

## US vs. John Lennon

The movie U.S. vs. John Lennon is a documentary type of film based on the former member of the Beatles by the name John Lennon. The film makers of this movie have brought across the issue of the efforts of the United States government to try and silence one of the most open rock and roll musician by the name John Lennon. John Lennon became so popular because he was so outspoken and as well as the rallies that he held on the issue of antiwar during the Vietnam War era. John was rallying and fighting for peace in the late 1960s and the beginning of the 1970s. The attempts of the United States government under the presidency of Richard Nixon to silence John Lennon increase his fame and popularity. John's fame is also attributed by the Vietnam –era struggle between him and administrator Richard Nixon. News of failed and massacred troops in the U.S circulated thus creating a lot of tension; John acted as the people's voice.

The attempts to silence John Lennon by the U.S government show as a government that failed to protect and respect the freedom of speech by the citizens. There were high consequences for John Lennon and his crisis with the government of the U.S. The film makers of this documentary uncover the truth that John faced under Richard Nixon such as efforts to isolate John Lennon and eventually deport him to an unknown location to his followers and believers. This was an ill act of the government to people exercising their right to freedom of speech. John Lennon is viewed as a threat by the government of U.S because of speaking his mind and holding peace rallies.

The movies cover part of silencing John and his other followers that that were together with John involved in the anti war activism. In the entire film, the viewers can see both

sides of the coin: the audience can see the protests and events John Lennon and Yoko Ono had organized, which include such as the famous "Give Peace a Chance" rally and ideas such as the bagism and the bed peace. There is also increased fear in the U.S government security such as the C.I .A. this led to a deportation notice that was found in John's house that notified him that his temporary stay in the United States was over and that he had to leave. The film exposes the somewhat peculiar behavior of the CIA and police division over John Lennon and other existing activist behavior and referring also to issues like drug abuse.

On my opinion, it was fair that the U.S government stopped John Lennon from becoming a U.S citizen. This is due t the fact that John had several followers on his anti war campaign, therefore, making him a U.S citizen would have granted him the full rights the U.S citizen enjoys and this would make it hard for the government to stop or control him. As a result, this would weaken the citizens' trust and hopes in the government and thus making the citizen s to lose confidence in their government.

In relation to the high rating that this movie received from its viewers, it is evident that people often support their opinions of such material on unsophisticated political sympathies instead of objective evaluation of filmmaking expertise. This is a compelling documentary as it just talks about involvement of John pennon in the Vietnam War. It does not state the cause or end the Vietnam War. John Lennon was assassinated in the year 1980, the U.S government could have been involved in his death due to the previous attempt to silence him, and however, due to the lack of evidence and facts it is not clear the involvement of the U.S government in the assassination of John Lennon.