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In the spring of 2010, Army intelligence analyst Private First Class Bradley E. Manning purportedly handed over the largest cache ever of classified documents to the internet activist and hacker Julian Assange. Private Manning allegedly leaked a video and the trove of restricted cables with the hope to incite “worldwide discussion, debates and reforms.” Assange’s stated mission is to embarrass the US into maximum transparency through his whistle-blowing website, WikiLeaks. In *Wiki Secrets*, FRONTLINE follows the trail of both Manning and Assange to uncover the truth behind the leaks. Veteran correspondent Martin Smith also talks to the major players in the case, including an exclusive interview with Private Manning’s father who speaks out for the first time about his son’s upbringing and troubled youth, Manning’s time in the Army, and why he still believes his son did not hand over the classified documents to WikiLeaks. This film explores the issues at stake—from free speech to cyber security, and reports on the US government’s struggle to protect national security information and the dilemma posed by the need to increase information-sharing in a post-9/11 world.

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