



## DISK 1

### Intro

**Intro** YOU are being interviewed. *10 minutes*

**Foreign Policy and Sausage** What do foreign policy and sausage have in common? *1 minute*

**Lies My Teacher Told Me** Very little of the subject matter of these films is taught in schools. *4 minutes*

### The Past - Were these mistakes?

**The Overthrow of the Government of Iran** *7 minutes*

"We decided to get rid of him [the Prime Minister of Iran] because Iran was terribly important because of oil, etc." (former Secretary of State Eagleburger)

**Intervention and Genocide in Guatemala** *15 minutes*

Where was the moral compass?

**The Cuban Missile Crisis** *15 minutes*

The pressure of his senior staff on President Kennedy to take action—that we now know would have ignited a nuclear war—was so intense that he went behind their backs to resolve the crisis. But suppose today's President had been in power then?

**The Vietnam War** *11 minutes*

"We were on the wrong side in that war," according to General McPeak, George H.W. Bush's Air Force Chief of Staff, who flew more than 250 missions in the war.

**Somoza and The Contra War in Nicaragua** *10 minutes*

Were the Contras terrorists? General Charles Wilhelm versus Noam Chomsky.

**The Cold War - The Cynics and the Believers** *3 minutes*

Architects of the Cold War did not believe that the Russians were coming.

### The 21st Century - Are these Mistakes?

**Nuclear Weapons on a Hair Trigger** *15 minutes*

Yes, astonishingly, they are still (as of 2005) on a hair trigger.

**Preventive War and the Invasion of Iraq** *8 minutes*

Various opposing views are presented here. By far the most highly charged and surprising one is that of Ray McGovern, given his background in the CIA and as a close associate of the first President Bush.

**The War in Colombia** *30 minutes*

General Wilhelm, who was the U.S. Commander in chief for the region, believes that the US is a force for human rights, and that assistance to the Colombian military benefits Colombians. Nancy Sanchez, Colombian human rights defender, listens to his arguments in disbelief—and answers them, inviting him to Putamayo to see for himself.

### Where Now - Learning from Mistakes

**Mistakes or Crimes?** *18 minutes*

Peter Weiss, president of the Lawyers Committee on Nuclear Policy, reminds viewers that the United Nations Charter, under which it is a crime even to *threaten* to make war, is "the supreme law of the land," under the U.S. Constitution.

**Why do States Pursue Homicidal Policies?** *8 minutes*

Gene Sharp gives one answer: "There is almost a religion of violence," and Marcus Raskin another: because justifications of war have been taught in schools throughout history. Can you think of some other explanations?

**It's Your Future** *5 minutes*

Gene Sharp, Michael Gagné, and George Lakey present a short introduction to nonviolent action.

## DISK 2 (dual-sided)

### Interviews SIDE A

#### James Loewen LIES MY TEACHER TOLD ME *35 minutes*

The Dutch bought Manhattan Island from the Indians for \$24, right? Loewen gives an overview of the omissions, distortions, falsehoods and chauvinism that make up the high school American history curriculum. Why is it that we learn what Lincoln and Douglas *wore* at their debates, but not what they said?

#### Lawrence Eagleburger FOREIGN POLICY AND SAUSAGE *39 minutes*

The former Secretary of State (under the first President Bush) provides insight into the thinking of those he calls “the foreign policy elite,” discusses some of their catastrophic mistakes, and tells why he said in early 2003 that George W. Bush should be impeached if he were to order the invasion of Iran without the approval of the Senate.

#### Gene La Rocque CREATING TERRORISTS *53 minutes*

Admiral La Rocque is an officer in the tradition of General Smedley Butler: a hero and patriot who after a distinguished military career became an important force for peace.

### Interviews SIDE B

#### Ray McGovern WE CALLED THEM “THE CRAZIES” *17 minutes*

Now they’re making policy. McGovern was an associate of George H.W. Bush when Bush was Director of the CIA, and later when he was vice president McGovern gave him and other top national security officials their morning intelligence briefings. He discusses the attitudes of Bush 1 and his inner circle toward the policies of Bush 2.

#### Robert White IT’S NOT MUCH MORE COMPLICATED THAN THAT *47 minutes*

Former ambassador to Paraguay and El Salvador Robert White talks with Walter Miale about relations between the United States and Central America since 1954.

#### Marcus Raskin INSTITUTIONAL INSANITY IS APPROXIMATELY WHAT WE HAVE *51 minutes*

We see here a totally unexpected side of this heavyweight thinker and doer. Raskin has been a key figure on the left in Washington for decades.

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