

Morrissey compares Britain to Nazi Germany during Games Former Smiths singer Morrissey has caused controversy by citing a “spirit of 1939 Germany” in Britain this summer.

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Morrissey has blasted Britons for getting overly patriotic during the London 2012 Games in an open letter to his 'True to You fanclub'.

"I am unable to watch the Olympics due to the blustering jingoism that drenches the event. Has England ever been quite so foul with patriotism?" asked the Mancunian musician.

He didn't stop there going on to controversially write, "spirit of 1939 Germany now pervades throughout media-brand Britain". Blimey, cheer up Mozza!

Questioning the focus on the Royal family (of whom he is a well-known critic) and Games ambassador David Beckham, Morrissey continued: "The 'dazzling royals' have, quite naturally, hijacked the Olympics for their own empirical needs, and no oppositional voice is allowed in the free press. It is lethal to witness. London is suddenly promoted as a super-wealth brand, the England outside London shivers beneath cutbacks, tight circumstances and economic disasters.

"Meanwhile, the British media present 24-hour coverage of the 'dazzling royals', laughing as they lavishly spend, as if such coverage is certain to make British society feel fully whole. It could almost have been written with the British public in mind, because although the spirit of 1939 Germany now pervades throughout media-brand Britain, the 2013 grotesque inevitability of Lord and Lady Beckham is, believe me, a fate worse than life."

Famous for his acerbic wit and his often critical opinions, Morrissey's comments are often highly politically charged. The letter to his fans also stated, "I recently drove through Greece I noticed repeated graffiti seemingly everywhere on every available wall. In large blue letters it said: 'WAKE UP WAKE UP'."

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