## Safe

## **Carmine Appice**

I got the new face tape I'm about to Pop in the deck for you niggaz Turn up your radios You're down and out, money funny, you hustle and die On the verge of pawnin' your jewelry and sellin' your ride Somebody shoulda told him ain't no life in these streets You only out here till you touch it, when you touch it you eat Niggaz done took too many chances shovelin' snow And ended up facin' a lifetime for tryin' to sco' I'm givin livin' definitions on the subject of dope One week he back on his feet, the next he's whoa I was a seventies baby, raised in the eighties I was barely touchin sixteen when shit got crazy I remember in the eighties, me and pop would ride Now we conversate on acres, he's about to buy He had already been what I'm about to go through Told me ain't no sense in gamblin' if you gamble to lose If you made twelve dollars, you put seven away And lived off the five, and never ever fuck with ya safe But when When he hustle and he robbin' That's when niggaz start plottin' And when you niggaz start plottin' Like unaware tomorrow ain't promised, the game is too short I've witnessed niggaz get it all and give it away Gettin' back was out of the question, they lived for today

Us country niggaz start mobbin', mobbin'I'm 'bout my paper, these other niggaz slang for the sport

Then the hunger pains start up, then the murderous plots To set up, they fuckin' homeboy to get what he got I mean the ones he broke the bread with, the ones you don't want To be the ones fuckin' your girlfriend, the moment you out I know the street game backwards, forwards, sideways It used to be an honest hustle back then but nowadays It's cut throat, that's fucked up, niggaz want they come up So bad they'll take the three fifty seven and smoke they brother A damn shame but that's the way the game go

A chance niggaz is takin' especially if they slang dope I've been in that position, back in the day And feel my homey, hittin' my head to crack in my safe And that's when When ya hustle ain't evolvin' That's when niggaz start starvin'

And when you niggaz start starvin'
That's when you niggaz start robbin'
When these niggaz got problems
That's when niggaz start plottin'
And when you niggaz start plottin'

Us country niggaz start mobbin', mobbin'So listen up my niggaz, and I ain't tryin' to preach

I'm just tellin' it from my side 'cause I'm in the streets I done been there, done that, seen a whole neighborhood Destroyed by the government bein' tipped off by one rat He caught a dope case and they threatened him with time He get his own fuckin' people jammed and he take the five That's the shit there, they ain't even catch him with dope But they gave him thirty five years 'cause the nigga didn't spoke Snitchin', that's a motherfucker, watch what you say You don't know no motherfuckin' body, nigga, you lame Watch your so called homeboys, keep to yourself Stay away from niggaz gettin' caught then get out of jail Don't talk about your business, keep your thoughts in your head And this game it got a paper trail, watch where you spend Don't write down names and numbers, it's a memory thang Never shit where you sleep, keep the crib out of range And plus you never let these niggaz know where you stay 'Cause when the push turns to a shove, they hit and you say True motherfuckin' game, true motherfuckin' gameWhen ya hustle ain't evolvin'

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