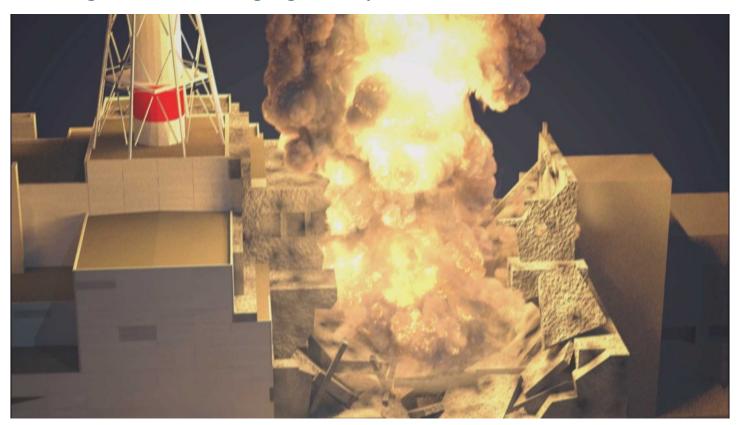
# **Chernobyl - A Bomb That Keeps Ticking**

A Haunting Revelation of an Ongoing Catastrophe



**Brisbane, Queensland Jul 26, 2024 (Issuewire.com)** - AESA Films is proud to announce the release of "Chernobyl - A Bomb That Keeps Ticking," a gripping and haunting documentary that delves into the aftermath of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster and its lingering effects on the world. This 52-minute film, directed by Dr. Allen Dobrovolsky, explores the untold stories surrounding the disaster, shedding light on the ongoing dangers and the desperate attempts to contain its aftermath.

## A Journey Back to the Epicenter of Disaster

The story follows Dr. Allen Dobrovolsky, a young scientist sent to investigate the nuclear fallout shortly after the catastrophic explosion of Reactor 4 in April 1986. Decades later, Dr. Dobrovolsky returns to the Exclusion Zone, a desolate and eerie area surrounding the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant, on a mission to uncover the truth and understand the ongoing consequences of the disaster.

What he discovers is a horrifying revelation: radiation contamination in the water source, endangering the lives of 35 million people and condemning them to a slow and toxic death. As he explores the abandoned towns within the Exclusion Zone, Dr. Dobrovolsky uncovers a nightmarish post-apocalyptic landscape and stumbles upon evidence of a sinister cover-up, where highly irradiated houses were buried, releasing their poisonous radiation into the water supply downstream.

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### A New Crisis Unfolds

Amidst this harrowing investigation, Dr. Dobrovolsky witnesses a new crisis unfolding. On February 24th, 2022, the Russian military launches an all-out war on Ukraine. In a shocking turn of events, they capture the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant and abduct 170 staff members, whose fate remains unknown. Only a handful of scientists are left to prevent another catastrophe, working tirelessly to keep Reactor 4 under control. The Russian soldiers, inexplicably, dig trenches in the highly contaminated Exclusion Zone, exposing themselves to unprecedented levels of radiation.

Behind the scenes, President Putin sees the plant as a potential weapon and openly threatens nuclear war on the West. Just six weeks after the invasion, the Russians withdraw from Chernobyl, sending their irradiated troops home to face certain death.

## Visionary Insights: Allen Dobrovolsky's Perspective

"Chernobyl - A Bomb That Keeps Ticking" is more than a documentary; it is an in-depth exploration of one of the most catastrophic events in human history and its enduring aftermath. Allen Dobrovolsky, a world-renowned contamination expert, was on the ground shortly after the 1986 explosion and has dedicated his life to uncovering the truth behind the lingering impacts of Chernobyl.

This documentary is the culmination of years of meticulous research and firsthand experiences. It aims to highlight the ongoing environmental contamination and the grave health implications for millions of people. Through archival footage, personal interviews, and on-site investigations, the film unveils the disturbing reality of a disaster that continues to affect lives long after the initial explosion.

The recent invasion of Ukraine adds a new layer of urgency to this story. The capture of the Chernobyl plant by Russian forces and the subsequent disappearance of 170 staff members underline the site's precarious position as a geopolitical pawn and a potential doomsday weapon. The reckless actions of the occupying troops, who dug trenches in highly contaminated zones, highlight the perpetual dangers that Chernobyl still poses.

Dobrovolsky's hope is that "Chernobyl - A Bomb That Keeps Ticking" will not only educate but also inspire global audiences to advocate for stronger environmental protection and accountability. This film is a call to action, a reminder that the consequences of Chernobyl are far from over, and a demand for vigilance in efforts to mitigate its impacts.

As a filmmaker and a scientist, Dr. A. Dobrovolsky is committed to telling stories that matter. This film is a testament to the resilience of those affected by the disaster and a warning of the enduring legacy of nuclear contamination. He invites audiences to join him on this journey and to help spread the message that Chernobyl's story is still unfolding and demands our attention.

### **About the Director**

Allen Dobrovolsky is a world-renowned contamination expert and the director of the multi-award-winning documentary "Murder on the Reef" (2018). His career has been deeply intertwined with the Chernobyl disaster and its aftermath. Shortly after the catastrophic explosion at Chernobyl in 1986, Allen was sent to assess the fallout's effects. This pivotal experience set the course for his life's work, focusing on understanding and mitigating the long-term environmental and health impacts of radionuclide contamination.

In recent years, Allen's expertise has extended to addressing the geopolitical ramifications of nuclear energy sites in conflict zones. The occupation of the Chernobyl Nuclear Power Plant and the Zaporizhzhia Nuclear Power Plant by Russian forces during the Ukraine war brought renewed urgency to his mission. The capture and subsequent disappearance of staff members at Chernobyl, along with the reckless actions of the occupying troops, underscore the ongoing dangers posed by these sites.

"Chernobyl - A Bomb That Keeps Ticking" is a powerful exploration of these issues. The film combines archival footage, personal interviews, and on-site investigations to reveal the harrowing story of environmental contamination, government cover-ups, and the ongoing threat to millions of people. Released in late April 2024, the documentary has already begun to garner attention for its compelling narrative and urgent message.

In addition to his work on Chernobyl, Allen has conducted extensive scientific studies across Europe, assessing the environmental and health impacts of anthropogenic pollution. He founded A.D. Envirotech Australia Pty Ltd in 1997, which later evolved into ADE Consulting Group Pty Ltd, a leading environmental consultancy in Australia. His film production company, AESA Films, has produced acclaimed documentaries, including "Murder on the Reef," which highlights environmental challenges and has received 16 Best Documentary awards.

Allen's commitment to environmental protection extends beyond filmmaking. In October 2023, he was invited to speak at the high-level International Conference "United for Justice. United for Nature" in Ukraine, where he emphasized the severe ecological consequences of the Russian war on Ukraine's ecosystem. His presentation highlighted the potential contaminants of concern along the frontline and downstream of the Kakhovka dam.

Allen Dobrovolsky continues to lead efforts in environmental remediation and advocacy, leveraging his unique blend of scientific expertise and storytelling to address some of the most pressing environmental challenges of our time. His work on "Chernobyl - A Bomb That Keeps Ticking" is a testament to his dedication to uncovering the truth and inspiring global action.

# Film Summary

"Chernobyl - A Bomb That Keeps Ticking" is a gripping and haunting documentary film that delves into the aftermath of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster and its lingering effects on the world. Set against the backdrop of the collapse of the Soviet Union, the story follows Dr. Allen Dobrovolsky, a young scientist sent to investigate the nuclear fallout shortly after the catastrophic explosion of Reactor 4 in April 1986.

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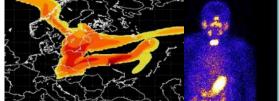
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"Chernobyl - A Bomb That Keeps Ticking" is a suspenseful and thought-provoking film that explores the untold stories surrounding the Chernobyl disaster. It shines a light on the ongoing dangers posed by the event, the desperate attempts to contain its aftermath, and the geopolitical implications it continues to hold. This film invites audiences to discover the chilling reasons why Chernobyl remains a ticking time bomb.

For more information, visit <u>Allen Dobrovolsky on IMDb</u>.

#### **About AESA Films:**

AESA Films is a production company focused on creating documentaries that address critical global issues. Founded by Dr. Allen Dobrovolsky, the company aims to produce impactful films that inspire action and promote environmental awareness.







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