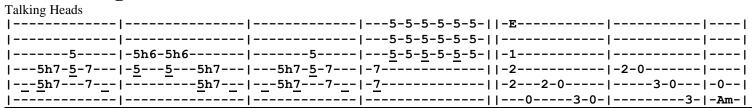


Life During Wartime



Heard of a van that is loaded with weapons Packed up and ready to go Heard of some grave sites, out by the highway A place where nobody knows

The sound of gunfire, off in the distance I'm getting used to it now Lived in a brownstone, lived in the ghetto I've lived all over this town

This ain't no party, this ain't no disco This ain't no fooling around No time for dancing, or lovey dovey I ain't got time for that now

Transmit the message to the receiver Hope for an answer some day I got three passports, a couple of visas Don't even know my real name

High on a hillside, the trucks are loading Everything's ready to roll Sleep in the daytime, I work in the nighttime I might not ever get home

This ain't no party, this ain't no disco This ain't no fooling around This ain't no Mudd Club, or C.B.G.B I ain't got time for that now Keys break

Chorus

Heard about Houston? Heard about Detroit? Heard about Pittsburgh, P. A.? You oughta know not to stand by the window Somebody see you up there

I got some groceries, some peanut butter To last a couple of days But I ain't got no speakers, ain't got no headphones, ain't got no records to play

Why stay in college? Why go to night school? Gonna be different this time Can't write a letter, can't send no postcard I can't write nothing at all

This ain't no party, this ain't no disco This ain't no fooling around I'd like to hold you, I'd love to kiss you I ain't got no time for that now

Trouble in transit, got through the roadblock We blended with the crowd We got computers, we're tapping phone lines I know that that ain't allowed We dress like students, we dress like housewives Or in a suit and a tie I changed my hairstyle, so many times now Don't know what I look like!

You make me shiver, I feel so tender We make a pretty good team Don't get exhausted, I'll do some driving You ought to get you some sleep

Burned all my notebooks, what good are Notebooks? They won't help me survive My chest is aching, burns like a furnace The burning keeps me alive

Keys break