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xXx - REACTIVATED with VIN DIESEL in An Action-movie franchise

To be released on January 18, in FRANCE

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USPA NEWS - xXx: Reactivated is a 2017 American action film directed by D. J. CARUSO and written by F. Scott FRAZIER. To be released in 2D, RealD 3D and IMAX 3D. It is the third installment in the xXx franchise and a sequel to both xXx (2002) and xXx : State of the Union (2005)...

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Directed by : D. J. Caruso
Produced by : Joe Roth, Jeff Kirschenbaum, Vin Diesel, Samantha Vincent
Based on : Characters by Rich Wilkes
Starring : Vin Diesel, Donnie Yen, Deepika Padukone, Kris Wu, Ruby Rose, Tony Jaa, Nina Dobrev, Toni Collette,Samuel L. Jackson, Ice Cube
Distributed by : Paramount Pictures
Running time : 107 minutes
Release dates : January 5, 2017 (Mexico City), January 18, 2017 (France), January 20, 2017 (United States)

THE STORY :

NSA Agent Augustus Gibbons (Samuel L. Jackson) attempts to recruit footballer Neymar Jr. for the xXx program when a satellite crashes in Brazil, apparently killing them both. Shortly afterwards, a team of four skilled individuals led by Xiang (Donnie Yen) infiltrates the highly guarded CIA headquarters in order to retrieve "Pandora's Box", a device which is capable of controlling satellites to crash at specific locations as warheads. CIA Agent Jane Marke (Toni Collette) tracks down former xXx operative Xander Cage (Vin Diesel), who faked his death and has been living in self-imposed exile in the Dominican Republic, and convinces him to return to active service to retrieve the device....

OUR REVIEW :

This is the third in the series that started in 2002 by introducing Vin DIESEL as Xander CAGE, an extreme sports badass recruited by an NSA boss (Samuel L. Jackson) to go undercover and flex his muscles. Vin DIESEL became the action genre´s lost hero after the first XXX film, in which he played the skateboarding XXX-treme sports guy recruited by Samuel L Jackson to fight for justice... Then he got killed off for the 2005 sequel. From then on, he appeared to concentrate on the hugely lucrative Fast & Furious series and his much-cherished sci-fi action hero Riddick.

Then, here he comes back in a new film made possible by Chinese co-production investment. So, we discover that his death was a fake, but this film spends zero plot time on trying to style that out.... Anyway, we have several very entertaining action scenes.

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