

Hip-Hop Rap MC Tragedy Khadafi 'Thug Matrix

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Prominent hip-hop rap MC Tragedy Khadafi and Fastlife Music are set to release Tragedy Khadafi's new album on October 4, 2005. "Thug Matrix" features hip-hop rap artists Cormega, Raekwon, Havoc of Mobb Deep, Littles & Nature, and features production by Havoc, The Alchemist & Scram Jones.

Rap artist Tragedy Khadafi, formerly known as The Intelligent Hoodlum, has been a highly revered MC since hip-hop's Golden Era. He is responsible for coining the term "illmatic" as early as 1988, predating Nas's popularization of the word by nearly 6 years. An original member of the legendary Juice Crew, and the kid prodigy of production god Marley Marl, Tragedy is best known for his classic singles "Arrest The President," "Grand Groove," and his show stopping cameo on Mobb Deep's "LA, LA." His combination of Afrocentric culture, the theology of the Nation of Islam, and the everyday struggle of ghetto living makes his songs radiate with righteousness, anger, indignation, and frustration.

In addition to the countless memorable guest appearances (CNN, Mobb Deep, Killah Priest, etc), Tragedy has consistently dropped critically acclaimed albums: "Intelligent Hoodlum" (1990), "Tragedy" (1993), "Against All Odds" (2001), and "Still Reportin'" (2003). "Still Reportin'," Tragedy's last independent release, has sold over 20,000 copies.

The track listing (subject to change):

1. Intro
2. The Game (It's On) (feat. Havoc)
3. Break Bread (feat. Cormega)
4. Gorilla Rap (feat. Raekwon)

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5. On Grind (feat. Nature & Littles)

6. Love Is Love (feat. Jinx)

7. No Equivalent (feat. Cormega)

8. Stay Free (feat. Littles)

9. Salute

10. I Don't Wanna Live No More (feat. Star Blaze)

11. Aura

12. Lyrical Calisthenics

13. Straight Death

14. Blinded By Science (feat. Havoc)