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"Embassy Lament"

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CIVIL SERVANTS:

Oh my dear how boring

He's defecting

Just like all the others

He's expecting

Us to be impressed with what he's

done here

But he

Hasn't stopped to think about the

paperwork

His gesture causes

We've an embassy to run here

If these people can't strike

Blows for freedom

With a valid visa

We don't need 'em

If we seem offhand then please

remember

This is nothing very special

He's the fourth we've had since last

November

Who do these foreign chappies think

they are?

And when he's safely in the West

He'll be the hero to discuss

The media will lionise him

Fame and fortune plus

No-one will recall it's

Thanks to us

Have you an appointment

With the consul?

If you don't we know what his

Response'll

Be, he will not see you, with respect it

Buggers up his very taxing schedule

Pushing peace and understanding

Let us hope this won't affect it

Far too many jokers

Cross the border

Not a single document

In order
Russia must be empty
Though we're all for
Basic human rights it makes you
wonder
What they built the Berlin wall for
Who do these foreign chappies think
they are?
And when you've filled in all the forms
And been passed clear of all disease
Debriefed debugged dedrugged
disarmed
And disinfected please
Don't forget the guys
Who cut your keys

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