

WALE MAKES A POWERFUL STATEMENT WITH NEW EP *THE IMPERFECT STORM*

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SIX NEW TRACKS IN HONOR OF JUNETEENTH 2020

#1 SINGLE “ON CHILL” FEAT. JEREMIH EARNS 2020 BET AWARD NOMINATION



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June 19, 2020 (Los Angeles, CA) – After protesting on the front lines, **Wale** couldn’t stay silent. Inspired by the Black Lives Matter movement on the streets, he hit the studio and quickly recorded a brand new surprise project, *The Imperfect Storm*. Fittingly, it impacts on Juneteenth—the oldest nationally celebrated commemoration of the ending of slavery in the United States. It’s available now via **Warner Records**. Get it [HERE](#).

Among these six tracks, the GRAMMY®-nominated rapper/actor/poet rhymes with a revolutionary spark and his ancestor’s spirit. On the single “June 5th / QueenZnGodZ,” his heartfelt flow burns

bright over a beat, punctuated by laidback keys and bass. He confesses, “I try to watch the news, but I’m lashing out” before crying out, “Yo America, tuck your shirt in, your devil is showing.” The powerful, poetic, and politically charged piece spans the intense one-two punch of “MOVIN DIFFERENT” through a liberating finale on “MAAJO.”

Wale enlisted Kenny Huyng [@shadowmoses] for the equally provocative cover art. In the background, protestors assemble in darkness as flames rise from a fallen street sign towards a cloud-covered sky, signaling the oncoming storm.

This week, BET announced that Wale’s #1 single “[On Chill](#)” [feat. Jeremih] is nominated for "Best Collaboration." The 2020 BET Music Awards air on June 28th on BET and CBS.

IMPERFECT STORM TRACKLIST:

1. MOVIN DIFFERENT Ft. McClenny
2. EMPTY WISHING WELL Ft. Eric. Bellinger
3. BLUE YELLOW GREEN PINK WHITE
4. JUNE 5TH /QueenZnGodZ
5. SHIT DONT STOP
6. MAAJO

ABOUT WALE:

There’s only one Wale. Since arriving in 2006, he has consistently gone against the grain. An old school lyricist with new school energy, otherworldly hooks, and a sense of irony tailor-made for its own *Seinfeld* episode, he instantly set himself apart. 2008’s inventive *Mixtape About Nothing* cemented him as a critical favorite and preceded the major label debut *Attention Deficit* in 2009. Bowing at #2 on the *Billboard* Top 200, the now-classic and gold-certified *Ambition* yielded the GRAMMY® Award-nominated platinum-selling “Lotus Flower Bomb.” Two more blockbusters followed as *The Gifted* [2013] and *The Album About Nothing* [2015] both crashed the *Billboard* Top 200 at #1 back-to-back. *Shine* [2017] gave the world “My PYT,” which is RIAA certified platinum, as Wale continued dropping heat. The release of Wale’s 6th studio album *Wow...That’s Crazy* spawned the #1 single “On Chill” ft. Jeremih, which received a 2020 BET Award nomination for "Best Collaboration". Along the way, Wale performed for *NPR’s Tiny Desk* concert and *The Daily Show with Trevor Noah*. He’s covered magazines such as *Complex*, *Billboard*, *XXL*, and *Vibe*, and would receive honors at the BET Awards, BET Hip-Hop Awards, Soul Train Awards, and more. To date, Wale has achieved four platinum or multi-platinum singles, three gold singles, and two gold albums. Wale has over 7 million monthly listeners on Spotify and has reached over half a billion channel views on YouTube.

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