

Islamophobic Lullabies

Lowkey

This is Jamal's song, name means beauty, are we this far gone?
Headlines associate kids with waterboarding and car bombs
Jamal's from same part of the world you got the guitar from
Still a wonderful world, sing it like Louis Armstrong
Any kid bullied, I made this to keep your heart strong
Colonisers names the same pavements that we march on
Please don't project the war on terror onto children
They are not suspects or combatants, you cannot kill them
Please don't project the war on terror onto Grenfell
State capture and de-regulation, it doesn't end well
Prevent spying on children, got them stepping on eggshells
Flash lies across the pages, Islamophobia and death cells
Psychological warriors, mess with the percentages
Innocent kids in school labelled grooming gangs and terrorists
Battle stereotypes like climbing over Everest
What we must question is how these ideas became so prevalent

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You can tell Prevent stop spying on little kids
Tell the terrible tabloids stop tarnishing immigrants
And tell the think-thanks their role is insidious
And tell the nasty neocons stop funding this ignorance
Victims of this myth creation searching for inspiration
Hope this song can comfort you through the intimidation
Hope you beat those that smeared you through the courts of litigation
And hold your heads up high through these trials and tribulations
These morbid remorseless authors, pave the way for disorders
They murdered the Magna Carta, to hell with habeas corpus, rendition
Torture across borders, they tore up laws as they scorch them
Now they, pull up the drawbridge and tell you hordes are enormous
Only 0.18% of this country's refugees, won't regulate fossil fuelers or owners of SUVs
But they demonise heroes for braving the seven seas, 34,000 die trying to enter here, rest in peace
Moment of silence

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