

Want Fi Goh Rave

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I woz
Waakin doun di road road
Di addah day
When a hear a lickle yout-man say
Him seh
Y'u noh si mi situation
Mi don't have noh accamadaeshan
Mi haffi sign aan at di station
At six in di evenin'
Mi seh mi life got no meanin'
Ah jus' livin' widout feelin'
Still mi haffi mek a raze
Kaw mi come af age
An mi want fi goh rave
I woz waakin doun di road
Annadah day
W'en ah hear annadah yout-man say
Him seh
Mi naw wok fi noh pittance
Mi naw draw dem assistance
Mi use to run a lickle racket
But wha, di police dem di stap it
An ah had woz to hap it
Still mi haffi mek a raze
Kaw mi come af age
An mi want fi goh rave
I woz waakin doun di road
Yet annadah day
W'en ah hear annadah yout-man say
Him seh
Mi haffi pick a packit
Tek a wallit fram a jackit
Mi haffi dhu it real crabit
An' if a lackit mi haffi pap it
An' if a safe mi haffi crack it
Are chap it wid mi hatchit
But mi haffi mek a raze
Kaw mi come af age
An mi want fi goh rave