

## More of the More

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Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez's triumphant entry into Washington, DC, as a United States Representative-Elect, is quickly proving a cautionary tale for Democrats. She's an enthusiastic socialist. Or "progressive," to use the preferred euphemism. And thus Democrats see her as a fresh breeze to air out the stodgy, musty chambers of . . .

Nancy Pelosi's office.

Ocasio-Cortez showed up in the House office building last week, along with other protestors "flooding," as *Politico* put it, the Minority Leader's work area.

But what she is proving to be is *not* a breath of fresh air. And she is not merely "more of the same" in leftist agitation.

She may be "more of the more."

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Progressives cannot seem to formulate an upper limit to their ideology. Dr. Jordan Peterson, trying to be "precise," warns that this



is the main problem of the left today: a lack of any sense of "going too far."

If government growth is always good, then . . . *all the way to the socialism of Stalin, Mao and the Castros?* The result of "always more" is "most."

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Their usual rebuttal? "We just want to be more like Scandinavian countries." But these countries have less regulation on markets than America does currently. We should believe the "Scandinavian Limit" *precisely* when progressives earnestly push to *repeal* some regulations.

Ideology aside, this may be mainly . . . politics. Ocasio-Cortez proclaimed herself "looking forward" to "working together" with former and likely new Speaker Pelosi, and left the protest before the police began making arrests.

A statesperson in the making.

This is Common Sense. I'm Paul Jacob.