

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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