

Funding the Future

Money an Island

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The Apopalyptics take on tax-dodging multi-national corporations

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You can keep your money on an island
You can keep your money safe from drying eyes
You can keep your money out of sight
Bet your money on it!

Tax havens, let me name some:
Jersey and the Caymans,
And oh Europe, Britain land,
Luxembourg and some Swiss cantons,
Crock-a-jack government the city of London,
Like it were full of masons or

Delaware in the USA, man
Get your money from Venezuela,
Sometimes these places paid more,
Than use working neighbours
At their labour
They use their infrastructures
And their education

But services? Nah, they don't pay for them,
So you can see the state they're in
An honest boss pays a heavy burden but
Not for these corporations
These float from place to place men,
With their government mates, then
Who dream of where the day they
Can join them in tax havens?

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Tax avoiders, let me blame some
Petro-mony net search engines,
News muddis, big bank conners
Phone providers swap them trap dumb
Tax write-offs for boys club, trap dumb
Animals with lap-dance and some
Champagne on a yacht attracts them
So-called politicians

Big pop stars (while artists starve)
Buy boats to do raves in
Show Hello their kiffsch locations,
Hypocrite debt victims pay them
Compensation
Drug dealers sent to heaven

Some people take cash just to survive
Or just to keep a small business alive or
To get gifts for their loved ones
We're not talking about fiddling a form nor
Taking sixty quid's benefit fraud no
We're talking about stealing six billion
From sick children!

And let's not mention
Large countries tax exemptions,
Banks who ask no questions
Dictators come to them from
Overseas corruption to Paris or London,
They live but they don't pay rent
And it ain't sent back home

When business fails, who pays for it?
What's right, the tax payers?
When business booms, who benefits?
What's right, they just take it!
What, without even paying
For all the help we gave them?
Nope, that's tax havens!

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