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SONG REVIEW: MARSHA AMBROSIUS – “I HOPE SHE CHEATS ON YOU (WITH A BASKETBALL PLAYER)”

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As an avid music lover and obsessive Tweeter, (Follow me! Elle_Gwam), naturally I follow a plethora of musicians. Sometimes I get lucky and a musician will tweet about their new music, and on occasion they'll include links to new songs. About three months ago, Marsha Ambrosius, known for formerly being the “songstress” of the neo-soul duo, Floetry, began tweeting about the first single from her debut solo album, titled, “I Hope She Cheats (On You With A Basketball Player).” Although the unmastered version of the song has been floating around Twitter and other various blogs, the official version of “I Hope She Cheats” was released to radio and iTunes late last month.

Via her blog, Marsha explains the concept of the song, stating: “I hope she cheats on you with a basketball player ... meaning he is aesthetically more appealing than you ever were. In most cases, he has more money. If she cheated on you with Joe Shmoe from up the way, you might could whoop his a\$\$ and get over it. I want it to be public knowledge that your broad is smashin' some eligible starting 5 dude! In other words, I DO NOT WANT YOU TO BE HAPPY WITHOUT ME.”

This song has the makings of a hit. Sassy enough for anyone who has ever experienced a bad breakup to be able to relate, catchy enough for anyone (usually women though) to sing along to in the mirror, and the bass knocks hard enough to shake any vehicle with a decent sound system. Plus, Marsha alludes to Kim Kardashian's relationships in the first line of the song, where she sings, “ I hope she Kim Kardashian'd her way up.” Via her blog, Marsha also explains this particular line, stating: “It fit the theme. I hope his new chick has a sex tape with some R&B dude everyone knows about. Now, don't get it twisted, this is no direct shot at Kim. It seriously was about her name and the theme matching.”

Between Marsha's amazing vocal and songwriting talent, along with the extraordinary team of in-house producers J Records has, the album, *Late Nights & Early Mornings* should certainly be something to look forward to, I know I can't wait.

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