

# “A.K.I.K.O.”

## Text

E si m' t'anvi chante lajwa  
E si m' t'anvi taye banda  
Rakonte yon bél istwa  
Nou tout t'a va mande yon lwa  
Pou fè repouse tout pye bwa  
Pou jwe lago kache lespwa, ann chante:

## Chorus:

A.K.I.K.O., A.K.I.K.O.

Menm si se vre nou betize  
Moun, save di nou pap sove  
Pèsonn p'ap anpeche m' reve  
Reve yon bél bato desann  
Ranmase tout moun ki t'ap tann  
Pou nal fè yon bél fèt ansann

(Chorus)

## Bridge:

Si tout moun, tout peyi  
Nan lemond t'a va rive yon jou reyini  
Tankou yon paradi  
Nou t'a jwenn yon pawòl  
On langaj, on mizik, on melodi  
On ti mo, k' fe maji

Fò n' chante pou lavi miyò  
Pou tout sa k'ap dòmi deyò  
Pou tout sa k'ap viv andeyò  
Pou yon jou kap yo ka chanje  
Pou tout timoun kab jwenn manje  
Pou n' krusifye tout prejuje

(Bridge)

(Chorus)  
(x4)

(Bridge)

(Chorus)  
(x8)

## Translation

What if I want to sing a song of joy?  
What if I want to dance a banda  
And tell you a beautiful story?  
We all would plead for a law  
To make all the trees grow back,  
To play hide and seek at night and sing:

## Chorus:

A.K.I.K.O., A.K.I.K.O.

If this is true, we messed up.  
Savant says there is no salvation for us,  
But no one can stop me from dreaming,  
Dreaming of a beautiful boat going along  
Picking up everyone waiting  
To make a party together.

(Chorus)

## Bridge:

If everyone from every country  
In the world was reunited  
As in paradise,  
We would find  
A language, a music, a melody  
A little magical word.

We have to sing for a better life,  
For those sleeping in the streets,  
For all those in the countryside,  
For the card to flip,  
For all the children to eat,  
for no more prejudice.

(Bridge)

(Chorus)  
(x4)

(Bridge)

(Chorus)  
(x8)