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The Pocket Gods released 1000X30 Nobody Makes Money Anymore an album of one thousand songs each 30 seconds long to protest Spotify's low royalty rates to artists and songwriters. The album gained worldwide media attention and even a meeting with Spotify who as a result changed their official playlist policy to include 30 second songs. The reason for the 30 second song is that Spotify pays out a royalty in full after 30 seconds of a track, and as their payments are so paltry - why write longer songs?

The band have just had their royalty statement from Spotify which shows a paltry **£302** (356 EUROS) for just under **800,000** streams of the album.

Frontman Mark Christopher Lee states:

"It's a travesty and just goes to highlight the importance of our campaign. I didn't make this album to make money as I new it wouldn't it just proves our point that the royalty rates for artists are just unfair. The UK Chart company calculates that 100 streams = 1 sale - so that equates to 8,000 download sales at around £0.79 each should be around £6,300.

I have submitted a **formal complaint along with all the evidence to the Competition And Markets Authority** - Spotify are making money it's going somewhere!."

Inspired by this The Pocket Gods are producing a documentary film - **"The 30 Second Song Movie"** - which will be exploring the band's history of their 30 second song albums as well as discussing how the system can be changed and what the future holds for artists and songwriters. The film will be broadcast on SKY this Summer and will also be available on Amazon Prime.

The band hold the official Guinness World Record for most tracks on a digital album.

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