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ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY: The film bears a slight similarity to Conquest of the Planet of the Apes, the fourth film in Apes series. Did you use that film as a signpost for Rise? RICK JAFFA: Not in the beginning! We laid out the story and pitched the idea to Fox, and had gotten hired, and okayed to write and produce this thing. It was at that point we went back and started studying the old movies. We already had the movie laid out. I think some of the connections to Conquest are on purpose, but others are coincidental. “Unlikely character becoming a leader and leading his people to freedom” — it’s also a Moses story. ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY: If this is the Moses story — a leader taking his people to freedom — then do you see the potential sequel as a kind

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