

Proper Propaganda

Dilated Peoples

We're coming to you live from the Scottish Right Temple
Near the intersection of Crenshaw and Wiltshire
Where, as you can see in the background
Military personnel are mobilized and waiting orders
Despite the quiet and the deceptive calm
Tension is still thick in the air after last night's concert and rebellion
The incident was allegedly sparked by police officers
Trying to shut down a reportedly peaceful concert
By hip hop artists Dilated People's
We'll keep you updated with any new developments
For Triclops Media Watch, this is Harry Allen
Hip hop activist and media assassin and now, proper propaganda

Hey yo we handle it, these brothers are fabulous
Dilated showing you what rhyme travel is
Words spittoon from sunlight to moon
Bustin' on stage like gunfight saloons
Click clack, my mic back, you like that?
Journalists? We're journalists too, we could strike back
Hardcore reporters with orders from headquarters
Behind enemy lines, sidestepping the borders

With press passes, we bring it to you as it happens
The streets love my crew for music and rappin'
Street commander slash beat expander
Here to fight the slander with the proper propaganda
What's happenin'? You got a question then ask it
The news is just a TV show, get past it
And this, from a quiet wartime journalist
Headlines, wake up, refuse and resist
Like this, like this, like thi-thi-this, y'all

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I make the people listen boogy down and move
I make the people listen boogy down and move, yeah
I make the people listen boogy down and move

Glory, the pen is mightier than the sword
'Cause the pen gives the word sending swords to war
They twisted it when they quoted Mao Tse-tung
They said political power comes from the barrel of a gun
The officer meets his fate, by .44, .38
It was a dirty deed but that don't mean a dirty case
Witnesses against the state are shushed
Facts overlooked so the judge can throw the book
Perhaps for politicians with something to prove
In the city where they blew the roof off and move

Yo, questions when answered leads to more questions

Why'd it take months to remember a confession?
The principles are the same even without the name
But I still say, "M U M I A"
I have to fight, it could easily be me
But just being the thinker than speakin' it freely
Although I use my brain before using a fist
Don't push it, wake up, refuse and resist

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