

Words to TRIDENT IS A WAR CRIME Oratorio

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Who are the Criminals

Who, who are the criminals, who is the judge?
What is the crime, who decides?
What is the law, who will judge?
What is the threat, what is the crime?
Who are the criminals, what is the crime, who are the criminals, what is the crime?
What is the crime, what is the crime?

Nuremburg, Nuremburg, remember Nuremburg, remember Nuremburg.
International law is clear, we have the right to live without fear
Threatening the innocent is a war crime
Preparing for mass murder is a war crime, war crime, war crime.

How many, how many, how many, how many, how many children killed?

Who are the victims, who dies in war?
How many lives torn apart?
How many children killed by bombs?
How many profits made from death?
How many weapons built to destroy?
How many deals made in blood?

Where is the justice, under what law?
Who are the criminals, who will judge?
Who are the victims, who decides?
Who the oppressors, who will judge?
Who is the enemy, who decides?
Who are the criminals, who will judge?

This is our world

This is our world, this is our world
One trillion, one million million dollars a year
Spent by the world on weapons.
And the richest countries, and the richest countries
Squander the resources of the rest.
Who is the criminal, who will judge?
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Proliferation

Proliferation, shame of the nation state
Which views the other with hate, which views the other with hate,
With hate, with hate.
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With hate, with hate, with hate.

Remember Hiroshima

Remember, remember Hiroshima, Nagasaki, Rongelap, Kwajalein.

We cannot forget, the victims that died,
Shadows on the wall, searing pain,
The baby drawing breath, the children at play
Vanished, vanished (Tenor and Bass – Children playing, Mothers singing)
Burning, burning
Crying for water,
Lost in hell on earth
We cannot forget, we cannot forget, we cannot forget

The State is not a person

The state is not a person it is all of us
And we all have to choose the way it goes.
Do we choose life, do we choose death?
Do we collude in murder?

Security 1

Security, security, what do we mean by security?
When the wealthy feed off the poor and still go on demanding more.
Every day billions are spend on every kind of armament
And countries that are starving and poor
Are still pushed into making war.

How can we talk of liberty, when children are held in captivity,
And women are sold into slavery, and so many die in misery?
Justice for all must be the path we take to liberty.
This will be security, and peace, when all the world is free
And no child dies of poverty, and no one lives in misery.

Instead of blaming the terrorist threat, cancel international debt.

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Nuclear Winter

When the nuclear winter falls, where can we go?
Only a barren landscape, no life left.
No life, no life, only death.
Desolation, a poisoned desert, no trees or fields, no living thing.
Devastation, nowhere to hide.
No city streets, or thriving markets.
Nowhere, nothing. Nowhere to go.
Blazing fires or frozen waste.
Lifeless, empty, silence of death.
Darkness, starvation and death.
Nowhere safe from the silent killer.

Radiation, end of the future.
Nothing, nothing, nothing left.
Nowhere, nothing, only death.

Round: We are the Human Family

We are the human family, we all have equal rights
The right to life and liberty and true security
The will of the people must direct the government!

We could do things differently

Why do we not mention the global contribution
Of militarism and war to catastrophic climate change?
Floods, droughts, storms, hurricanes,
Displacement, disease, starvation
But if instead of preparing for war,
Protecting nuclear installations and petroleum production
Mining metals and uranium to make weapons of destruction
We could do things differently
Work with the wind, the sun and the sea
Protect peoples and nations
And future generations, and future generations.

Security 2

Security, security, what does it mean, what does it mean?
Who are the criminals, what is the crime?
Who are the criminals, what is the crime?
What is the crime, what is the crime, what is the crime?

A whole way of life destroyed in the Pacific
Poisoned lagoons, shattered coral
Death, displacement and despair,
Paradise turned to hell
By the nuclear experiment,
The testing of armaments in the name of security and stability.

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Hate, distrust and paranoia, nuclear war mind

How Many Treaties Broken

How many treaties broken, how many rulings ignored.
How many promises of good faith gone by the board?

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Anti-ballistic missile treaty, outer space treaty,
Non-proliferation treaty, comprehensive test ban treaty.
Unequivocal, irreversible, upheld by the international court.
Agreed by the nuclear nations. Total elimination.
And non proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

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Collateral damage. What does that mean?
When the innocent are murdered, that is a crime.
Government, when will you uphold international law?
We hold you accountable to us the people.
We hold you accountable to cancel Trident.
We hold you accountable to us the people.

When the last sea is poisoned

When the last sea is poisoned, the last tree cut down, and the last bird sings
Then will we learn to cherish life, and leave the times of war.

The future is ours and we all have a part, nothing stays the same.
When we remember the value of life
Then we find the way.

Listen to the voice of the sea
Hear the birds call
When we remember to share the earth
We find space for all.
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We find space for all.