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"What You Don't Know"

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Manufacture of consent
Turn your fiction into fact
The story's more important
Than the truth

Selective information sold
Won't tell us what we should know
The printed word is set
With biased hands

There it is in black and white

What you can't see and don't hear
What you don't know hurts you
What is not said but instead
What you don't know hurts you

And war looks like a TV game
Entertaining frame by frame
But do we ever really
Know the score?

Cover up and change the view
Suggest the side that we should choose
On the air
Your own official truth

There it is on satellite

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What is not said but instead
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What you're not told but are sold
What you don't know hurts you
What is not shown won't be known
What you don't know hurts you

What you see
What you hear
What you read

The safety of complacency
Imagination, scarcity
The camera is asleep on my TV

Opinions formed from what I'm fed
From subtitles that I've read
I read the words
But not between the lines

Hear it on the air

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