Freedom Of Speech

Above the Law

Yo, what's happenin', man?

Yo, they tryin' to come down on the ATL

When we speak, they say we on a negative tip

What's up?Now, I'ma kick a way out style that's smoother than usual

It's from Above The Law, so see, it's crucial

Hype beats are kickin' and rippin', yo, with a funky touch

It's done the ruthless way, some say, it's too muchDope, please don't misdefine it

That's the way that I live and that's the style of my rhyme

That's on time, just like your watch keeps tickin'

(KMG)

On my side, so that my knowledge keeps stickin'Now, what's really known as a radio cut?

When you can say and you can't say

(Shit, fuck)

I really think you wanna hear it

But the radio stations, you see, they still gonna fear itYo, I thought this country was based upon freedom of speech

Freedom of press, freedom of your own religion

To make your own decision, now that's baloney

'Cause if I gotta play by your rules, I'm being phonyYo, I got to cater to this person or that person

I got to rhyme for the white or the black person?

Why can't it all be equal?

Music is a universal language for all people better get off the rebellious tip

Before somebody out there say, I'm startin' to slip

I ain't trippin, I'm steadily flowin' and throwin'

Givin' you a dope style, keepin' me on top of the pile'Cause ATL'll soon take over the nation

And if you don't wanna hear us, well, change the station

Boo! I sneak in your mind your mind

Sink in your mind, creep from behindSo fast that you won't have time to deny a brother

That's from the streets tryin' to teach, hopin' to reach

Yo, 187's not one that's known to preach

But I wish for each to have freedom of speechCongress shall make no law

Respecting an establishment of religion

Or prohibiting the free exercise thereof

Or abridging the freedom of speech or of the pressThey'll milk you to make it understood

They make it good, so that it taste real good

To you, so see, you fall right in it

Your minds are small, they feed you like infantsLike children they'll bring you along

They say we're wrong for makin' a rap song

But ATL'll hit you straight up jam after jam

Long as we say what we want, make our stamps, we don't give a damnThose that wanna sell out need to get the fuck out the business

'Cause they ain't doin' nothin' but bluffin'

Me, I get wild every rhyme I release

Whether I talk about violence or talk about peace'Cause violence is somethin' that happens in society

When people are livin' low and don't know where they can go

But peace, I think we all want peace, but it's too much to face

And it's too far to reach whether I say my rhymes fast, slow

Sloppy or neat, see, I wish when I'm doin' to have freedom of speechCongress shall make no law

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Or abridging the freedom of speech or of the pressNow if they ban me, I don't give a fuck

Chalk it up as experience

(Yeah, bad luck)

Because I'm ballin' with Laylaw's clout

And if he say that it stays, the shit comes out Cause in the early days when rap first began

Some fool jumped up and said it soon would end

But nowadays I hear song after song

And it proved to me that the fool was wrongSo yo, cut the bullshit, all set aside

It's time for the people to realize

About the things that happen in the ghetto which those try to hide

When they know we just strive to survive

(The homie said, He'd have a job, if you'd give him a break)But when he gets it

(He goes by the other man's ways)

Now see, there's just one more thing I have to talk about

'bout how they say rap music is turnin' kids out

You got to give your child credit for what he can doPlus the way that they're raised is really up to you

Rap music, a form of literature, words and verbs and adjectives

Painted up like a picture, yo, it's gonna hitcha

Yo, it's gonna getcha and when I'm all finished up, it's gonna fitcha

(Hittin' the nation)

Station to station

(Heavy rotation)So strong that it's keepin' the pace, and

We will speak out on any situation

But while we're doin'

Yo, we gotta have freedom of speech Yeah, see that's how we had to do that

Yo, I gotta give it up to all my homeboys

That got freedom of speech

Yo, Cold 187, Ice Cube, MC Ren, the deadly Dr. Dre

Eazy-E, the Go MackTotal Koss housin' thangs

Ruthless in the muthafuckin' house

Yo, to my homie D.O.C

And Laylaw with the clout and we out

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