Big Audio Dynamite "Beyond The Pale"

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If you don't know where I come from You better steer clear of my trail From the dark side of London That's way beyond the pale

My grandpa came from Russia Stowed away hidden in some bales He took my grandma dancing To the air raid sirens wail

Then Saint George used his sword on the immigrant poor
'Cause he can't kill no dragon
If I was in those shoes
I'd say Soweto's gonna happen here too

I gotta get a message through Tell everybody the news And with the winter coming

Crossing all the borders
Through the smoke of war and rain
Papers out of order on a military train
A coat, a bag, a baby, status refugee
These are the people of my family

Don't anybody know that this city was made Of immigrant blood and money If I was in those shoes A black shirt with playboy blues

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Now there's a rocker in Vladivostok Got every side by Jerry Lee But for accidents of disorder That guy could well be me

I want everybody to know this I want everyone to hear

Immigration built the nation You got a blood cross standing here

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