

## Strasbourg

The Rakes

I'll meet you in West Germany  
October 1983  
I know that freedom was a lie  
And your husband was a spy  
You say that words are impotent  
But they can help us pay the rent  
I knew for sure there was nothing left  
Except the vodka on your breath  
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The courage that your father plucked  
From inside a cattle truck  
Will help us fix the exit polls  
Our children must have rock'n'roll  
Surveillance cameras captured dawn  
Breaking on the autobahn  
I knew for sure our chance was blown  
When rifles made us feel at home

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Eins, zwei, drei, vier

Ideas can change the government  
But they never listen to our arguments  
On TV our friends smashed cement  
And pulled down the bastards monuments  
I went outside for a cigarette  
I could see things I had tried to forget  
The news showed us who we had left  
And I could smell the vodka on your breath