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## MADS MIKKELSEN IS PLAYING IN STAR WARS : ROGUE ONE

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**USPA NEWS** - "Star Wars: Rogue One" released the first image of the full cast at Disney's D23 Expo, confirming the stars as Felicity Jones, Diego Luna, Ben Mendelsohn, Donnie Yen, Jiang Wen, Forest Whitaker, Mads Mikkelsen, Alan Tudyk and Riz Ahmed...

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"Rogue One" takes place before the events of "Star Wars: A New Hope" & will be a departure from the saga films but have elements that are familiar to the "Star Wars" universe," said Kennedy in a statement. "It goes into new territory, exploring the galactic struggle from a ground-war perspective while maintaining that essential "Star Wars" feel that fans have come to know...

...Gareth is such an innovative director, & I'm so excited to be working with him & the extraordinary ensemble cast he's selected for "Rogue One." (Variety)

Mads Mikkelsen said to Danish tabloid Ekstra Bladet (StarWars7News's translation) : "No, my character is actually not a bad guy, and then I can not say more. I can also say that the movie will be shot in Iceland and England. And the filming will last for three months."

The next standalone film in the "Star Wars" franchise, a Han Solo origin story, is slated for release on May 25, 2018. The film will be written by Lawrence Kasdan and his son Jon Kasdan, with "21 Jump Street's" Phil Lord and Chris Miller directing.

"Star Wars: Rogue One" will hit theaters on December 16, 2016.

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