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# Justifying War

## Scenes from the Hutton Inquiry

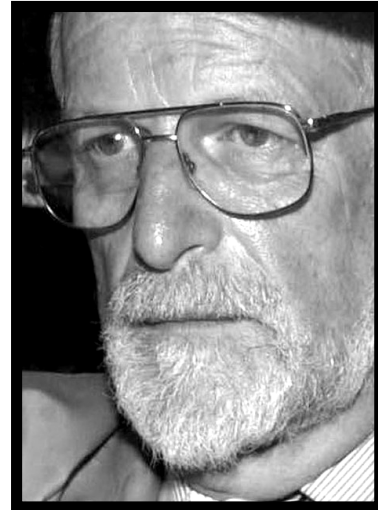
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Dr David Kelly was the British Government's chief advisor on Iraq's chemical and biological weapons programme. After being named as the source of media claims about the 'sexing up' of a government dossier on Weapons of Mass Destruction [WMD], the scientist disappeared on a long walk in his native Cornwall.

The next day police found his body. He had killed himself.

Lord Hutton's Inquiry into his death, through the questioning of government ministers and civil servants, reveals as never before the inner working of the BBC, the Ministry of Defence and Downing Street.



Compiled from edited transcripts of the actual inquiry, this is the first time that this play has been performed outside the famous Tricycle Theatre in North London.

Britain's ongoing involvement in the Iraq War, brought about by PM Tony Blair's acceptance of the '45 minute deployment' of WMD - since revealed as blatantly untrue - ensures that this unique insiders' view of Westminster and the BBC is still extremely topical. Primarily, though, **Justifying War** is a human drama about one man's ill-fated fight for truth in the face of huge political forces.

*Directed by Mark Campbell*

**Tickets** £6.50

**Time** 8pm (no performance on Sunday 25 May)

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