## We Are Many in Edinburgh this Thursday

We Are Many, a film documenting the largest ever protest on the UK mainland, will be debuting at cinemas across the country this Thursday 21st May.

In Edinburgh, it will be showing, with live Q&A, at the following cinemas:

## Cameo:

https://www.picturehouses.co.uk/cinema/Cameo\_Picturehouse/film
/we-are-many-plus-satellite-qanda

Cineworld:

http://www.cineworld.co.uk/whatson/we-are-many-with-live-q-and
\_a

Odeon: <a href="http://www.odeon.co.uk/films/we\_are\_many\_q\_amp\_a/15981/">http://www.odeon.co.uk/films/we\_are\_many\_q\_amp\_a/15981/</a>
Vue:

http://www.myvue.com/latest-movies/info/film/we-are-many-livega

The march itself drew from the entire spectrum of British society; a fact already reflected in the interest the film has already received.

Below are details of the film but do let me know if you require anything further.

WE ARE MANY

The Untold Story of the Biggest Protest in Human History

A film by Amir Amirani Produced by Omid Djalili, Pippa Harris, Waël Kabbani, Callum McDougall, Signe Byrge Sørensen

## Featuring

Damon Albarn, Tony Benn, Hans Blix, Richard Branson, John le Carré, Noam Chomsky, Brian Eno, Lindsey German, Danny Glover, Jesse Jackson, Ken Loach and Mark Rylance.

Live Q&A Premiere Event with special guests on 21 May Released in cinemas nationwide on 22 May

Run time: 105 mins / Cert tbc

<u>We Are Many</u> is the never-before-told story of the largest demonstration in human history, and how the movement created by a small band of activists changed the world.

On February 15th, 2003, up to 30 million people, many of whom had never demonstrated before in their lives, came out in nearly 800 cities around the world to protest against the impending Iraq War.

How did this day come about? Who organized it? And was it, as many people claimed, a total failure?

This fearless, thought-provoking documentary is the remarkable inside story behind the first ever global demonstration, and its surprising and unreported legacy. The film features testimony from a unique cast of direct participants, including organizers, activists, high-profile figures, and of course the public, filmed in seven countries — Italy, Spain, Egypt, Sweden, Australia, UK, and USA.

Extraordinary testimony from activists in Egypt reveals how on the eve of the invasion of Iraq, the global anti-war protests inspired those in Tahrir Square to go on to engage in the massive democratic movement that ultimately led to the Arab Spring. In the UK, the government was defeated over the proposed invasion of Syria, a historic event that might not have transpired without the legacy of those demonstrations a decade ago.

This bold documentary by Amir Amirani charts the birth and growth of the new people power movement, now sweeping the world, taking us up to the Arab Spring and Syria, a little over 10 years after that historic day.

Featuring rare and never-before-seen footage, the star-studded cast of contributors includes Damon Albarn, Tony Benn, Hans Blix, Richard Branson John le Carré, Noam Chomsky, Brian Eno, Lindsey German, Danny Glover, Jesse Jackson, Ken Loach and Mark Rylance.

## **INTERVIEWEES:**

Damon Albarn Musician

Tariq Ali Writer

David Babbs Founder, 38 Degrees (1 million UK members)

Tony Benn Former Labour MP, 1950 - 2001

Hans Blix Head of the UN Monitoring, Verification and

Inspection Commission, 2000 - 2003

David Blunkett Former Labour Home Secretary

Rafaella Bollini Leader of Italian anti-war movement

Sir Richard Branson Businessman

John le Carré Author

Noam Chomsky Academic, MIT

Brian Eno Musician

Lord Falconer Labour Cabinet, 2003-2007

Lindsey German Convenor of Sop the War Coalition

Danny Glover Actor

Stephen Hawking Theoretical physicist, cosmologist and author

Jesse Jackson Civil Rights Activist

Colleen Kelly 9/11 Families for Peaceful Tomorrows

Ron Kovic Author, 'Born on the 4th of July'

Ken Loach Film Director

Mark Rylance Actor

Clare Short Former Labour Cabinet Minister

Esther Vivas Leader of Spanish anti-war movement

Col. Lawrence Wilkerson Former Chief of Staff to Sec. of State Colin Powell

Submitted by <a href="Dan O'Neill">Dan O'Neill</a>