

## **Brand Nubian**

# **"Straight Outta Now Rule"**

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A lot of y'all niggas is 85th on some shady shit  
Bark is much worse than your bite like a baby pit  
In the pitch dark of the night you's afraid to get  
exposed  
like the sunlight which rose in the morning

Froze in a gunfight, forcing those  
Who run with you to reevaluate affiliations  
We salivate from hunger, placed in fucked up  
situations  
And wonder when retaliation will occur, build destroy  
he or her

It's time to fill the void, niggas kill the noise  
To the young boys, you fuckin' with a grown-ass man  
Watch your tone or get acquainted with the back of my  
hand  
Nubian Brand steadily influencin' fans

For other rappers we gon' ruin your plans  
What we doin' stands as a motto  
Like Grace Jones' nipple to the bottle  
We pioneer and never follow

We're out for the lion's share now watch me take it  
there  
Yeah, my verbal clarity speaks for my popularity  
Sell 5 million CDs and give the proceeds to my favorite  
charity  
Son, I ain't gonna super splash you with no Fantasy  
Island shit

I mean I work hard for what I got and I be thankful for  
what I get  
And if you practice, spit your verbs properly, not  
sloppily  
Like monopoly, you can end up with cheese, whips and  
property  
Oh damn, silly of me, I forgot to let y'all know

It's one thing you should never do in this game and  
that's sell your soul  
I make a lot of sense then I go and make the dollars  
Work hard like blue collars, ghetto scholars is hard to  
follow  
Niggas say it's real rough today and I say what you say

They promised me 40 acres and a mule  
And all I got was a project and a subway  
I stay positive, niggas mistake that for not hard  
Nigga I'm God, walk through North America like Master  
Farrad

Me and my squad, separating the peas from the pod  
No bodyguard, fuck around and roll a tank through  
your yard

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Yeah, man, these 'Dick in the butt', rappers could get  
shot in the face  
Dragged through the streets and probably left some  
place  
I seem shootouts in the park, ball games turned tragic  
Bitch niggas gettin' smacked and smacked again

In front of they girl, and she's throwing away that ass  
And I ain't really asked for it cos a lot of niggas tore it  
And yes, my man Hav had bought me something from  
VA  
I was gonna hit him with doe but he ain't real want no  
shorts

'Cause we had worked together and he knew I was true  
blue  
Man, I swore I would never go to VA again  
Until I found out who killed my best friend  
I can tell by the wind somebody's gettin' ready to bend

They lifestyle's 'bout to end, I'm in these African cabs

On stores run by the Arabs with pictures of yen  
Seem like they schemin'  
Herculoid cats get flattened and reduced to pitchin'  
That girl gave you crabs but I can't explain those scabs  
Ha ha, where we at? Flash one-time

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Ha, '98, too soon  
Brand Nubian, what?

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