

# Protect Yuh Neck

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Bulby yuh a listen  
Ready

Protect yuh neck  
Protect yuh neck  
Protect yuh head don't tek nuh check  
Protect yuh neck  
Look over yuh shoulder

Yuh a hear mi now

Duh nuh come out afta midnight iyah  
All inna broad daylight dem a tek life  
So imagine afta dark when di action start  
Wat a guh gwaan

Duh nuh come out afta x-30  
Dem yah yute yah well blood tirsty  
Nuh mek sun down ketch yuh inna town  
Tek weh yuh self now

Ova war-rieka hill  
War neva stand still  
And inna garden  
Mi neva see nuh cultivation nor nuh farming-a gwaan  
Dem will done yuh inna kirk (dunkirk)  
All ova watahouse a drought still dem will wet yuh  
Is like yuh life nuh have nuh worth  
I look inna callaloo bed  
And nuh see nuh mo' vegetarian alone

And get dis straight sah  
Chant for a safer jamaica  
Who name dem place yah  
Dem neva know seh word sound a powah

Yuh got to be care-ful  
And protect yuh neck  
Protect yuh head back  
Careful and protect yuh neck protect yuh head

When yuh come out afta x-30  
Nuh trust nuh blue suit nor khaaki  
Nuff a pose like police and dem a tief  
Worst dan di klan weh wrap up inna white sheet  
Freaks come out anytime it touch dark  
Watch how yuh walk inside di park  
He turn she and she turn he some sight to see  
Swap identity and waah come mingle wid we  
New kingston  
Mi si dem a dust but mi nuh see nothing done  
For my people  
Still no one knows the reason

And mi guh ask a hope road  
Still it was hopeless cause no one would hear ma cry  
Di struggle still continue

And inna payneland burn di pain and mek wi hold a joy

Get dis straight sah  
Work for a safer jamaica  
Sweetest land sweetest watah  
Dash weh di pirate cultcha

Yuh got to be care-ful  
And protect yuh neck  
Protect yuh head back  
Careful and protect yuh neck protect yuh head

Yuh betta protect yuh neck  
Protect yuh neck  
Protect yuh head don't tek nuh check  
Protect yuh neck  
And look over yuh shoulder

Mi well waah come out afta x-30  
Mi nuh waah nuh curfew country  
Woman and man tired fi lock up inna house  
Well waah come out and sport all bout

When wi come out and start party  
Yuh nuh si nuh one hot like we  
Nuh mek pagan mash up wi country  
in communit twistup in love and inity  
Shooters hill  
Di war neva stand still  
And inna garden  
Mi neva si nuh cultivation nor nuh farming  
Now dem will done yuh inna kirk  
All ova waterhouse a drought still dem will wet yuh  
Is like yuh life nuh have nuh worth  
And inna callaloo bed mi nuh si nuh mo vegetarian alone

Mek wi get dis straight sah  
Chant for a safer jamaica  
Who name dem place yah  
Dem neva seh word sound a powah  
Hey