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"Poisoned Generation"

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Miami, New York, L.A., Detroit
50 percent unemployed
Reagonomics, free market debt
Niacaragua, the troops we're sent
Another generation oppressed, ignored
Lives cut short, dreams deferred
Politics offered no trusting choice
Another flame flared from a silenced voice

Crack hit the ghettos round 83
It was money on the streets of poverty
And it spread like a disease
Tore the heart out of the community
With Nancy Reagan saying "Just Say No"
Another white lie was good to go
They poisoned a generation
Protecting profit for corporations

Who we're the players, who was the boss?
Selling arms to Iran at inflated costs?
Was it Denilo Blandon and Ricky Ross?
Or George Bush Sr. and Oliver North?
From the skethbook of CIA
The gun sales up to South L.A.
They brought cocaine from Nicaragua
Used the profit to train the Contras

From the E. Lee Scam to the Reagan Scam
Upholding a culture of racism
With housing segregation
Spacial De-concentration
So black and white, this game they play
3 strikes your out, that's final say
Cops kidnapped folks like overseers
Put em back to work as prisoners

For crack it's 5 years, maybe solitude
10 more if you take an attitude
5 months probation if you're a coked up white
Set the bail real high, you can pay the price
Now the prisons are private, it's a business move

To put those idle hands to use
Through state-corporate contracts
Prison labor brought slavery back

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