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Hi Folks,

Over the past 30 years I have had the great fortune to have been a founding member of Dead Kennedys. It's been tough at times but particularly rewarding working and collaborating with men like Biafra, 6025, D.H., Brandon, Jeff, Ted, Dave, Steve and Skip and especially Ray. I've also had the good fortune of working with stunningly co-operative crew members, road managers and extended family like Chi Chi, Micro, Chris G., Patrick, Ron, Leslie, Landon, Randy, Kirk, Scott, Chris D., Evan and Kevin which made touring a bit like a family trip.

I've been very lucky.

However, a recurring medical condition (Angioedema) has caused me to make the difficult decision to begin withdrawing from the road and as a performing member of Dead Kennedys. I feel that for the aforementioned reason, I may be holding DK back and therefore will soon take my leave as a performing member of the band for the foreseeable future. Dead Kennedys will remain a cherished part of my musical life, which I will always treasure.

That said, I am not retiring from playing music.

I could no easier stop playing music as I could stop breathing air. You'll still see me performing and collaborating in projects that are perhaps more regionally based. I really do hope to see you at a local show soon. And the good lord willing and the creek don't rise, maybe I'll occasionally get around to where you are also.

To all those who I have met over the years - *thank you.* I've had the pleasure of meeting and talking with you. Simply listening to your opinions and performing for you has given me an immense amount of happiness. Each and every encounter has given me insight into what Dead Kennedys has meant to you and learning these things, makes it mean even more to me. Thank you for taking the time to extend your friendship and for listening.

Take care,

*-Klaus*