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Sanders Aide: “Guillotine the Rich,” Republicans Go to the New Gulag for “Re-education”

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Democrat presidential candidate Bernie Sanders has a problem: campaign staffers who want a communist revolution and Soviet-style tyranny should the “socialist” from Vermont win the presidency.



Last week, as [The New American reported](#), Project Veritas [released two videos](#) of Sanders campaign staffer Kyle Jurek, who promised burning cities and dead cops if Sanders loses, and, if he wins, the execution of moderate liberals and a Soviet-style gulag for Trump supporters.

Jurek, who toils in Iowa for Sanders, thinks the gulags were good for the Russian people and would work well here, too.

Martin Weissgerber, a Sanders campaign aide in South Carolina, agrees but would go much further, [he told](#) an undercover PV reporter (video below).

He promises to murder the rich if Sanders is elected.

Soviet Union Not Horrible

Unhappily for Sanders, the [PV video exposed](#) the truth that crazed, communist radicals are deeply involved in the senator’s campaign.

First on Weissgerber’s agenda, and presumably Sanders’, is overturning representative government by dissolving the House and Senate, then permitting Sanders and his Cabinet to run the country.

But that plan makes sense given Weissgerber’s upbringing and his view of the Soviet Union, which he apparently imbibed with his mother’s milk.

“I think I was radicalized from the day, first day I was born,” he said:

My dad, is a Marxist. Like, straight-up from Belgium.... He took part in Paris '68 and all that, which is really cool.... I’ve always made it, I’ve always been unapologetic about it since I was younger, I always said, you know I’m a Communist.... In my house, we had, you know *Das Kapital*, Engels, and Marx and all that sh*t.... I’m a Communist that believes in direct democracy, direct communes on everything. Pretty much, Anarcho-Syndicalism. Unions everything. I hope, but I don’t know how effective that is in addressing climate change, for instance.

Weissgerber’s mother is a radical leftist too, but in any event, a college education incubated his love for the Soviet Union. “That’s what I studied in college, I studied Russian his- ... Soviet history,” he continued. “I became the resident Marxist.... But, yeah, I’m all about the complete seizure of the means of production, nationalizing everything.”



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Weissgerber's professors, apparently, did yeoman's work brainwashing him: "I only learned this sh*t in college when I started studying the Soviet Union. The Soviet Union was not horrible.... I mean, for women's rights the Soviet Union — I think — the most progressive place to date in the world."

A few people, like the [20 million people Stalin murdered](#), might disagree.

Guillotine the Rich

That small detail aside, Weissgerber offered a unique take on the gulag:

The first Gulag that was opened; have you heard about Belomorkanal? They dug a canal; the plan was, in 1922, I think, to dig a canal from the White Sea all the way to Saint Petersburg — a long way, if you look on a map — and, the whole point — it was going to be called the Belomorkanal, and I read — I spent a whole semester actually studying primary accounts from the Belomorkanal. The whole point of the Belomorkanal, there were no machines allowed. They forced the people to dig with shovels and hoe the whole canal, right? You should see the people writing about their time at the Belomorkanal. There's this one guy, he was a thief from Georgia who had been captured. He was sent to the Belomorkanal to work and in his writing, like "I reject all thievery, I reject that past life." He said, capitalism made me into this thief, because when there's poor people, there's going to be crime. He said, "I went to the Belomorkanal and I worked." He became a shock worker, which is what they call the leading workers, people who always met the quota and exceeded the quota ... and, like people came from America to work at the Belomorkanal for the Soviet project, the communist project. It was a beautiful thing.

That beautiful thing called the gulag wasn't the Soviet Union's only contribution to the world: "Leave it to the Soviets to make the most badass f***ing, most effective gun in the world ... AK [47] ... the destroyer of imperialism and colonization ... that's why I want to get it tattooed on me."

With that positive review, the AK-47 will undoubtedly figure in his plan to punish the rich by seizing their wealth and, ultimately, executing them.

But Weissgerber has something else in mind, too: hard labor, gulags, and the guillotine.

"Let's force them [billionaires] to build roads ... rebuild our roads, rebuild our dams, rebuild our bridges," [Weissgerber said](#). "Let's force them to do that."

[Like Jurek](#), Weissgerber thinks the gulags "were founded as re-education camps," and that Republicans must be sent to them.

Then again, re-education might take too long.

Weissgerber's in a hurry to build a new society:

I'm already on Twitter, following numerous groups around the country that are ready to organize yellow vest protests.... I'm ready to start tearing bricks up and start fighting.... I'll straight up get armed, I want to learn how to shoot, and go train. I'm ready for the f***ing revolution, bro.... I'm telling you. Guillotine the rich."

Image: screenshot from YouTube video

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