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Licensing Sub-Committee

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Supplementary Information: Agenda Item 6 – Leeds Palestinian Film Festival

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Leeds Palestinian Film Festival 2022 - Officer Comments

Title	Synopsis provided by the Applicant	Applicant's Recommended Rating	Licensing Officer Comments
Hanan Hashrawi: A Woman of her Time	A 1996 Documentary following part of the life of Hanan Hashrawi, a Palestinian politician.	15	Scenes throughout of aggressive tactics used to disperse protesters which are well within the BBFC guidance regarding a 15 certificate ie. does not dwell on the infliction of pain or injury.
Frontiers of Dreams & Fears	A 2001 Documentary explores the lives of a group of Palestinian children growing and teenage girls up in refugee camps. Two girls live in refugee camps miles apart manage to communicate and become friends despite the overwhelming barriers.	15	No concerns with the promoter's recommended 15 rating.
Roadmap to Apartheid	A 2012 Documentary comparing the many similar laws and tools used by both Israel and apartheid-era South Africa, using archival material and anecdotes from South Africans and Palestine.	15	<p>Various scenes of violence against protesters including the use of the enforcement dogs, being hit with sticks, use of rubber bullets and a scene an injured man with blood on his face.</p> <p>The work is justified by the context in which it shown and meets the BBFC classification guidelines for a 15 rating.</p>
Tantura	A 2022 Documentary unearthing new information about the one of the Palestinian villages that were depopulated in 1948 and what the "Nakba" means in Israeli society.	15	No concerns with the promoter's recommended 15 rating.
Boycott	A 2022 Documentary tracing the impact of state legislation designed to penalize individuals and companies that choose to boycott Israel due to its human rights record. The film looks at the implications of anti-boycott legislation and follows everyday Americans standing up to protect our rights in an age of shifting politics and threats to freedom of speech.	15	<p>A number of short scenes of aggression towards protestors – minimal violence.</p> <p>No concerns with the promoter's recommended 15 rating.</p>

Tour Wadi Hilweh, Silwan	Documentary about arts projects showing resistance to illegal settlers in Silwan, a Palestinian neighbourhood situated in East Jerusalem.	15	No concerns with the promoter's recommended 15 rating.
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