

Rocky Votolato, Automatic Rifle

the night I turned 25 it was legos on the floor
it seemed like a safe enough game
for a man to play with his daughter
an automatic rifle and a bullet through the window
and the troops are satisfied that justice had been delivered

that was enough to set the spark of a vision in another
18 years - 18 year old girl - to see herself a martyr
to keep up with the cycle
of an automatic rifle and a bullet through the window
and the troops were satisfied that justice had been delivered

close your eyes to the suns blinding light
a three story concrete house and a steady paycheck
cause open eyes will be
infected with politics
and even a smart girl can end up
with a bomb strapped to her chest