

## **Barenaked Ladies "Helicopters"**

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This is where the helicopters came  
To take me away  
This is where the children  
Used to play

This is only half a mile away  
From the attack  
This is where my life changed in a day  
And then it changed back

Buried in the din of rotor noise  
And close explosions  
I do my best to synthesize the sounds  
And my emotions

This is where the allies bombed the school  
They say by mistake  
Here nobody takes me for a fool  
Just for a fake

Later at the hotel bar  
The journalists are waiting  
I hurry back to my guitar  
While they're commiserating

And I'll be leaving soon  
I'll be leaving soon

Just as soon as we were on the ground  
We were back in the jet  
Just another three day foreign tour  
We'd never forget

It's hard to sympathize  
With all this devastation  
Hopping 'round from site to site  
Like tourists on vacation

And I'll be leaving soon  
I'll be leaving soon

I can't help anyone

'Cause everyone's so cold  
Everyone's so skeptical  
Of everything they're told  
And even I get sick of  
Needing to be sold

Though it's only half a month away  
The media's gone  
An entertaining scandal broke today  
But I can't move on

I'm haunted by a story  
And I do my best to tell it  
Can't even give this stuff away  
Why would I sell it?

Everybody's laughing  
While at me they point a finger  
A world that loves its irony  
Must hate the protest singer

So I'll be leaving soon  
I'll be leaving soon  
I'll be leaving soon  
I'll be leaving soon

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