

Philip Lynott

"Ode to a Black Man"

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If you see Stevie Wonder, tell him I hear
If you hear little Stevie Wonder, tell him I see
I don't want no songs for plants, I want songs for me
I don't want no songs for plants, I want liberty
I'm livin' in the city

If you see the doctor, tell him he's king
(Dr. Martin Luther)
If you see the doctor, tell him he's still king
(You too, Muhammed Ali)

But this bad black boy
Won't be blown away by anything
Yes, this bad black boy
Won't be blown away by anything

There are people in this town that try to put me down
They say, "I don't give a damn"
([Incomprehensible])
But the people in this town that try to put me down
Are the people in the town
That could never understand a black man

Don't take it no more
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There are people in this town that try to put me down
They say, "I don't give a damn, damn"
But the people in this town that try to put me down
Are the people in the town
That could never understand a black man

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If you see Robert Johnson, tell him I hear
(You too Robert Marley, Robert Mugabe)
If you see Malcom, tell him I'm next, vexed
If you see Jimi, Jimi Hendrix

If you see my brothers, tell them it's clear
I've been living on the wrong side, but now I hear

I've been living on the wrong side, but now I hear

Don't take it no more

Don't take it no more

Mr. Joshua Nkomo

He don't take it no more

Jomo Kenyatta, oh no

He don't take it no more

Haile Selassi, Rastafarian

Don't take it no more

Professor Longhair

Don't take it no more

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