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About the Film:

Extreme Nation

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The Director will introduce his film and engage in a discussion post the screening, to talk about his experience of making the film, his process and philosophy of filmmaking and the reception of the film at an important Film Festival in Korea and other parts of the world.