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Miroslav Janek and Pavel Koutecký
Czech Republic
109 min
2008

Synopsis:

In the course of 13 years the crew has filmed 45 hours of images and recorded 90 hours of sound material. This truly unique material offers new looks behind the scenes of international politics in the late twentieth and early twenty-first century, and also into events in a post-totalitarian country during its transition to democracy. Václav Havel was a key figure in the great changes that took place in central and Eastern Europe in the 1990s – the film material captures his work and influence both in his country and internationally. Among the truly unique events captured on film is Bill Clinton's State visit to the Czech Republic in January 1994, including the private part of the visit, when he went to the Reduta jazz club in Prague. Other events are the death of Havel's wife Olga and her funeral in January 1996, the celebration of his 60th birthday in the Archa Theatre, Prague, in October 1996, the forming of the new governments after the elections of 1996, 1998, and 2002, and the preparations for, and course of, the historic 2002 NATO Summit in Prague.

Screenplay: Pavel Koutecky

Cinematography: Stano Slusny

Editing: Tonicka Jankova

Sound: Viktor Ekrt, Daniel Nimec
**Cast:** Václav Havel (Himself), Ivan Medek (Himself), Anna Freimanová (Herself), Vladimír Hanzel (Himself), Ladislav Spacek (Himself), Egon Ditmar (Himself), Pavel Fiser (Himself), Antonín Manena (Himself), Miroslav Sklenár (Himself), Eliska Fuciková (Herself), Pavel Rechtáček (Himself), Václav Klaus (Himself), Milos Zeman (Himself), Bill Clinton (Himself), Jacques Chirac (Himself)

**Producer:** Jarmila Polakova

**Production:** Nadace Film a sociologie [2], Negativ Film Productions [3], Krátký Film Praha [4]

**Distribution:** Aerofilms [5]

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