## Fat of the Ram

## SubRosa

I live in a place where the horizon rises up to meet the sky And a dead lake lies fallow underneath a burning sun In the houses people dream what life would be like without a t ally In the houses people dream what life would be like shadowless

Cities by dead lakes and million miles of barbed wire Come to the altar and lay down your numb consecration Sorrow, desolation

There's never shelter for me in the halls of the righteous All preserved corpses and mummified dancers

They are all gentlemen They only kill by common consent

Everywhere I look all I see is famine A famine of form instead of feeling Everywhere I look all I see are blanched bones And a loud starvation that drowns out the cries of the holy

There's no shelter for me in the halls of the righteous They're too busy anointing themselves in their finest

After all, they're gentlemen They only kill by common consent They are all gentlemen They only kill by common consent

She stands like statue of a deer in the moonlight Listening to the sound of a faraway band only she can hear The wind pours down the canyons to the lakeshore And the ancient trumpets cry

Mute applause and no perception No perception of these mountains upon mountains