



## *For The First Time In A Long Time*

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Moderately

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand features a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the left hand provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving bass lines. A dynamic marking of *f* (forte) is present.

E7 F7 B $\flat$  A7+ A7

FOR THE FIRST TIME — IN A LONG TIME, — You're

The first system of the song features a vocal line and piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with the lyrics "FOR THE FIRST TIME — IN A LONG TIME, — You're". The piano accompaniment includes a dynamic marking of *mf-f* (mezzo-forte to forte).

D7 C $\sharp$ 7 D7 G7 Cmi7

in my arms once a gain, — For the first time —

The second system continues the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line includes the lyrics "in my arms once a gain, — For the first time —". The piano accompaniment features a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand.

D7 Gmi C dim. C7 B7 C7

— since you said good - bye, — My heart and I — are in

The third system concludes the vocal and piano accompaniment. The vocal line includes the lyrics "— since you said good - bye, — My heart and I — are in". The piano accompaniment features a dynamic marking of *C dim.* (Crescendo then Diminuendo).

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