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BENNY L SCORES BEATPORT'S FIRST-EVER DRUM & BASS NO. 1

BERLIN, DE - January 17, 2019 - London-based DJ and producer **Benny L** has made **Beatport** history with the first-ever **Drum & Bass** track to reach No. 1 on the store's overall Top 100.

Released January 11, exclusively on Beatport, Benny L's remix of the John Holt reggae classic 'Police In Helicopter' swiftly hit No. 1 in [Drum & Bass](#). From there, it climbed to the overall No. 1 spot, leading a Top 10 otherwise dominated by Beatport's various house and techno genres.

The genre's first-ever Beatport No. 1 comes via London's long-running **Hospital Records** as part of its 'Sick Music 2019' series, which also features releases from scene luminaries such as **London Elektriccity**, **Fred V** and **Logistics**.

Benny L, whose releases have previously appeared on labels like **Metalheadz** and **AudioPorn Records**, won Best Newcomer at the recent Drum&BassArena Awards. His 'Police In Helicopter' remix started life as a much in-demand dubplate, which he shared with only a select few peers. After building steam in the sets of bass heavyweights last summer, its official release was keenly anticipated by DJs.

"Hospital hit me up about doing a remix for a forthcoming project and 'Police In Helicopter' was on the list, so I went for it," Benny L explained to Beatport. "It all came together pretty quickly, and I was very happy with the mixdown."

"Even after a few months, the reaction was incredible, with DJs such as **Randall**, **Shy FX**, **Andy C** and **Friction** playing it," he added. "The reactions got better and better - now it's finally out, so everyone can play it! To see it at the top of the multi-genre chart on Beatport is truly amazing. I never thought it would get this far."

Drum & Bass ranked fifth in Beatport's top-performing genres of 2018. Another Hospital Records release - the **Unglued** remix of **High Contrast's** 'If We Ever' - was the year's best-selling Drum & Bass track. For the year's other big winners in each genre, head to [Beatport's 2018 Best Sellers page](#).

In 2019, Beatport's **Beats In School** mentorship program is working with Hospital Records to build up the next Benny L. This unique year-long initiative provides new talent with the tools for a lasting career in electronic music, including direct A&R from top label ambassadors at Hospital, **Dirtybird**, **mau5trap** and **Second State**. Find out more at [the Beats In School site](#).

About Beatport

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