

## CFCCA Archive & Library Record Summary

**Identifier:** GB3451/DC/1/3

**Name:** DVD 'Empire's Borders I: Exhibition copy'

**Local Identifier(s)**

DC/1/3 (local reference number)

**Date(s):**

2008-2009 ()

**Creator(s)**

**Access status:** Open

**Scope and Content**

DVD containing the color & black and white single channel video installation 'Empire's Borders I' by Chen chieh-jen.

'Empire's Borders I', looks at individual's experiences with border controls and visa between Taiwan and mainland China, based on the artist's The Illegal Immigrant blog. The work features 8 Taiwanese applicants and 8 Mainland Chinese spouses immigrating to Taiwan on marriage visas retelling their stories sat at desks and speaking into a mirror.

The work compares these two situations to explore global hierarchies of border control policies, and the disciplinary tactics dominant countries deploy when dealing with people of other nations. The video also critiques the Taiwanese government's domineering attitude and use of Cold War ideologies in dealing with weaker individuals from other regions. ( 26mins 49secs )

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[Chen, Chieh-jen, \(b. 1960\), artist](#) (has creator)

**Related places**

[China \(mainland\)](#)

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[Taiwan, Republic of China](#) ()

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