

## Film Review: 'Long Shot' Awkwardly Combines Politics & Romance

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CHICAGO – "Long Shot" is a bit of a hybrid that can't quite decide what it wants to be. Is it a political satire, or is it another in a long line of Seth Rogen stoner comedies with a little rom com thrown in for good measure? It's a little of both, with the shaggy dog stoner comedy the dominant form ... making it a somewhat jarring and incongruous fit with the more political elements of this comedy.



Charlize Theron is Secretary of State Charlotte Field, who is planning her own run for the White House. Fred (Rogen) is a journalist for a "Vice" kind of news operation who quits his job when the site is bought by a conservative media mogul. He's hired by Charlotte to help punch up her speeches to humanize her and raise her likability scores. But they also have a personal history, since she used to babysit him when he was in middle school.

"Long Shot" opens everywhere on May 3rd. Featuring Charlize Theron, Seth Rogen, June Diane Raphael, O'Shea Jackson Jr., Bob Odenkirk and Alexander Skarsgard. Written by Dan Sterling and Liz Hannah. Directed by Jonathan Levine. Rated "R"

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Charlize Theron and Seth Rogen in 'Long Shot'



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