Straight Outta Now Rule

Brand Nubian

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Bark is much worse than your bite like a baby pit

In the pitch dark of the night you's afraid to get exposed

like the sunlight which rose in the morningFroze in a gunfight, forcing those

Who run with you to reevaluate affiliations

We salivate from hunger, placed in fucked up situations

And wonder when retaliation will occur, build destroy he or herIt's time to fill the void, niggas kill the noise

To the young boys, you fuckin' with a grown-ass man

Watch your tone or get acquainted with the back of my hand

Nubian Brand steadily influencin' fansFor other rappers we gon' ruin your plans

What we doin' stands as a motto

Like Grace Jones' nipple to the bottle

We pioneer and never followWe're out for the lion's share now watch me take it there

Yeah, my verbal clarity speaks for my popularity

Sell 5 million CDs and give the proceeds to my favorite charity

Son, I ain't gonna super splash you with no Fantasy Island shitI mean I work hard for what I got and I be

thankful for what I get

And if you practice, spit your verbs properly, not sloppily

Like monopoly, you can end up with cheese, whips and property

Oh damn, silly of me, I forgot to let y'all knowIt's one thing you should never do in this game and that's sell

your soul

I make a lot of sense then I go and make the dollars

Work hard like blue collars, ghetto scholars is hard to follow

Niggas say it's real rough today and I say what you say They promised me 40 acres and a mule

And all I got was a project and a subway

I stay positive, niggas mistake that for not hard

Nigga I'm God, walk through North America like Master FarradMe and my squad, separating the peas from the

pod

No bodyguard, fuck around and roll a tank through your yardStraight outta Now Rule, Brand Nu keepin' cool

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Is going platinum plus, comin' through in a clutchYeah, man, these 'Dick in the butt', rappers could get shot in

the face

Dragged through the streets and probably left some place I seem shootouts in the park, ball games turned tragic

Bitch niggas gettin' smacked and smacked againIn front of they girl, and she's throwing away that ass

And I ain't really asked for it cos a lot of niggas tore it

And yes, my man Hav had bought me something from VA

I was gonna hit him with doe but he ain't real want no shorts'Cause we had worked together and he knew I was true blue

Man, I swore I would never go to VA again

Until I found out who killed my best friend

I can tell by the wind somebody's gettin' ready to bendThey lifestyle's 'bout to end, I'm in these African cabs

On stores run by the Arabs with pictures of yen

Seem like they schemin'

Herculoid cats get flattened and reduced to pitchin'

That girl gave you crabs but I can't explain those scabs

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Brand Nubian, what?

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