

# The Vampires

Paul Simon

[HERNANDEZ]

Well, did you bring me my money,  
My cab fare  
My new shoes?  
I got expenses, you know  
Where's my weekly dues?

[SAL]

I ain't giving you my fucking money.

[HERNANDEZ]

Oye, mother fucker, where's this jibaro from?  
You go when I say.

I call, you come.  
You know it takes a strong man to survive.  
It ain't no accident that you're still alive.

[HERNANDEZ & THE VAMPIRES]

We stand for the neighborhood

[HERNANDEZ]

He still lives with his mami, but he sneaks down,  
A coolie in the shadow of the playground  
You want to fight for your people, don't you, Sal?

[SAL]

Well, yeah, if I got to.

[HERNANDEZ]

Oh, you got to. Come here, I want to show  
you something.  
This is the cave of The Vampires,  
Count Dracula's castle,  
The very sight could turn a white man grey.  
Made in the shade, use my umbrella  
Black like the night we fly in.  
That blade is all you need to keep the dogs away.  
So, you want to be a vampire, man! That's good.  
We always looking for young blood in the  
neighborhood now

Carlos Apache collects the dues  
So you bring us something that we can use

[HERNANDEZ & THE VAMPIRES]

If you got the balls, then come on, mette mano.  
If you got the balls, then come on, mette mano.

[HERNANDEZ]

Frenchy Cordero goes down to Hell's Kitchen  
To sell the Irish some weed  
So this Paddy boy's mother on the stoop  
starts bitchin'  
'Bout spies is a mongrel breed  
Now here comes her son  
He looks like a ton of corned beef

Floating in beer

He says

'Fucking Puerto Rican dope-dealing punk  
Get your shit-brown ass out of here.'

[HERNANDEZ & THE VAMPIRES]

'Fucking Puerto Rican dope-dealing punk  
Get your shit-brown ass out of here.'

We stand for the neighborhood.

[HERNANDEZ]

So the shanty-town Irish they kicked his ass good.

Fractured his collar bone

Cono, all I was thinking is, 'What home of the brave?  
This a fucking war zone'

[THE VAMPIRES]

If you got the balls, then come on, mette mano,

We stand for the neighborhood.

If you got cojones, come on, mette mano

We stand for the neighborhood

If you got the balls, then come on, mette mano,

We stand for the neighborhood.

If you got cojones, come on, mette mano