Hieroglyphics, You Never Knew

(together) Hiero y'all...

(A Plus)

It's not a wrong thing

to be addicted to the microphone like a heroin fiend

I'll tell you one thing:

You'll never catch me fronting

As I proceed to give the people what they wanting

(Opio) You're making some green... (A Plus) But not for drama or fashion

I'm stacking cash until I can get Moms a mansion

(Opio) All from rapping?

(A Plus) Nah man there's many plans

Like investing in land

It started all from impressing the fans

With brand new flows

And you know

All the way from gangsta clones to weirdos

Fools used those

But we ain't tripping

Give respect when you see this

You need us,

or your raps underdevelop like a fetus

(Pep Love)

Those that know not doze

And it shows

When we broke out the knock

Hos hopped out they clothes

That's positive feedback

Yep, The Prose

I'm poised, we never pose, you'll never know

> From '93 til infinity we've been inventive

Creating the bump is our only incentive

And it's been a long time since I feel I've been felt

But the only thing I fear is fear itself

So you know what we gots to do

Maybe could we keep it within the crew

Like it should be?

Never givin' out

We're livin' out our dreams

If there's something I can't live without,

That's my team

You never knew...

(Phesto)

Hieroglyphics

Hip-hop is vintage

Underground like silos

Launching long-range ballistics

World-renowned, we ground-breaking

Musical boundaries

Runnin' circles around emcees

(Del)

Del -- been rhyming for more than a decade

Onto the next stage, while emcees need aid

Stay paid, I'm still grade-A

None of that tomfoolery

As you can see this shit ain't nothing new to me

Utterly hovering over other things material

You're stuck in the here and now

Plus you're sweating profusely -- here's a towel

Your fears are now reality

When I take your dream states
And elaborate on how your team's fake
With phony IDs, but sometimes I feel like
Only I see through the charade you've made
In today, but hey, tomorrow it's played
And then they got a new fool in your place to be okayed

(Phesto)
Hieroglyphics
Hip-hop is vintage
Invented in days back
Rekindling in ways that many thought was lost
In this contemporary maze of methods to floss
We finding trees and trails to blaze
Boundaries to cross
We can be found beyond the bounds of reason
Or earthbound, heatin' up the Coliseum

(Opio)

They rushed the stage full-throttle in Chicago Our brains interlocked Where fakin' emcees get caught with the 40-bottle Or get their chains snatched, pronto We unstoppable, droppin' flows in Toronto Maneuverin' through Vancouver and on to Japan where they put major grands in my hand Follow...

(Phesto)

Straight from the heart we set apart from the rest an'
Our perfection on the microphone was predestined
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