were dying under attacks from waves