



Major fight begins

Clip from 'This World, Outbreak: The Truth About Ebola'

BARACK OBAMA:

The world still has an opportunity to save countless lives. Right now the world has a responsibility to act, to step up and to do more.

NARRATOR:

Ten months after the outbreak began, the fight back was underway. The United States sent in thousands of troops and medics, and the UK and other countries followed suit. The UN created a new emergency mission to coordinate the response. Work began building new treatment centres and training burial teams. But the virus was still running ahead of the medics.

In an age of cheap international travel, the disease threatened to spread beyond Africa. Cases in Spain, Britain and America forced the disease into the headlines around the world.

NEWSCASTER:

A second healthcare worker in Dallas has tested positive for the Ebola virus. Public health officials confirm the first human to human transmission of Ebola in the US...

TONY BANBURY:

We definitely arrived too late, I mean, there's no doubt about that. I was absolutely petrified our plan wasn't going to work. I was scared to death. I was afraid it would just be like this black plague with this inexorable spread across the continent and beyond.

We were also deathly afraid that, oh, someone would get on a plane and go to Dakar or Jakarta or Johannesburg, somewhere, and land in an urban setting and Ebola get totally out of control. We didn't have a Plan B.