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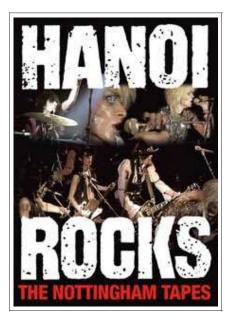
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## THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2008 Hanoi Rocks live concert DVD coming!

Hanoi Rocks was one of the great lost bands of the 1980s. The band's mix of glam, metal and punk became known as "sleaze-rock" and proved to be influential on a generation of Aquanetted nerf-metal outfits later in the decade. Chart-toppers like Guns N' Roses and the Manic Street Preachers are direct descendants of the Hanoi Rocks sound. Why Hanoi Rocks never made it



to the big time while inferior third-generation carbon copy bands made major bank with their sound is one of the great mysteries of the era....

Formed in 1979 in Helsinki Finland, the Hanoi Rocks sound was a revved-up cross between the Stooges and the New York Dolls, with a hint of Chuck Berry and the Sweet thrown in for good measure. Between 1981 and 1985, the band released five classic sleaze-rock studio albums and a rockin' live set. Outside of other musicians and a few diehard fans, the band was still virtually unknown, and they broke up. After a lengthy hiatus, lead singer Michael Monroe and guitarist Andy McCoy - the heart and soul of the band, reformed Hanoi Rocks in 2002 and recorded the strong comeback album, *Twelve Shots On The Rocks*, followed by *Street Poetry* in 2007. Hanoi Rocks

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