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"Ernest Mandel - A life for the revolution"

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"These gentlemen don’t fear ideas that float in the air, that are written on paper, or that appear in printed or spoken form. What they fear is organization - organized action, organized attempts to bring these ideas to fruition."

Ernest Mandel was one of the most innovative Marxist thinkers of the second half of the twentieth century. He was a "professional revolutionary" who invested all his energy, knowledge and vast personal culture in the struggle for socialism and in the building of a revolutionary party and the Fourth International. At the same time, Mandel maintained a hectic pace of scholarly activity; he is the author of several books: Marxist Economic Theory; Trotsky: A Study in the Dynamic of his Thought and Late Capitalism, among others.

This 90-minute documentary looks back at Mandel's life and 60 years of struggles: from the Civil War in Spain to the fall of the Berlin Wall, with segments on Algeria, Che Guevara, Vietnam, the 1960-1961 Belgian general strike, May 68, Portugal, Chile, feminism, ecology, workers control, the Sandinistas and more. This DVD includes "A man called Ernest Mandel", a 40 minutes 1972 film by Frans Buyens.

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Algerian national anthem; "Hasta siempre Comandante" by Victor Jara; Song from the Paris Commune; Grandola Vila Morena, Portugal; "Belaadi", Palestinian national anthem; Song from the civil war, USSR; The Internationale

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