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CHART COMMENTARY from JAMES MASTERTON

the weekly chart battle one of the most intriguing for some time. As A set of very interesting circumstances came together this week to make impressive first week. This results in 'Don't Stop Me Now/Please Please' expected, McFly's sales fell off the proverbial cliff following their usually taking a 1-6 tumble and out of the running altogether.

course already had a spell at the top of the chart, spending a week at the in fact been leading from the start. Shakira's 'Hips Don't Lie' has of Nonetheless, the single that emerged as the biggest seller of the week had winner had still not emerged by the time the weekend rolled around. and with just one big new release among them it meant that a clear cut selling consistently. Now it achieves the ultimate turnaround, returning Number 2 behind 'Smile' and last week dipped to Number 3 - all the time top at the start of July. Since then the single has spent a fortnight at In its wake it left five different singles all selling roughly the same amount, Number One after a gap of three weeks.

a five week run at the top interrupted by Robbie Williams' 'Radio' in For a single to yo-yo at the top is unusual but of course not totally unheard of. The last record to do it was Eric Prydz' 'Call On Me' which had week stays for both Cornershop with 'Brimful Of Asha' and Madonna have to go back almost a decade to 1997 and 1998. In '98 Celine Dion's away from the summit and let no less than two other singles take its place before this triumphant return. To find a similar set of circumstances we 2004. What makes 'Hips Don't Lie' so unusual is that it spent three weeks Girls each had a fortnight at the top. 'Perfect Day' then returned to the for four weeks, during which time both the Teletubbies and the Spice at the top in November 1997 and then pottered around the lower reaches Children In Need all-star recording of 'Perfect Day' which spent two weeks with 'Frozen' but that was nothing compared to the performance of the 'My Heart Will Go On' had two spells at Number One, separated by one summuit in mid January for a further week.

version of football anthem '3 Lions' which topped the chart for a week in Two final yo-yo performances are worthy of note. First that of the original in September 1963 only to be toppled by 'Do You Love Me' by **Brian** however is that of 'She Loves You' by The Beatles which topped the chart run for the Fugees with 'Killing Me Softly'. The all time slowest yo-yo June 1996 and then again four weeks later in July, following a four week was at the time the biggest selling single ever and to this day remains Number One for a further two weeks, its run only ended by its own followup - 'I Want To Hold Your Hand'. Needless to say 'She Loves You' after a gap of no less than seven weeks. Better yet the single stayed at November 28th, deposing Gerry and the Pacemakers in the process Poole and the Tremeloes on October 10th. It returned to the top on Number 7 on the all time list.

So in a way it is bad luck to Christina Aguilera whose achievement of Number 2 single. So far in her career her Top 10 hits (of which this is the years and if it gets no further will curiously enough become her first ever leaping 18-2 is rather put in the shade by the Shakira track. Never mind, 'Ain't No Other Man' duly becomes her biggest hit single for over three 13th) have peaked variously at 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9.

up the Number One 'Sorry' with 'Get Together'. It is the first single she of Number One hits. She's managed two in a row no less than four times Number 11 so just for a change this is merely her third Top 10 single in a grinding halt at Christmas 2003 when 'Love Profusion' only reached for over 20 years. Her most recent long run of Top 10 singles came to a Number 45 entry point of the single last week made it her smallest debut has released since the new chart rules came into force and as a result the There is another impressive debut in the Top 10 for Madonna who follows One hits with a Number 4 single - leaving 'Get Together' with a climb on now and oddly enough each time in the past has followed two Number row and sadly one which prevents her yet again from achieving a hat trick its hands if it is to repeat the pattern.

> a few hours later. Hence the single has effectively made the chart with single was made available online with the physical copies hitting the shops its first ever radio play on Radio One. At the moment the track ended, the remained totally under wraps until last Monday morning when it received turn the conventional promotional pattern on its head. New single 'Empire' after two years away to record their second album, the group decided to performance at all, enough to make it their third Top 10 single and their the start of the week that the track would mount a challenge for the top to some cute promotional week by **Kasabian.** Needing to make a smash Off' in January 2005. second biggest hit so far, just behind the Number 8 peak scaled by 'Cutt were concentrated at the front of the week. Not that Number 9 is a bad but in the event the hype surrounding its debut meant that most sales mere hours rather than weeks of solid promotion. Speculation mounted at The biggest totally new cha ntry of the week lands at Number 9 thanks

performance gave it a Number 36 placing last week. The work of Swedish Supermode's 'Tell Me Why' leaping into the Top 20 after a download the group a year later to form the even more successful Communards. soprano vocals of Jimmy Somerville for the first time, the singer leaving producers Axwell and Steve Angello, the track is a looped reworking of There is a flash of 80s' nostalgia at Number 13 this week with made Number 66 in 1997. vocals which would make this his first chart appearance since 'Dark Sky believe I'm correct in saying that 'Tell Me Why' uses Somerville's original teenager hounded out of his home introduced the world to the high hit Number 3 in the summer of 1984. The stark tale of a homosexual Bronski Beat's 'Smalltown Boy' which gave the group their first hit and

mentioned last week they struggled to match the Top 5 success of first placing for this track would have been a more worthy honour. third biggest hit to date - but I can't be the only one who thinks a Top $10\,$ 20. 'Chasing Cars' does at least break that particular duck to become their single 'Run' in 2004 with their next three singles not even making the Top Also taking a leap from the lower reaches this week are **Snow Patrol** whose second single of the year 'Chasing Cars' moves 25-15. As I

charging out of the chart as if it had lead weights attached, moving 8-25usual pattern when released back in May. It entered at Number 8 before 'Minimal' by the **Pet Shop Boys**. For all the talk about how it was a return to their very best form, their last single 'I'm With Stupid' followed their hit the Capital Radio playlist. Sadly 'Minimal' didn't even grace the Top 75 received, the duo proudly noting that it was their first single in a decade to the first single from the album 'Fundamental' and has been just as well 47 and out. Second single 'Minimal' was actually originally scheduled to be I'm taking a special interest in the performance of the next new entry gets. Perhaps shockingly this will make it the lowest charting Pet Shop point as a result of physical sales will almost certainly be as good as it when its downloads became eligible last week and its Number 19 entry lukewarm at best. album may be a return to form artistically but as a singles act they remain Boys single since 'Was It Worth It' made a lowly Number 24 in 1991. Their

eagerly awaited singles of the year will perform when its physical sales are counted next week. I refer of course to 'Stars Are Blind', the track that of exposure it is actually something of a surprise to see it land at Number reviewers, Radio One even playlisting the track for daytime. With that kind So finally for this week, let's speculate on how well one of the most tabloid enemy Lindsay Lohan made Number 27 with her single 'Over' last popstar is a viable prospect or a huge disaster. Just remember that her 35 thanks to online sales. Next week's chart will prove whether Paris the 'Kingston Town') has been surprisingly well received by more open minded countless others before me have compared melodically to reggae standard wasn't just a pipe dream. The inconsequential summery track (which proves that Paris Hilton's constant talk of becoming a recording star

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