

## **NBA DEMONSTRATE CONTROL OVER THEIR MILLION DOLLAR SLAVES**

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Their slogan is "I love this game," but the game don't love you sucker! To demonstrate control over their "million dollar Jigs" the NBA's President David Stern has decreed that the ball players will have to dress like white businessmen when on the bench, traveling or conducting NBA business.

Probably, Stern was just testing his power and control for the greater good of white society who have a love/hate relationship with Black athletes just as they have with other Black entertainers. Whites never have problems with contradictions and hypocrisy, as a matter of fact it is their comfort zone. Mini cries of outrage floated outta the locker rooms, but lack of unity make 'em toothless. Let's take a brief sampling to gauge the anger coming from what should be the most powerful unit in this business, the players, Yo! For example, last years MVP player Tim Duncan put it this way:

I think it's a load of crap," Duncan told the San Antonio

Express-News. "I understand what they're trying to do with [forbidding] hats and 'do rags and [retro] jerseys and stuff. That's fine. But I don't understand why they would take it to this level. I think it's basically retarded.



Duncan's attire would today be against the rules of the NBA's fashion police...

Indiana Pacers guard Stephen Jackson, said that a new ban on chains worn over clothing is "a racist statement" from the league. He felt the so-called "business casual" garb was cool but said he believed that the jewelry ban was racist and constituted an "attack on young black males." He continued:

"I think it's a racist statement because a lot of the guys who are wearing chains are my age and are Black," said Jackson, 27. "I wore all my jewelry today to let it be known that I'm upset with it.

"I'll wear a suit every day. I think we do need to look more professional because it is a business. A lot of guys have gotten sloppy with the way they dress. But it's one thing to [enforce a] dress code and it's another thing if you're attacking cultures, and that's what I think they're doing."

It is all racist Jackson, not just parts of the dress code and it is designed to slow down the socialization of the next generation to dress like Blacks. The contradiction is easy seen if you understand that a major part of the NBA's revenue comes from the sales of gear and related products. This include doo-rags. You know the right-wing rulers of this country almost shitted when their son went beyond the picture of the Black athlete on their bedroom walls, but included a doo-rag to top off the gear they rocked in school and out.

It didn't matter to the Stern power show that a large percent of the athletes sported diamond studded crucifixes or jew-ery depicting Jesus Christ. A section in the new dress code listing items players are not allowed to wear on team or league business includes; chains, pendants or medallions worn over the player's clothing. Jackson went on to say that "I know a lot of guys on my team are upset and I have no problem speaking up on it." He said he would not defy the edict

from above.

"I don't like the direction they're going, but who am I?" Duncan told the newspaper that, in the future, he might choose to stay in the locker room on nights he isn't playing. No one seems ready to organize to counter-attack this public castration. Obviously, the lack of unified action in the community and the society exist in the NBA, their toothless union notwithstanding.



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Phil Taylor of S.I. Magazine made some interesting observations recently:

The real message to the players is: Stop dressing like thugs -- or at least, stop wearing what a significant portion of the public perceives as thug attire... Forget for a moment whether the league has any business telling grown men how to dress when they're not in uniform. The unspoken issue here is race... If you think the league isn't targeting any one particular style of dress, ask yourself whether Stern or anyone else would be pushing for a dress code if the predominant look for players out of uniform was a polo shirt and khakis, a la **John Stockton**.

It (NBA) wants to be all things to all people -- edgy and rebellious to younger fans, but not so extreme that it's

threatening to their parents. That's why it sends such mixed messages -- pounding rap and hip-hop beats play on the arena sound systems, but the players aren't supposed to look too much like the artists who create that music.

Good points but it goes much further than that. Marge Shott the late owner of the Cincinnati Reds once called her Black players "my millionaire Niggers," and if you think that thinking is gone you must have your head bury in the sand and ya ass up in the air, ya feel me? Project with me for a minute as we peer through their warped white perspective.

Society has rapidly been moving away from so-called middle class values, dress codes etc. Sure they are making a fortune on the fashions of today, but they are a few years away from suits and ties being seen as impractical and obsolete. This is seen as an attack on their culture, their traditions. the culture bandits have stolen so much that what was seen as white attire and values are seen as lame through today's lens, ask George Carlin.

Michael Jordan and Charles Barkley yesterday's crew is gone. Suits didn't stop Michael Jordan and Jordan partaking in grouping slamming or fighting and gambling. Allen Iverson made this interesting observation, "They're targeting my generation -- the hip-hop generation." The hero of Black and white youth went on to say "You can put a murderer in a suit and he's still a murderer."

The most amazing anti-Black statements came from two coaches who both make over 10 million dollars a year because of Black athletes. It was reported that:

Larry Brown, the Hall of Fame coach of the U.S. team, was appalled and embarrassed at how some of his star

players was dressed. He later remarked to one official that he had thought about sending some of the worst-dressed players back to the team hotel.

Who do he thinks he is? Have you ever see the get ups he wears to work? do we have or do the players have a right to publicly critic the attire of the coaches and administrators. Oh I see, its a bout power, than we better get some of that stuff. And than there is Phil Jackson, he has gone on record as saying, "The players have been dressing in prison garb the last five or six years. All the stuff that goes on, it's like gangster, thuggery stuff." Spoken like a true pimp who wants his Ho's dressed for the satisfaction of others. The arrogance, knows no bounds.

The bigger issue than white supremacy is the clear fact that just like the rest of the of us we suffer from lack of unity. A work stoppage by the Black players would drive 'em to the bargaining table. If Black multimillionaires can't stand up for their pride and dignity what kind of heroes are they?

They pimp our music to sell their product, they adorn the nation in heir hats, shirts, sneaks, rims, hoops, video games, doo-rags, autographs etc. And at the same time they disrespect the players and the fan base that dresses in the fashion the players are not allowed to. For those you who by and rock their gear now you see what they think of your ass, now watcha gonna do?

Next they'll wanna put their cheerleaders in evening gowns...  
Players gotta... GET UP AND STAND UP FOR YOUR DAMN RIGHTS!