

# The night of the non-event

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The Phantom's absence.

Funerals. Coffin not covered with roses. Unarmed  
population. Long.

The yellow sun's procession from the mosque to the  
vacant Place. Mute taxis.

Plainclothed army. Silent hearse. Silenced music.  
Palestinians with no Palestine.

The night of the Great Inca did not happen.  
Engineless planes. Extinguished sun. shermen with  
no fleet fish with no sea fleet with no fish sea  
without fishermen Guns with faded flowers Che  
Guevara reduced to ashes. No shade.

The wind neither rose nor subsided. The Jews are  
absent. Flat tires.

The little lights are not lit. No child has died. No  
rain I did not say that spring was breathing. The  
dead did not return.

The mosque has launched its unheeded prayer.  
Lost in the waves.

The street lost its stones. Brilliant asphalt. Useless  
roads. Dead Army.

Snuffed is the street. To shut off the gas. Refugees  
with no refuge no candle.

The procession hasn't been scared. Time went by.  
Silent Phantom.