

## Francis Magalona

### "Call it Like I See It"

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\* Mhisani later recorded under the name Goldy

( \*phone conversation\* )

- Hello?

- Yeah man, we need to do a hit on Mhisani.

- No problem.

- And just like always: 50% ahead of time, and 50%  
when I see that black ass dead.

- Got it.

- And don't fuck up.

We don't need Mhisani spreading that black power shit  
to the ghetto,

we need to keep this muthafuckin country red, white  
and blue.

Fuck them niggers.

- Cool, later.

(Funky)

[ VERSE 1 ]

Everybody thought I was a politician

When I released "Speakin' Peace" on my 12" "Listen"

But every circumstance causin different types of  
villains

In Oakland, California people need to stop the killin

You see, the city I live in is very intense

So I never hesitate to write another sentence

I speak what I feel, reality is relevant

I don't pick up the mic and be rappin for the hell of it

The media, they categorize and classify

They say I'm racist, political, but that's a lie

It's hard as hell growing up in a system with racism

Some brothers can't hang, so they go to prison

And rap music is a way of expression

I might rap clean and rap vulgar from agression

So view me as a humour, just aware and conscient

Instead of bumping the gums and talkin that nonsense

I call it like I see it

(Go 'head)

(I'm tired of bein told hella lies)

I call it like I see it  
(Alright)  
(Expose the enemy hidin behind a disguise)  
I call it like I see it  
(Go 'head)  
(The conditions and problems and causes)  
I call it like I see it  
(Alright)  
(Protected by the first ammendment clause)

[ VERSE 2 ]

Returning from the rap laboratory  
Feelin kinda good, now I think I have a story  
(Kick it) Girls turn me on in the open society  
So many fine nations, damn, what a variety  
Me myself I like em thick, I never trip on shades  
Light or dark skin, hair down or in dookie braids  
Is there a doctor in the house? (Yeah) Where is she?  
Tell her to come backstage, I need some lip therapy  
Some go through trips ( ? ) and start relationships  
Some comin straight and get busy on the first date  
The game on the streets is deeper than knee  
Makin your money and keepin your freak, I peep, then I  
speak  
But some brown-noser wants to bother my sound  
He said, "Mhisani, won't you water it down?  
Be a little more clean cut, never cuss, be like us and  
cross over"  
Oh, you must be getting complaints from your boss,  
Rover  
It's a damn shame rappers are bein bought for  
Gonna speak the truth explicit or hardcore  
But if it gotta be like that, then so be it  
Cause I'ma call it like I see it

(Go 'head)  
(You know that you cuss, don't deny it)  
I call it like I see it  
(Alright)  
(If a record offends you, don't buy it)  
I call it like I see it  
(Go 'head)  
(I don't try to make a friendly type of music)  
I call it like I see it  
(Alright)  
(Won't ever worry ( ? ) I'ma use it)

[ VERSE 3 ]

People fought and died to make a better future for the  
youth  
And many were killed for speakin the truth

Given too much game, gettin too close to home  
Put a hit on you, snipers waitin with they scopes on  
What do you expect for us to shut up and just let you  
kill us?  
And teach the children that they came from gorillas?  
I guess you figured if you kept us braindead you  
control us  
Let us kill each other, then you call the rollers  
Two at a time never fails  
You send one to jail and tell the dead dude to go to hell  
And you can send the black and whites out to hassle  
me  
Tell me to shut up or I be another casualty  
But your sweatin won't threaten me ( ? )  
( ? ) we stand strong to the death and hard nothings  
Just we like did ( ? ) we fought like men  
You brought the guns and we been dyin every since  
then  
As I rap I stare at the top of the roof  
I shut my mouth or get shot for the truth  
But I must take a stand to make a better future for  
people as equals  
And call it like I see it

(Go 'head)  
(If it means life or death)  
I call it like I see it  
(Alright)  
(I will speak till my very last breath)  
I call it like I see it  
(Go 'head)  
(When all odds are against me)  
I call it like I see it  
(Alright)  
(The truth set me free)

(Funky)

I call it like I see it

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