

But She Was Not Flying (Mute Studio Session)

Algiers

I'm going home to see the king
He's gonna take my pain away
I'm gonna see my friends again
If only I can make it in
But there's a lizard with a human face
 He says he's standing for democracy
 And every wealthy man has earned his place
 As did the undeserving in their poverty
 He told my brother that he wasn't a man
 He broke my sister down again and again
 His fathers stole and wrote the laws of the land
 And now he flips the coin of power with all of his friends
 Deciding who is fit to go out and die
 And who is black enough to be left behind
 And who will model their exceptional lie
 And just how many they can murder at the border line
 I knew a women with a scale in her hand
 They bound and gagged her with the laws of the land
 She couldn't tell what she was measuring
 So they tilt the scale to meet their own personal ends
 Saying "I'll shoot your son if he's out of line"
 "I'll rape your daughters underground where I hide"
 "And I can murder anytime that I like"
 "cause I'm protected at my left and my right"
 "I got a side that says I'm only a man"
 "Another side that puts the gun in my hand"
 "I'll trade your product of environment"
 "For any alibi for consequence"

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