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“There are very profound things that our people hold dear. We are firmly convinced that there are many words and many concepts that must be redefined, if we truly want to advance towards a worthy future. The past cannot be the future, and to conceive of a future society genuinely requires rethinking many concepts that are prehistoric.”

References to the original: [Speech given during former U.S. President Jimmy Carter’s visit to the Latin American Medical School, May 13, 2002](#)

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