THE NATIONAL ANNOUNCE SLEEP WELL BEAST OUT SEPTEMBER 8TH ON 4AD

WORLD TOUR ANNOUNCED TODAY - PRE-SALE BEGINS MAY 15^{TH} DEC 4^{TH} AT KIMMEL CENTER

MUSIC VIDEO FOR LEAD SINGLE
"THE SYSTEM ONLY DREAMS IN TOTAL DARKNESS" UNVEILED



PHILADELPHIA, PA, May 11, 2017 - The National are pleased to announce their 7th studio album - *Sleep Well Beast* - to be released on September 8th on 4AD. *Sleep Well Beast* was produced by member Aaron Dessner with co-production by Bryce Dessner and Matt Berninger. The album was mixed by Peter Katis and recorded at Aaron Dessner's Hudson Valley, New York studio, Long Pond, with additional sessions having taken place in Berlin, Paris & Los Angeles. *Sleep Well Beast* is <u>available for pre-order today</u> and will be available in CD, digital and double LP formats.

The National debuts the track "The System Only Dreams in Total Darkness," in this Casey Reas directed video.



The band has also announced a World Tour in support of the album, kicking off in Cork, Ireland on September 16th. The ticket pre-order begins Monday, May 15th with public on-sale beginning Friday, May 19th. Highlights include Forest Hills Stadium in New York on October 6th, The Hollywood Bowl on October 11th, **December 4th at Kimmel Center in Philadelphia**, and multiple night residencies in more than 10 cities across Europe and North America. Every ticket in North America includes a digital copy of *Sleep Well Beast* delivered on September 8th. The National will also play Glastonbury and Haven Festival in Copenhagen this summer. For additional information and pre-sale registration visit www.americanmary.com

Tickets for the December 4th concert at Verizon Hall at Kimmel Center go on sale Friday, May 19th at 10AM online at Kimmelcenter.org, AEGPresents.com and the Kimmel Center Box Office.

TRACK LIST:

Nobody Else Will Be There
Day I Die
Walk It Back
The System Only Dreams in Total Darkness
Born to Beg
Turtleneck
Empire Line
I'll Still Destroy You
Guilty Party
Carin at the Liquor Store
Dark Side of the Gym
Sleep Well Beast



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WORLD TOUR:

06/21/17 - Glastonbury Festival - Glastonbury, UK 08/12/17 - HAVEN Festival - Copenhagen, DENMARK

9/16/17 - Cork Opera House / Sounds From a Safe Harbour - Cork, IRELAND 9/17/17 - Vicar Street - Dublin, IRELAND

- 9/18/17 Vicar Street Dublin, IRELAND
- 9/20/17 Usher Hall Edinburgh, UK
- 9/21/17 Usher Hall Edinburgh, UK
- 9/22/17 O2 Apollo Manchester, UK
- 9/23/17 O2 Apollo Manchester, UK
- 9/25/17 Eventim Hammersmith Apollo London, UK
- 9/26/17 Eventim Hammersmith Apollo London, UK
- 9/27/17 Eventim Hammersmith Apollo London, UK
- 9/28/17 Eventim Hammersmith Apollo London, UK
- 10/05/17 Wang Theatre Boston, MA
- 10/06/17 Forest Hills Stadium New York, NY
- 10/11/17 Hollywood Bowl Los Angeles, CA
- 10/12/17 CalCoast Credit Union Open Air Theatre San Diego, CA
- 10/14/17 Greek Theatre Berkeley, CA
- 10/21/17 Elbphilharmonie Hamburg, GERMANY
- 10/23/17 Tempodrom Berlin, GERMANY
- 10/24/17 Tempodrom Berlin, GERMANY
- 10/25/17 AFAS Live Amsterdam, THE NETHERLANDS
- 10/28/17 Coliseum Lisbon, PORTUGAL
- 10/30/17 Bozar Brussels, BELGIUM
- 10/31/17 Bozar Brussels, BELGIUM
- 11/02/17 11/04/17 Pitchfork Paris, Paris FRANCE
- 11/04/17 Annexet Stockholm, SWEDEN
- 11/05/17 Annexet Stockholm, SWEDEN
- 11/06/17 Sentrum Scene Oslo, NORWAY
- 11/07/17 Sentrum Scene Oslo, NORWAY
- 11/27/17 Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall Portland, OR
- 11/28/17 Paramount Theatre Seattle, WA
- 11/29/17 Paramount Theatre Seattle, WA
- 12/01/17 Queen Elizabeth Theatre Vancouver BC, CANADA
- 12/02/17 Queen Elizabeth Theatre Vancouver BC, CANADA
- 12/04/17 Verizon Hall Philadelphia, PA
- 12/07/17 Metropolis Montreal QC, CANADA
- 12/08/17 Metropolis Montreal QC, CANADA
- 12/09/17 Sony Centre Toronto ON, CANADA
- 12/10/17 Hamilton Place Theatre Hamilton ON, CANADA
- 12/12/17 Civic Opera House Chicago, IL
- 12/13/17 Civic Opera House Chicago, IL