## **Marxist Sloganeering**

Crazy Bernie Sanders and AOC have been flying around the country in private jets to give speeches in which they rail against Trump's "oligarchy." But, their true purpose is to sell socialism to those who haven't yet drunk the Kool-Aid, and to christen AOC as Bernie's heir apparent in the "Congressional Commie Caucus."

If we take him at his word, *Crazy Bernie* endorses the kind of socialism found in *Scandinavian* countries like Sweden or Denmark, which are often called "social-democracies." This is typical of the verbal sleight-of-hand engaged in by Marxist Jews like *Crazy Bernie*, whose singular talent is to deviously subvert the traditional meaning of words to fit their own sinister and treacherous purposes. It's sort of like that "Separation of *Church and State*" doctrine they claim to have found in the Constitution...

Those Scandinavian countries endorsed by *Crazy Bernie* are not truly socialist, they are merely "socialistic." They are referred to as "socialdemocracies" because their citizens still retain the power to vote their tormentors out of office, and sometimes do. *Democratic-socialism* is really an oxymoron: socialism is the antithesis of democracy, and true socialist governments don't hold legitimate elections because plebiscites are one of the first civil rights they eliminate.

Some socialist nations may stage **pantomime elections**, but they are phony and their outcomes are predetermined. For example, during the *Cold War*, Albania held National Elections under Enver Hoxha, who proudly trumpeted his 99+ percent electoral victories to insipid idiots among the world's fake news media. Similarly, Nicolas Maduro in Venezuela recently declared himself president in his reelection, despite losing handily to his democratic opponent.



Another feature of socialism is the seizure of all "means of production." That's an innocent-sounding Marxist term to describe how socialist governments seize absolute control over every aspect of a nation's economy. This inevitably produces a graftocracy among high-ranking party officials, particularly evident in the lavish lifestyles enjoyed by the Soviet Nomenklatura. Meanwhile, the USSR's "peasants" were forced to queue for stale bread, turnips and cabbages at government sponsored food stores.

Likewise, friends and allies of Venezuelan dictators Hugo Chavez and Nicolas Maduro enriched themselves while destroying their nation's economy. They plundered Venezuela's oil revenues, despite their claims to be socialist "reformers" like Crazy Bernie. It's no coincidence that Nicolas Maduro once described Crazy Bernie Sanders as his "revolutionary friend."



Freedom of the press is another principle quickly discarded. When a socialist government controls their nation's economy, it has the power to reward any ally and destroy any opponent. The Marxist *Sandinistas* in Nicaragua successfully stifled their political opposition by refusing to sell newspaper pulp to *La Prensa*, the nation's largest newspaper and the voice of their democratic opposition. That was one of socialism's more *subtle* examples of censorship.

Another civil liberty quickly dispensed with are **firearms** and the right to self-defense. This eliminates any possibility of the peasants successfully defending themselves against the tyranny of socialist dictators. Stalin, Mao, Pol Pot, and Castro all found it expedient to disarm their subjects.



It's no coincidence that in his two failed campaigns for the presidency, *Crazy Bernie* Sanders often described his platform as a "Second Bill of Rights." That's because everything he preaches in his speeches specifically violates some provision of the Constitution's Bill of Rights. He really is a Marxist, and not some naive and eccentric "democratic-socialist" as he pretends to be.

There was a time when Americans didn't need to have socialism explained to them, because everyone understood such things. The Soviet Union stood as a constant reminder of how the efforts of "socialist reformers" like Bernie Sanders inevitably go awry, and soon produce hunger and poverty, "Show Trials," and 6,000 mile-long Gulags instead of their promised "utopia."

However, that was before people who think like *Crazy Bernie* Sanders seized control of -- and subverted -- what is now laughingly referred to as "higher education" in America, and destroyed it by turning it into four years of indoctrination and propaganda by Marxist lunatics and traitors.

Those are the kind of delusional ignoramuses who attend *Crazy* Bernie's and AOC's sermons.

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