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An informal commercial importer (I.C.I.) or higgler, is distressed about the damage to her box of goods by the airline. Look how di airline mash up mi box a goodsMeck mi sinting dem dash outDem a go meck my monkey tan up eena my back yuh knowDem a go hear di lengt a fi mi mout

Yuh know how much snow mi walk eena, eena mi crepeSo till mi foot dem stiffA kill up myself fi meck sure say everybodyKyan get a Christmas gift Mi buy electric blanket an winter bootsEar muffin and winter coatAn mi buy di thick thick woolen winter scarfFi wrap up roun yuh throat Mi buy chestnuts fi roas roun di opin fireAn jack frost fi nip at yuh noseMi buy di holly an di ivy and snow like dirtA hopes I does not froze Becaw mi is dreaming of a white ChristmasWid nuff nuff farrin tingsMi all buy santa claus an him reindeerYuh fi hear di sleighbell ring An after mi kill out miself shop, customs a comeFurther kill mi off wid tax But wuss, after mi write di big ‘Fraggle’ cross itDi airline mash up mi box See it deh ‘F-R-A-G-G-L-E’ write in red Wid di big big underline Dat mean when di ol rangutan dem see it pon di boxDem suppose to teck dem time But no man, dem just a haul an pull an fling people tingsLike dem a dash out hog feedWhat about di word ‘Fraggle’ dem doan understandls read dem kyannat read Now sake a dem an dem haganeering waysAll a mi sinting dem mashIt come een like mi box never have on noh seatbeltAnd di plane get eena crash How oonoo expect Christmas fi be niceHow pickini fi be jollyWhat is Christmas widout a pink and white tea setOr a blonde hair Barbie dolly Wuss if di lickle bway dem noh get noh train setAn wi noh get fi shopAn put lace curtain an plastic flowers eena housels like say christmas flop So mi sorry fi who did plan fi come a my stall Fi buy pretty tings fi go maggleChristmas mash up dis year becaaw somebody dunceAn never understand di word ‘Fraggle’