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The Power Plant's new Director I Lisa Neighbour at Katharine Mulherin I Models for Taking Part at the Justina M. Barnicke Gallery I Ineffable Plasticity & Human/Nature at MOCCA I Kristin Ledgett at Communication Art Gallery

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Renzo Martens, Episode III: Enjoy Poverty, 2009, film

An intense array of politically-oriented documentary-style work is on display at the Justina M. Barnicke Gallery in the group show Models for Taking Part. Artur Zmijewski's video onslaught in the ten-channel Democracies does more to highlight the underlying historical injustices that still remain of the global playing field than any one episode of Democracy Now. The resulting cacophony captures something of the overwhelming noise of truth. Renzo Martens' ninety-minute documentary, Episode III: Enjoy Poverty, is slightly more linear in its investigations and rewards the time spent watching it from beginning to end. Just be prepared to spend the afternoon in the dark and bring snacks.