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Hold up!

Royce da 5'9"

Presenting to you, the President of the United States The bullet being lodged an inch away from his heart Reagan is launched into the operating room And tells his doctors, I hope you're all Republicans Cash rules everything around me I ain't claiming I'm street I'm just saying everything that surrounds me is concrete In the burb a lot, ride all because I bubble like Don P Right beside me's a dime piece, college girl looking bout as good as I sleep That's cause I keep it low, the opposite of high key Y'all niggas got the wrong idea bout what's really going on, out here Y'all weird, I see, they told you, Keep your ears to the streets Y'all niggas laying down and y'all ears out here in these streets I guess you took it literal Guess the only code you live by's forget-it-code Uh, if I should get my own guilty verdict May the next man learn from it, then flourish You could put it on the news, you could put my face on the front of a shirt, then the latest video, then blur it Y'all niggas fucking with the next nigga, bitch Mostly attracted to her cause she the next nigga bitch One of my niggas made a name for killing niggas Now he on the slaying spree for Dilla niggas, I call it the nigga nitch Life is set up for you to dig a ditch God is looking down on all, being carried by the crisp pallbearers Like, just ball, player You ain't even gotta pull a trigger, you can still assist I'm a keep it real as this Got to know when to row from the madness Got to know when to give these niggas passes Got to know when to hold em and when to fold em Got to know when to beats niggas asses Got to know when the money ain't good money Got to know when somebody ain't good for ya Got to know when to open and when to close When being silent exposes, and when it's golden Got to know all I got to know Got to know all I got to know God made us niggas, then made us all breakable Then gave us all decision making, that'll make or break a nigga People tryna blaze with you, just so they can lace a nigga All because of public sensationalism With brothers with faces that people see and can relate to When the place where the foundation of eating's Higher population is based on popularity Gotta be careful where you place your wisdom All it takes is just one conversation, where you, unbeknownst to the fact yo u're talking to an abomination At the wrong place, at the wrong time, with the wrong crime taking place That'll put you away for a long grind, where it's locked Where it's not safe unless you know them combinations Yeah, it's just a way a man to be taken by the same thing that took his brot

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We don't learn from each other, we learn to look the other Way when one of us in trouble That karma looking to catch you, it's patient It'll wait till you think you would love to come get you Cause women been the downfall of men ever since pussy was discovered Dearly beloved, you soul searching for nothing Just follow the instincts the lord versed you with, historically That feeling that you get in your gut been getting ignored more than that po or person Who's living under the gun in this cold, cold world that we live in That's under the imminent control of the consumer and indigenous war merchan ts More religion and more churches, doctors, more nurses Cause it's the American way to make anything that'll finish you or drop you, for purchase Who said I couldn't buy my way into heaven? All I need is a bottle, a couple dollars, a couple people that'll keep me co mpany And who love misery as much as me You got to know your pedigree, got to be yourself at all times Your true self at all times ain't gon hesitate to let you know when you shou ld let it be A lot of these brothers done died tryna follow their pride Gotta know the alert signs, them butterflies are reliable as your first mind , genetically

[Chorus]