

North Sea Bubble

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I went out drinking with Thomas Paine
He said that all revolutions are not the same
They're as different as the cultures that give them birth
For no one idea can solve every problem on earth
So don't expect it all to happen
In some prophesied political fashion
For people are different and so are nations
You can borrow ideas but you can't borrow situations
In Leningrad the people say
Perestroika can be explained this way
The people who told us that two and two is ten
Are now trying to tell us that two and two is five
We're living in a North Sea Bubble
We're trying to spend our way out of trouble
You keep buying these things but you don't need them
But as long as you're comfortable it feels like freedom
We're living in a North Sea Bubble
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My American friends don't know what to do
But they'll wait a long time for a Beverley Hills coup
We're living in a North Sea Bubble
We're trying to spend our way out of trouble
War, what is it good for?
It's good for business

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