

About the film

For three long and torturous months, Israel held the inhabitants of Beirut captive under heavy shell fire and constant terror. More than 18 thousand civilians died, more than 30,000 were wounded. For the survivors, life was sheer horror.

Trapped in shelters and hallways for days on end, the people of Beirut lived without normal water, electricity, or fuel services. Israeli defense forces surrounding the city prevented the entry of food and medical supplies, and the evacuation of the wounded. Hospitals were filled beyond capacity, short of basic necessities and frequently the target of Israeli bombing. No man, woman, or child was safe from the effects of Israel's "Operation Peace for Galilee".

"Report From Beirut" documents the human toll of Israel's siege of Beirut. The film shows that devastated buildings meant families left homeless and that empty shell casings represented children maimed or killed by U.S. made bombs.

Through interviews with Beirut residents and foreign doctors, we understand the



fears and frustrations of a city and its people caught between Israeli guns and the empty promises of American politicians.

"Report From Beirut" gives clear evidence of Israel's misuse of U.S. made weapons, and of the horrible effects of phosphorous and cluster type bombs. For political reasons, Israel's abuses went unchallenged and thousands of innocent men, women, and children died. Israel has withdrawn its troops from Beirut, but the war is not yet over.

"Report From Beirut" is a compilation of film shot by a film crew which entered Beirut in July, 1982, and footage obtained from U.S. television networks and Beirut television. It was produced for the American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee as a universal record for all of humanity to remember.

Like the military horrors that preceded it—Guernica, Dresden, Stalingrad, Hiroshima, the Warsaw Ghetto—Lebanon's summer of tragedy is further testimony to man's inhumanity. We hope that this record will prevent similar horrors in the future.



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