

Landmines: A love Story

Post - Production Script

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**A CAMERAWORK
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Music

02:38:03

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MCU George W Bush

1. Bush sync: Good afternoon. On my orders, the United States military has begun strikes against Al Qaeda terrorist training camps and military installations of the Taliban regime in Afghanistan. These carefully targeted actions are designed to disrupt the use of Afghanistan as a terrorist base of operations, and to attack the military capability of the Taliban regime.

02:43:06

Fade to black

Music

Intertitle fades up:

**In 1979 the Soviet Union invaded and occupied
Afghanistan.**

03:11:18

**They were resisted by the Mujahideen forces, who were
armed by the
United States and its allies.**

Fade to black

Fade up from black:

MLS Young boy herding
sheep

03:24:01

MWS Mujahideen soldiers
cluster around box of
landmines.

2. Man sync: Let's see the mines...

03:29:20

Fade to black

Intertitle fades up: *Music*

**The Russians were defeated and left
Afghanistan in 1989.** 03:39:21

**War between rival Afghan factions continued
until the Taliban controlled most of the country.**

Fade to black

Fade up from black:

MWS Young boy herds sheep 03:50:03

Fade to black

Fade up from black:

**All sides in the conflict used land
mines.** 04:00:17

**As many as ten million of these
weapons have been planted
in the soil of Afghanistan.**

Fade to black

Fade up from black:

MS Man plants mine 04:09:00

FLS Boy with sheep 04:30:12

Fade to black

Title fades up: 04:48:00

LAND MINES

A LOVE STORY

Title fades off

MWS [tracking] Zanodeh	3. Zanodeh: A monkey has escaped from the zoo!	05:01:18
carrying bundle of clothes.	4. A monkey from the zoo!	

Super: **KABUL – 2002**

CU Habiba begging on street	5. Habiba: Give me charity, brother.	05:30:23
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WS Habiba sitting on street begging	6. Please help me.	05:38:13
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Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
	7.	Please help me.	
	8.	Give me charity, brother.	
	9.	God bless you.	
CU Habiba's prosthetic leg		<i>Music</i>	06:12:24
MWS Man wheels trolley stacked with carpets			06:20:21
BCU Shah mending sandal			06:28:10
MWS International Committee of the Red Cross sign on roof			06:40:22
MWS Shah at loans office	10.	How many months?	06:43:23
	11.	Too many...	
	12.	Since when?	
	13.	Since the fighting with the Taliban...	
	14.	when the U.S. bombed the Taliban...	
	15.	You still owe us money?	
	16.	Will you be paying?	
	17.	Of course...	
	18.	How much?	
	19.	I won't forget my debt...	
	20.	I've been sick and haven't been able to work.	
	21.	Can you pay anything?	
	22.	No, I can't.	
	23.	Brother, that's not the right thing to do.	
	24.	I know, brother...	
WS Zanodeh touting for business on street	25.	Shoe shine, shoe polish! A perfect job!	07:19:24
CU Zanodeh	26.	Zanodeh: All I can do is polish shoes...	07:26:13
	27.	I'm too young for anything else.	
	28.	Anyhow, there are no jobs... that's it.	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
	29.	Because I work, I can't go to school...	
	30.	I would love to go...	
	31.	but my family can't afford it.	
	32.	Everything has its time.	
	33.	Who can go to school with an empty stomach?	
	34.	It's just how things are.	
MCU Habiba standing by side of road in burkha	35.	Habiba: I said to Shah one night, "What are we going to do?"	08:00:17
	36.	"I will beg, so our children can have a piece of bread..."	
	37.	"and so be comforted."	
	38.	Day and night, my heart is breaking.	
	39.	"What to do?"	
	40.	Always, I try to forget...	
	41.	but whenever I try to sleep it all comes back to me.	
	42.	I wake up, I light the lamp and I look at myself.	
	43.	I dream that I am killing scorpions.	
	44.	Last night, after killing one scorpion...	
	45.	I dreamt another was attacking me.	
	46.	I lit the lamp and called out to my husband, Shah...	
CU Mine information sheet. Tilt and pan to CU Teacher	47.	Teacher: We will look at pictures of different types of mines.	09:13:23
	48.	For instance, what type of mine is this?	
	49.	Students: A mine filled with metal bullets!	
	50.	Teacher: It severs the limbs of its victim.	
	51.	Students: Arms and legs!	
MWS Children in classroom	52.	Teacher: What is the effect, do you know?	09:31:12
	53.	Students: You die!	
	54.	Teacher: Who can repeat this lesson?	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
	55.	Which one of you?	
Girl rises to take pointer	56.	Come, dear child.	
	57.	Just repeat what I have said.	
	58.	Girl: What is this?	
	59.	Student: A mine.	
	60.	Girl: What type?	
	61.	Students: A soap-shaped mine.	
	62.	Girl: How far away should we stay?	
	63.	Students: Fifty steps!	
Start CU Habiba walking to FLS		<i>Music</i>	10:03:13
3S Habiba's children play	64.	Daughter: This is for you.	10:33:18
	65.	Baby: My foot got caught!	
	66.	Daughter: You're a silly donkey!	
FLS Habiba enters wooden doorway			10:52:13
MCU Habiba holds baby	67.	Habiba: Are you alright, my darling?	11:05:16
	68.	Tell me, are you okay, my little calf?	
	69.	Baby: Water, water...	
	70.	Habiba: Oh God... give me a cuddle.	
	71.	Baby: Mummy...	
	72.	Where is Daddy?	
	73.	Habiba: Your daddy is not back yet.	
Habiba removes burkha	74.	I'll take it off...	[11:32]
	75.	there you are.	
Baby coughs	76.	Bless you.	[11:37]
	77.	Baby: Water, water!	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
FLS Habiba walks away from camera alongside garden. Baby follows			11:43:10
	78.	Habiba: Come on, or the pussy cat will get you.	
Habiba inside house to camera			12:06:03
	79.	Habiba: The fighting with the Taliban was over...	
	80.	it was soon after Ramadan.	
	81.	We had to leave the place where we lived.	
	82.	Many houses were damaged by the earthquake.	
	83.	A neighbour told us of a house we could repair...	
	84.	a place where we could live.	
	85.	So we came, we cleaned it and we repaired the roof...	
	86.	we fixed the verandah...	
	87.	Shah made a garden...	
WS Exterior of house. Camera pans right	88.	Habiba v/o: now we just squat here.	12:46:09
MCU Boy selling copy of 'The Kabul Times' on street. Tilt and pan to MS Journalist interviews unidentified woman via translator			13:00:16
	89.	Journalist: Is the bigger danger now from the U- -let's see how to say this – is there a bigger danger now from U.S. forces or from Taliban and Al Qaeda forces.	
	90.	Translator to Unidentified Woman: Who is more dangerous, the Taliban or the Americans?	
	91.	She doesn't say.	

92. Journalist: How safe do you think – how secure do you think Afghanistan is now?

93. Translator to Unidentified Woman: Do you feel safe?

94. Unidentified Woman: Now?

95. It's secure at the moment.

96. Journalist: But outside she thinks the U.S. should stop its campaign?

97. Translator to Unidentified Woman: Should the Americans stop bombing outside Kabul?

98. Unidentified Woman: They should stop it, people are living in poverty.

99. Translator to journalist: Mostly poor people... people don't have anything to eat.

100. Journalist: Can we ask – is it allowable to ask her age? Age?

101. Translator to Unidentified Woman: How old are you, sister?

102. Unidentified Woman: Why are you worrying about my age?

103. God knows, I'm forty!

104. Journalist: Sorry...Thank you.

Archival. MCU George W Bush

105. George W Bush: There's no question that we're an angry people about what happened to our country. But in our anger we must never forget we're a compassionate people as well. We will fight evil, but in order to overcome evil, the great goodness of America must come forth and shine forth. And one way to do so is to help the poor souls in Afghanistan. And we're going to do so.

14:38:07

Archival. MLS Bush at Lectern/Colin Powell enters from right of shot and shakes his hand

106. FX: Applause

15:04:13

MLS Mairy at home. Lifts and moves TV set to window

15:20:15

Super:

**SHAH AND HABIBA LIVE
WITH THEIR COUSIN,
MAIRY**

MS Habiba prays 15:37:14

WS People in laneway 107. TV Announcer: An announcement follows... 15:50:11

CU TV 108. The Ministry of Employment and Social Work... 15:54:18

109. will start courses in computers and carpet weaving...

110. shoe-making, embroidery and carpentry.

111. This program is being funded by a group in Belgium.

112. Women, the disabled, and orphans will be given priority...

Archival. BCU Landmine being buried 16:21:10

MWS Interior of Habiba's house. TV in corner of room. 113. Daughter: Come out! 16:29:19

Daughter enters, and sits on floor in front of TV. Little 114. Hurry up.

brother is under table 115. The glass is here...

2S Habiba and Shah. Habiba is laughing 116. Shah: Every time I saw this little one, my heart would melt... 16:52:00

117. and I hoped that God would give her to me.

118. So I secretly took her aside and she asked what I wanted.

119. Habiba You are not being honest. [17:05]

120. Shah: Calm down...

121. I'm telling the truth.

	122. I asked her if she'd marry me, and approached her family.	
	123. Habiba said, "I don't believe this is happening to me."	
	124. But I took hold of her hand and she agreed.	
	125. We both shook hands and made a promise.	
	126. Habiba: No I didn't.	[17:22]
	127. Shah: And eventually we did get married.	
	128. At first, Habiba didn't believe I wanted to marry her...	
	129. I reassured her my promise was binding.	
	130. I said that her condition did not matter...	
	131. I loved her just the way she was.	
	132. After that, we got married.	
	133. Habiba: You are not being honest.	[17:43]
	134. Shah: Which part was not true?	
	135. Habiba: You're accusing me about something I didn't do.	[17:47]
	136. When I saw him I would go and hide, and lock the door.	
MWS Daughter carries baby through garden	137. Shah v/o: I haven't done anything wrong...	17:58:14
	138. Habiba v/o: You're lying and accusing me of something I didn't do.	
	139. Shah v/o: All I said was true...	
EWS Kabul		18:09:16
Car passes camera in CU. FLS		18:15:12
Habiba in b/g crossing road		

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
Tilt up from Habiba's feet to MS Habiba begging. Camera follows Habiba along street	140.	Habiba: Please show me some charity...	18:34:00
	141.	Man on street: Ignore her.	[19:24]
WS Shah sitting on street mending shoes			19:41:07
MCU Habiba's feet as she walks along street			19:55:19
2FLS Habiba and Shah draw water from well. Habiba carries bucket of water to house			20:05:09
2S Shah and Dr. Cairo at ICRC Hospital	142.	Dr Cairo: His plan was to repair shoes, to be a cobbler. And for this reason we gave him a small amount of money. He was able to – I mean in goods – he was able to buy things, to buy leathers and things to repair shoes.	20:43:13
Super: DR. ALBERTO CAIRO – DIRECTOR OF THE RED CROSS HOSPITAL			
2S Men at loan office with cash	143.	One of the reasons that he got a loan	20:57:10
2S Shah and Dr. Cairo	144.	was that he's disabled himself, but also because his wife was disabled. And we saw them, when they came here, they were talking, he was talking of his wife in a very nice, very sweet way. I remembered that. And it was nice. It's not always the case in Afghanistan. Men are not always very kind with women. So it was very nice, very sweet. For this reason we – that was one of the reasons why we gave him the loan.	21:01:13
2S Men at loan office. One man on phone	145.	Man on phone: I know, but Dr. Cairo is with film makers now. It will be done soon.	21:30:16
	146.	Man to Shah: That's all for now, brother.	
	147.	You can wait in the reception area for us...	

	148. Take this receipt.	
	149. Man 1: Will you take the money?	
	150. Man 2: Give it to me.	
	151. Only one?	
	152. Man 1: Take them both.	
	153. Man 2: Is there an envelope?	
MLS Teacher with mine information materials	154. Teacher: This boy has found a butterfly mine.	22:12:11
	155. You see?	
	156. Students: Yes.	
	157. Teacher: He has squeezed it...	
	158. and mines explode with pressure.	
MWS Students listen	159. The explosion has blown off two of his fingers...	22:22:21
	160. and his face is injured.	
	161. Now you tell me...	
	162. can these blown-off fingers be replaced?	
MLS Teacher with mine information materials	163. Do shops sell them?	22:33:13
	164. Students: No!	
	165. Teacher: Can America supply them?	
	166. Students: No!	
	167. Teacher: Or can Pakistan?	
	168. Students: No!	
	169. Teacher: Can they be found in Kabul?	

	170. Students: No!	
	171. Teacher: Anywhere... Nowhere!	
CU Man hands money to Habiba. She walks away and continues begging		22:44:08
	172. Habiba: Oh, why is everyone in my way?	
	173. Please show some mercy.	
	174. Man: Move on woman, don't come around here!	
	175. Habiba: Why do you scream at me?	
	176. Don't speak like that!	
Archival. MWS Russian soldiers plant mines	<i>Music</i>	23:15:09
Archival. MS Russian soldier plants mines		23:17:11
Archival. ECU Soldier ties trip wire on mine		23:27:08
FLS Girl jumps over gutter full of water. Camera pans right to boy tending cattle	177. Habiba v/o: When I was at home...	23:33:17
	178. I didn't have many chores, and life was easy...	
CU Habiba to camera	179. but then, as I grew older...	23:44:13
	180. I would collect firewood...	
	181. and go with the girls to herd the cattle.	
	182. We took the cattle near to where they had put mines.	
	183. They said the mines were not there anymore...	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
	184.	that they had been removed from the area.	
MWS Girl walks down laneway herding cattle	185.	Habiba v/o: One day, our cow went off towards the mine fields...	24:13:04
	186.	I didn't think about the mines and I went after it.	
CU Habiba to camera	187.	The cows were outside the fenced-off area.	24:28:06
	188.	Our cow was running and when I caught up to it...	
	189.	I saw a patch of grass...	
Archival. ECU Hands plant land mine in grass	<i>Music</i>		24:42:02
CU Habiba to camera	190.	Habiba: and I noticed something white underneath...	24:46:07
	191.	when I ran over that spot, I was blown up by a mine.	
	192.	I was running... I was collecting the grass to feed the cow...	
	193.	to stop the cow... I was going back for more grass.	
	194.	I remember when I hit the ground my ears were ringing.	
	195.	I used my hands to cover my ears...	
	196.	I was lying in the hole made by the explosion.	
	197.	One of my legs was pointing upwards...	
	198.	it was twisted and bent like a broken stick.	
	199.	Pieces of my flesh were scattered everywhere.	
	200.	I held my leg tightly, but when I let go bits fell off...	
	201.	I felt no pain, my wounds were still fresh and warm.	
	202.	There was one of my toes left dangling from my foot.	

203. People were screaming out, they told my father...

204. "Your daughter has stepped on a land mine!"

205. They were yelling at me...

206. "Why did you go near the minefields?"

207. Even father was angry ...

208. he wanted to hit me and he said...

209. "I told you not to go there..."

210. "I don't want to lose you."

211. My uncle shouted, "Why did you go to this place?"

212. Then, someone said...

213. "Look at the state she's in..."

214. "and you're still blaming her!"

Excerpt from Russian archival film

Music

26:50:09

Super: **USING ANTI-
PERSONNEL
LANDMINES**

[series of 7 shots including
explosion and operation]

Fade to black

MCU Shah

215. Shah: It had been three days since our kids had eaten...

27:32:23

216. and I could not stop her from going.

217. I said, "Don't do it, God is all giving..."

218. "somehow we will find food..."

219. She said, "What do you mean. There is nothing here."

220. We've had one piece of bread in three days."

221. "What else am I to do?"

222. To tell you the truth, I was ashamed to let her go.

223. I said no more, and she went...

MWS from above Habiba's
baby son and daughter.
Prosthetic leg leans against
wall

28:09:11

CU Habiba

224. Habiba: I walked through the Bazaar and looked at people...

28:19:01

225. but couldn't raise my voice.

226. Others were saying, "Brother, give me charity... help me."

227. When I looked at them, I wished that...

228. I could be brave to move my tongue and do the same...

229. but the thought of it made me sweat...

230. I thought, "Oh God, how can I make my lips move?"

231. Then I would say to myself...

232. "I will try the next one", but I changed my mind...

233. I would plan to ask another... but watch them go past...

234. I saw a man and put my hand out without speaking...

235. he did not respond, he didn't say a word.

236. I thought, "They're not going to help me if I don't speak."

	237. Then, I heard myself saying “Help me in the name of God.”	
	238. I felt my sweat break out...	
	239. at the thought of how I could have said those words.	
	240. Once I had asked the first one, it was easier to ask the next...	
	241. and so on, and so on.	
MCU Shah	242. Shah: My heart breaks...	29:31:21
	243. I am sad.	
	244. I don't want her to even look out the door of our house.	
	245. Every time I feel guilty, from when Habiba leaves...	
	246. until she returns home.	
	247. What if a relative recognizes her, and curses me...	
	248. for letting her do such a shameful thing:	
	249. “What kind of man allows his wife to beg?”	
CU Habiba	250. Habiba: When I saw the money, I felt greedy...	30:07:23
	251. with all the 500 Afghani notes, I bought groceries...	
	252. and gave Shah half of what was left...	
	253. he said to hide it, but I liked to feel it in my pocket.	
	254. Shah said, “Put it away, “ but I said, “No.”	
	255. “It's staying in my pocket.”	
	256. I was very surprised at this feeling of greediness.	
	257. I hadn't seen money for a while and was dreaming about it.	

258. Where could I find 500 Afghanis to buy gum for crying children?

MWS boys and men on street.

30:48:07

Truck passes in front of camera

CU Group of men look at 'girlie' postcards at street vendor's

30:58:02

CU Habiba

259. Habiba: Men say disgusting things...

31:12:18

260. they don't know about my leg...

261. they assume I am a prostitute.

262. Some men say...

263. "Come along with me..."

264. "you will get money, it will be nicer than begging..."

265. "and walking from day to night."

266. "Come with me!"

267. Some say "Come and marry me..."

268. "and you won't have to beg again."

269. "Or be wasting your beauty and your youth."

270. I curse them and say...

271. "I wouldn't compare you to my husband's prosthetic leg."

272. "God has brought this upon me."

273. "If I didn't have to, I would never leave my house..."

274. "because of my tragedy, you can proposition me!"

MWS Group of female students. Tilt and pan to MCU Female teacher with mine information material 32:16:00

275. Teacher: What do we see here?

276. Students: A mine!

277. Teacher: What type of mine?

278. It's an anti-tank mine, and also for heavy vehicles.

279. It comes in green and other colours...

280. and if pressure is applied?

281. Students: It explodes!

282. Teacher: How far away should you stay?

283. Students: Two hundred metres.

284. Teacher: Again.

285. Students: Two hundred metres!

Students raise their hands 286. Teacher: Who understands? [32:49]

MLS Habiba crosses road into FLS 32:51:19

Shah leaves housing compound carrying prosthetic leg 33:10:05

CU Habiba 287. Habiba: Shah is helping me to apply for a pension. 33:38:16

288. On television, they said that I might be eligible.

289. Shah doesn't believe it's true, but I want to try...

290. even if all we can get is a bag of flour...

291. Shah says it's probably too late...

292. that we will run around for nothing.

293. But if others can get it...

294. why should we be left behind?

MLS Letter Writer sits on
chair in street with two women

34:21:00

Camera pans right to second
Letter Writer with Shah

295. Man: Is she a martyr?

296. Shah: She's not dead, she's disabled.

297. Letter Writer: Where is she from?

298. Shah: Parwan Province.

299. Letter Writer: The shire?

300. Shah: The shire of Bagram.

301. Letter Writer: And currently?

302. Shah: District Eight.

303. Letter Writer: What is the cause?

304. Shah: A land mine.

305. Letter Writer: Which part?

306. Shah: Her right leg is amputated above the knee.

307. Letter Writer: Her right leg?

308. Shah: Yes.

309. Sorry, it's the left.

310. Letter Writer: Left or right?

311. Shah: Left.

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
CU Habiba	312.	Habiba: During the time of Ramadan, Shah would say to me...	35:20:07
	313.	"If you pray to God you could get your leg back."	
	314.	I told Shah, "On the night of Lailat-ul-Qadar..."	
	315.	we will stay up all night..."	
	316.	"and we will pray to God to have our legs back."	
	317.	Shah said, "We will probably fall asleep..."	
	318.	"and God doesn't grant wishes to everyone..."	
	319.	"even if you do stay up all night."	
	320.	"Only those who pray five time, read the Quaran, fast..."	
	321.	"and stay up every night of Ramadan... can you do that?"	
	322.	I said, "No, we'll stay up only on the night of the 27 th ."	
	323.	He said, "You are sure to fall asleep."	
MWS Shah with Letter Writer	324.	Official: You need to sign here.	36:15:11
MS Zanodeh cleaning shoes	325.	Zanodeh: Hey uncle, may I polish your sandals?	36:25:04
	326.	Let me polish your shoes...	
Archival. Russian jets drop mines [3 shots]			36:33:23
MS Teacher with mine information materials	327.	Teacher: What you see here is another type of bomb.	36:43:09
MWS Children in classroom	328.	It has smaller bombs that come from inside of it...	36:48:07
	329.	look at it...	
	330.	do you see?	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
MCU Teacher talking to students about bombs. Tilt down to group of cluster bombs on display in classroom.	331. Only recently these bombs have been dropped in Afghanistan...		36:56:17
	332. they are the newest type of bomb.		
	333. All three of them are cluster bombs.		
Tilt up to teacher	334. These are all called “cluster bombs.”		
	335. What are they?		
MCU Female teacher	336. Female Teacher: What happens when you step on a mine?		37:16:07
	337. Students: It explodes!		
	338. Female Teacher: What if you take pressure off a mine?		
	339. Students: It explodes!		
MWS Children in classroom	340. Female Teacher: And what if the tripwire is pulled?		37:23:14
	341. Students: It will explode!		
	342. Female Teacher: What if you try to pick it up?		
	343. Students: It explodes!		
	344. Female Teacher: You must stay away at least fifty metres.		
	345. How far?		
	346. Students: Fifty metres.		
	347. Female Teacher: Hands up if you understand...		
Students raise hands	348. General Richard Myers, Head of U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff v/o: It is unfortunate that the cluster		[37:36]

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
CU Richard Myers	349.	sync: bombs, unexploded ones, are the same colour as the food packets. We have dropped fliers that show the pictures and in the proper language explain why you want to go to one and you don't want to go to the other. We hope that helps. And the other thing we're doing is, with the food packets, is changing the colour of their design. I think it's going to be blue.	37:40:24
CU Shah points to poster showing different sorts of mines	350.	This is the mine that blew off your mummy's leg...	38:03:04
	351.	they put it in the ground and covered it with dirt.	
	352.	She walked this way and stepped on it...	
	353.	then it exploded.	
	354.	This mine is shaped like a bottle.	
	355.	You would say, "What a beautiful thing..."	
	356.	"with a pretty top."	
	357.	This one has landed on its side...	
	358.	the moment you try to pick it up...	
	359.	it will explode.	
MCU Mine clearer scratches at dirt to expose land mine			38:40:13
WS stand of trees alongside path. Mine is detonated in dusty explosion			38:50:12
Fade to black			
MCU Zanodeh	360.	Zanodeh: George W. Bush has promised aid to Afghanistan...	39:10:13
	361.	rice, flour, cooking oil...	
	362.	he will help us with everything...	

	363. blankets, beds, everything!	
	364. He's promised all of this!	
MS Man with camera taking Habiba's ID photo	365. Photographer: Look in here.	39:24:06
CU Habiba posing for camera	366. Habiba: What's happening?	39:28:24
MS Man with camera taking Habiba's ID photo	367. Photographer: Don't talk.	39:35:22
	368. Look at the camera.	
	369. Do not move... stay still... don't move your head...	
ECU Photographer trims photo with scissors		39:59:17
MCU Man and official place thumb prints on document	370. Official: Habiba!	40:03:17
	371. Habiba: I'm coming.	
	372. Man: Get going!	
	373. Habiba, come!	
WS Habiba at Physio and Rehab centre collecting documents		40:15:16
MCU Habiba signs document	374. Official: You sign here.	40:21:21
	375. Habiba: Is that right?	
	376. Official: Take this.	
	377. Official: Miss Nadira!	
WS People gathered outside Physio and Rehab centre. Shah and Habiba walk away in FLS		40:39:24

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
MS Pension official at desk	378. Official: This is Miss Habiba, daughter of Abdul Hakim...		41:02:22
	379. she lost a leg in the war...		
	380. and has approached us for help.		
	381. Our Commission has confirmed that...		
	382. she has lost seventy percent ability in her legs.		
	383. She is now referred to the Martyrs & Disabled Office.		
	384. She could collect a disability pension, amounting to...		
	385. 70,000 to 75,000 Afghanis each month (one dollar fifty).		
	386. It is a paltry amount.		
	387. However... we can do no more for Habiba.		
CU Habiba's papers on desk. Official shows papers to camera	388. The Martyrs & Disabled Committee decides.		41:42:12
MWS Habiba plays with baby by window			41:53:14
	389. Habiba: Shah tells me, "We go from office to office..."		
	390. "even if I go back tomorrow, I don't think we'll get it."		
	391. Parisa, stop squabbling and come inside.		
FLS Habiba begging with prosthetic leg exposed from her burkha	<i>Music</i>		42:32:19
WS Habiba sitting beside road begging			42:38:24
CU Habiba	392. Habiba: People would tell me I was reckless and feisty.		42:48:19

393. They would see me working in the vineyards...

394. carrying loads of hay and firewood...

395. and they would call out to me...

396. "You'll break your neck!"

397. "Your legs will crumple!"

398. "You're a strong devil!"

399. Now, after what happened, they look at me and say...

400. "We're sorry we ever said those things..."

401. "because we must have cursed you..."

402. "...that mine."

WS Habiba sits begging on road and is approached by a policeman

403. Habiba: What's the problem?

43:35:13

404. Policeman: You've got to move on.

405. Habiba: Why, what do you mean?

406. Policeman: Where is your home?

407. Habiba: It's in Qalacha.

408. Policeman: Where?

409. Habiba In Qalacha.

410. God bless!

411. Policeman: Is there a man here who is watching over you?

412. Habiba: No!

413. Policeman: Then get up and go home.

414. Habiba: No, I'm not going.

415. Policeman: I'll be in trouble.

416. Habiba: Why should they blame you?

417. Why don't you policemen give me something?

418. If you had any dignity, you would be helping me.

419. Policeman: We gave yesterday.

420. Habiba: Only a little!

2S Mairy and Habiba. Habiba
counts money

421. Habiba: Thirty eight... thirty nine... forty...

44:24:11

422. 47,5000...

423. that's all.

424. 47,5000 (eighty cents)...

425. Mairy: That's all?

426. Habiba: Yes, and one is torn.

427. Mairy: We'll fix them with tape.

428. Habiba: Okay, with tape.

429. Here, I'll put it in the bag.

430. Please bring a tray for the melon.

431. There is no firewood to make tea.

432. If I had money earlier, you could have got some.

433. [to daughter] Stop it, get lost!

[45:34]

434. Where's the tray?

435. And where's that...

436. what is it... something to cut the melon?

	437. Daughter: It's a water melon!	
MS Boy carrying yoke with tins through street		45:48:16
MCU Shah's and Habiba's legs. Tilt up to MCU back of Habiba	438. Habiba: This leg is rubbing and hurting a lot now...	46:01:23
CU Female Technician saws prosthetic leg		46:17:22
2S Nurse with prosthetic leg. Young woman sits. Nurse hands woman leg which she fits		46:34:20
CU Doctor at clinic. Tilt down to CU Habiba sitting on bed	439. Habiba: When the war started...	46:51:06
	440. he couldn't work, and we spent all our money.	
	441. Doctor: Why didn't you try some other business?	
	442. Habiba: That's all he knew, he wasn't skilled at doing anything else.	
Tilt up to CU doctor	443. Doctor: Can't you work?	[47:11]
	444. Habiba: No... I tried to learn sewing but was no good at it.	
	445. Doctor: You should do something like sewing or carpet weaving.	
Pan back to Habiba	446. You could work at home and wouldn't have to go out.	[47:23]
	447. Habiba: At home my children drive me crazy and won't let me work.	
Pan back to Doctor	448. They cry all the time.	[47:35]
	449. Doctor: What will happen if your husband can't work?	
	450. Have you been to school at all?	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
	451.	Habiba: No, never...	
	452.	Doctor: And your husband?	
	453.	Habiba: None of us are educated.	
Pan back to Habiba	454.	Who would ever let a girl go to school in Shomali?	[47:49]
	455.	Doctor: The school must have been far from where you lived?	
	456.	Habiba: It was far... In Maidon.	
Tilt down to CU Habiba wringing her hands			[48:08]
Pan right to BCU Doctor			[48:20]
2S Doctor stands beside Habiba, and examines prosthetic leg	457.	My very first leg was made in Charikar, before...	48:23:16
	458.	but this leg was made here, and repaired here.	
Camera follows doctor in MLS as she walks around hospital ward		<i>Music</i>	[48:47]
And back to Habiba	459.	Doctor: You need a new mould... we will make it here...	[49:22]
	460.	Habiba: I am pregnant now, so it won't help me at this stage.	
	461.	Could you make it in two months time?	
	462.	Doctor: She just wants this part repaired now...	
	463.	it's damaged, she's pregnant and wants it fixed.	
	464.	Technician: Why did you cut this?	
	465.	Habiba: It was too tight, we had to cut it.	
	466.	Technician: Why didn't you bring it to us?	

467. Doctor: Here, the foot has been burnt.

Camera starts on technician
with drills and pans around
room to workshop of women
making prosthetic limbs 49:58:08

MS Woman removes sheet of
plastic from oven and wraps it
around leg mould 50:11:11

MS Habiba facing away from
camera beside road. Man
wheels rack of clothes along
road 50:24:21

468. Habiba: Stop uncle, stop!

469. How much are these?

470. Vendor: 20,000 Afghanis each...

471. Habiba: Are they for women or men?

472. Vendor: Both can wear them...

473. Habiba: What do you say... can I have two for
10,000?

474. Vendor: Sister, don't ask the impossible!

475. You can't buy rags to wash a car for that...

CU Habiba looks through rack of clothes 476. Will you look at these two? 51:04:11

477. Habiba: That, and this one.

478. Is this the price of a rag?

479. Vendor: Yes, it's 10,000...

MCU Habiba standing by side of road *Music* 51:22:11

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
CU Habiba	480.	I told Shah we have nothing for the new baby...	51:33:10
	481.	no mattress, no blanket, no pillow...	
	482.	it's only a short time to go and I told Shah I'm scared...	
	483.	I reminded him that our other children have grown up...	
	484.	with nothing but second-hand things.	
	485.	I want this baby to have something new.	
	486.	Shah says "We don't have money for a bag of flour..."	
	487.	"and you want baby things?"	
BCU Shah counts money/cuts leather	488.	45,500...	52:15:10
WS Pan around people on street			52:38:18
MS Habiba prays. TV on in b/g	FX:	TV program	52:49:21
CU Skillet on fire with bread			53:05:05
MWS Shah on prayer rug. Children hover in b/g.			53:13:11
MCU Mairy takes oil from can and spoons it over cooking pancake			53:27:05
MLS Mairy folds pancake and then gets baking tray. She continues making dough			53:37:11
	489.	Habiba: What's that?	
	490.	The fire is very sooty.	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
	491.	Mairy: Are they ready?	
	492.	Habiba: Yes, here's one.	
	493.	I am making them. You watch out for the flies.	
	494.	Child: Mother, I want the knife!	
	495.	Habiba: What for?	
	496.	Child: They need it outside...	
CU Loan Officer's hands as he counts money. Tilt up to CU Loan Officer	497.	Your loan payment will go back to the Red Cross...	54:54:06
	498.	it will go to other disabled...	
Pan right to CU Shah	499.	so I am checking all the notes for forgeries.	[55:07]
	500.	They're a big headache.	
MS Man whose hands have been amputated counts money. Pan and tilt to MS Shah counting money with Loan Officer			55:14:04
MWS Mairy washes dishes in bowl. Toddler beside her	501.	Mairy: Come and take your brother.	55:23:09
	502.	Shah: Cousin Mairy told Habiba's father...	
	503.	that he should consider giving her to me.	
MWS Shah, Habiba and Daughter. Shah and Habiba prepare shallots	504.	He laughed and said...	55:49:04
	505.	"She's disabled, and should stay with me."	
	506.	Mairy said, "The won't look down at each other."	
	507.	"They're flowers from the same garden."	

508. Then her father...

509. agreed... I couldn't have persuaded him...

510. Mairy could convince him, she made it happen...

511. and soon after that we got married.

512. Why have you covered your mouth?

513. Say I tell the truth.

514. Be careful of your fingers, my little one...

515. Praise God!

516. We already have three children...

517. another is on the way... we trust in God!

518. We know that when our children grow up...

519. they will look after us.

520. The hardship and suffering will pass.

521. When our children grow up we will have their support.

522. We love Omid, Parisa and Geeta...

523. and we love the child who coming.

524. We will serve them until they grow up.

MWS Alleyway. Women in burkhas

57:33:02

Super: **AT THE PLACE OF THE
TRADITIONAL MIDWIFE**

MCU Habiba's feet walking
from under burkha

57:55:00

CU Midwife

525. Midwife: Her baby will be born at the time of the
next new moon...

58:00:20

	526. it's not long to go.	
	527. It's a small baby and not very strong.	
	528. The head is in the right position...	
	529. pointing down.	
	530. Everything should be okay, but the baby is weak...	
	531. it's tiny.	
2MSW Habiba and Midwife	532. The baby is forcing down and hurting her leg...	58:25:20
	533. the baby is coming, but it's not very strong...	
	534. there's one month to go.	
	535. After one month, I don't know how many more days.	
	536. Habiba: You say it's weak but the others were fine.	
	537. Midwife: This is the month of Saratan...	
	538. When the light from next moon is ten days old...	
	539. her baby will be born.	
	540. Tea! Have some tea.	
FLS Habiba plays with son, Omeid. Toddler has doll's leg in his hand	541. I would do anything for you, my dear.	59:11:18
	542. I would die for you, my little prince...	
	543. I would die for your feet.	
	544. These little feet...	
	545. they are so clean.	
BCU Student points to mine information on chart	546. Student: In this minefield we can see mines of different kinds...	59:57:00

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
	547.	they look like gas burners, sugar bowls and soap bars...	
	548.	They are detonated when pressure is released...	
Archival. Russian mine manufacture footage [6 shots]	<i>Music</i>		01:00:15:16
Archival. Animation. Mine usage			01:00:33:10
CU Mine information sheets in school			01:00:46:01
Archival. Soldier lifts leaf from hidden land mine [2 shots]			01:00:50:00
MCU Shah	549.	Shah: In the war with the Russians and us, Mujahideen...	01:00:57:22
	550.	they laid mines everywhere and we did the same.	
	551.	We all planted mines.	
	552.	I planted mines with my own hands, then I trod on one.	
	553.	The mines were in the ground waiting for anyone.	
	554.	No one ever knew who planted which mines and where...	
	555.	and when the Russians left, the mines stayed in the ground...	
MWS Man on country path searching for land mine	556.	waiting to kill and maim the people of this country.	01:01:40:24
2S Nurse fits prosthetic leg on young woman	<i>Music</i>		01:02:02:03
MCU Habiba puts shoe on her prosthetic leg			01:02:17:11
CU Habiba	557.	Habiba: Having your own legs is something else.	01:02:21:11

	558. When I see someone buying shoes or sandals...	
	559. I get a drowning feeling in my heart.	
	560. The other day, I asked Shah for a pair of lady's shoes.	
	561. He said, "Our days of wearing proper shoes are over."	
	562. I told him "I'm going to the shoe shop..."	
	563. "to ask them to make me a pair of pretty shoes."	
	564. He said "No, your sneakers are fine."	
CU Sneaker being fitted to end of prosthetic leg		01:02:56:-20
MCU Young woman with two prosthetic legs learning to walk		01:03:12:04
CU Habiba sorts through clothes in trunk	565. During the recent war, our home was looted.	01:03:45:06
	566. With no money, where could we have fled to?	
	567. This is Omeid's...	
	568. Some people were able to get away...	
	569. taking their valuables with them...	
	570. only leaving behind what was old and useless.	
	571. But how could we have escaped?	
	572. Since we have children, and Shah and I...	
	573. are both crippled.	
	574. Other people were more fortunate than us.	
	575. What is in here?	
	576. It's a handkerchief and this is...	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
Tilt down to CU child's hat	577. a bib, and this is a hat...		[01:04:39]
	578. I made this hat for Parisa...		
	579. I made them all for Parisa.		
MCU Shah dabs medicine on the stump of his amputated leg. Pan right to Habiba	<i>Music</i>		01:05:03:06
Archival. WS Plane drops two bombs	[sound of U.S. pilot talking on radio]		01:05:35:11
Archival. MWS Stream of bombs drop from plane undercarriage			01:05:41:18
Archival. EWS Bombs explode as they travel towards ground			01:05:54:19
MWS Two men on bicycles. Pan right to CU sign 'Beware of mines on the side of the road'			01:06:12:18
MLS Man with 2-way in front of old tank	580. Man at accident site: We've found an injured woman near the wall.		01:06:21:22
	581. Man on 2-way: Do you need an ambulance to get her to hospital?		
	582. Man at accident site: We will take her in our car.		
	583. She has severe chest injuries.		
	584. Man on 2-way: You could use the Landrover, who's your driver?		
	585. Man at accident site: It's Monawar.		
Pan left to WS Man scanning for hidden mines	586. Man on 2-way: Okay, Monawar should drive straight to the hospital.		

MS Man scanning for hidden mines. He digs into the soil to unearth mine		01:06:57:09
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MCU Shah	587. Shah: One of my commanders used to tell me...	01:08:00:14
	588. "There will never be peace in Afghanistan..."	
	589. "even after the Russians have left."	
	590. "Never imagine that..."	
	591. "when the Soviets are gone from Afghanistan..."	
	592. "and the Mujahideen are victorious..."	
	593. "peace will come."	
	594. "There will never be peace in Afghanistan."	
	595. "We will carry the seeds of war..."	
	596. "and so will our children."	
	597. "Now, you are young soldiers..."	
	598. "later, you will raise children..."	
	599. "and they also will carry arms on their shoulders."	
	600. Afghanistan has been traded from one hand to the next...	
	601. now, will it be the Americans?	

FLS Zanodeh sits at side of road with a pair of sandals and his shoe cleaning brushes	<i>Music</i>	01:08:48:03
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CU Habiba	602. Habiba: These people who make these land mines should stop...	01:09:13:08
	603. they must know...	
	604. surely, they can see...	

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
FSL Woman at clinic sits exhausted beside rail	605.	how people have lost their legs, arms and eyes.	01:09:26:17
	606.	And how mines have devastated lives.	
	607.	Can't they make something useful instead?	
	<i>Music</i>		
CU Habiba	608.	Why invent such a thing?	01:09:41:14
	609.	People are without arms, legs, eyes.	
	610.	They have half a body... half a personality.	
	611.	Land mines are evil.	
File footage. MWS U.S. Military watch bombs from missile cruiser			01:09:57:21
File footage. MWS Plane takes off from aircraft carrier			01:10:02:16
File footage. WS U.S. Plane in night sky			01:10:05:16
File footage. WS Explosions			01:10:08:13
File footage. MWS Hercules gunship			01:10:16:08
File footage. CU Ammunition feeder			01:10:17:13
File footage. WS Line of fire			01:10:19:21
File footage. WS Explosions	612.	U.S. Army General: In your operations against Al Qaeda, and the terrorists yesterday,	01:10:21:11
File footage. WS Line of fire from gunship. Explosions	613.	we struck 12 target areas that included a terrorist camp and a training area.	01:10:30:07

Vision	(spot no)	Audio	Time code
File footage. U.S. Army general at press briefing	614.	We struck, and continued to strike airfields, aircraft, AAA and SAM sites. We struck the Taliban forces in a robust way that included troop and vehicle staging areas,	01:10:37:15
File footage. CU View through target finder [2 shots]	615.	some storage and maintenance sheds.	01:10:53:19
CU Habiba	616.	I wish there was no more war...	01:11:00:21
	617.	but the state of the world is not up to me.	
	618.	I wish that God will bring light to us Muslims...	
	619.	and this war in Afghanistan would stop forever.	
	620.	No killing, no injuries, no mines...	
	621.	people have suffered enough.	
MWS Female students in classroom. Camera follows as they leave room. Stops on MS teacher	<i>Music</i>		01:11:25:06
Super fades up over black:			01:12:07:02
Habiba and Shah were evicted from where they were squatting.			
They moved to Shah's village in the countryside, where Habiba gave birth to a baby girl.			
Fade to black.			

Super fades up over black:

01:12:20:20

**Despite the actions of land mine clearing
agencies, land mines still litter 82
countries around the world.**

**There are between 15,000 and 20,000
new land mine victims every year.**

Fade to black.

Super fades up over black:

01:12:30:06

**Over one hundred and fifty countries
have signed the Mine Ban Treaty,
prohibiting the production and use of
anti-personnel mines.**

Fade to black.

Super fades up over black:

01:12:39:23

**Countries that have refused to sign
include China, India, Israel, Pakistan,
the Russian Federation and the United
States of America.**

Fade to black.

Credit rolls starts over black: 622.

01:12:51:00

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