

Mi Revalueshanary Fren

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Mi revalueshanary fren is nat di same agen
Yu know fram wen ?
fram di masses shata silence
Staat fi grumble
Fram pawty paramoncy tek a tumble
Fram Hungary to Poelan to Romania
Fram di cozy cyassle dem staat fi crumble
Wen wi buck-up wananada in a reaznin
Mi fren always en up pan di same ting
Dis is di sang I'm love fi sing :
Kaydar
E ad to go
Zhivkov
E ad to go
Husack
E ad to go
Honnicka
E ad to go
Cauchescu
E ad to go
Jus like apartied
Wi av to go
awhile agoh mi fren an mi woz taakin
Soh mi seh to I'm :
wat a way di eart a run nowadays, man
It gettin aada by di day
Fi know whey yu stan
Cauz wen yu tink yu deh pun salid dry lan
Wen yu cteck a stack yu fine yu ina quick-san
Yu noh notice ow di lanscape a shiff
Is like valcanoe unda it an notn cyaan stap it
Cauz tings jusa bubble an a bwoil doun below
Strata separate an refole
An wen yu tink yu reach di mountain tap
Is a bran-new platow yu goh buck-up
mi revalueshanary fren shake I'm ed an I'm sigh
Dis woz I'm reply :
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Jus like apartied
Wi av to go
well mi nevah did satisfy wid wat mi fren mek reply
An fi get a deepa meanin in di reaznin
Mi seh to I'm :
well awrite
Soh Garby gi di people dem glashnas
An it poze di Stalinist dem plenty prablem
Soh Garby leggo peristrika pan dem
Canfoundin bureacraetic strategems

But wi haffi face up to di cole facks;
I'm also open up pondora's bax
Yes, people pawa jus a showa every awa
An eyrybody claim dem demacratik
But some a wolf an some a sheep
An dat is prablematic:
Nah tings like dat yu woulde call dialectic ?
mi revalueshanary fren pauz awhile an I'm smile
Den I'm look mi in mi eye an reply :
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Zhivkov
E ad to go
Husack
E ad to go
Honnicka
E ad to go
Cauchescu
E ad to go
Jus like apartied
Wi av to go
well mi couldn elabarate
Plus it waz gettin kinda late
Soh in spite a mi lack af andastandin
Bout di meanin a di changes in di eas
Fi di wes nonediless
An aldow mi av mi rezavayshans
Bout di cansiquenses an implicashans
Espehsaally fi black libaraeshan
To bring di reaznin to a canclushan
Ah ad woz to agree wid mi fren
Hopein dat wen wi meet up wance agen
Wi coulda av a more fulla canvahsaeshan
soh mi seh to I'm, yu know wat ?
I'm seh wat ? mi seh :
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Husack
E ad to go
Honnicka
E ad to go
Cauchescu
E ad to go
Jus like apartied
Soon gaan