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**RE: THE RETURN – short film by Bo Tanas**

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Michael James Regan, an actor and owner/producer of Toronto-based indie production company Backlash Pictures. I've been acting/producing in the industry for over 10 years and have produced 7 features and dozens of high-concept shorts in the last 2.5 years – with 4 features in development for this year.

When I was introduced to Bo Tanas by our shared colleague and producer, Byron Martin I wasn't looking to add another project to my slate. However, once I read the script & pitch deck for *The Return* I was impressed by the amount of passion and direct detail of Bo's vision. I instantly felt this could be something special, evoking emotion, cinematography and the spark behind award-winners. Therefore, I told Bo I had to be a part of it as *The Return* has the potential to premiere at key film festivals like TIFF (The Toronto International Film Festival), Sundance, SXSW and Cannes.

I will be attaching some of my widely-respected feature film colleagues:

- **Cinematographer** - Russ De Jong ([www.northfilmco.com](http://www.northfilmco.com))
- **Sound Editor** - Bret Killoran ([www.bretkilloran.com](http://www.bretkilloran.com))
- **Music Composer** - Steve Cupani ([www.stevecupani.com](http://www.stevecupani.com))
- **Production Designer** – Vince Moskowec (<https://www.imdb.com/name/nm2375283>)
- **Costume Designer** – Melissa Bessey <https://pro.imdb.com/name/nm9409720>

Short films are generally calling cards and not money makers, although it's always possible that this film could recoup its investment. However, this is not a guarantee and no one should get involved if they don't believe in the project.

With my passion, experience and team, *The Return*'s anti-war message of reunion and reconciliation is something you will be proud to be invest in. If you are interested in being a part of something special and great artistic potential, then consider getting involved.

Feel free to contact me with any questions,

Sincerely,



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