F5700  FIRST BLOOD  (USA, 1982)
(Other titles: Acorralado; Rambo; Rambo: First blood)

**Credits:** director, Ted Kotcheff; writers, Michael Kozoll, William Sackheim, Sylvester Stallone; story, David Morrell.

**Cast:** Sylvester Stallone, Richard Crenna, Brian Dennehy.

**Summary:** Action/adventure film set in contemporary Washington State. John Rambo (Stallone), an ex-Green Beret and a peacetime misfit, is haunted by memories of Vietnam. Falling foul of an over-zealous small-town sheriff (Dennehy), all hell is let loose as he goes on the run. In the life or death manhunt that ensues, he will need all his old skills to stay alive and outwit his pursuers—the sheriff, his posse, and more than 200 National Guardsmen.

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