Salt N Pepa F/ Alpha Omega ''Stay Down''

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Yo

Sup Dedicated to my homie Lil' Terry Rest in peace Front Hood Crip That nigga DJ [Name] a/k/a Lex Diamond 151 Piru, knawmsayin?

[VERSE 1]

Not long back when I had this cool friend who got paid And I'ma change the names to protect who's afraid Let's call him Butch, he was superior to crooks He ran the books and killed niggas for they looks But peep it, this nigga told me secrets bout life The struggles of the black and the luxuries of white The shit was trife, my nigga's game was ass-tight And eh, really the only older nigga that I liked I took heed while this boss player took the lead As he explained why niggas was addicted to greed He looked tipsy, mashin in his black 850 "I hit a lick T, now all my niggas out to get me And this is us, you the only nigga I trust Cause when it's on, we the only niggas to bust" No diggity, I know how niggas be around town But when they talkin bout mashin on a homie, I gots to stay down

[CHORUS]

God please shine your light cause my people are sightless

And nothing's positive when you're far from righteous We're born in a world of negative and greed And every day for somethin dumb I watch a young black bleed

Our kids that sell drugs, was raised to be thugs Raised to love hate, raised to hate love And in the years to come I hope my people get hip Stop killin off each other, let's get this grip

[VERSE 2]

And everywhere we went, man, we was strapped like

goodfellas

With fresh Karl Kanis I floss Armani sweaters While Butch, he bragged about Colombian connections Fuckin with the Mexicans who dress like Texans A veteran, and although I seemed mesmerized I glanced and saw the look of fear in his eyes He taught me: "Sometimes you can't trust your own people

They turn on ya, and all this shit's illegal I gave up dances, bullshit type romances Dress the fanciest, takin penitentiary chances Now the baby gees wanna drop me to my knees Damn, niggas tryina stick me for my ki's Well good luck cause loc, I don't give a fuck I put that on the set, I leave these young fools touched With hollow point slugs through your mug young clown You're speakin on dippin in my riches, you best to stay down"

[CHORUS]

[VERSE 3]

And as years went by, my nigga kept his game in gear He moved to Atlanta, I pursued my career Sometimes I reminisce the ways we did dirt Cookin up chemicals, shippin out work He kept in touch, he said he bought a five on dubs "And when you get a chance nigga, come rock my club These hoes get tossed when I floss on my boat Don't sweat no hotels, I bought a crib by Too \$hort It don't stop till the wheels break loose I heard they tripped out and killed my nigga Big Bruce It's all good, he's seein things much greater Them niggas involved laugh now, cry later" I know what's happenin, my nigga always spoke wise Some people gotta grind, get the loot and organize He closed the conversation, would I always be around? "You need somethin, hit me, God bless loc, stay down"

[CHORUS]

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