**American Imperialism**

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When the whole world is mine- that’s imperialism

Hello, I’m the United States

I’m a strong country that a weak country hates

Because I take its land and I make it my own

I say to its leader “You’ve been overthrown”

I take everything, including its resources

And if it resists, I come down with my forces

And then I use its harbor to park my naval boat

And fuel it with coal, and that’s all she wrote

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I forced Japan to trade with me

I bought Alaska when it was a “folly”

I split Samoa with Germany

When the planters took Hawaii, it became my territory

In China, I kept opening that door

And you know what that war with Spain was for?

For Cuba, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Philippines

I own half the world, and you know what that means

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Latin America is my backyard

How’d I take it over? It wasn’t very hard

I went to Panama and said “Hey, pal

I’ll help you become free in an exchange for a canal”

I use the big stick to show my military might

If Latin America resists, then they’re asking for a fight

The Roosevelt Corollary gave me more power

I control Latin America every single hour!

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