

## Abeng In Beijing - By Fabian Thomas

Like  
Lightning-lit  
Torrential rain  
Usain  
Bolted  
Ahead of the world  
From Sherwood, Trelawny  
This 'sprint anomaly  
Stamped his sunshine-bred supremacy  
Shattering red, white & blue ascendancy  
It was bound to spark controversy  
An some almhouse chat from the IOC  
Oh I see  
The real issue is  
How dare he?  
Dis lickle black bwoy  
From di land of wood & wata  
Him too outta arda  
They hoped he would falter  
Now dem waan test wi yam an cassava Like lightning-lit  
Torrential rain  
Usain  
Took it to dem  
Then danced barefoot  
While the world watched  
He danced for us  
In a language they did not understand  
Like the abeng of old  
They could not decode  
Bad min a go meck  
Some a dem explode  
Oh say can you see?  
Dem cyan chat to wi  
Did you see the untied lace?  
Dem a go tiyad fi si Usain face  
Hol's on, my bad  
Let me correct what I said  
Dem a ago tiyad fi si  
Di back a Usain head!

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