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AOC Breaks Her Silence on Cuban Protests; Blames America

When Cubans took to the streets to protest the communism under which they have been forced to live since 1959, many high-profile liberals in America either pretended the protests were about COVID or ignored them completely. But the truth has a way of coming out — even if the entire liberal establishment is determined to keep it from doing so. After the White House was forced on Thursday to admit that communism “is a failed ideology,” the cover behind which Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) was hiding was removed. On Friday, the loud and proud Marxist congresswoman finally broke her silence and addressed the protests in a public statement.



Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (AP Images)

While the White House initially blamed the protests on rising COVID cases in Cuba on in Monday’s press briefing, it eventually dialed that back just a smidgen and on Thursday [admitted that communism just might be to blame](#). And Ocasio-Cortez, who had been conspicuously silent on the topic, has finally found her voice.

On Friday, AOC [tweeted](#) her belated — and seemingly forced — statement. That tweet read:

We stand in solidarity with the Cuban people and condemn the suppression of the media, speech and protest.

We also call for an end to the U.S. embargo and additional Trump-era restrictions that are profoundly contributing to the suffering of Cubans.

The tweet was accompanied by a picture of an official statement from the office of the congresswoman. That statement began:

We are seeing Cubans rise up and protest for their rights like never before. We stand in solidarity with them, and we condemn the anti-democratic actions led by President Diaz-Canel. The suppression of the media, speech and protest are all gross violations of civil rights.

Before going any further, this writer would like to acknowledge the extreme pain and suffering that it likely caused Ocasio-Cortez to describe an example of her favored form of government using terms such as “anti-democratic” and “gross violations of civil rights.” In the aftermath of such a traumatic experience, I hope she is alright and that her recovery process is smooth and short.

Then again, perhaps my concern is superfluous. In all likelihood, Ocasio-Cortez was simply saying



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whatever she needed to say in the moment. That seems to be the case, since she immediately followed those 45 words of half-hearted pablum by spending the next 81 words doing what she does best — criticizing the United States and accusing it of racism. Her statement continues:

We also must name the U.S. contribution to Cuban suffering: our sixty-year-old embargo. Last month, once again, the U.N. voted overwhelmingly to call on the United States to lift its embargo on Cuba.

The embargo is absurdly cruel and, like too many other U.S. policies targeting Latin Americans, the cruelty is the point. I outright reject the Biden administration's defense of the embargo. It is never acceptable for us to use cruelty as a point of leverage against every day people.

That is more like the AOC we all know. This tirade against the country that has afforded her and so many others such great opportunities is sadly typical of AOC. It is also interesting in that some of the language sounds very familiar from another recent statement on the Cuban protests. That recent statement was from an organization that is both anti-American and pro-AOC.

As this writer reported in a [previous article](#), Black Lives Matter issued a statement via Instagram blaming the United States for the suffering of the Cuban people. As that article states:

In its statement — posted via Instagram — BLM blamed the U.S. embargo (which it described as “cruel and inhumane”) for Cuba’s woes. It went on to praise the violent, oppressive communist government in Cuba for “its commitment to sovereignty and self-determination” and for harboring a convicted cop killer from the U.S. — one Assata Shakur

Both AOC and BLM used the word “cruel” to describe the embargo. Both accuse the United States of racism. Is this a coincidence? Possibly, but not likely. AOC rose to her position by riding a wave of racial discontent. BLM was instrumental in creating that wave. AOC’s career is intricately tied to BLM. And they are not merely ideological bedfellows, either. They each mutually support the other. AOC pushes the BLM agenda at the legislative level and BLM promotes AOC.

In fact, in another [previous article](#), this writer reported that a BLM chapter in Utah used an Independence Day social media post attacking the American flag as a “racist” “symbol of hatred” to *financially* support AOC’s campaign.

AOC knows which side her bread is buttered on. She has repeatedly demonstrated her willingness — even her *zeal* — to do the bidding of the BLM Marxists. That she waiting until the White House had mentioned communism and until BLM had blamed the United States for its “cruel” and racist embargo before she issued her statement is telling. That her statement also addresses communism (without actually naming it) and blames the United States for its “cruel” and racist embargo is even more telling.

AOC is clearly in lock-step with her comrades in BLM. And if one is the master and the other is the puppet, AOC is the one wearing strings.

It is also noteworthy that the Marxist congresswoman called out the current resident of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue for his “defense of the embargo.” It appears that even Joe Biden isn’t woke enough for BLM’s representative in Congress.



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