

Overriding Volunteer

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While bodies burn, the children learn
How the money's earned, with growing concern
In the gallery, three distinguished strangers
Who had found their way home Ricochet and muzzle flash
Superfluous, luxurious
Commodities, communities
Democracies, security They don't want your money
(Overriding volunteer)
They don't think you're funny
(Overriding volunteer)
At all, at all, at all, at all
(Overriding volunteer) Lindesfarne and Banochburn
Inadequacy, inaccuracies
Heritage, more discoveries
While the fishermen sail the seas Chemicals, minerals, culture and war
Is that all this place is good for
Hundreds of years, unsettled scores
Rivalry and bribery They don't want your money
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They don't think you're funny
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At all, at all, at all, at all
(Overriding volunteer) Initiative on the killing floor
Each man is there for the next man
That's the horror and the terror of war
And your overriding volunteer Inter-unit strife, think about your wife
Another mission rehearsal, say you know the procedure
The rotor wash, N.C.O, incursion and extraction
Numbing the population, evacuees, contingency They don't want your money
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They don't think you're funny
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At all, at all, at all, at all
(Overriding volunteer) Movie reels on a photo slide
In a mountainside where the warlords hide
Send them to the sky, send them to the seas
Spread them all over the land The slaves and the gold and the ivory
The artist cry, as the good ones die
Charities and the refugees

There's monetary man with a momentary plan They don't want your money

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