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## W2830 THE WATCHERS III (USA, 1994)

**Credits:** director, Jeremy Stanford ; writer, Michael Palmer.

**Cast:** Wings Hauser, Gregory Scott Cummins, Daryl Roach, John Linton, Lolita Ronalds.

**Summary:** Science fiction/horror film set in the South American jungle. A *Predator* imitator, based on concepts from a novel by Dean Koontz. A top-secret experiment spawned two highly intelligent life-forms: Einstein, a golden retriever with an IQ of 175; and The Outsider, a deformed monstrosity that exists to kill. Einstein has been trained to infiltrate enemy camps and serve as a living homing beacon for the monster. In this sequel, the Outsider escapes into the jungles of Central America. The NSA, government agency behind the experiment, sends in four ex-military convicts (who are promised full pardons and reinstatement) to search for a non-existent American military base. The soldiers, described as ex-Special Forces types, are led by Major Ferguson (Hauser). One of the men (Cummins) identifies himself as a Vietnam vet which earns some contemptuous remarks from the youngest patrol member (Linton). Once in the jungle, the patrol finds only a camp full of slaughtered Central American soldiers, Einstein, and a young boy the dog has protected. Ferguson eventually realizes he and his team are being used as a field test and have been betrayed by the NSA. His patrol members are picked off one-by-one, but Ferguson reaches the escape helicopter. He finds it has been rigged to explode. He turns the bomb into a trap for the monster and then heads for freedom with the dog and the boy.

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