

## Boogie Down Productions

### "The homeless"

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Yeah...

You could call a man a bum with disgust on your  
morning run

Cause he lives outside in the street, you don't know this  
But you've failed to realise that the one you so despise  
Reflects yourself cos every black man is homeless  
You could take your alka-seltzer while you talk about  
shelter

You might even wanna talk about a little loan  
Cause no matter how rich you become you'll always be  
two, not one

Cause believe it or not, america ain't your home  
We've been taught to say our name, afro-american, all  
the same

Not fully american but gettin' there very slowly  
Cause to fully be american, you know, you gotta take  
out the word 'afro'

Now they've relaxed I hear they might as well call us  
toby

See, afro and black are african, while theft is american  
So how can afro-american make much sense?

Your ancestors come from africa

By stealing them now you're born in america

So the black man is homeless even though he pays rent

Some black people say "we built this place

So we are american, but of the black race"

Well let me make this little topic known

The japanese also built this place

In technology and they're winnin' the race

But at the end of the day the japanese can go home

Do you see the point that I'm getting at?

I'm not a racist, I'm statin' a fact

Blacks are actually prisoners of war

Cause while south africa continues to fight

We try our best to look more and more white

Proof that the blacks have been stripped of their core

Well, I guess I didn't sing and dance enough

For black radio to play this stuff

But this ain't soft like ice-cream with a sugar cone

I'm only here to state one fact

Wake up african, your colour is black

And every black man is homeless cause he ain't got no  
home

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