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“We managed to continue forward, when a whole sector of the progressive world born of the profound social revolution that took place at the beginning of last century, in spite of its epic achievements, collapsed before its old capitalist adversary. It was unable to overcome its own errors and successfully confront the anachronistic ideology and dirty tricks of the oppressive and exploitative system that it had set to overcome in order to change the world.”

References to the original: [Speech by Fidel Castro Ruz, at the ceremony commemorating the 45th anniversary of the landing of the Granma expedition, December 2, 2001](#)

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