

30th Anniversary of *Eeny Meeny Miny Moe*

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Eeny Meeny Miny Moe (the seventh single by **Luv'**) entered the Dutch charts on August 25th 1979. This pop song appears on the formation's second album **Lots Of Luv'** (see article posted on May 26th 2009). It was the girls last single released by **Phonogram/Philips Records** before their transfer to **CNR/Carrere**. Though it was a respectable chart topper, it didn't achieve the good sales of the previous records.

Song History

After the success of *Casanova* (see article posted on April 28th 2009) in the Continental European charts, the trio's label decided to release *Eeny Meeny Miny Moe* as a follow-up single. The song's title and chorus lyrics dealt with a famous children's counting rhyme in English speaking countries. Its Bouzouki and Balalejka-theme is highly inspired by **Boney M's** *Rasputin*. The track hadn't the hit potential of the #1 singles such as *You're the Greatest Lover* and *Trojan Horse*. When it came out, **Luv'** was in trouble with **Phonogram**. The singers and their producer **Hans van Hemert** considered indeed that the record company didn't do its best to promote the girl group abroad. Moreover, Holland's sweethearts had to face the competition with two other female pop acts in their homeland (**Babe** and **Dolly Dots**) which became more and more popular. Fortunately, **Luv'** benefited from a big exposure as they performed *Eeny Meeny Miny Moe* live at the **IFA** (the world's largest Consumer Electronics trade fair in Berlin) on **Musikladen** (a German TV show) on August 30th 1979. They also promoted the song on the legendary Dutch TV programme **TopPop**.

Chart performance

Eeny Meeny Miny Moe peaked at **#6** on the **Nationale Hitparade** and **#11** on the **Dutch Top 40**. It was a **Top 20** hit in Denmark and a **Top 40** song in Switzerland and in Germany. See the "Charts" page to know the single's peak positions on the hitlists.

*Source:

- **Wikipedia** page about the hit single:

* **Bibliography:**

· **Top 40 Hitdossier 1956-2005 (9e editie)** by **Johan van Slooten**, publ: Gottmer Bech

To watch **Luv'** performing **Eeny Meeny Miny Moe** on **Musikladen** (click [here](#)) and on **TopPop** (click [here](#)).

Below, three different versions of **Eeny Meeny Miny Moe** :



German cover (Phonogram/Philips)



French version: I.M.U.R (A side) and Eeny Meeny Miny Moe (B side)



Turkish version (released by Meteor records)