

Midnight Oil "When The Generals Talk"

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Up there, up there, up there on the platform
He is speaking to the people
The people are responding
With clapping and a cheering

But the meaning of the message
Not revealed to those assembled
They're taken for a ride
Taken in his stride

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There's a rumour in the ranking
Someone's talking insurrection
General has a purge
He wants to win election

With the certain satisfaction
That the people are appeased
Long live the revolution
The General's very pleased

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Introducing the new, introducing the new
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Australians strivin' for privacy and philosophy
As long as you're gonna fit no one
Who satisfy the people who got the most money
You stay in the government

Well we don't like those kind of governments in
Australia
Those governments that don't care about
Young Australians
Those governments that don't care about
Nuclear weapons
Those governments that don't care about
The resources and the environment
Those governments that don't care about
Anything else other than their exclusive cynical chase
for power

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