Black President (Prod by Green Lantern)

Nas

[Intro: Obama]

They said this day would never come.

They said our sights were set too high.

They said this country was too divided,

Too disillusioned to ever come together around a common purpose.

They Said, They Said[Chorus: x2 Tupac]

And though it seems heaven sent,

We ain't ready to see a black President

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Change the World (Change the World)

(They Said!)[Nas]

They forgot us on the block

Got us in the box

Solitary confinement

How violent are these cops?

They need an early retirement

How many rallies will I watch?

I ain't got it in me to march

I got a semi to spark

The game's in a droughtPublic housing, projects

Cooking up in the Pyrex

My set, my click

Either getting money

Or running from homicide trial

That's if they ain't died yetTrying to be rich

Still I'm pledging allegiance

A predicate felon, a ghetto leader

Lending my poetical genius

To whoever may need it

I bleed this from Queensbridge

Now living with my feet up

Never defeated

So a president's needed

Y'know these colored folks and Negroes

Hate to see one of their own succeeding

America, surprised us

And let a black man guide us[Chorus: x2]Yes We Can

Change the World (Change the World)

(They Said!) What?s the black pres. thinkin? on election night Is it how can I protect my life?

Protect my wife?

Protect my rights?

Every other president was nothin' less than white

Except Thomas Jefferson and mixed Indian blood

And Calvin coolers

KKK is like 'what the fuck', loadin' they guns up

Loadin' mine too, Ready to ride

Cause i'm riding with my crew

He dies, we die too

But on a positive side,

I think Obama provides Hope, and challenges minds

Of all races and colors to erase the hate

And try and love one another, so many political snakes

We in need of a break

I'm thinkin' I can trust this brother

But will he keep it way real?

Every innocent n!gga in jail, gets out on appeal

When he wins, will he really care still?

I feel[Chorus: x2]Yes We Can

Change the World (Change the World)

(They Said!)Say a prayer for "do we have to?"

You ain't right, Jeremiah Wrong pastor

In love with a slave master

Sincerely yours,

USA most brave rapper

Jesse car-jacker

Uncle Tom-kidnapper

Ask around

Bentley Coupe off the Richter

Bitch-called-life, I pimped her

What?

Politics, politricks

Klan-shooter

Deacon for defense

Progress-producer

Nothing on the stove

A survival-boosterGotta do what we gotta do

We ain't got no governors coming through - to help

Anything we need done, we gotta do for selfNew-improved JFK on the way

It ain't the 60's again

Niggas ain't hippies again

We ain't falling for the same traps

Standing on the balconies

Where they shot the King at McCain got apologies
Ain't nobody hearing that

People need honesty[Chorus: x2]Yes We Can

Change the World (Change the World)

 $(They\ Said!) It\ is\ my\ distinct\ honor\ and\ privilege\ to\ introduce\ the\ next\ President\ of\ the\ United\ States:$

Barack Obama.

(Applause)

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