Steve Taylor "You've Been Bought"

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So the suburbs were jungle Did you mama make you eat it? You were barely out of high school When your daddy told you 'Beat It'

And repression was a buzzword So you called yourself a victim A victim of repression This court is now in session

With a growl and a guitar You made yourself a name But the fire left the grooves When the first check came

You've been bought (Interests are conflicting) You've been bought (Chemical's addicting)

You've been bought (What goes around, comes around) You'll get caught Get it while you're hot 'cause you know You've been bought

Sold your bad reputation For a deal in Tinseltown Then the video rolls Then the whip comes down

Did you slap around the ladies for the camera? Do you slap them when the camera isn't there? Those are lawyers telling you to look rebellious Pulling strings when your fist goes in the air

This year's rock and roll messiah Come to settle some old score You can save that bad boy posturing I've seen that sneer before

You've been bought

(A real heavy sweater?) You've been bought (Elvis did it better)

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South African promoters call And you wonder if you should But ideals fall like dominoes When the money looks good

We don't need another manufactured rebel We don't want your twisted doctrines of despair If your music's saying nothing save it for the dentist chair

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