

Kanye West Considers Legal Action against File-Sharing Site



Summary: Kanye West's latest album was released as an exclusive album with subscription service Tidal which has led to a record number of illegal downloads on sites such as The Pirate Bay.

Kanye West continues to parade himself all over the media. In a manner of 24 hours he took to Twitter bragging about the expensive items he can buy then complaining about his personal debt of \$53 million to finally asking Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg to invest \$1 billion in him.

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Now West is making news now by announcing that he may seek legal action The Pirate Bay, a file-sharing hub. He will be meeting with his legal team to discuss his options after his new album *The Life of Pablo* set illegal download records on file-sharing sites.

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His album was released only a few days ago exclusively on Tidal, a subscription-based music streaming service. This caused Tidal to jump to the number-one spot on the iPhone App Store and for hundreds of thousands of people to file-sharing websites to find a free copy of the album.

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He offered his album on his website for \$20 for a short time until the download link disappeared soon after being released. Some suspect he removed the link in order to encourage more to obtain a Tidal subscription instead. There are reports from some customers that paid their \$20 for the direct download but were unable to download the album before it was made unavailable.

With the public unable to obtain his album without subscribing to a service, more were driven to find a copy illegally. Just after being on the market for 24 hours, TorrentFreak was stating that there were around 500,000 pirate downloads of the album.

It is reported that West will be considering the issues of copyright infringement and loss of earnings since the album was supposed to be an exclusive release with Tidal.

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