

Inslee, AOC, and the Watermelon

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Washington State Governor Jay Inslee is running to lead the Democratic Party in the next presidential election to take back the imperial capital, Washington, D.C. His chief issue? Fighting “man-made climate change.” But he also dares to say goofy things, apparently on the theory that It Work For Trump.

Seeking to promote “more unity across the world and more love rather than hate,” he has said, in an apparent attempt at impish if instructive irony, that his “first act will be to ask Megan Rapinoe to be my secretary of state.”

Inslee is *not* referring to Ms. Rapinoe’s best-known statement, her infamous scream, upon a sports win last week, “I deserve this!”

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Inslee is referring, instead, to her admonishment for everyone “to be better. We have to love more, hate less. We got to listen



more, and talk less. . . .” And so on.

With this sort of inanity awarded by a major Democratic pol, you might wonder, is his primary policy plank equally hollow?

Not according to Saikat Chakrabarti, chief of staff to Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.).

Talking off the cuff with the climate director for Inslee’s campaign, Chakrabarti praised the Democrat’s “comprehensive plan” *for fitting together disparate parts.*

As I noted several months ago, AOC’s Green New Deal suffers from an *over-abundance of extraneous-to-climate change elements.* But Chakrabarti insists that the “interesting thing about the Green New Deal is it wasn’t originally a climate thing at all.”

It was “a how-do-you-change-the-entire-economy thing.”

Which brings us back to the old Watermelon Theory of environmentalism: “green on the outside but red in the middle.”

This “green” agenda isn’t hollow. It is dangerous.

This is Common Sense. I’m Paul Jacob.