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a modest subsidy to those colleges qualified to train and equip the needed technicians.⁽¹⁾ In my opinion, an intensified and accelerated program could properly prepare a technician in the "Bread and Butter Corps" in one or two years. What we need in these countries are Americans with practical "know how". For too long a time we have been sending "overdeveloped" people to help "underdeveloped"

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