

This Is Not a Test

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The music's interrupted by an old
Familiar sound
We've heard it all our lives
Who paid attention? Then the radio announcer tells us
This has been a test
I never heard the rest
I always changed the station Mr. President, our radar shows
An image in the skies
And we believe it's headed our direction
The Russians aren't responding
And we're up against the clock
It seems there's no avoiding
This deadly confrontation And this is not a test
No video effect
No science fiction quest for glory And this is not a test
There'll be no turning back
The hour is at hand And this is not a test You can ignore
We've not been here before
Let's hear it for the war How did peace and freedom
Disappear before our very eyes
And leave us in this desperate situation?
There is no way to justify
For country or for God
The heavens are a battlefield
And now this confrontation And this is not a test
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