

Video: The US-Canada-France Coup d'Etat against Jean Bertrand Aristide and the People of Haiti

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The images and sounds I recorded in Haiti during my December 2003-January 2004 trip have had a profound impact on my life, as the events which unfolded then and shortly afterwards continue to affect the lives of the people for whom I care the most.

A few weeks after my return to Canada, the dreaded coup d'état happened on February 29, 2004.

Counterspin, the CBC show in which I participated alongside Ezili Danto (Marguerite), Jean Fils-Aimé and Chlotilde Charlot, is indicative of the deep wounds inflicted on the Haitian people by "The Ottawa Initiative on Haiti" (code word for the secret meetings held to plot the 2004 coup and foreign occupation of Haiti).

More than a decade later, after having counted over 1 million Haitian victims of U.N. cholera, countless rapes and murders at the hands the foreign occupation forces, the perverts in blue helmets; having seen the return of Duvalier ahead of President Aristide... I wonder if my brothers and sisters who were once either supporters or deniers of the coup, have a different assesment now, than they had then.

Unfortunately, this was one of the last episodes of Counterspin. Now, the spin goes on with little challenge, if any, on CBC Radio-Canada.

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