

# “We Got To Make It” Lyrics

By Miriam Makeba (South Africa)

## Verse 1

Could it be that someday  
We will find the answer to the sticks  
Or puzzle that we've been trying to  
Put together?  
Believe me people when I say  
The pieces we've been trying to find will turn up  
If we could only get  
Our heads together.

## Chorus

Nobody is gonna get this ship alright  
For us people.

Nobody is gonna get this ship alright  
For us people.

## Verse 2

Believe me people when I say  
There's no more to be said,  
All we can do is to be  
That's the question.  
To be or not to be  
Is not the question.  
But to be  
Is much more sweeter  
And that could be  
the answer.

## Chorus

Nobody is gonna get this ship alright  
For us people.

Nobody is gonna get this ship alright  
For us people.

We got to make it.  
(We got to make it.)  
We got to make it.  
(We got to make it.)

*To be or not to be  
Is not the question.  
But to be  
Is much more sweeter  
And that could be the  
answer.*

Yeah we got to make it.  
(We got to make it.)  
I said we got to make it.  
(We got to make it.)

### **(Instrumental)**

We got to make it.  
(We got to make it).  
Yeah we got to make it.  
(We got to make it.)

We got to make it.  
(We got to make it.)  
I said we got to make it.  
(We got to make it.)

Tra, la, la, la, la, la, la,  
Tra, la, la, that's all I can say.

Tra, la, la, la, la, la, la,  
Tra, la, la, that's all I can say.

Tra, la, la, la, la, la, la,  
Tra, la, la, that's all I can say.

Tra, la, la, la, la, la, la,  
Tra, la, la, that's all I can say.

Tra, la, la, la, la, la, la,  
Tra, la, la, that's all I can say.  
(Nobody is gonna get this ship alright  
For us people)



## ***Other songs***

- *Pata Pata*
- *Khawuleza*
- *The Click Song*
- *Malaika*
- *A Luta Continua*
- *Thulasizwe*

### **About the singer**

Miriam Makeba was born on March 4, 1932 and passed away on November 9, 2008 when she was 76. She was and is still fondly known as "Mama Africa".

She was a celebrated and respected South African singer and human rights activist.

It is for her fight against apartheid that she was forced into exile in 1960, only to return to her homeland after 30 years, in 1990.

She was a citizen of the world, having received international passports from nine countries, including the USA, Belgium and Ghana.