

On the Border Al Stewart

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[F#m] The fishing boats go out across the evening water
[D] Smuggling guns and arms across the Spanish border
The [Bm] winds whip up the waves so loud
The [A] ghost moon sails a[G]mong the clouds
And [F#m] turns the rifles [E7] into silver [F#m] on the border

[F#m] On my wall the colours of the maps are running
From [D] Africa the winds they talk of changes coming
The [Bm] torches flare up in the night
The [A] hand that sets the [G] farms alight
Has [F#m] spread the word to [E7] those who're waiting
[F#m] On the border

[A] In the village where I grew up [Em] nothing seems the same
But still you [D] never see the change from day to [A] day
And no one [D] notices the customs slip a[C#7]way

[F#m] Late last night the rain was knocking on my window
I [D] moved across the darkened room and in the lamp glow
I [Bm] thought I saw down in the street
The [A] spirit of the [G] century
[F#m] Telling us that [E7] we're all standing [F#m] on the border

[A] In the islands where I grew up [Em] nothing seems the same
It's just the [D] patterns that remain an empty [A] shell
But there's a [D] strangeness in the air you feel too [C#7] well

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