

15 Minutes

This one goes out to all the ones seekin' fame and fortune
Don't blow it blowin' it out of proportions
Cuz reality is distorted already
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Tell me, what remains ? What remains ?

Now I didn't come here to entertain
But let me retain your attention, gents and ladies, please
I don't need 15 minutes, I can do with three
To explain a little something on the m.i.c.
See, it freaks me, I hear the same refrain all over and over again
You know the name of the game
It's like, let me see how mundane can you get, just to get a rep...
Since Gang Starr stepped into the arena
I've seen a lot turn away from Addis and Medina
In pursuit of the greener
Dogg Dobbalinas rappin' petty rhymes and misdemeanors
You know, they're has-beeners but they're quick and they're nimble
When it comes to makin' bimboes jingle, they're slick criminals
They want the status, the symbols
VIP up their asses, the Great Hip'n'Hop Swindle
They're punks like the Pistols but gold-plated
Slugs with their initials on it, that's how they play it
Ego-related, they think they made
They think they're soooohsophisticated

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I diagnose a capitalist migraine
A hangover from cheap thrills and shlampagne
It feels like you got run over by the money train
Monkey games and nobody else to blame, money
Check 'em out with their sorry self-acclaim
15 seconds and they're like «Honey, I came...»
I reckon they should be ashamed
They don't get the picture, they only got the frame
Like the lames from the CI and the A-Team
But since mean and lean has become mainstream
I'm like, what happened to the dream?
I ask like Rakim, yo, what happened to peace?
Reality check, one-two, what are these MC's
With materialistic tendencies?
We used to make the most out of the least
Now they're payin' mad cheese to wear the mark of the beast

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