

**No Power Without Accountability**

**Billy Bragg**

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By Billy Bragg

Intro

**Em            A            D    Em**

Verse 1

**Em                                  A**

I grew up, in a company town

**Em**

And I work a hard til the company closed down

**Em                                  A**

They gave my job, to another man

**Em**

On half my wages in some foreign land

**A**

**Em**

And when I asked, how could that be, any good for our economy,

**A**

**Em**

I was told, nobody cared, so long as they make money when they sell their shares

Chorus

**Em    A**

Can you hear us, are you listening

**Em    A**

There s no power without accountability

Verse 2

**Em                                  A**

I lost my job, my car and my house

**Em                                  A**

When 10,000 miles away some guy clicked on a mouse

**Em    A**

He didn t know me, we never spoke

**Em    A**

He didn t ask my opinion or canvas for my vote

**Em**

I guess it s true,

**A**

Nobody cares until those petrol bombs come spinning through the air

**Em**

Gotta find a way

**A**

**Em**

to hold them to account before they find a way to snuff our voices out

Chorus

Verse 3

**Em** **A**  
The ballot box is no garruntee, that we achieve democracy  
**Em**  
Our leaders claim their victory  
**A**  
When only half the people ve spoken  
**Em**  
We have no job security, in this global economy  
**Em** **A**  
Our borders closed to refugees  
**Em**  
But our markets forced open  
**Em** **A**  
World banks says to Mexico  
**Em**  
We ll cut you off if you don t keep your taxes low

chorus

**EM** **A**  
They have no right to wield that sword  
**Em**  
They take orders from the chairman of the board  
**Em** **A**  
IMF, WTO I hear these words used every place I go,  
**Em**  
Who are those people, who elected them  
**Em** **A** **Em**  
And how do I replace them with some of my friends

Chorus x2

Em, A, D, Em

Repeat to fade

Sorry about the lyrics, but he murmurs on the live version it woz taken from.

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it took a lot of work, so keep my name on it  
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