

THE ENVOY

The extraordinary true story of Sir Terry Waite

Based on the international bestselling memoir *Taken on Trust*





GENRE & LOGLINE

A GEOPOLITICAL THRILLER AND CAPTIVE SURVIVAL DRAMA

“In the volatile world of 1980s hostage politics, one man walks unarmed into danger believing trust can save lives - until betrayal leaves him chained, silenced and fighting to survive.”

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THE FILM

The Envoy is a gripping true-story feature film inspired by the remarkable life of Sir Terry Waite.

In January 1987, Church of England envoy Terry Waite returns to Beirut on a mission to free Western hostages. He enters a car expecting negotiations. The doors lock. A hood is pulled over his head. The negotiator becomes the hostage.

Chained in silence for 1,763 days, Waite fights to survive isolation, illness, mock executions and the slow erosion of hope. But his captivity is only half the story. As he endures the darkness, the film cuts back through the extraordinary missions that made him famous: Tehran in revolution, Tripoli under Gaddafi, Beirut torn apart by militias. Armed only with patience, faith and trust, Waite walks into rooms where governments, diplomats and intelligence agencies cannot go.

Across London, Washington and the Middle East, his fate is shaped by forces beyond his control: family, Church, government, covert politics and hostage diplomacy. As his wife, Frances, fights to keep hope alive at home, Terry is forced to confront the terrible cost of believing in others.

The Envoy is a tense geopolitical thriller and an intimate survival drama: the story of a man who spent years freeing hostages, only to become one of the most famous hostages of the era.

How far can trust carry a man in a world built on betrayal?

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