## On The Border Al Stewart

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F#m

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The fishing boats go out across the evening water

nuggling guns and arms across

Smuggling guns and arms across the Spanish border

Bm

The winds whip up the waves so loud

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The ghost moon sails among the clouds

F#m E F#m

And turns the rifles into silver on the border

F#m

On my wall the colours of the maps are running

D

From Africa the winds they talk of changes coming

The torches flair up in the night

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Α
The hand that sets the farms alight
                                            F#m
Has spread the word to those who re waiting on the border
Α
In the vllage where I grew up
Nothing seems the same
But still you never see the change from day to day
           D
                                    C# [C# B A G# F# F =
And no one notices the customs slip away
F#m
F#m
Late last night the rain was knocking on my window
I moved across the darkened room and in the lampglow
I thought I saw down in the street
The spirit of the century
                                   F#m
Telling us that we re all standing on the border
In the islands where I grew up
Nothing seems the same
It s just the patterns that remain an empty shell
But there s a strangeness in the air
                   [C# B A G# F# F = single notes]
You feel too well
F#m
The fishing boats go out across the evening water
Smuggling guns and arms across the Spanish border
The winds whip up the waves so loud
The ghost moon sails among the clouds
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single notes]

On the border
F#m
On the border
D
On the border
F#m
(fade out)

F#m

Е

And turns the rifles into silver on the border

F#m

All those moments will be lost in time, like tears in the rain.