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TRAV'LIN' LIGHT

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Slowly

The piano introduction consists of two staves. The right hand starts with a series of chords: F major, F minor, G minor 7, C9, F9, Cdim, F major, F minor, and G minor 7. The left hand provides a steady accompaniment with eighth and sixteenth notes.

Voice

F Fdim Gm7 C9 F9 Cdim F Fdim Gm7

I'm TRAV'LIN' LIGHT _____ because my man has gone _____ And from now on—

The vocal line begins with the lyrics "I'm TRAV'LIN' LIGHT" followed by a long breath mark, then "because my man has gone" followed by another breath mark, and finally "And from now on—". The piano accompaniment features a melodic line in the right hand and a rhythmic accompaniment in the left hand, including a triplet of eighth notes.

C7 Gm7 F Cdim C9 F Fdim Gm7

I'm TRAV'LIN' LIGHT _____ He said "good-bye"—

The vocal line continues with "I'm TRAV'LIN' LIGHT" followed by a breath mark, and then "He said 'good-bye—'". The piano accompaniment continues with a melodic line and a rhythmic accompaniment, including a triplet of eighth notes.

C9 F Cdim F Fdim Gm7

_____ and took my heart a - way. _____ So from to - day _____

The vocal line concludes with "and took my heart a - way." followed by a breath mark, and then "So from to - day _____". The piano accompaniment continues with a melodic line and a rhythmic accompaniment, including a triplet of eighth notes.