

# Illegal Business

Boogie Down Productions

Cocaine business controls America  
Ganja business controls America  
K-R-S One come to start some hysteria  
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One afternoon around eleven o'clock  
It was freezing cold  
He was standing on the block  
Selling cheeba  
Mixing dimes  
Saying a rhyme  
Just to pass the time

The cops passed by  
But he stayed calm  
'Cause the leather trench coat  
Was keeping him warm  
But this time they walked by real slowly  
He thought to himself  
They look like they know me

They drove away  
But he didn't stay  
He jumped in the cab  
And he paid his tab  
But guess who he saw  
When he hit the block  
It was the same cop car  
The same two cops

They jumped out quick  
They pulled a gun  
They said,  
Don't try to fight  
And don't try to run  
Cooperate and we will be your friend  
Non-cooperation will be your end

He jumped in the car  
And while they rode  
They ran down the list of things he owed  
They said you owe us some money  
You owe us some product  
'Cause you could be right  
In the river tied up

He thought for a second and he said  
What is this?  
You want me to pay you  
To stay in business?  
They said,  
That's right, or you go to prison  
'Cause nobody out there is really gonna listen  
To a hood, so he said  
Good, I'll pay you off for the whole neighborhood  
Because

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A guy named Jack is selling crack  
The community doesn't want him back  
He sells at work  
He sells in schools  
He's not stupid, the cops are the fools  
'Cause everyone else  
Seems to go to jail  
But when it comes to Jack  
The cops just fail.

They can't arrest him  
They cannot stop him.  
'Cause even in jail  
The bail unlocks him  
So here is the deal  
And here is the facts

If you ever wonder why  
They can't stop crack  
The police department  
Is like a crew  
It does whatever they want to do

In society you have illegal and legal  
We need both to make things equal  
So legal is tobacco  
Illegal is speed  
Legal is aspirin  
Illegal is weed  
Crack is illegal, 'cause they cannot stop ya  
But cocaine is legal if its owned by a doctor

Everything you do in private is illegal  
Everything's legal if the government can see you  
Don't get me wrong  
America is great place to live  
But listen to the knowledge I give

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(What can we get for sixty-three cents?)  
Yeah, K-R-S One comes to start some hysteria  
(What can we get for sixty-three cents?)  
Yeah, B-D-P taking over America  
(What can we get for sixty-three cents?)  
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Cocaine, sensi, aspirin, coffee, morphine, sugar, tobacco  
Got to go  
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