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Well-Founded Fear tracks down failed asylum seekers.

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A WELL-FOUNDED FEAR

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IF EVER there was a program to make you feel ashamed to be Australian, this is it. And we should all be forced to watch this incredibly powerful and moving documentary and learn from one of this country's most contemptible acts: deporting genuine asylum seekers to countries where their lives are again endangered. Phil Glendenning, director of social justice agency the Edmund Rice Centre, travels to Afghanistan and the Middle East to find out what happened to refugees who spent months, if not years, in our detention centres, only to have their asylum applications rejected. The stories are heartbreaking. Glendenning meets Mohammed Hussain, who says he loathes Howard: "We can't complain about the Taliban, because they were illiterate and crazy. But this was a politician, a prime minister."

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