Don Henley, Inside Job

(Don Henley/Mike Campbell)

While you were sleeping They came and took it all away The lanes and the meadows The places where you used to play

It was an inside job By the well-connected Your little protest Summarily rejected

It was an inside job Like it always is Chalk it up to business as usual

While we are dreaming
This little island disappears
While you are looking the other way
They'll take your right to own your own ideas

And it's an inside job Favors collected Your trusted servants Have left you unprotected

It was an inside job Like it always is Just chalk it up To business as usual

You think that you're so smart
But you don't have a fucking clue
What those men up in the towers
Are doing to me and you
And they'll keep doin' it and doin' it
And doin' it and doin' it
And doin' it and doin' it
And doin' it and doin' it
Until we all wake up
Wake up, wake up, wake up,

I know what I've done wrong I am acquainted with the night I know how hard it is To always walk out in the light

And it's an inside job
To learn about forgiving
It's an inside job
To hang on to the joy of living

They know the road by which you came They know your mother's maiden name And what you had for breakfast And what you've hidden in the mattress

Insect politics Indifferent universe Bang your head against the wall But apathy is worse

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