

THE PUTIN INTERVIEWS

PT. 4

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MAIN TITLE	THE PUTIN INTERVIEWS
NARRATIVE TITLE	The following film is based on conversations recorded between July 2015 and February 2017.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<indistinct>
NARRATIVE TITLE	FEBRUARY 2017
OLIVER STONE	Oh, man. So, uh, as to, uh, <indistinct> we're gonna sit here, Mister Putin, I'm gonna sit here.
TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) I will come around, and we can meet here.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I can go from there.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I can descend from the balcony...
OLIVER STONE	We'll meet about here.
OLIVER STONE	I like it better from there, 'cause it gives you some depth.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	(overlaps) Okay.
OLIVER STONE	In fact there's a bar back there if you like. No, further back, further back.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	Okay.

OLIVER STONE	All right, ready? Now pretend like we don't know each other. And we're-- <chuckles> pretend we haven't seen each other in f-- in months. Okay. And, action.
OLIVER STONE	Action... tell him "action" in Russian.
TRANSLATOR	(overlaps) What? Oh.
TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	Okay. Where's my A.D.? Come on. Action! He went into another meeting. Oh, there he is.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	Coffee, sir.
OLIVER STONE	Oh, that's very kind of you.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	Yeah. <chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Thank you, Mister President. How have you been? It's been a long time.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	(interrupts) Sugar.
OLIVER STONE	Sugar?
PRESIDENT PUTIN	(speaks Russian)
MAIN TITLE	PART 4
OLIVER STONE	Uh, it's been quite of a lot of activity the last few months. My country, uh, America has had an election.
NARRATIVE TITLE	THE KREMLIN 9:30pm
TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian) (continues under following dialogue)
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I congratulate you on that.
TRANSLATOR	I congratulate you on that.
OLIVER STONE	(chuckles) Donald Trump won. This, this is your fourth president, am I, am I right? Your fourth president. Mister Clinton, Mister Bush, Mister Obama, and now, a fourth one.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Yes, that's true.
OLIVER STONE	What changes?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, almost nothing.

PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	Is that your feeling? Uh, between all the four presidents? <indistinct>-
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, life makes some changes for you.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But on the whole, everywhere, especially in the United States, the bureaucracy is very strong.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And bureaucracy is the one that rules the world.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Yeah. Is there any possibility, hope of change with Mister Trump?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	There is always hope.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Until they are ready to bring us to the cemetery to bury us.
OLIVER STONE	Wow. That's very Russian. Heh. Very Dostoyevsky.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
HILLARY CLINTON (VO)	Vladimir Putin himself directed the covert cyber-attacks. This is not just an attack against me and my campaign, this is an attack against our country.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	THE TRANSITION CLINTON BLAMES HACKS ON PUTIN GRUDGE Voice of Hillary Clinton (D) Former Presidential Candidate
NEWS REPORTER	U.S. intelligence believes that the cyber- attack on the email of the Democratic National Committee was ordered by the Russian President himself, Vladimir Putin.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news backdrop}	RUSSIAN INVASION
PRESIDENT OBAMA	(into microphone) In early September, when I saw President Putin in China, uh, I felt that the most effective way to insure that that didn't happen was to talk to him directly. And tell him to cut it out, and there were gonna be some s-serious consequences if he didn't.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	BREAKING NEWS OBAMA ON RUSSIAN HACKING OF DNC
NARRATIVE TITLE	DECEMBER 2016
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on press briefing room background}	THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

OLIVER STONE	The, the election has been heavily criticized. And the narrative as written by the west has now become that Russia interfered in this election, to the benefit of Mister Trump.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You know, this is a very silly statement.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Certainly, we liked President Trump and we still like him because he publicly announced
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	that he was ready to restore American- Russian relations.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And when journalists from different countries were asking questions about that,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	they were trying to catch me, so to speak.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I was always asking back, "Are you against good relations between the U.S. and Russia?"
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Certainly, we've got to wait and see how, in reality, in practice, the relations between our two countries are going to develop.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	He was talking about a re-establishment of economic ties, of a joint fight against terrorism. Isn't that a good thing?
OLIVER STONE	Yes. So why, why did you bother to hack the election then?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We did not hack the election at all.
TRANSLATOR	We were not hacking the election.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	It would be hard to imagine any other country-- even a country such as Russia
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	would be capable of seriously influencing the electoral campaign or the outcome of the election.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And some hackers indeed revealed problems that existed within the Democratic Party,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but I don't think that it has influenced in any serious manner either the electoral campaign or its outcome.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Yes, these unrecognized hackers, they have brought to light the problems that existed,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but they didn't tell any lies, they were not trying to deceive or fool anyone.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	And the fact that the Chairwoman of the Executive Committee of the Democratic Party
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	EXCLUSIVE REP. DEBBIE WASSERMAN SCHULTZ (D) FLORIDA
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	has resigned testifies to the fact that she has admitted it's true-- ?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	So hackers are not the ones to blame.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	These are internal problems of the United States.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	These people who tried to manipulate public opinion
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	shouldn't have tried to create an image of Russia as an enemy.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They should have instead apologized to the Electorate,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but they didn't do that.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Judging from everything, the American people have been waiting for some serious change.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I refer in particular to security-related matters,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	to the fight against unemployment, and the need to create new jobs in the country.
DONALD TRUMP	(intro microphone) Sadly, the American Dream is dead.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on podium}	TRUMP MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I refer to the protection of traditional values,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	because to a great extent, the U.S. is a Puritan nation, to a great extent.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, at least the hinterland.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And Donald Trump and his team have been very wise in running their electoral campaign.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	They knew, they understood where their voters were located,
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on campaign signs}	STANDS WITH TRUMP
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	which states had the most electoral votes.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	When I watched his speeches during the electoral campaign, I thought that he went a little bit too far from time to time.
OLIVER STONE	<chuckles>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But it turned out he was right.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on campaign backdrop}	MERICA GREAT DonaldJTrump.com
DONALD TRUMP	(intro microphone) Donald J. Trump is calling for a total and complete shutdown of Muslims entering the United States, until our country's representatives can figure out what the hell is going on.

DONALD TRUMP	(intro microphone) Build that wall! Build that wall!
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	He knew the fiber in the souls of the people on which he knew how to play to win their hearts.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	And I don't think anyone is going to be able to challenge the outcome of this election.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on map graphic}	DONALD TRUMP 304
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on map graphic}	HILLARY CLINTON 227
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Instead, those who've been defeated should have drawn conclusions from what they did,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	from how they built their work, they shouldn't have tried to shift the blame on something outside.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And I think that Obama's outgoing team has created a minefield for the incoming president and for his team.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They have created an environment which makes it difficult for him to make good on the promises given to the people.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But in reality, we're not waiting for anything revolutionary.
OLIVER STONE	But you know, even Trump has said the Russians hacked the election. That was a quote.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	BREAKING NEWS TRUMP DENIES REPORT OF COMPROMISING INTEL
DONALD TRUMP	(intro microphone) As far hacking, I think it was Russia, but I think we also get hacked by other countries, and other people.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I do not understand what he means by 'Russia has hacked the election.'
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I've heard different statements of his saying that any hacking attacks,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	given the current level of technology,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	can be produced by anyone anywhere,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	by a person who lies in his bed somewhere and has a laptop.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And you can even make it seem as if the hacker attacks are coming from another place,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	so it's very difficult to establish the original source of the attack.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	BREAKING NEWS TRUMP: "I THINK IT WAS RUSSIA" BEHIND ELECTION HACKS
DONALD TRUMP	(intro microphone) If Putin likes Donald Trump, guess what folks? That's called an asset, not a liability. Now, I don't know that I'm gonna get along with Vladimir Putin. I hope I do. But there's a good chance I won't. And if I don't, do you honestly believe that Hillary would be tougher on Putin than me? Does anybody in this room really believe that?
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	TRUMP: IT'S "AN ASSET" THAT PUTIN LIKES ME
OLIVER STONE	Well this all seems to me still historically enormous. I've never seen where the two leading parties, the intelligence agencies, FBI, CIA, NSA and, uh, the political leadership of NATO believe this story, that Russia hacked the election. It's enormous. I mean...
TRANSLATOR	(overlaps) (speaks Russian) (continues under following dialogue)
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	This is not exactly how it is.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, I think you've read the documents related to that, the analyses that have been published.

OLIVER STONE	Have you read the twenty-five page report?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Yes, I have.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	Intelligence Briefing President Obama INSIDE REPORT TO PRESIDENT ON RUSSIA HACKS
FEMALE NEWSCASTER (VO)	It details Russian cyber-attacks against not just the Democratic National Committee, but the White House, the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the State Department, even American companies. Some hacks successful, others thwarted.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news graphic}	D DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news graphic}	HACKS AGAINST WHITE HOUSE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF DEPT. OF STATE AMERICAN COMPANIES
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news graphic}	SOME HACKS SUCCESSFUL
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news graphic}	SOME HACKS THWARTED
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	One intelligence service says that there is a great probability that Russia has interfered.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Another intelligence service says that the probability, the certainty, is not that great.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They make some conclusions based on the analysis that they have conducted.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Nothing clear-cut.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	It feels like hatred for a certain ethnic group, like anti-Semitism.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	If someone doesn't know how to do something,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	if someone turns out to be incapable to address this or that matter,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	anti-Semitists always blame the Jews for their own failure.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Those people who have the same attitude towards Russia, they always blame Russia for anything that happens.
OLIVER STONE	And, uh, it seems w-- Senator McCain for example today or yesterday was proposing a veto, a Senate veto, of any lifting of sanctions from Trump, in advance.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You know unfortunately there are many Senators like that in the United States.
JOHN MCCAIN (VO)	(into microphone) Putin is a killer.
NARRATIVE TITLE	JOHN MCCAIN U.S. SENATOR FROM ARIZONA (1987 - PRESENT)
NARRATIVE TITLE	FEBRUARY 2017
JOHN MCCAIN	(into microphone) There's no moral equivalence between the United States and Putin's Russia. I repeat, there is no moral equivalent between that butcher and thug and KGB colonel, and the United States of America, the country that Ronald Reagan used to call a shining city on a hill.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, honestly, I like Senator McCain to a certain extent.
OLIVER STONE	<chuckles> Okay.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And I'm not joking.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I like him because of his patriotism,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and I can relate to his consistency in fighting for the interests of his own country.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You know in Ancient Rome there was Marcus Porcius Cato,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	the Elder,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	who always finished all his speeches using the same words,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	"Carthage must be destroyed."
OLIVER STONE	"Carthage must be destroyed."
PRESIDENT PUTIN	(speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps)<indistinct>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	People with such convictions like the Senator you mentioned,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	they still live in the Old World.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And they're reluctant to look into the future, they are unwilling to recognize how fast the world is changing.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They do not see the real threat,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and they cannot leave behind the past which is always dragging them back.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	On the other hand, we've been supporting the U.S. fight for independence.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We were allies during World War One and World War Two.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Right now there are common threats we are both facing, like international terrorism.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We've got to fight poverty across the world.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	The environmental deterioration which is the real threat to all humanity. <i>*note: incomplete sentence?? Seems as if it should be combined with the previous subtitle, i.e., "We've got to fight..." "AND the environmental deterioration..."</i>

PRESIDENT PUTIN	After all, we've piled up so many nuclear
(SUBTITLED)	weapons that it has become a threat to the whole world as well.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And it would be good for us to give it some thought.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	There are many issues to address.
OLIVER STONE	Russia's been accused of, uh, enormous treachery now. This is a major charge. Uh, the media repeats it and repeats it, and it seems to have entered into the lexicon in the United States. It's just taken for granted. You can say Russia hacked the election, and many people say Trump is, uh, in the Kremlin's pocket, has a debt to the Kremlin. So you, you see where this leads to. It makes it, a situation impossible, very difficult for Mister Trump, if indeed he intends to correct relations, to reset relations.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	(overlaps) <chuckles>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	As I said, and I can say it again--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	any talk about our influencing the outcome of the U.S. election is all lies.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They are doing it due to a number of reasons.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	First, they are trying to undermine the legitimacy of President Trump,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	create conditions that must preclude us from normalizing our relations,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and they want to create additional instruments to wage an internal political war.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And the Russia-U.S. relations in this context are just a mere instrument in the internal political fight in the U.S.
OLIVER STONE	Many people are frustrated, who agree that it-- this, uh, hacking charge is fraudulent. Uh, many people agree with Julian Assange, who has a pretty solid record going back to two thousand six.

ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	DISPUTING RUSSIAN INVOLVEMENT ASSANGE: NO "STATE PARTY" INVOLVED IN LEAKS
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	'DELEGITIMIZING' HIS SUCCESSOR ASSANGE: OBAMA WH TAKING FINAL SHOT AT PEOTUS
JULIAN ASSANGE	We can say, um, we have said, uh repeatedly, uh, over the last two months, uh, that our source, uh, is not the Russian government, uh, and it is not state party.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	JULIAN ASSANGE WIKILEAKS FOUNDER
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	INTELLIGENCE DISPUTED FEDS CLAIM TO HAVE EVIDENCE OF RUSSIAN LINK
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Many in the U.S. think that all these claims about hacker attacks are fraudulent,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and we are glad that there are people like that.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	However, there are people who promote this idea
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and say this insane notion because they want to use it as an instrument of political attack,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and our refutation is not going to stop them from doing that.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They are only going to use our refutations in order to continue this war using new instruments.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We know all their tricks.
OLIVER STONE	Well it seems to me that if you know their tricks, you could s-- make some kind of statement about cyber warfare and give specifics of why this was not possible, why there should have been a trace, wh-- I mean there's, uh, many different, uh, avenues you can explore. It seems if Russia doesn't care about defending itself to these accusations. It's-- they're letting them fly by, and saying business as usual.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, yes, you are right.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We do not particularly care about those accusations because we're not concerned about that.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	This is an internal issue for the United States.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I'd like to say once again--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I want to be heard-- whoever those hackers are,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	they couldn't have made any serious difference in the course of that electoral campaign.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And if they have revealed something,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	they have brought to light the real problems of the American political life.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They have not lied.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They have not made up anything.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	It doesn't matter where these hackers
(SUBTITLED)	come from--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	from Russia, from Latin America, from Asia, maybe they're from Africa.
OLIVER STONE	Well is there any evidence, uh, in cyberspace that Russia can present in its defense?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	There is no evidence that we are the ones to blame.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And that is the greatest proof, the greatest defense we've got.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Those reports that you mentioned from the NSA and the CIA, they've got no concrete facts.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	All they have are some promptings and also some suppositions, allegations.

OLIVER STONE	So, right now, he's waiting it out. At the same time, you know, Mister Trump has called on more than one occasion for another massive U.S. military buildup in both nuclear and conventional, which makes no sense to me.
OLIVER STONE (VO)	I mean, how can America spend more than it's already spending?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	The U.S. spends more on defense
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	than all the other countries in the world combined.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	U.S. AIRCRAFT CARRIER NEARS SOUTH KOREA AMID THREATS FROM THE NORTH AHEAD OF "ARMY DAY"
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	The American taxpayers have to think about that as well.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	There are other things to spend money on, like healthcare, education, the pension systems.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	There are social issues to address, servicing the public debt which is worth almost \$20 trillion dollars.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	The Military is always discontent with the money they get from the State.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Trust me, we've got the same disputes here.
OLIVER STONE	Do you have any hopes of a meeting, uh, sometime in the coming months with Mister Trump?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I think we're going to meet some time.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But we're not trying to rush.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	President Trump is going to come up with his own position on the most important issues.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	He'll have to work with Intelligence Services, with the State Department, the Military.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	He'll have to work with the Republicans and with the Democrats and will have to consider.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	So once the administration is ready to get down to some practical work,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	we're going to respond.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) But how is he going to work with the intelligence agencies if the intelligence agencies are telling him that the-- Russia hacked the election? It's a dead end.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	No, it's not a dead end.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	This is a question of human personnel.
OLIVER STONE	If, uh, Mister Trump called for, uh, let's-- wanted to declassify, or see the files on Ukraine, all the files, all the files on Syria, and see the origins of these problems, is there a possibility of that that he might change some of his thinking?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I think that is possible.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But I'd like to reiterate,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	he'll have to work in a certain framework.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We're big boys and we understand what's happening.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, I do hope that once he has grasped the crux of the matter,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	he'll come up with a vision of his own of what is happening.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I do hope that we'll find some common ground and reach mutual understanding.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We need to talk substance with the U.S. at the State Department level,

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	or at the Intelligence Services level,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and also at the National Security Council level.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Because public statements are not sufficient either from our side, or from the American side.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We want to hear the arguments that the American side can produce for us,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	not the arguments that can be voiced publicly, we wanted to have a constructive professional dialogue with them.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We want our position to be heard as well.
OLIVER STONE	When is the next G20 meeting?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I think in summer-- in July.
OLIVER STONE	So that theoretically would be the first time they'd ever see each other if they did?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Yes, maybe.
OLIVER STONE	I gather you've had two phone calls with him?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Yes. One telephone conversation took place before his Inauguration, and the other one afterwards.
OLIVER STONE	And I gather, uh, some of the talk may have been about terrorism?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We've talked about the fight against Terrorism,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	we've touched upon North Korea,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	talked about Nuclear Disarmament,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and we've touched upon Ukraine.
OLIVER STONE	Right. Right. I understand. Uh, was there U.S. interference? In the, uh, two thousand, uh, twelve election in Russia?

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	In 2000 and in 2012, there has always been some interference.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But in 2012 this interference was particularly aggressive.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I'm not going to go into detail,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but just to cite an example, our American partners know that and we said that.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I told that to Obama and John Kerry.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We could hardly imagine diplomatic workers
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	would be so aggressive in interfering in the electoral campaign that was going on in Russia.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on nametag}	Hon. Victoria Nuland Assistant Secretary Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs U.S. Department of State Washington, D.C.
VICTORIA NULAND	(into microphone) We have programs both inside Russia and outside Russia to work with those, uh, Russian activists who want to work with us, to try to strengthen rule of law, to try-- try to strengthen a free press. We have a large number of Russian journalists who've actually fled this, uh, fled Russia now who are working with us, and with others in Europe, to try to insure their ar-- is, um, independent Russian language news, uh, inside, going back into the country. We also work on lege-- uh, LGBT rights and other things inside Russia with those who want to work with us.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They rallied the opposition forces.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They funded rallies and the opposition.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Diplomats have to do a different thing.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	The diplomatic services is supposed to foster good relations between countries.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	NGOs [Non-Governmental Organizations] can pursue different avenues regardless of their nationality or origin.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But very often NGOs are funded through a number of structures
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	set up either by the State Department or controlled indirectly.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Yeah.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We see the same thing all across the post-Soviet space...
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) <indistinct>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and in Eastern Europe, and in many other countries in Africa,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and Latin America as well.
OLIVER STONE	Yes. Was there cyber interference in the two thousand twelve election?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	To be honest, I don't pay particular attention to the matter.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We've got an agenda of our own which we have to address.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I think many partners of ours live in a world of their own,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and very often they're out of touch with what is happening in other countries in reality,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	including Russia.
OLIVER STONE	Let's clarify, 'cause c-cyber warfare is here with us. We've started down that road a few years ago.
NARRATIVE TITLE	MICHAEL HAYDEN DIRECTOR OF THE CIA (2006 - 2009)
MICHAEL HAYDEN	We have entered into a new phase of conflict, in which we use a cyber weapon to create physical destruction.
OLIVER STONE	In the movie I did, <i>Snowden</i> , there's a scene-- and Snowden, uh, told me this story. He's in Japan.

JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT AS EDWARD SNOWDEN (VO)	NSA wanted to impress the Japanese, you know, show them our reach.
FEMALE JAPANESE OFFICER	<indistinct> (continues under following dialogue)
NARRATIVE TITLE	"SNOWDEN" 2016 Dir: Oliver Stone
JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT AS EDWARD SNOWDEN (VO)	They were not as thrilled to learn that we wanted them to help us spy on the Japanese population. They said it was against their laws. Of course, we tapped the entire country anyway. And we didn't stop there, 'cause once we owned their communications system, we started going after the physical infrastructure.
GARBLED VOICES	(through computer lines) (overlaps) <indistinct>
JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT AS EDWARD SNOWDEN (VO)	We'd slip these little sleeper programs into power grids, dams, hospitals, and the idea was, if the day came when Japan was no longer an ally, it'd be lights out.
JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT AS EDWARD SNOWDEN (VO)	And it wasn't just the Japanese. We were planting malware in Mexico, Germany, Brazil, Austria.
JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT AS EDWARD SNOWDEN (VO)	I mean China I can understand, or Russia, or Iran, Venezuela, okay, but...
IRANIAN MAN	(overlaps) (into microphone) <indistinct>
JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT AS EDWARD SNOWDEN (VO)	Austria? You're also being ordered to follow most world leaders and heads of industry. You know, you're tracking trade deals, sex scandals, diplomatic cables, to give the U.S. an advantage in negotiations at the G-Eight or leverage over Brazilian oil companies, or helping to oust some third world leader who's not playing ball.
FEMALE SPEAKER	(overlaps) (into microphone) <indistinct>
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news article}	IMF head resigns over sex scandal
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on photo backdrop}	G8 CANADA
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on photo sign}	BR PETROBRAS

JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT AS EDWARD SNOWDEN (VO)	And ultimately, the truth sinks in that no matter what justification you're selling yourself, this is not about terrorism. Terrorism is the excuse. This is about economic and social control.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news article}	Violent protests as Greeks strike over austerity cuts
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on burning car in photo}	POLICE
JOSEPH GORDON-LEVITT AS EDWARD SNOWDEN (VO)	And the only thing you're really protecting is the supremacy of your government.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	Well, you see Americans have much to
(SUBTITLED)	attend to.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And they've got to work everywhere.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Six hundred billion U.S. dollars spent by the Pentagon is not all the money that is spent on security and defense.
OLIVER STONE	If I'm saying that they're planting malware in Japanese infrastructure to destroy power stations, railroads, close the country down, black it out. B-- I, the Russians are miles ahead of me. They must realize the dangers here, and they must've been working on them for some time, uh, to prevent such a situation from happening to Russia, 'cause that would do the obvious, uh, one of the obvious enemies of the United States.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, you will probably not believe me, but I'm going to say something strange.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Since the early 1990s, we have assumed that the Cold War is over.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We thought there was no need to take any additional protective measures
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	because we viewed ourselves as an integral part of the world community.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We didn't have any equipment of our own.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Yeah. I buy that.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Our companies, our state institutions and administrative departments, they were buying everything--

OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Yeah.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	hardware and software.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	And we've got much equipment
(SUBTITLED)	from the U.S., from Europe,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and that equipment is used by the Intelligence Services and by the Defense Ministry.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But recently we certainly have become aware of the threat that all of that poses.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Only during the recent years, have we started to think about how we can ensure technological independence, as well as security.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Certainly we give it much thought, and we take appropriate measures.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Yeah. Okay. Well-- and we're talking-- I mean this, in real time, we're talking like, if Snowden is saying the U.S. is doing this to an ally in two thousand seven, in Japan, two thousand eight, if they're planting malware in allies-- do you understand what I'm saying? That, what are they doing with their p-people like China, Russia, Iran, and so forth? I mean, you understand my point is that Russia had to be aware as early as two thousand seven that the U.S. is-- was, uh, planting malware.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news clip background}	UNITED STATES CYBER COMMAND
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	60 MINUTES
OLIVER STONE (VO)	United States will not admit it, but it's known that in two thousand ten we succeeded in planting the Stuxnet virus in Iran.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news clip background}	newsmap Tues May 24, 2011 CYBER OPERATIONS CENTER DASHBOARD Top 10 Ports Under Attack DHS/ISAC Threat Levels Current Cyber Alert Levels IT-ISAC SANS FS-ISAC SYMANTEC Current Physical Threat Levels
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Listen, we know about that.

SIXTY MINUTES REPORTER (VO)	By the fall of two thousand and ten, the consensus was that Iran's top secret uranium enrichment plant at Natanz was the target, and that Stuxnet was a carefully constructed weapon, designed to be carried into the plant on a corrupted laptop or thumb drive, then infect the system, disguise its presence, move through the network changing computer code, and subtly alter the speed of the centrifuges without the Iranians ever knowing. Sabotage by software.
NARRATIVE TITLE	NATANZ NUCLEAR FACILITY Iran
OLIVER STONE	Were there attacks on Russia as early as two thousand seven, six, five?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You know, we didn't pay attention to it back then.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Our nuclear plants, the plants that produce nuclear weapons,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	they had American observers stationed on the territory of those factories and plants.
OLIVER STONE	Yeah, yeah.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	(speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) As late as what year? As late as...?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I think it was as late as 2006.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But I don't remember exactly. So the
trust and openness of Russia, they were unprecedented.	
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Okay, so--

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Unfortunately they [the United States] didn't recognize that, they didn't want to take note of that and appreciate it.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Yes. And then what happened?
OLIVER STONE	I mean, uh, w-when did Russia build up its cyber capabilities?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	This process has been a long one.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We had to catch up with the others.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We've got a very good foundation.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We have a very high education level and very good school of mathematics.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And right now some of our Russian companies get \$7 billion dollars or so yearly.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They've become competitive in the software market,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and they're also quite active in pursuing the hardware.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We see supercomputers being built.
OLIVER STONE	I would imagine Russia is having an ongoing battle with the United States, secret battle, w-with cyber warfare. I would imagine the United States is trying to do things to Russia, and Russia was trying to defend itself, and do things to the United States.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Maybe when there is an action there is
(SUBTITLED)	always a counteraction.
TRANSLATOR	Maybe when there is an action, there is always a counteraction.
OLIVER STONE	Okay. Well he's, he's acting funny about this story.
TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Like, like he's guilty a bit. You look like a fox who just got out of the hen- house.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	There were no hens in the hen house, unfortunately.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) <laughs>
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<laughs>
OLIVER STONE	A few weeks ago, on RT, I saw a report. It was not followed up on, it disappeared after a day or two, but in that report, twenty plus countries were reported as being part of a Botnet attack on the banking system in Russia, six major banks. This seems to be of such a magnitude that it was-- this was after the election. Uh, it points to a possible U.S. attack on Russia's banking system.
FEMALE NEWSCASTER (SUBTITLED)	Two of the largest banks, VTB 24 and Alfa Bank, today suffered the largest hacker attack.
FEMALE NEWSCASTER (VO)(SUBTITLED)	Last week, the Central Bank's website was also attacked.
MALE NEWSCASTER (SUBTITLED)	Sberbank, Alfabank, Sberbank of Moscow, Rosbank as well as the Moscow Stock Exchange.
MALE NEWSCASTER (SUBTITLED)	The attacks began on November 8, the eve of the U.S. elections.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	This story did not disappear. There were reports that such an attack was being prepared.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We were not 100 percent sure that this was going to happen,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but just to be on the safe side, the banking community, they addressed the media.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And they informed their clients, the citizens,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	that such attacks were possible, they were imminent.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And they called on the citizens not to get nervous,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	not to get confused, not to rush to the banks to get their money from their accounts.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We are not claiming that the U.S. is to blame for that.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We do not have evidence to support that claim.
OLIVER STONE	It's a gigantic piece of business. Uh, I mean, you have Mister Biden, first of all, who says we will attack Russia in the same manner as they attacked us in this election.
NARRATIVE TITLE	FEBRUARY 2016
JOE BIDEN	We're sending a message. We have the capacity to do it and, uh, and he'll know it, and it'll be the time of our choosing, and under the circumstances that have the greatest impact.
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on background wall}	Culinary Workers Union local 226
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	MEET THE PRESS EXCLUSIVE
OLIVER STONE	And Mister Obama seconded that.
NARRATIVE TITLE	DECEMBER 2016
ON-SCREEN TEXT {on news chyron}	n p r
PRESIDENT OBAMA	(intro microphone) I think there is no doubt that when any foreign government tries to impact the integrity of our elections that we need to take action. And we will. At a time and place of our own choosing. Some of it may be, uh, explicit, and publicized, some of it may not be. Um, but Mister Putin is well aware of my feelings about this, because I spoke to him directly about it.
OLIVER STONE	This is outrageous conversation, but those are big words. They're from the Vice President, and then from the President. They're serious people. So something happened before Inauguration Day.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They said, 'the time of their choosing,' but certainly the administration back then didn't have any time left.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	To be honest
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I do not want to offend or insult anyone,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but what we've seen happen during the recent days,

PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	it reminds me of what the Politburo of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union was doing
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	when they gave orders and stars and medals to one another.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Yeah. Yeah.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	especially when they awarded medals to each other. That was very funny.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	So back then I understood that the administration had run out of time for any serious decisions.
OLIVER STONE	Well you're making light of it, but in view of how much money we have invested in cyber warfare and our cyber command, it seems like a serious threat to me. I, I have the feeling that he's playing it down, because something did happen, and he doesn't want to reveal it, uh, and uh, because of sensitive relations.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You are disappointed because the U.S. failed to do something?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Or do you just regret the money of the American taxpayers?
OLIVER STONE	N-- no, I'm worried that, you know, I would ha-- I believe that cyber warfare can lead to a hot war. Uh, I, I really believe that, because of the past, uh, you know, uh, the Stuxnet virus came very close to creating chaos in the world. I think this is very dangerous. Uh, very dangerous, and I think we're playing with fire.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	That is very dangerous.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) <laughs> I know. Well you're obviously sitting on some information, I understand why you may not want to make it public but, uh, are we gonna be able to handle the capabilities of this? S-- it seems to me that what happened in Iran could be as serious in its way as what happened in nineteen forty-five at Nagasaki and Hiroshima. It was the beginning of a new age.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	The weapons used at Hiroshima and Nagasaki,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	it opened a tragic page in the history of humanity,

PRESIDENT PUTIN	because they released a terrible genie
(VO)(SUBTITLED)	from the bottle.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Our military specialists believe
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	there was no military sense behind using unclear, atomic weapons
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	against the Japanese which had already been put to rout back then.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But I think this comparison between Stuxnet and Nuclear Weapons is overreaching.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But should we fail to agree on a certain code of conduct in this field,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and I agree with you on that one,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	the consequences of this spiral of action can be very grave and even tragic.
OLIVER STONE	It seems to me it's secret war, but n-no one knows who started it, no one knows if it was use-- a proxy country, if it was North Korea that hacked Sony, that, you know, these rumors go around. But, if all the lights go out in Russia overnight, there'd be tremendous fear in Russia, as there would be in the United States. And people wouldn't know who did it.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	It is almost impossible to sow fear among the Russian citizens.
OLIVER STONE	<laughs>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	That is the first thing I wanted to say.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And secondly, the economies that are more sophisticated,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	in technological terms they are more vulnerable to this type of attack.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But in any case, this is a very dangerous trend.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Oh, <indistinct>--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	A very dangerous avenue for competition to pursue and we need some rules to be guided by.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Yeah.
OLIVER STONE	A treaty. <chuckles>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I don't want to say that,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but you are simply drawing this information from me.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You make me say that.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	One and a half years ago, in Autumn 2015,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	we came up with a proposal that was submitted to our American counterparts.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We suggested that we should work these issues through and arrive at a treaty,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	an agreement on the rules to be guided by in this field.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	The Americans didn't respond,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	they kept silence, they didn't give us any reply.
OLIVER STONE	Perhaps this is something that Mister Trump and Mister Putin can really open up.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Certainly we've got to open a new page in Russia-U.S. relations.
NARRATIVE TITLE	RED SQUARE
OLIVER STONE	John Reed. The only American buried in the Kremlin.

RUSSIAN MAN	(overlaps) (speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	<p>Played by Warren Beatty in the wonderful movie <i>Reds</i>. He wrote about the revolution, he was here in nineteen-seventeen, eighteen, he cared deeply about socialism, and founded the American Communist Party. Not that that was evil or anything, it was quite idealistic, 'cause it was a workers-</p> <p>- the workers had a lot of strikes going on in the U.S., and there was a lot of opposition from the corporations. And, uh, he was considered a hero by many, many people.</p>
SUN-JUNG JUNG	(overlaps) <indistinct>
RUSSIAN MAN	(overlaps) (speaks Russian)
NARRATIVE TITLE	JOHN REED AMERICAN JOURNALIST (1887 - 1920)
OLIVER STONE	'Course, he was against World War One, as were many pacifists and decent people. And out of World War One came the Russian Revolution, which is an interesting comment on the role of empires. Now we're coming up onto Lenin's tomb.
WOMAN	(overlaps) <indistinct>
OLIVER STONE	I visited here many years ago, but regulations don't permit us to go in and photograph anything.
OLIVER STONE	You know, the interesting issue about Lenin's tomb is the fact that, uh, next year is the hundredth anniversary of the, the revolution.
NARRATIVE TITLE	1917 RUSSIAN REVOLUTION
OLIVER STONE (VO)	So, this is a big event.
OLIVER STONE	And many people revere him in all the cities of the Soviet Union, he has s-- many, many statues. On the other hand, with the failure
	<p>of communism in nineteen ninety-one, and the resulting pain to the population, there's also very divided feelings about whether to honor him on the hundredth anniversary or not. It's a good time to maybe let him go, because if indeed his karma's in here, and he's in a grave, I would hate-- I'd hate to think I'd have to hang around a hundred more years and, uh, be watched by everybody. I think you'd get-- you should get a moment off, you know? And in-- so that you can go off and ingest new karma. When you go in, it's a very, it's a, it's a very austere experience. They, they keep it quiet, there's a guard that's always there, uh, or two. Uh, and, uh, you have a little, you're not rushed like in a lot of places, you're rushed around a lot. They give you time, and you, you sit, you watch for this, and you think. It's a</p>

	very powerful experience.
OLIVER STONE	Brezhnev.
RUSSIAN MAN	(overlaps) (speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	Felix Dzerzhinsky.
RUSSIAN MAN	(overlaps) Dzerzhinsky. Andropov.
OLIVER STONE	Yuri Andropov. The most famous, uh, villain in history next to Adolf, according to many people, Joseph Stalin. To the people on the, of the revolution in the left, for which, uh, communism meant a change, and better change for the workers, he was a disaster in the sense that he left a horrible reputation, uh, and stained the ideology forever. Uh, wh-- it's mixed with blood and, and terror. But he did play a huge role in World War Two, and was a very close ally with, uh, the U.S. during World War Two. M-Mister Trotsky, no? Where is he? Ask-- no Trotsky, right? Stalin, uh, managed to erase, uh, Trotsky's memory. He ended up being killed in Mexico by Stalin's agents. Let's go.
OLIVER STONE	On Stalin. He said that, you know, he's said negative things about Stalin, uh, and of course, he's widely condemned in the world. But, at the same time, we all know that he lead, uh, Russia to victory over Germany, over fascism. And, uh, what does he make of that, by, by, uh, let's say that ambiguity?
NARRATIVE TITLE	JULY 2015 The Kremlin 11:30pm
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I think you are a cunning person.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps)(chuckling) Why? He can discuss it tomorrow if he wants.
TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian) (continues under following dialogue)
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	No, I am ready to answer now.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You know, there was one prominent politician of the past, Winston Churchill.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	He was very firmly against Sovietism,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but once the Second World War started,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	he was a great advocate of working together with the Soviet Union,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	and he called Stalin a great war leader and revolutionary.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Right.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And after the Second World War, as is well known, it was Churchill who initiated the Cold War.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	And when the Soviet Union made the first nuclear test,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	it was no other than Winston Churchill who announced the need for a co-existence of two systems.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	He was a very flexible person.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But I think that deep down in his heart, his attitude toward Stalin never wavered, never changed.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	Stalin was a product of his era.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	You can try to demonize him however much you like.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	We try to talk about his merits in achieving victory over Fascism.
NARRATIVE TITLE	GERMAN CAPITULATION Berlin, May 8, 1945
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	As to his demonization,

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	there was such a person in history as Oliver Cromwell.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	He was a bloodthirsty man who arrived in power on the wave of a revolution and he turned into a dictator and tyrant.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	And monuments to him are still scattered all across Great Britain.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Napoleon is deified.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	What did he do?
(VO)(SUBTITLED)	
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	He used the surge of revolutionary zeal and arrived in power.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	And he not just restored the monarchy, he pronounced himself Emperor.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	And he led France to a national catastrophe, to utter defeat.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	There are many situations, many people like that,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	more than enough in the world's history.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I think that excessive demonization of Stalin is one of the ways to attack the Soviet Union and Russia,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	to show that the Russia of today has something originating from Stalinism.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, of course we all have these birthmarks.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	Birthmarks.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	What I'm saying is that Russia has changed radically.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Of course, something probably has remained in our mentality.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	However, this does not mean that we should forget all the atrocities committed under Stalinism,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	the destruction of millions of our compatriots, the extermination camps.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	These things are not to be forgotten.
OLIVER STONE (VO)	And your father and your mother admired him, right?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Yes, certainly.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	I think the overwhelming majority of citizens of the former Soviet Union admired him.
OLIVER STONE	And when did his parents die?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	My mother died in 1998 and my father in 1999.
OLIVER STONE (VO)	Were they proud of him?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (VO)(SUBTITLED)	Yes.
OLIVER STONE	I mean, your mother and father couldn't believe it, right?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	My father died two months before I was appointed as Prime Minister.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But even before I became Prime Minister,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	when I would go visit him in the hospital,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	he would always tell the nurses, "Look, here's my President coming."
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	My president coming! Let's see. Yeah, that's nice.
NARRATIVE TITLE	MAY 9, 2017 Immortal Regiment March

OLIVER STONE	U.S., uh, accusations are essentially that you've created a system of centralization authoritarianism, what they call an oligarchic state capitalism. On the other hand, they were quite pleased of course with the nineteen-nineties Russia, where the older-- where the oligarchs thrived, and then before you came in, and then you, you knocked out or derailed several of them, by your own. You, you, you told me that story, that you had a meeting, uh, in Moscow, and you made the point in this meeting that there was a responsibility to the people, and to the state. So, uh, the western elite says that you have put your oligarchs into the power in these last fifteen years. Whereas these old oligarchs are sitting in places like London. They admit that they've accumulated great wealth, but they say that you've lead them to the wealth, and that you've shared in it, you, that you are in fact the single richest person in the world.
NARRATIVE TITLE	MAY 2016
PRESIDENT PUTIN	(overlaps)<chuckles>
TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian) (continues under following dialogue)
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Not since, uh, Rockefeller, Morgan, or Onassis or-- you may laugh, and I appreciate it. But as a leader of your people, like, uh, Chavez or Castro, or many other people who've been accused of corruption, is there some way you could make your personal wealth clearer?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Well, to be honest, I do not have the wealth they attribute to me.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I remember when I moved to Moscow from St. Petersburg
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I was astounded and shocked by how many crooks had gathered here in Moscow
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and their behavior was so astounding, I couldn't
	get used to it for a very long time.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Those people didn't have any scruples at all.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	What is oligarchy?

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	It is the integration of money and power
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	with a view to influence the decisions that are being taken and the final aim being the accumulation of wealth.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	My task was to differentiate between power and money.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	In 2008, I said many private entrepreneurs with whom I had not been acquainted with before,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	to my surprise they showed great qualities.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	They assumed great responsibility for the state of our enterprises, for keeping their employees,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	they were even willing to risk their capital.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I am hopeful that, in compliance with the legislation, we are going to continue to develop our private businesses.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But as of now, the issue of oligarchs and power is not as acute as it used to be in the 1990s.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We have a greater task right now.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We have to address the economic gap between the rich and those people with low level income.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Back in 2000, we had around 40 million people living in poverty.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Right now the figure is still high, but it has decreased by half.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	So as for the oligarchs, I do not see it as a problem anymore.
OLIVER STONE	So. There is, uh, no bank accounts in Cyprus.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	No, and never have been.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	That's just nonsense, and if that were the case we would have had to face it a long time ago.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) I would imagine.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	Well, I have to say from personal observation that, uh, I would have a hell of a lot more fun if I was rich.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You know, I do not think that is what brings great happiness.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	With this crisis you would be thinking about what to do with your assets, how to save them and where to place them.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	It would only bring you headaches.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You are far wealthier than those who have great wealth in their accounts.
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Poor--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You have an opinion of your own, you have a talent, you have a chance to show this talent
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and you have a chance to leave a great
(SUBTITLED)	legacy behind.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Money doesn't bring this kind of happiness.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Because when you are in a coffin you don't have any pockets to take your money to the grave with you.
OLIVER STONE	If you run again, in two thousand eighteen, and you win, you will be in power another six years, till two thousand twenty-four. You would have been in power as president and prime minister for twenty-four years, longer than Roosevelt, less than Castro, who was close to fifty years, and close to Stalin, who was give or take thirty years. Now, twenty- seven years. Does that not scare you? Do you not get used to power? Uh, does it distort your point of view?

TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian) (continues under following dialogue)
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Do you feel that Russia needs you that badly? Can there not be a healthy competition among successors inside the system? The Chinese one party system being an example, of competition within the party. The successors are checked out for many years as, as party members in different provinces.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	The leaders of the former Soviet Union were also checked out and the system still collapsed.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	Yes, that's true. That's, that's--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	So the question is not about selection.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	The question you have asked whether Russia needs anyone that bad--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Russia itself will decide.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	An alteration in power certainly has to exist.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Indubitably there needs to be a healthy competition in these processes,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	but this competition should be among people who have in mind the interest of the nation.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	In the end, let me reiterate--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	the citizens of Russia are going to make the final decision.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Concerning the 2018 elections,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	I'd like to say there are things,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	things that should have some intrigue and mystery.

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	So I am not going to answer this part of the question.
OLIVER STONE	I understand that. I said "if."
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We shouldn't speak in the subjunctive mood.
OLIVER STONE	If <chuckles> uh, and of course, no matter what <stammers> you know, um, democracy itself, whatever we call it, is flawed. And America's system is, is hardly perfect. We know that money buys power in America. Certainly Russia has a flawed system. It is very like-- unlikely that a, the next election will convince the world that, uh, this is a, a democracy, a functioning democracy, unless international monitors were brought in, as Mister Chavez did in Venezuela. And, it became a really transparent process.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Do you think our goals is to prove anything to anyone?
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Our goal is to reinforce our country.
OLIVER STONE	That is a dangerous argument, because, uh, it works both ways. Those who abuse power always say it's a question of survival.
TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian)
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We are not talking about survival,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and we are not trying to justify ourselves.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Certainly taking into account all the negative tendencies you've been talking about--
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	the Soviet legacy, the Imperialist legacy, it's something in the past.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	But we also have to think about the positive legacy.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Russia has been built for a thousand years;
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	it has its own traditions.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	We have our notions of what is just and unjust,

PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	we have our own understanding of what defines an efficient government.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	This is not a question of helping someone cling to power or to claim it for myself.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	This is about ensuring economic growth and sustaining it,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	improving our Defense capabilities,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	and not just during periods of crisis and difficulties.
OLIVER STONE	Mister Putin, I don't doubt for one moment your love and pride in serving Russia. It is clear that you are a son of Russia to me, and that you've done very well by her. But I think we all know the price of power. And when we're in power too long, no matter what, we feel the people need us, but the same time, we've changed, and we don't even know it sometimes, or recognize it.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Indeed, this is a very dangerous state.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	If a person in power feels that they have lost it,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	this bond connecting this person to the country and to the rank and file citizens of the country,
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	then it's time for them to go.
OLIVER STONE	Okay. So, uh, what time is it?
OFFSCREEN ASSISTANT	It's time.
OFFSCREEN ASSISTANT	It's time.
PRESIDENT PUTIN/OTHERS	<laughter>
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Oh <indistinct>
OLIVER STONE	Thank you, Mister President.

PRESIDENT PUTIN	My pleasure.
OLIVER STONE	Thank you.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Thank you very much.
TRANSLATOR	(overlaps) Thank you very much.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Thank you for your time and your questions.
TRANSLATOR	(overlaps) Thank you for your time. Thank you for your questions.
OLIVER STONE	<indistinct>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	thank you for being so thorough.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	<chuckles>
OLIVER STONE	<indistinct>
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Have you ever been beaten?
OLIVER STONE	Beaten?
TRANSLATOR	Beat. No?
OLIVER STONE	Oh yes, I've been beaten.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	So it's not going to be something new, because you are going to suffer for what you are doing.
TRANSLATOR	(overlaps) It's not going to be something new, because you're going to suffer for what you're about to do.
OLIVER STONE	Oh sure. Yeah. I know. No. I know. But it's worth it.
TRANSLATOR	(speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) It's worth it if it brings some more peace and consciousness to the world.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Thank you.
TRANSLATOR	Thank you.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	Thank you so much. Thank you so much.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Come back.
SUN-JUNG JUNG	<chuckles> I will.

PRESIDENT PUTIN	<stammers> (speaks Russian)
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	You have to go to St. Petersburg.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	The best time in St. Petersburg is the White Nights.
SUN-JUNG JUNG	Oh.
OLIVER STONE	Lovely time.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	Oliver, thank you.
OLIVER STONE	<indistinct>
PRESIDENT PUTIN	Thank you.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	(speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Our American partner.
MAN	(interrupts) (speaks Russian)
OLIVER STONE	Is it a favorite word? He's used it a thousand times.
OLIVER STONE	Thank you, Dmitry.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	All the best.
OLIVER STONE	Yeah.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	See you later. <indistinct>
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Next time it'll be relaxing.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	See you. Thank you so much.
DMITRY PESKOV	(overlaps) <indistinct>
OLIVER STONE	(overlaps) Good luck with the, uh, military tonight. Take some, take some time off after that.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	Thank you so much.
MAN #1	(overlaps) Tomorrow.
TRANSLATOR	Thank you.
PRESIDENT PUTIN (SUBTITLED)	And you also should have some sleep.
PRESIDENT PUTIN	Bye.
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