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## Miss Saigon Soundtrack ''Bui-Doi''

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(In September 1978 JOHN is addressing a conference in Atlanta that CHRIS and his wife ELLEN are attending at JOHN'S request.)

CHOIR

they're called bui-doi the dust of life conceived in hell and born in strife they are the living reminders of all the good we failed to do we can't forget must not forget that they are all our children too

JOHN

like all survivors, I once thought when I'm home I won't give a damn but now I know I'm caught I'll never leave Vietnam

war isn't over when it ends some pictures never leave your mind they are the faces of the children the ones we left behind

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these kids hit walls on every side they don't belong in any place their secret they can't hide it's printed on their face I never thought one day I'd plead for half-breeds from a land that's torn but then I saw a camp for children whose crime was being born

they're called bui-doi the dust of life conceived in hell and born in strife we owe them fathers, and a family and loving homes they never knew because we know deep in our hearts that they are all our children too

these are souls in need they need us to give someone has to pay for their chance to live help me try

CHORUS they're called bui-doi the dust of life conceived in hell

JOHN AND CHORUS and born in strife they are the living reminders of all the good we failed to do

CHORUS JOHN that's why we know that's why we know deep in our hearts deep in our hearts

CHORUS that's why we know JOHN that they are all our children... JOHN AND CHORUS ...too

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