

## An Interlude: Beginning to Take It Back

Chumbawamba

Words to describe Nicaragua of old  
Cash crops and hunger and US control  
Coffee and sugar on company land  
Made to supply what the boss would demand  
Then one July morning in seventy-nine  
Nicaragua decided to leave it behind

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Ensuring that this revolution is shared  
Regaining lost chances, demanding much more  
Running the factories, fighting the war

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Nobody claims that it's over and done  
There's too much depends on enlistment and guns  
And raising their children and filling their plates  
And chasing the Contras to Washington State  
The Yankee conspiracy thrown to the ground  
That's where the spirit of change can be found

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