CRACK

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Based upon the song by Alumni

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

LOW-ANGLE on a row of crime films adorning a media shelf. The spines of the DVDs and Blu-rays occupy the width of the frame like so many buildings across a cityscape.

VOICE OF DENZEL

Yeah, I know you got secrets; everybody got secrets. Didn't know you like to get wet, though...

The beats drops. We track MAHTIE BUSH into his living room. His hand plucks a towering Blu-ray free from the skyline of gangster flicks: It's MENACE II SOCIETY. His media player eats the disc as he plops onto his couch and raises the remote control.

ON SCREEN: KELCZ appears, playing the role of Caine.

INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT

KelCZ-as-Caine sits at the table, wrapping something in plastic. The camera continually orbits his person on a 360-degree axis.

KELCZ

Pyrex vision/I'm all in the kitchen/Stirrin'/Whippin' up a brand-new edition/Tryin' to transition/Pot to the stove/Stove to the pot but I'm feelin' writer's block/Nah, I can't chop it/It gotta be pure/We cook the verse until it comes out mature/Gotta know your limit/It's too raw to kick it/Addictive/Every line of mine, you can sniff it.

CLOSE-UP of the sink faucet opening to release a SLOW-MOTION torrent of water. That water sloshes into the base of a pot. KelCZ/Caine's hand turns the dial on the stove, prompting a bouquet of flames to bloom in surreal slow-mo.

KELCZ

I mix it with soda then slice it with the razor/Straight off the scale, watch me put it on the paper/Wrap it up in plastic and ship it through to customs/A lot of dope rhymes, I'm on the grind and I'm hustlin'.

Camera resumes circling a KelCZ/Caine who is busy working with a razor and plastic on the surface of the table. He raps throughout his adroit blade-work, eyes steadfast on his task.

KELCZ

Not the white powder or the dark sour/I'm in the booth every day, all types of hours/Searching for the fame plus the money and the power/This game is ours...

The pot on the stove trembles. The effervescent water is poised to boil over.

KELCZ

And my click's the dopest.

Camera lands in front of KelCZ/Caine as he lifts the fruit of his diligent labor into a CLOSE-UP with the eye of the lens: It's a hard copy of Alumni's SQUARE album.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Bush changes the channel. PRHYME SUSPECT appears on screen as the bald, goateed, and bespectacled Walter White from BREAKING BAD.

PRHYME SUSPECT

(chorus)

Step into my kitchen and listen/This isn't dinner I'm fixin'/It's your prescription/I'm cookin' Crack.

INT. RECREATIONAL VEHICLE - DAY

Prhyme-as-Walt and MATTHEW-as-Jesse Pinkman, decked in matching chemical jumpsuits, catwalk the trailer's center aisle as the former spits the chorus.

PRHYME SUSPECT

(chorus)

See, I got a penchant for fixin' delicious dishes/You gon' be itchin' to get it because it's Crack.

LOW-ANGLE of Walt and Jesse pouring translucent goo into a glass container.

PRHYME SUSPECT

(chorus)

Then the minute you get it, you gon' be twitchin' and sniffin' and trippin'/Askin' what is this, but it's just Crack/'Cause I'm on a mission to get you hooked on this shit that I'm pitchin'/There ain't no clinic for this/It's Crack.

SAME LOW-ANGLE of Walt and Jesse filling a clear plastic tub with nondescript paraphernalia.

The channel abruptly changes.

INT. TRAIN STATION - NIGHT

M.I.GEEZUS stares up at us. He has feathered hair and a full beard. He glides through space on a gurney, and the camera floats over him. He is Carlito Brigante.

M.I.GEEZUS

Yeah, they got me goin' crazy searching for a hit/Got these snow bunnies doin' rails of my shit/Rhymes you can't kick/Yes, I go hard/The spit's addictive/Call me Esco-bars.

LONG ANGLE down the gurney. GAIL, Carlito's lily-white bride-to-be, trails the gurney in tears. A POLICE OFFICER hovers in the background, escorting them down the terminal.

M.I.GEEZUS

Got DJs in they draws cut-cuttin' up the mix/Sixteen to a pound, but I move it by the bricks/You fiendin' for a fix, I'll cut another line/Bottomless supply plus I'm always on my grind.

Alternate between CLOSE-UPs of Carlito rapping to the camera and the naked light bulbs overhead that stream past his POV.

M.I.GEEZUS

This is cocaine caviar/Fiends
babble - Jabberjaw/Give that rehab
a call/You'll need it after half a
bar/Pack a bag, travel on/Crack
song Babylon/Feelin' like you
standin' tall, out of body Avatar/Step on it or slam it raw,
entering euphoric bliss/Got you

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M.I.GEEZUS (cont'd) pawnin' all your shit so you can afford a fix/Askin' to be on a track with me?/Careful what you fuckin' wish/I'm on the corner hustlin'/You're next to me but suckin' dicks.

The channel changes back to BREAKING BAD.

EXT. DESERT - DAY

Pryhme is now behind the sunglasses and fedora of Heisenberg. He raps the chorus again with Jesse/Matthew in tow. They wait in the forbidding expanse of a deserted landscape.

Finally, TUCO rolls up, flanked by a pair of musclebound DROOGS.

PRHYME SUSPECT

Just call me Heisenberg/Walter White with verbs/Cookin' blue ice verses out of rhymin' words/And I don't know what kind of fuckin' lies you heard about Prhyme Suspect, like I'm just white suburban.

Jesse/Matthew tosses an iPod to Tuco; he puts the earbuds in and listens.

PRHYME SUSPECT

But you come try and serve on Alumni turf/You better bring your best work or you might get murdered/Got you pussies pissin' in your diapers, nervous/'Cause we don't give a shit about your stripes, they're worthless/'Round here you might get sniped on purpose/And even you'll be cryin' like "I deserved it"/Hit man for hire, you can buy the service/Not a violent person unless the price is perfect.

An initial slight head-nod from Tuco quickly builds into outright head-banging. The shock of the blue ice verses incite his body to perform a violent-but-pleasurable conniption. In the intensity of his high, Tuco knocks out one of his own droogs.

PRHYME SUSPECT

Already got two strikes, facing life the third/Shit, killin' you in front of people might be worth it/We got that hard white like dried-up bird shit/So put The A inside your glass pipe and burn this.

Prhyme-as-Heisenberg lifts an oversize plastic bag filled with hard copies of SQUARE and presents it to the camera.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Bush flips through the channels in quick succession. All three rappers join in on the final round of the chorus.

INT. KITCHEN - NIGHT

KelCZ/Caine mixes the pot on the stove.

KELCZ

(chorus)

Step into my kitchen and listen/This isn't dinner I'm fixin'/It's your prescription/I'm cookin' Crack.

INT. TRAIN STATION - NIGHT

M.I.Geezus/Carlito's eyes flutter as he raps on the gurney. He is close to expiring.

M.I.GEEZUS

See, I got a penchant for fixin' delicious dishes/You gon' be itchin' to get it because it's Crack.

INT. RECREATIONAL VEHICLE - DAY

Prhyme/Walt transfers the contents of a beaker into a decanter.

PRHYME SUSPECT

(chorus)

Then the minute you get it, you gon' be twitchin' and sniffin' and trippin'/Askin' what is this, but it's just Crack/'Cause I'm on a (MORE)

PRHYME SUSPECT (cont'd) mission to get you hooked on this shit that I'm pitchin'/There ain't no clinic for this/It's Crack.

EXT. FRONT LAWN - DAY

PUSH IN on Caine, freshly perforated by a hailstorm of bullets, as he dies in STACY's arms on the grass.

INT. TRAIN STATION - NIGHT

Carlito's eyes flutter to a stop and remain closed. Gail covers her face and sobs.

INT. LABORATORY - NIGHT

Walt is on his spine. A pool of blood grows across the floor beneath him.

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

Bush clicks his television set off. Cut to black.

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