

Stop Spending on War

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Tune: 'Oh Dear, What Can the Matter Be?'; 2.00 min.

Lyrics: Edith Beck Kates of The Raging Grannies ... and their Friends of Westchester County NY

Oh dear, what can the matter be? Dear, dear, what can the matter be?
Now hear! These things should bother thee! Congress is cutting again!

[SPOKEN, LEAN FORWARD] They say ...

There's **not** enough money for social security,
School aid, small **business** or guarding air's purity.
They **tell** us all this but we **doubt** their assurity.
There's **plenty** of money for war.

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A very big question that I do not understand
Is **what** were we doing in far off Afghanistan?
We **killed** more civilians than even the fighting men!
No shortage of money for war!

Here in our country, more poor people every day
Cannot find **jobs**, and have **not** got their rent to pay,
While **Congress** cuts **programs** 'cause money is short they say,
But **plenty** of money for war!

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It's **not** up to us to tell **others** how they should live.
A **good** life for all **here** would show an alternative.
Let's **fix** our priorities, share what we have to give.
Stop all the spending on war!

[SPOKEN] STOP ALL THE SPENDING ON WAR!