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Ouroboros was first performed during the World Music Contest in the city of Kerkrade, The Netherlands on the 22nd of July 2022 by Fanfare de Eendracht conducted by Marcel Visser

Fanfare De Eendracht won first blace out of 14 participating bands in the first division

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## INSTRUMENTATION FANFARE BAND

Soprano saxophone in Bb 1 & 2 Alto saxophone in Eb 1 & 2 Tenor saxophone in Bb 1 & 2 Baritone saxophone in Eb

Cornet in Eb Flugelhorn in Bb 1, 2 & 3 Horn in F 1, 2, 3 & 4

Trumpet 1 (two players), 2 & 3 in Bb Tenor trombone 1, 2 & 3 Bass trombone

> Euphonium & 2 in bb Tuba ka Eb Tuba in bb

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#### Percussion 1

small triangle, sespended cynbal, high wood block, bell tree, drum set, lockdown sespe, um (frame drum), metal cans, tam-tam

#### Percussion 2

 $clash\ cymbals, finger\ cymbals, ba\ drum, suspended\ cymbal, whip, low\ wood\ block, tam-tam\ (+Asian\ gong), small\ triangle$ 

#### Mallets 1

locke spiel tobular bells, tambourine, large tibetan singing bowl

#### Mallets 2

braphone, suspended cymbal, xylophone, tubular bells

Piano

#### comments:

#### Lockdown sirene

A by-sounding, large, stand-up sirene is preferable. If this is not available, a hand sirene will suffice.

#### Large Tibetan singing bowl

instruction is a necessity due to its symbolic nature. The resonating tone is produced by rubbing the rim of the bowl with a special mallet. This may prove difficult in the beginning, but with practice and time the technique can be mastered.

#### Daf:

The Persian frame drum called the Daf is readily available throughout the world. If the orchestra can get hold of the Uyghur variant, called the Dap, then that instrument is preferred.

#### Asian gong:

If available, a large Asian gong tuned in Eb replaces the tam-tam in measures 95, 98, 110, 262 and 265. Everywhere else the tam-tam stays in use.

#### Metal cans:

The metal cans played by percussion 1 from measure 233 onwards should consist of one small high pitched can, one large low pitched can and one large oil barrel.

#### PRELUDE:

Ouroboros is a reflection on the never-ending process of sultural assimilation, one culture morphing into another; This can happer in either a natural or a forced manner. One of the prime examples of this process going wrong is the ongoing tension between the Chinese and the Typher people.

After several terrorist attacks by radical Uyghur grups, the Chinese government has conducted a gruesome repression on the Uyghur people to eradicate their cultural and traditional values. This has culminated in one million Uyghurs being locked up in so called 're-education camps' as of 2022.

The composition takes us to the desolate by dscapes of Xinjiang which is located in the western part of China. Calls from the desert, sand drifts and the inhospitable surroundings are forming the first part of the work, which is aggressively disrupted by the lock-lown and imprisonment of the Uyghur people by the Chinese government.

In the second part we are being ransported to the coastal areas of China where Chinese youth are dancing lively in the clubs, not knowing about the horrors which take place a couple of thousand kilometers further away. This is symbolized by three kinds of dance music: a Uyghur dance, EDM and Trap/Hip Hop.

When we arrive at the third part, we are going back to the beginning and reflect upon the dire stuation. The open question which lingers is:

will this story have a good ending?

I win kindly express my gratitude to the Uyghur refugee who helped me in he making of this project. You can not be named, but you know who you are

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