One Night In Bankok

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Bangkok, Oriental setting
And the city don't know that the city is getting
The creme de la creme of the chess world in a
Show with everything but Yul BrynnerTime flies doesn't seem a minute
Since the Tirolean spa had the chess boys in it
All change don't you know that when you
Play at this level there's no ordinary venueIt's Iceland or the Philippines or Hastings or
or this place!One night in Bangkok and the world's your oyster
The bars are temples but the pearls ain't free
You'll find a god in every golden cloister
And if you're lucky then the god's a she
I can feel an angel sliding up to meOne town's very like another
When your head's down over your pieces, brotherIt's a drag, it's a bore, it's really such a pity
To be looking at the board, not looking at the cityWhaddya mean? Ya seen one crowded, polluted, stinking townTea, girls, warm, sweet
Some are set up in the Somerset Maugham suiteGet Thai'd! You're talking to a tourist
Whose every move's among the purest
I get my kicks above the waistline, sunshineOne night in Bangkok makes a hard man humble
Not much between despair and ecstasy
One night in Bangkok and the tough guys tumble
Can't be too careful with your company
I can feel the devil walking next to meSiam's gonna be the witness
To the ultimate test of cerebral fitness
This grips me more than would a
Muddy old river or reclining BuddhaAnd thank God I'm only watching the game controlling itI don't see you guys rating
The kind of mate I'm contemplating
I'd let you watch, I would invite you
But the queens we use would not excite youSo you better go back to your bars, your temples, your massage parloursOne night in Bangkok and the world's your oyster
The bars are temples but the pearls ain't free
You'll find a god in every golden cloister
A little flesh, a little history
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