

Olivers Army
Elvis Costello

G# C# Eb
 Don t start me talking, I could talk all night.
 G# C# C7
 My mind goes sleepwalking while I m putting the world to right.
 Fm Bb Fm Bb Eb
 G#
 Called careers information. Have you got yourself an occupation?

(Oliver s)

C# Eb G# C# Eb
 Army is here to stay. Oliver s Army are on their way.
 G# G#/G# Fm G#/E C# C#/C# Eb G# C#
 C#/C# Eb6 Eb7
 And I would rather be anywhere else but here today.
 G# C# Eb
 There was a checkpoint Charlie, he didn t crack a smile.
 G# C# Cm
 But it s no laughing party when you ve been on the murder mile.
 Fm Bb Fm Bb
 Eb
 Only takes one itchy trigger, one more widow one less white nigger.

(C# Eb6 Eb)

Gm F Eb D
 Hong Kong is up for grabs; London is full of Arabs.
 C F Eb F
 We could be in Palestine, overrun by the Chinese line
 Eb F
 with the boys from the Mersey and the Thames and the Tyne.
 Bb Eb F Bb
 But there s no danger. It s a professional career,
 Eb D7
 Gm
 though it could be arranged with just a word in Mr. Churchill s ear.
 C Gm
 If you re out of luck you re out of work
 C F Bb Eb F
 We could send you to Johannesburg
 Bb Eb F Bb Eb
 F
 Oliver s Army is here to stay Oliver s Army are on their way.
 Bb Bb/A# Gm Bb/F# Eb Eb/D# F Bb
 and I would rather be anywhere else than here today (3 times)
 Bb Eb Eb/D# F
 Oh oh oh oh_____ Oh oh oh_____