

## This Past Week Has Not Been So Entertaining. I Feel It Is Only Proper That I Recognize This Situation.

During this past week a serious crisis hit African American Communities all over the United States. The recent verdict that acquitted RODNEY KING'S ruthless perpetrators sent SHOCK WAVES through our communities, and we were the ELECTRI-FIED VIBES who vented our frustrations.

Yes, I think all of us vented our dismay about the verdict in different ways. Often times ignored, some of us refused to let this total unjustified and morally wrong verdict go unnoticed. I am not condoning the violence that tore and burned down our communities, and left 51 people dead, but it is a reality and I feel we should only try to understand the mental state of those who choose violence as their release. MAYA ANGELOU once said, "The young TRIBAL MEN in our communities get involved with drugs and mayhem because of the need to be noticed. When that very important attention is not received at home, or in the system itself, they use the drug money to buy big and expensive cars, they walk in gangs wearing visible clothing, they commit acts

lence, and then some, all to be recognized and noticed." I feel that we are all victims of the VANILLA ICE' SYSTEM who only chooses to recognize us if we hold great economic power, and or assimilating to make their businesses a more comfortable place to live; WITH US IN IT! Yes, if anything HEADS met TAILS! From a fictional stand point lets take a look at the unconscious mind of HEADS and TAILS from a KIMBERLY'S ENTERTAINMENT NEWS perspective

#### MEET HEADS:

"I live in a beautiful suburb area outside the city limits. Away from all the violence and human destruction. My wife has beautiful blond hair and green eyes, and our children, the perfect set of kids a man could ever wish

for. We make our weekends, FAMILY WEEKENDS. We spend valuable time together as a thriving family in these UNITED STATES, our HOME. Come Monday morning I get up early to go to my corporate office. I kiss my lovely wife and kids goodbye, and head for the city to my plush office. My wife has her work cut out for her. She stays home with the children and makes sure our house stays looking picture perfect. I know I am getting close to the city because I can hear the police car sirens. It must be THOSE PEOPLE again. I will take this other more pleasant road. As I park my Mercedes, and get out the car, I must not forget my

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snake covered briefcase. Oh, let me stop to get the paper. HEADLINES READS, "RODNEY KING'S ASSAIL-ANTS ARE ACQUITTED OF ALL CHARGES." Well, I guess the police were just doing their jobs. How else are we going to maintain our RED, WHITE & BLUE country. Wow, THOSE PEOPLE are going crazy. It is so stupid of them to tear up their own communities, but as long as they don't come into mine. THEY'RE ANIMALS.

Oh, they're mad that the national guards kept them from going or coming out of their

communities. WHAT DO THEY EXPECT! I wonder what my schedule is today.

## TAILS:

"My mother is mad at me again. All she does is go to church and work within the system. She's mad because I got my own business. Shoot, my pockets is FULL OF GREEN, and all I do is work just one hour a day in the HOOD. Oh, I also hang out with my HOMEYS, we understand each other. Yeah, that's my family. I don't know where my Pops is. Mama says he is a DIRTY DOG. Let me get up and take a shower, it's 2:00 p.m.

Damn, there is nothing to eat in this refrigerator. Oh well, let me call JUN-BUG and see if wants to go and get something to eat. "What's-up JUN-BUG! I want you to take a run with me. No, fool not that type of a run, I'm hungry. What you got to tell me, O.K., I will meet you outside by the garbage cans." JUN-BUG replies, "MAN DID YOU HEAR THAT THOSE COPS WHO BEAT THAT BROTHER KING GOT OFF." No, I didn't. You can't be serious. Just two weeks ago Leroy Perkins was beaten by some cops and was paralyzed from the neck down. They don't give a damn. JUN-BUG states, "YEAH, I'M TIRED OF

THIS WHITE MAN'S WORLD. THEY DON'T CARE ABOUT NONE OF US. JUST THE OTHER DAY MY MOTHER APPLIED FOR A JOB AT MCDONALDS, AND SHE DIDN'T GET IT." WELL, hand me that trash can. SMASH! JUN-BUG states, "WHY DID YOU THROW THAT CAN DOWN THE STREET?" Because I am MAD AS HELL! Lets go downtown and eat. JUN-BUG replies, "I don't feel comfortable down there." COME ON BOY!! DID YOU JUST SEE THAT MAN STEP ON MY SHOE. JUN-BUG replies, "NO MAN, but you should put your foot in his butt." YO, YO!

## HEADS:

### Are you speaking to me? TAILS:

Yes, I am SPEAKING TO YOU. YOU STEPPED ON MY FOOT. AND THESE ARE MY BRAND NEW SNEAKERS. CAN'T YOU SEE?

## HEADS:

No, I am sorry, but I didn't SEE YOU. I was rushing to get to my office.

TAILS: I don't care! I KNOW YOU

SEE THIS! BAM!!! "HEADS MEETS TAILS

AND THERE ARE NO WIN-NERS."

THE END.



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