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WHAT HAPPENED TO PEACE?

CATEGORIES: Multiples, Neons

SPECIFICATIONS:

DESCRIPTION

Patrick's neon sign works are fabricated to mirror street level commercial signage, but are remixed to present words and phrases drawn from literary and oratorical sources.

What happened to peace? - a line from Eric B And Rakim's 1987 album *Paid in Full* closes the record like a casual sign-off. But when repurposed as a neon storefront sign in 2025, the phrase takes on a heavier significance. Against the backdrop of America's ongoing involvement in wars across the globe and the rising division within its borders, the question lingers.