You Must Love Me

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Throughout my life No matter what I've done You've been merciful and your love endureth Through all things for that I am eternally grateful Since my date of birth bought you nothing but hurt Play those video games, stole change from ya purse Sat on the cold court bench till I was arraigned in ya skirt Saw the pain in ya face through you maintained a smirk All you did was motivate me, don't let 'em hold you back What I do I turned around and I sold you crack I was a bastard for that still I'm drowning in shame Just remember one thing now you're not to blame You was newly separated tryin' to escape ya world And through my thirst I didn't help you I just made things worse I hated me and everybody that created crack Had me thinkin' the newest kicks and the latest gat Still haven't apologized so please play this back While I try to come to terms with such a heinous act You know in more than one way cocaine numbs the brain All I did was think about how the funds once came Then I ran across this memory and it stung the brain How can you ever destroy the beauty from which one came? That's a savage you're the reason Why me and these beats make a marriage Why I rhyme above average and I ain't shit Glad you got yourself together, no thanks to me Strong and beautiful the way thangs should be You must love me Say that you love me All I know say that you must love me Oh yeah We used to fight every night but I never would suffer Just smile my big brother's tryna make me tougher As we grew fussing and fighting continued As I plundered through ya stuff and snuck ya clothes to school Got intense real intense as we got older Never believed it would lead to be popped in one of ya shoulder

With my rings knew you had it 'cause you took too long As Mickey, Andy and the girl that bought it looked on Huffin' and puffin' gun in my hand, told you step outside Hoping you said no but you hurt my pride Made our way down the steps maybe you thought it was just a threat Or maybe ya life was just that crazy and you was beggin' for death Try to justify this in my young mind but ya drillin' it And my ego hurt combined drove me berserk Saw the devil in your eyes high off more than weed Confused I just closed my young eyes and squeezed What a sound! Opened my eyes just in time To see ya stumbling to the ground, damn what the fuck I done now Runnin' around in a circle, thinking I'm assed out hot gun burnin' my waist, ran straight to Jazz house Like a stranger damn I just shot my nigga And ran off into the night as if it was not my nigga Left the scene, how could I go out that way? Still you asked to see me in the hospital ya next day You must love me Chorus Yeah after all the wrong I've done I know you must Everything in my power and within my frame To protect you from this life and keep you away from the game But you was one of the few people that I can trust And the fact of the matter I slang these pies for us You put the pressure on me dearly, rarely would you let it go Was a thousand and one times I had to tell you no When it was one of those days when nobody was around And I needed emergency trip out of town Searched my mental Rolodex for all the numbers I know As you stared in my face asking me could you go I'm agreed said sender everything'll go smooth Just tell her what to do and everything'll go through Strapped her body with them thangs as you boarded the plane Couldn't explain these strange feelings that I caught and the pain I'm thinkin' why would I send you when I knew it ain't right? I'm thinkin' what would make you sacrifice ya life? You must love me Chorus After everything that I've done wrong I know inside you must love me, yeah Oh you must love me I know that you love me, yeah, yeah Oh, you showed me I know it, I know

Say that you love me Say that you love me I know you must love me You must love Oh yes you do Inside I know it You've always shown it You love me, yea yeah Oh yeah, I know that you love me Oh

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