

# GOVERNMENT MAN

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With a government job you get well paid  
Big four wheel drive and holidays  
keep your mouth shut, do the work  
think of all those bonus perks  
Just keep quiet, tow the line  
you'll be a government man in time

Well the government does what ever it wants  
And they don't want us to make a fuss  
Little people are shoved aside  
Not even consulted don't ask me why  
Just keep quiet and take your pay  
you'll be a government man that way

Well here I was riding along  
in a new fourwheel drive with my government job  
I look out the window at my beautiful land  
And I realise the government don't give a damn  
They want us to live under their own plan  
and they tied me up as a government man

Well that's when I started to speak right out  
For our rights, our culture, and our town  
For we been livin under our own Law  
for a thousand generations or more  
Next thing I knew I was shown the door  
I wasn't a government man no more.

Well that's how it is if you got brains  
I didn't keep quiet, now I don't get paid  
I had to make a stand I couldn't renege  
No matter how big my pay cheque  
The government don't want me in the road  
So I found me another way to go

Im gonna help my people where I can  
Don't wanna be a government man  
I'm gonna holdem tight all my country  
don't care what the government think of me  
I'll always be an Anangu man  
Never gonna be a government man