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L-Late at night when you're fast asleep
The beast in the badge with the jagged teeth
Drag you to a place you ain't asked to be
Hassling and harassing me
(Run!) Over fences and the benches through the slums
(Run!) Jail ain't fun for the young
(Run!) Past the drunks and the punks and the bums, you better run
You better drop your things and bounce
(It's the cops!)
You better get gone or get out
(It's the cops!)
They'll run up in your house
(It's the cops, (Run!) it's the cops! (Run!))
You better drop that shit and go
(It's the cops!)
They wanna know everything you know
(It's the cops!)
Or they won't let you go home
(It's the cops, (Run!) it's the cops!)
And the sirens go
Ooh-ooh ooh ooh, ooh-ooh ooh
Ooh ooh
I hear the sirens go
Ooh-ooh ooh ooh, ooh-ooh ooh
Nobody gonna hold me down, nobody gonna hold me down
Ain't no way, ain't no how
Nobody gonna hold me down
Nobody gonna hold me down, nobody gonna hold me down
Ain't no way, ain't no how
Nobody gonna hold me down
Banging on the doors at night
4 in the morning looking for a fight
Drag you across the floor horrified
Don't go towards the lights
(Run!) Over cars through the yards where you're from
(Run!) Cause the cops are gonna come
You better run, you better run, you better run!
You better drop your things and bounce
(It's the cops!)
You better get gone or get out
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I hear the sirens go
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Ooh ooh

Somewhere in the holding cell it dawns on you
Your freedom don't belong to you
Somewhere in the city jail it dawns on you
Your freedom don't belong to you
Somewhere while you're sitting there it dawns on you
Your freedom don't belong to you
Somewhere in the county jail
Your freedom don't belong to you