

THE TRUTH LIES IN ROSTOCK

DIRECTOR

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DURATION

78:00

YEAR

1993

ORIGINAL LANGUAGE

English

German

CATEGORY

Documentary

**DESCRIPTION**

August 1992. Lichtenhagen Estate, Rostock, in former East Germany. Police withdraw as fascists bomb a refugee centre and home of Vietnamese guest workers while 3,000 onlookers stand and cheer. Using material filmed from inside the attacked houses and interviews with anti-fascists, the Vietnamese guest workers, police, bureaucrats, Neo-nazis and residents, a story of political collusion and fear unfolds.

IMAGE FORMAT

4:3

SOUND

Stereo

FURTHER INFORMATION

"Astounding in the way it lifts the lid on German authorities collusion in the events... it is both an historical record and a revelation of the cynicism that politicians call pragmatism."

Time Out, 21-28 July 1993

"A painstaking documentary... raising a number of questions that may never be answered."

The Guardian, 23 July 1993

"Impressive documentary whose implicit message is that right wing extremism is not just a matter of young Skinheads throwing Molotov cocktails but raises deeper questions about the attitude of government and police."

The Times, 22 July 1993

KEYWORDS

Germany, Riot, Immigration, Racism, Fascism, Neo-nazis

THEMES

Identity

Socio-politics

History