

or so ago, or ten days ago, you used the expression that it was an error for the Americans to send arms ---

A. No, no. I said it was a mistake to try ^{and} / find a military solution -- and that didn't apply only to the Americans. I made it quite clear in my answer to Broadbent -- or was it Pauline Jewett, I forget -- that this applied to both sides. But, you know, that can be washing your hands of it. We know that arms are coming in from the other side. So what do you do about it? -- fall on your knees and pray that they will stop sending them, or do you try to express views, as I did, that there should be no outside intervention.

Quite frankly, if one side is going to send in arms, I can't get overly incensed that the other side is going to say, "Well, please help. Give us some arms, too."

Do you find that offensive?

MR. SZENDE: The only point that the Americans seemed to be making before they got here was an interview that Mr. Allan gave just before they got here -- was that once they made their information available to you, it would be pretty clear to the Canadian government why the Americans are doing what they are doing, and that is why I asked the original question.

A. I think what they had in mind was that they were going to prove to us, black and white, that arms were coming in from Cuba, or from Viet Nam, or -- you know, from the "other side" as we like to say.

Frankly, I didn't have to have that explained to me. If they had that proof and if they gave it to MacGuigan, I don't know. You could ask him. But anybody who looks at it -- and it is not easy to understand what is going on there, but it is