The False Empire

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SYNOPSIS

In news archives, presidents and prime ministers explain why their governments must act. Murtaza Mehdi returns to those speeches with a question. What happened to the people in whose name those decisions were made?

Beginning in Iraq and moving through Libya, Syria, Pakistan, Venezuela, Gaza and Iran, The False Empire sets official statements alongside original interviews with journalists, human rights investigators and political insiders. Their accounts trace how the language of democracy travels from one conflict to the next, and where military power reaches the limits of what it can compel.

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