



# NEW YEAR'S EVE IN COLOGNE

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## SYNOPSIS

Cologne, New Year's Eve 2015: The central place of Germany's fourth-largest city becomes a legal vacuum, a place where the state loses control – and leaves its citizens behind. On this night hundreds of women are robbed and sexually assaulted. The state fails to recognize the scope of the problem, the police are helpless. It is a story that gripped the entire world. Issues as the safety in a constitutional state, correct dealing with foreigners, and the refugee crisis add fuel to the fire.

Following nine months of intensive research, the film reveals never before seen and heard archive material that will help clear up the events. Victims and eye witnesses, police officials, prosecutors, politicians and journalist are given the chance to speak up.

## CAST AND CREW

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ORIGINAL TITLE

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