Martial Law

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I've declared a truce, so stop your fighting The marshall is in town I won't put up with no big mouth yapping At least not while I'm around This is my friend ace, he's from the 8th precinct Nothing goes on that he don't know And we've been send cause your arguments Have been going on for too long And before one of you hurts the other one of you I'm declaring martial lawI came, I saw, I declared martial law I'm the marshall in the city The jails are filled with people like you You oughta listen to your diddy-wah-diddy What's a girl like you doing with that lamp You better drop it down on the floor And son, that isn't very smart Kicking a hole in that door Hey, ace will you take a look at this place And get those neighbors out of the hall I'm declaring martial lawI came, I saw, I declared martial law 'cause I'm the marshall in the city And if you stand away, I've got something to say That I might even help you Keep your hands to yourself and keep your big mouth shut Don't you touch nobody with hate-hate-hate And if all you've got is poison in your mouth Make sure that you don't speak It's 3:30 in the early morning Don't punch, don't scratch, don't bite Try not to take the garbage of the day Any place but outsideNow me and mr. ace are gonna leave this place And this fighting's gonna end And if we're called back, I'm gonna knock you flat And stack you end to end

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