

Cockburn Bruce

"Call It Democracy 326"

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Originally from the album "World Of Wonders")

padded with power here they come

international loan sharks backed by the guns

of market hungry military profiteers

whose word is a swamp and whose brow is smeared

with the blood of the poor

who rob life of its quality

who render rage a necessity

by turning countries into labour camps

modern slavers in drag as champions of freedom

sinister cynical instrument

who makes the gun into a sacrament --

the only response to the deification

of tyranny by so-called "developed" nations'

idolatry of ideology

north south east west

kill the best and buy the rest

it's just spend a buck to make a buck

you don't really give a flying fuck

about the people in misery

IMF dirty MF

takes away everything it can get
always making certain that there's one thing left
keep them on the hook with insupportable debt
see the paid-off local bottom feeders
passing themselves off as leaders
kiss the ladies shake hands with the fellows
open for business like a cheap bordello
and they call it democracy
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see the loaded eyes of the children too
trying to make the best of it the way kids do
one day you're going to rise from your habitual feast
to find yourself staring down the throat of the beast
they call the revolution
IMF dirty MF
takes away everything it can get
always making certain that there's one thing left
keep them on the hook with insupportable debt
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