

PUNK GAVE ME A VOICE

Call it a blessing or a curse, all my life I've clearly seen class divisions. I've hated it since I can remember. Today, I stand in solidarity with those who vow to put power into the peoples hands, and put and end to exploitation, abuse and, yes, murder.

Stay Alert, is a band I joined out of a love for Punk Rock. The genre embodies many of my beliefs, and I believe it can be used as a voice for those who have none. In effect, it gave me my voice.

Though the band itself is not a "Socialist" band, I am a Socialist, and we operate wholly democratically with many Socialist over tones, such as the equal share of all profits made by the band. I am not Stay Alert ...WE are!

While we cover many topics, I our focus -- or at least mine as the lyricist -- is one of educating and addressing issues that affect us today. I would like to see Stay Alert become more involved in activist issues. I feel we have an obligation to practice what we preach.

Manifestation

The English came to a foreign land to establish its freedom So they took it from the Native Man And gave him God as the reason

By force we've come to kill and take you from your home Inferior Savages in wastelands made to roam

Now in the 21st century We're a new generation We can't blame it on the White Man We are now an immigrant nation

Now we go out to foreign lands To establish its Freedom Sending out young Americans To die, and what's the reason

Good morning America This is the Stay Alert News And we're bringing to you live and direct The unadulterated truth!

Wake up America We have a new war to fight It's a war that's always existed it's the enemy ... within ourselves!

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