

**The Authority Box**  
**Robyn Hitchcock**

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Sounds best in all power chords (5ths)  
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[Verse]

**F#**

The Authority Box

And the headgrenade

Love is in the blade

**A**

Noone ever touches

**E** **F#**

Everybody watches everyone

[Verse]

**F#**

When the spoilt child

Hits middle age

Wants to turn the page

**A** **E**

The page is stuck with blood

**F#**

And you know whose blood it is

**A**

That will do nicely

**E**

Step this way sir

**F#**

After you

[Chorus]

**B** **E**

I call your name

**B** **E**

But you don t hear me

**B** **E**

I call your name

**B** **E** **F#**

But you re nowhere near me anyway

[Verse]

**F#**

Sweet 53

My pink is red

Unscrew my head

**A**

**E**

**F#**

Failure rips into my you re too old for this

[Verse]

**F#**

With your vanity on

So dual key

So freedom fries

So Texas vow

**A**

**E**

**F#**

You and your wife have teeth alive, now haven t you?

**A**

**E**

**F#**

Figure I know your love is nothing personal

[Chorus]

**B**

**E**

I call your name

**B**

**E**

**F#**

But you don t hear me anyway

[Verse]

**F#**

When the sun goes down

I m a lonely boy

With a lonely kiss

**A**

**E**

Say what you like about this

**F#**

But I ll never ever bother you

[Verse]

**F#**

I m stepping out of my disease

With a CEO and a budget horn

**A**

**E**

**F#**

You just married a guy who didn t know it yet

**A**

Nothing wrong with failure

**E F#**

Everybody does it

[Bridge]

**A E F#**

Can you hear me?

**A E F#**

Can you hear me?

[Outro]

**A E B F#**

Ah fuck me baby, I m a trolley bus

**A E B F#**

Yeah fuck me baby, I m a trolley bus

**A E B F#**

Whoah fuck me baby, I m a trolley bus