Smooth Operator – Sade

(Key of Dm, 120 BPM) – Revised (End) 2/14/09

I (Drums)-4X
[(Dm   Dm/Db) (Dm/C   Em/B)]-4X

V1 "Diamond life, lover boy...."
[(Dm Am7) (Gm7 Am7)]-8X

Pre-C1 "No place for beginners...."
(Gm7) (Am7) (Dm   Dm/Db) (Dm/C   Em/B)
(Gm7) (Am7) (Dm)-2X
(Gm7) (Am7) (Dm) (N.C.)-"No need to ask"

C (2-bar verse pattern)-4X "He's a smooth operator..."

V2 (2-bar pattern)-4X "Coast to coast LA to Chicago...."

Solo-Bass [(Dm)-2X (Gm7) (Am7)]-2X

Solo-Sax (2-bar verse pattern)-8X

V3 (2-bar pattern)-4X "Face to face each classic case...."

Pre-C2 (same) "A license to love, insurance to hold...."

C (same)

V2 (same) "Coast to coast LA to Chicago...."

Outro C (same) "He's a smooth operator..."
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Sax (2-bar verse pattern)-8X
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C (same) "He's a smooth operator..."
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w/ ritard last 2 bars