

Citizen Kings

"Holding it Down"

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[Carlito Brigante]

"Somebody's pulling me close to ground
I can sense but I can't see
I ain't panicked, I've been here before
Same as when I got popped, on a Hundred Fourth
Street
Oh, look at these suckers, scrambling around, what
for?
My Puerto Rican ass ain't supposed to have made it this
far
Most of my crew got washed a long time ago
Don't worry....my heart, it don't ever quit"

[SonDoobie]

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[SonDoobie]

The organized, fortified, SonDoob's immortalized
Rap acts borderline, M.C.'s is horrified
All the while glorified, those can't demoralize
My chorus line mesmerized, notify
All my peeps, keep your nose clean
Between you and me, Redeem cash for dreams
Take care your team, ill self-esteem
The cream, make sure your world, or so it seems

-"What's going on L?"

-"Yo, what's the deal daddy?"

-"Nothing papi, what's going out there in the East?"

-"Yo maintaining, getting this money

Yo what's the deal up in the West?"

-"Same this papi, not trying to get up"

-"Yo love is love, maintain"

-"It's all family right?"

- "It's all family."

[?]

I be that rifraf lounging on your Ave, scrambling
Getting money gambling, Celo, betting Hamiltons
Everyday, I'm on the money hunt, smoke twenty blunts
Ass out with smoking honeys blunt
Me and my peoples burn to keep destroyin' evils
From attractin' from the way we be acting
They call me derelict and say I roll with spics
In a clique too thick, it makes it hard for them to ride
my dick
You don't need to, cuz I don't need you
Just a weed to keep me from flipping, cuz it's lethal

[?]

The industry fears me
I touch a track down with eight bars severely
You know the dealy, for really
I get you open like acts, and worldwide rap tours
Everything I wrote soaked around in black force
Be familiar, thick like we was pasta
La Raza, Ricans and Rastas splashing casas
Who's the imposter, talking beef
I'll cap his teeth like polar
Wisdom to the molars
Spics that real, like solars

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[Tony Touch]

Ay yo, you know me, Tony, representing cultura
All star like Fania, Johnny Ventura
Ay yo, SonDoobie, papi tengo la cura
Rap over wax, and scratching my aguja
That's how I hold it down, for my corio
P.R, out in the beach, up in luqiyo
Watch out for them sharks, you know, Piyos
Bite on the next mans formats and stilos
But we know, who out theres the bandido
Tainos, like me, remain brown-dido

[Easy D]

Clowns!, I'mma holding down, with the four pound

to the crowd, lying face down, on the ground
Not making a sound, now in case u jump off
Lyrical sawed-off, got you caught off guard
While hard niggas u run with, run off
Ready to flip, fuck up a shit, word to my brother
Hang with a gang, ready to band, regardless of color
I'm color blind, I heat the track like summertime
When is it mine?, in case I got to bust a rhyme
Bait the rhyme, maybe rape the rhyme or fuck the
rhyme
Marry the rhyme, cuz Easy D, love the rhyme

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