Overview: documentary “Power of Conscience”

I. **Membership in Underground and Active Resistance**
   - Role of British SOE (Special Operations Executive)
   - Churchill’s orders to “set Europe Ablaze”

II. **Events leading to Resignation of Danish Government and deportation plans**
   - Telegram crisis
   - Installation of Erik Scavenius as “Puppet Prime Minister”
   - Appointment of Werner Best
   - Mixed Motives of Werner Best in initiating deportation and then sabotaging it (Herbert Pundit’s theory)
   - Leaking of information to Duckwitz
   - [Role of Duckwitz in sabotaging German action, not emphasized, Kirchhoff’s theory]

III. **Spontaneous Rescue Operation of Oct. 1943**
   - Use of hospitals, ambulances, fishing vessels
   - Passivity of German soldiers (Pundik’s theory)
   - Loyalty of Danish police to Resistance people
     (2,000 deported in Sept. 1944)
IV. Deportation/Conditions in Concentration Camps

- Therensienstadt
- German Propaganda films
- 6,000 Danish resistance members in Concentration Camps (600 died, 90% survived);
- 481 Danish Jews deported (54 died)
- Danish and Swedish RED CROSS: “White Busses”
- April 1945 rescue of Danish & Norwegian prisoners from camps [Jews, Resistance members, Police]

V. Danish Brigade (4,800 volunteers) training in Sweden

Total Danish losses during Occupation:

Ca. 4,800 (out of 3.8 million)

- 2,000 Danish merchant marines in Allied service
- 71 Danish volunteer soldiers died in Allied armies
- 603 Danes died in German concentration camps (includes 53 Danish Jews)
- 103 Resistance fighters were executed in Denmark
- 1,000 Danes were killed by Germans or Danish Nazis in actions of revenge for resistance actions
- 670 Danes were killed during strikes and sabotage
- 320 Danish civilians died as result of air raids