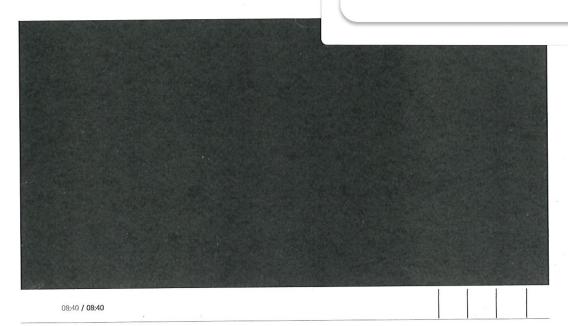


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Key Cast & Crew



Rachel Jean



Oscar Kightley Subject



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Th <mark>e dawn raids were shameful, because in essence they set out to pick up anybody who didn't look like a Pākehā or palangi New</mark>
Zealander. They swooped on people who were Māori, they swooped on many Pasifika people who had absolutely lawful residence in New
Zealand, may even have been born here

- Helen Clark

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