## **Takeover**

## Jay-Z

R.O.C., we running this rap shit Memphis Bleek, we running this rap shit B. Mac, we running this rap shit Freeway, we run this rap shit Oh and Sparks, we running this rap shit Chris and Neef, we running this rap shitThe takeover, the break's over nigga God MC, me, Jay-Hova Hey lil' soldier you ain't ready for war R.O.C. too strong for why y'all It's like bringing a knife to a gunfight, pen to a test Your chest in the line of fire witcha thin-ass vest You bringing them Boyz II Men, HOW them boys gon' win? This is grown man B.I., get you rolled in the triage Bitch, your reach ain't long enough, dunny Your peeps ain't strong enough, fucker Roc-A-Fella is the army, better yet the navy Niggaz'll kidnap your babies, spit at your lady We bring - knife to fistfight, kill your drama Uh, we kill you motherfucking ants with a sledgehammer Don't let me do it to you dunny cause I overdo it So you won't confuse it with just rap musicR.O.C., we running this rap shit M-Easy, we running this rap shit The Broad Street Bully, we running this rap shit Get zipped up in plastic when it happens that's it Freeway, we run this rap shit O and Sparks, we running this rap shit Chris and Neef, we running this rap shit (Watch out! We run New York)I don't care if you Mobb Deep, I hold triggers to crews You little FUCK, I've got money stacks bigger than you When I was pushing weight, back in eighty-eight You was a ballerina I got your pictures I seen ya Then you dropped "Shook Ones," switch your demeanor Well, we don't believe you, you need more people Roc-A-Fella, students of the game, we passed the classes Nobody could read you dudes like we do Don't let 'em gas you like Jigga is ass and won't clap you Trust me on this one, I'll detach you Mind from spirit, body from soul

They'll have to hold a mass, put your body in a hole

No, you're not on my level get your brakes tweaked I sold what ya whole album sold in my first week

You guys don't want it with Hov'

Ask Nas, he don't want it with Hov', no!R.O.C., we running this rap shit

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Freeway, we run this rap shit

Chris and Neef, we running this rap shit

(Watch out! We run New York)I know you missing all the, fame!

But along with celebrity comes bout seventy shots to your brain

Nigga, you a, lame!

Youse the fag model for Karl Kani/Esco ads

Went from, Nasty Nas to Esco's trash

Had a spark when you started but now you're just garbage

Fell from top ten to not mentioned at all

To your bodyguard's "Oochie Wally" verse better than yours

Matter fact you had the worst flow on the whole fuckin song

But I know - the sun don't shine, then son don't shine

That's why your, lame! Career come to a end

There's only so long fake thugs can pretend

Nigga, you ain't live it you witnessed it from your folks pad

You scribbled in your notepad and created your life

I showed you your first tec on tour with Large Professor

(Me, that's who!) Then I heard your album bout your tec on your dresser

So yeah I sampled your voice, you was using it wrong

You made it a hot line, I made it a hot song

And you ain't get a corn nigga you was getting fucked and

I know who I paid God, Serchlite Publishing

Use your, brain! You said you been in this ten

I've been in it five, smarten up Nas

Four albums in ten years nigga? I could divide

That's one every let's say two, two of them shits was due

One was, no! The other was "Illmatic"

That's a one hot album every ten year average

And that's so, lame! Nigga switch up your flow

Your shit is garbage, but you try and kick knowledge?

(Get the fuck outta here) You niggas gon' learn to respect the king

Don't be the next contestant on that Summer Jam screen

Because you know who (who) did you know what (what)

With you know who (yeah) but just keep that between me and you for nowR.O.C., we running this rap shit

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O & Sparks, we running this rap shit Chris & Neef, we running this rap shit (Watch out! We run New York)A wise man told me don't argue with fools Cause people from a distance can't tell who is who So stop with that childish shit, nigga I'm grown Please leave it alone, don't throw rocks at the throne Do not bark up that tree, that tree will fall on you I don't know why your advisors ain't forewarn you Please, not Jay, he's, not for play I don't slack a minute, all that thug rapping and gimmicks I will end it, all that yapping be finished You are not deep, you made your bed now sleep Don't make me expose to them folks that don't know you Nigga I know you well, all the stolen jewels Twinkle toes you breaking my heart You can't fuck with me, go play somewhere, I'm busy And all you other cats throwing shots at Jigga You only get half a bar, fuck y'all niggas

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