## First We Take Manhattan

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They sentenced me to twenty years of boredom
For trying to change the system from within
I'm coming now I'm coming to reward them
First we take Manhattan, then we take BerlinI'm guided by a signal in the heavens

Guided by this birthmark on my skin

I'm guided by the beauty of our weapons

First we take Manhattan, then we take BerlinI'd really like to live beside you, baby

I love your body and your spirit and your clothes

But you see that line they're moving through the station

I told you, I told you, I told you I was one of thoseYou loved me as a loser but now your worried that I just might win

You know the way to stop me but you don't have the discipline

How many nights I prayed for this to let my work begin

First we take Manhattan, then we take BerlinI don't like your fashion business, mister

I don't like these drugs that keep you thin

I don't like what happened to your sister

First we take Manhattan, then we take BerlinI'd really like to live beside you, baby

I love your body and your spirit and your clothes

But you see that line they're moving through the station

I told you, I told you, I told you I was one of thoseDid I thank you for those items that you sent me

The monkey and the plywood violin

I practiced every night now I'm ready

First we take Manhattan, then we take BerlinNow remember me, I used to live for music

Remember me, I brought your groceries in

It's Father's Day and everybody's wounded

First we take Manhattan, then we take Berlin

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