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## **Brother Ali** "Letter From The Government"

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[Chorus]

I got a letter from the government the other day I opened it and read it and burned that man The way that I live don't concern that man We gon' have to settle this another way

[Verse 1] When the knuckles turn white Eyes begin bulging I take an honest look at my life It's insultin I been sulkin about it all week Hearin adults screachin Metal grindin the concrete Sparks dance where the worst of both worlds clash Meaning the blue tyrants and my broke ass I understand this is pawn take pawn shit But III be damned if you'll shoot me on my lawn bitch Think twice before shinin that light at my drawers In the alley in the middle of the night Garbage baggin, house, shoes Put two and two together I aint no drug smuggler I'm a struggling brotha Had this dream where I go nuts Dial 911 from the roof and post up Decorate your hot head when you came in the cruiser And paint your rod red in the name of Abu

[Chorus]

## [Verse 2]

What kinda sucka would I have to be After these years of you harassin and attackin me To run and join your cavalry Imagine me all GI Joed up in Afgahnistan somewhere Prepared to go nuts You're clinically crazy if you think you can pay me A figure that can make me slay these innocent babies I identify with a slave wishin to break free He was victimized by the same system that raped me Look at us poor Just tryin' to get our foot in the door

And unfortunately hooked in this war We were both coerced to get enlisted But his was with a trigger mine was livin' conditions We're one in the same But in the name of some freedom I'm supposed to put one in his brain like something will change What freedom? I aint ridin for no president Send the kids to die when we didnýt even elect em bitch

[Chorus]

[Verse 3] Listen I'm in position to judge a young stud Tryin to use the military to come the fuck up Cause self preservation is the first law of nature Play your cards smart Remember what the fucks up It's really no different from crack peddlin' When it comes to dyin and killin for a dream you were given Last thing in your mind is how youre seen by the system Be willing to go to those extremes for your vision Shit Im no smarter I know Im fuckin retarded I just know enough to not eat directly where the dog shits If Uncle Sam wants to threaten my health Tell him he'll have to come get me hisself motherfucka

[Chorus]

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