

Strategic Retreat

the sky has fallen
floods doom coastal folk, fires rage
pick your disaster

fatally wounded
we've shot ourselves in the foot
with tech's awesome tools

anthropocene's deeds
brought on sixth mass extinction
nature's harsh payback

there's no Planet B
Earth's apocalypse draws nigh
what to do, humans?

it's too late to win
our only pragmatic choice:
strategic retreat*

* A military term applied by futurist David Houle to the "battle" against climate change, recommending adaptation over mitigation



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