## **Internal Exile**

I saw a blue umbrella in Princes Street Gardens Heading out west for the Lothian Road An Evening News stuffed deep in his pocket Wrapped up in his problems to keep away the cold

Grierson's spirit haunts the dockyards (Where) the only men working (are on the) documentary crews Shooting film as the lines get longer As the seams run out, as the oil runs dry

Hey there laddie, internal exile When will you (realise) {see that} we've got to let go? Hey there lassie, internal exile When will you realise (we've) {you've} got to let go?

Starlings wheeling round Georgian spires And the fires of Grangemouth burn the skies A lion sleeps in a tenement close In the country that's tired and deaf to his roar

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We've got to go now Won't you please let us go now?

They bury a wasteland deep in the wilderness Poison the soil and reap the harvest Of blind indifference, greed and apathy Sowed way back in our history

The fish are few and the harbours are empty The keels now rot on our oil slicked shores The sheep are gone, the farms deserted (We're) It's out of sight and we're out of mind

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(We're gonna go now) (We're gonna go now)

Like our fathers before us we've eyes for America Dream of a new life on foreign shores (But) wherever we go we'll always know That the land we stand on is never our own

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We're internal exiles

We've got to, got to let go We're internal exiles As if we've got to let go We've got to let go We've got to go now Won't you please let us go now? Internal exile Internal exile Won't you please let us go now?