

**Chesney, Kenny****"The Deal"**

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## THE AMERICAN

Communist, democrat  
An intriguing collusion  
Fair exchange--tit for tat  
Comradeship in profusion  
And the appeal, partner  
Of this deal, partner  
Is we all stand to win  
You and me, the lady also  
Don't break her heart partner  
Just be smart, partner  
Let her think that her past  
Is as pure as snow in Moscow  
Thank God we're so civilized  
And our word can be our bond  
We can turn this into friendship for life  
And beyond--

## THE RUSSIAN

Refugee, total shit  
Is how I've always seen us  
Not a help you'll admit  
To agreement between us  
There's no deal, partner  
Who's your real partner?  
Could there be just a chance  
That you've got some heavy clients?

## THE AMERICAN (and voice of MOLOKOV)

That's not true, partner  
How could you, partner  
Think I'd want to pursue  
Any deal but our own alliance?  
(on his own)  
How can you only think  
Of your selfish ambition?  
And not of her position?  
Or you'd rather perhaps  
See her world collapse?  
For a tin pot competition!

THE RUSSIAN  
There's no deal

THE AMERICAN (to FLORENCE)  
Silly boy, woman who  
He should not have let walk out  
There's no hitch that we two  
Can't untangle or talk out  
And the appeal, partner  
Of this deal, partner  
Is we both stand to win  
We'll bring back the golden era  
Stick with me, honey  
Leave him be, honey  
In return I know who'll  
Tell you all they know in Moscow

FLORENCE  
Are you sick? Are you mad?  
You still don't understand why I loathe you, why I left  
you?

FLORENCE AND THE RUSSIAN  
Who'd ever think it?  
Such a squalid little ending  
Watching him descending  
Just as far as he can go  
I'm learning things I didn't want to know  
Who'd ever guess it?  
This would be the situation  
One more complication  
Should be neither here nor there  
I wish I had it in me not to care

THE RUSSIAN  
Let him spill out his hate  
Till he knows he's deserted

FLORENCE AND THE RUSSIAN  
There's no point wasting time  
Preaching to the perverted

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