

## Brand Nubian "Probable Cause"

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Uhh, yeah, then they say  
Probable cause, probable cause  
(Uh huh, yeah)  
You don't have to break no laws  
They say probable cause  
(Probable cause)

Probable cause, probable cause  
(Yeah)  
You don't have to break no laws  
They say probable cause  
(Word)

Now who's this nigga in the 4.6?  
About twenty to five, got a truck full of chicks  
Just leavin' the disco, me and my man from the Knicks  
Oak Dog, later on because they live in the Bricks  
Jumped on the George Washington and Now Jeru'  
turnpike  
Head feelin' right from a long-ass night  
Whoa, I see Jake, so I let off the gas  
So I was doin' fifty-five when I passed his ass

I looked over, caught the shine from the rim of the  
Rover  
You know his next move, pull it over  
I pulls over to the right-hand shoulder  
Look through the rearview, he got his hand on his  
holster  
He had this look, "How this black nigga get this car?"  
You know these cracker state troopers don't know rap  
stars

He asked me for license and my registration  
Seen my New York tags and he asked me my  
destination  
I said, "Vacation," handed him my registration  
Papers were straight so I didn't wet the situation  
Got my shit back, and that was that, but that wasn't that  
'Cuz in fact, I got stopped two more times black

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(Say what)  
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It feel like my hands, stay tied  
'Cuz New York state, and they child care rate  
Miss Judge Lady in a courtroom can dictate  
A fee for me, to pay monthly  
Even suggested, that I be arrested, they don't count  
The time invested or the bond beyond the money  
They'll hit you with arrears, bad enough to bring tears  
They been on my back for years, fuckin' with my  
license

And every time I'm stopped by Dick I see the booking  
That making me violent in this wilderness land  
Now can we talk for a minute? 'Cuz we both made this  
child  
Can we leave support alone, please take me offa that  
file  
'Cuz every time I see the court, my blood pressure rise  
And the heart attack is a killer of black guys, I stay  
civilized  
Maintain, sometime restrain myself  
A court officer is near me, but I think he fear me, 'cuz  
it's

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(Word up)

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(True indeed God)  
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Yo, on October 22nd we wore black  
For all my niggaz Po-Po shot in the back  
Robocops with the crack, they'll never get props  
From the black folks, lock us up while they crack jokes  
And stack notes when we payin' the bail  
Knowin' damn well a nigga's gonna stay in the jail  
It's all made for us to fail, the dog is smarter  
Than the tail, but if the tail was smarter it would wag  
the dog

I can't wait 'til we bag the hogg  
New York State of Mind doesn't mind, murderin' my  
kind  
We even got our own converting across the line  
He turned swine, guess his ass'll learn when he burn  
They say, "Protect and to serve" and never give the  
people  
The respect they deserve, as if they wasn't equal  
These is man-made laws, selectively applied  
All they need is probable cause for me to fry

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I ain't do shit, jakes lock a nigga with a weed clip  
Couldn't believe it when he took me in  
Threw me and my man up in the van, a seven hour

stand  
Ridin' around watchin' them arouse the black man  
I had the Afghan, I just copped from the record shop  
Took it up the block my usual spot, when I rolled the L  
I never expected to go to jail, I wish they'd all go to hell

Now Guiliani wanna talk about the, "Quality of life"  
Think he got the right to follow me at night  
With no probable cause, other than my skin is black like  
yours  
Now they got me in the beast, sittin' right in his jaws  
Up in Central Booking, yo, people looking knowing that  
I'm in the rap game, and I got trapped the same way  
they did  
You know these motherfuckers don't play kid  
A little smoke caught me for a three day bid 'cuz it's

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