BOOTS ON THE GROUND

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BLACK SCREEN

CRIES of a newborn baby.

FADE IN:

EXT. SIDEWALK - DAY

Cracked slabs. Distant CHILDISH LAUGHTER.

ARAB CHILD's feet step on the slab. WHITE CHILD's feet stand opposite. Both face each other, toes twitching.

White Child gently kicks Arab's shin. Both kids GIGGLE. White Child kicks Arabs's shin harder. Only one child LAUGHS.

Arab Child kicks back, strikes his toes into White's shin.

Silence.

White retaliates, kicks Arab's shin so hard it produces a gaping wound in his skin. Blood drips onto the ground.

Arab kicks back! Harder. White backs away from the slab.

BLACK BOOTS appear in White's place.

Black Boots kick Arab's shin, easily sending him off the slab.

BROWN BOOTS appear opposite Black Boots.

Brown Boots and Black Boot exchange vicious kicks, blood drips from their battered, bruised shins on to the pavement.

SOUND: In the distance -- BOMBS drop. EXPLOSIONS. Victims SCREAM. CRIES from grieving families.

Black Boots and Brown Boots kick each other until their skin is torn. They're worn out, each kick becomes weaker.

They collapse, boots face each other, heel to heel.

Silence.

FADE TO BLACK.