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Double R Productions Captures History with the U.S. Department of State

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Double R Productions' President, Rosemary Reed and Associate Producer Megan Kimball were one of the select few from outside the U.S. Dept. of State invited to the screening of "We Touch Lives" the Lebanon Oral History Video at the U.S. State Department in August 2008. The 20-minute documentary video, produced by **Double R Productions** last spring, describes the incredible efforts made by State Department personnel to evacuate nearly 15,000 Americans out of Lebanon in 2006. The video brought back many memories, but also shed new light on acts of courage and determination. Many audience members, including former U.S. Ambassador Jeffrey Feltman who was the Ambassador to Lebanon during the evacuation, were brought to tears as intense emotions of the evacuation were brought back to life.

Double R Productions screened boxes of interview tapes and sorted through pages and pages of transcripts to create a video that depicted both the challenges and pressures that the State Department faced during the evacuation and also touched on the valuable lessons learned afterwards. With the genius of **Double R Productions'** Senior Editor Michael Gionis and his Avid Adrenaline System, **Double R** was able to turn what looked like unusable footage into sharp and clean interviews for the doc. Kimball coordinated with her contacts from the U.S. Department of Defense and the Naval Media Center to find real evacuation footage and photos that were shot by military personnel during the crisis.

"We were proud to attend the screening. The efforts made by the State Department during the evacuation were inspiring. We are excited to be part of sharing this story of inspiration and record of heroic efforts and useful training tool for future crisis to others" stated **Double R Productions' President**, Rosemary Reed.

Double R Productions is a full service communications firm, specializing in film, television and all manner of media production in Washington, D.C. Projects include public service announcements, original programming, non-broadcast productions for corporate/non-profit organizations and government agencies as well as video news releases and commercials.

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Double R Productions' President, Rosemary Reed and Associate Producer Megan Kimball holds a binder full of interview transcripts that needed days of sorting and organizing to find the perfect bites for the piece.