

The Real Ambassador

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Who's the real ambassador?

It is evident we represent American society
Noted for its etiquette, its manners and sobriety
We have followed protocol with absolute propriety
We're Yankees to the core.

We're the real ambassadors

Though we may appear as bores
We are diplomats in our proper hats
Our attire becomes habitual, along with all the ritual

The diplomatic corps

Has been analyzed and criticized by NBC and CBS
Senators and congressmen are so concerned they can't
recess
The State Department stands and all your coup d'etat
have met success
They caused this great uproar
Who's the real ambassador, yeah, the real ambassador?

Louis:

I'm the real ambassador.
It is evident I was sent by government to take your
place
All I do is play the blues and meet the people face-to-
face
I'll explain and make it plain, I represent the human
race
I don't pretend no more.

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Certain facts we can't ignore
In my humble way I'm the USA
Though I represent the government
The government don't represent some policies I'm for.

Oh we learned to be concerned about the
constitutionality

In our nation segregation isn't a legality
Soon our only differences will be in personality
That's what I stand for!

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