T3250 TEAM AMERICA : WORLD POLICE (USA, 2004)

Credits: director, Trey Parker ; writers, Trey parker, Matt Stone, Pam Brady.
Cast: (voices) Trey Parker, Matt Stone, Kristen Miller, Mesasa Moyo, Daran Norris, Phil Hendrie, Maurice LaMarche.
Summary: Puppet film/satire by the creators of the television series South Park set in the contemporary U.S., Europe, the Middle East and Asia. A group of heroic figures span the globe protecting democracy and freedom against terrorism and destroying numerous monuments (like the Eiffel Tower, the Louvre and the pyramids) along the way. Learning that power hungry North Korea dictator Kim Jong Il is out to destroy the world, the team recruits Broadway star Gary Johnston to go undercover as a terrorist. With the help of Team America, Gary manages to slip into an arms dealer’s hideout to uncover the plan to destroy the world. Team America must stop the dictator’s peace conference, which is a ruse to allow him to attack the world with his weapons of mass destruction. In the course of his recruitment, Gary Johnston pays a visit to the Vietnam Memorial as he tries to decide his future.

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