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BTS is preparing for a new English-language single, coming August 21.

The South Korean boy band is in the midst of releasing a new single sung entirely in English on August 21. The group is "preparing for a new album for the second half of this year," but wanted to share something special for their adoring, dedicated fans, called ARMY.

"Due to COVID-19, people around the world have been going through tough times and we wanted to share some positive energy with our fans," they said in a statement.





The group has had previous English songs like "Mic Drop Remix" and "Waste It On Me," both collaborations with producer, Steve Aoki. The most interesting aspect of this new track, however, is that it is entirely in English, a new challenge for the band who usually sing in their native language, Korean.

"We thought that the song sounded perfect as it is in English. We recorded the guide version and felt that the result was something totally new and fresh. We also needed a breakthrough during these unforeseen times. This is a new challenge for us as well," they added. The group also said this track will be "similarly upbeat".

Despite the coronavirus outbreak postponing or canceling music events and tours, BTS has been keeping busy. After the release of their latest album *Map of the Soul:* 7 back in February, they also released the Japanese version Map of the Soul: The Journey. Group member, Suga, additionally released his second AGUST-D mixtape D-2. Map of the Soul: 7 rose to become their fourth number one album on the Billboard 200 chart, with the title track "ON" hitting No. 4 on the Billboard Hot 100, the highest ever spot for a Korean group. The band also curated BANGBANGCON, two virtual concert events for the ARMY to celebrate the album at home.

Fans online are surely excited for yet another song to add to their collection.



Everyone is expecting it to be a huge hit, as always.



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We can't wait to hear BTS' new track coming very soon.

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