## **Behind The Frontlines**

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Blue light of morning palm trees in rows The end of my affair with the west coast I was already dressed when she opened her mouth And decided to give up the ghost Helicopters the coast guard and radar screens All the haunted and lonely technology I'll cut all my times with the dead and the dying I have been wasting my time In need of a substance to steady my hands I'm gonna make the most of this day's plans Falling in love with the shivering engines Falling in love with the prettiest sound

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A tear in the fabric that no one could see But your heart was always unraveling I gathered the twine as it trailed from behind And collected it all in my coat The Pacific Ocean you claim as your own The vineyard the graveyard the grapes and the bones Falling in love with the weight of the water Falling in love with the taste of the ghost

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On drugs in the dark with the one I love That my friends is where I wish I was Tied up in twine with the dead and the dying And dragging back home under her control She's looking for someone to settle her debts And I always settle for the silhouettes Falling in love with some back lighted stranger Falling in love and going into the red

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