

Regrets

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Paying at the Holloway
It's 35 dollars a night
Check in through a man named Kim
He's got a call and an angry wife And I can hear
The Spanish screams
Of girlfriends in the other rooms
Who are not like me And they say
Make no regrets
Don't slow down
This time Upstairs in a plastic room
Half-stare and watching
Old cartoons
I turn down the bed Waiting an hour or more
For footsteps
And an open door
I take off my watch And I hope you come back safe this time
From your copping spree
In little Mexico
Underneath an L.A. traffic light And they say
Make no regrets
Don't slow down
This time I feel you staring' down at me
You lean to burn a cigarette
And I roll up my sleeve
And you say, you'll never leave And I'll never get away as long as I keep still
And I hold my breath
And with the shame
I fall down into sleep And they say
Make no regrets
Don't slow down
This time

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