

# TPP 101

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Free trad-ers and trai-tors bank-ers and thieves Are at it once a -  
 gain Dou-ble - U T O just did -n't cut it So now there's no tel-ling  
 when They'll So let's do like we do in the Dou-ble U C and  
 flush the T P P

They'll pass this latest treaty  
 From behind closed doors  
 And win another battle  
 In the transnational class wars  
 They want Fast Track Authority  
 So they can get the job done right  
 By which they mean no discussion  
 Don't even pretend to put up a fight  
 As they take from us our government's  
 Ability to regulate  
 What happens within the borders  
 Of what they used to call the state

In what they used to call democracy  
 The idea that people have a say  
 In whether we should be building  
 windmills  
 Or fracking our lives away  
 Whether banking regulations  
 Are a good idea or not  
 Whether the food on your kitchen table  
 Comes from a Monsanto plot  
 Whether the poor should die  
 Or have affordable medication  
 Whether human life is less important  
 Than your corporation

Whether this world is a commons  
 Or just a free trade bill  
 That we need about as much  
 As another oil spill

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They say it'll help the economy  
 And they've said all that before  
 Like when they implemented NAFTA  
 In 1994

The US lost a million jobs  
 Of this there is no doubt  
 And in Mexico, small farmers  
 Were almost completely wiped out  
 And when the refugees started  
 streaming in

They were treated just like tools  
 In the great game of the oligarchs  
 The old divide and rule  
 Just like JP Morgan said  
 "Why worry," he laughed  
 "When I can pay half the working class  
 To kill the other half"

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SOPA, PIPA, ACTA  
 They couldn't get them passed  
 So now they've snuck them all into TPP  
 Try running that one up the mast  
 In the back rooms no one knows  
 Which corporation speaks  
 Except when secret documents  
 Get sent to Wikileaks  
 And it's only from the whistleblowers  
 We even know it's there  
 One for Asia, one for Europe  
 Free trade everywhere  
 Free trade, free pollution  
 Freedom for the billionaires  
 Enslavement for the rest of us  
 But hey, they got theirs

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