

Olivers Army
Elvis Costello

B E F#
Don t start me talking, I could talk all night.

B E Eb7
My mind goes sleepwalking while I m putting the world to right.

G#m C# G#m C#
F# B
Called careers information. Have you got yourself an occupation?

(Oliver s)
E F# B E F#
Army is here to stay. Oliver s Army are on their way.

B B/G# G#m B/E E E/C# F# B E E/C#
F#6 F#7
And I would rather be anywhere else but here today.

B E F#
There was a checkpoint Charlie, he didn t crack a smile.

B E Ebm
But it s no laughing party when you ve been on the murder mile.

G#m C# G#m C#
F#
Only takes one itchy trigger, one more widow one less white nigger.

(E F#6 F#)

Bbm G# F# F
Hong Kong is up for grabs; London is full of Arabs.

Eb G# F# G#
We could be in Palestine, overrun by the Chinese line

F# G#
with the boys from the Mersey and the Thames and the Tyne.

C# F# G# C#
But there s no danger. It s a professional career,

F# F7
Bbm
though it could be arranged with just a word in Mr. Churchill s ear.

Eb Bbm
If you re out of luck you re out of work

Eb G# C# F# G#
We could send you to Johannesburg

C# F# G# C# F#
G#
Oliver s Army is here to stay Oliver s Army are on their way.

C# C#/A# Bbm C#/F# F# F#/D# G# C#
and I would rather be anywhere else than here today (3 times)

C# F# F#/D# G#
Oh oh oh oh_____ Oh oh oh_____