

《曼德拉追悼会 奥巴马丹麦女首相玩自拍》

For the thousands of mourners inside Johannesburg's FNB Stadium it was meant to be a fitting tribute to a 'giant of history'.

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But while some reflected on the remarkable life of Nelson Mandela, some world leaders saw it as the perfect opportunity to grab a quick 'selfie' with their peers.

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Perhaps not in keeping with the tone of a memorial service, US President Barack Obama, Prime Minister David Cameron and Danish leader Helle Thorning-Schmidt grinned as they cosied up for a quick picture at today's memorial service for the former South African president, prompting an outpouring of criticism.

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As the trio posed for the mobile phone snap, Obama's wife Michelle sat alongside her husband looking less than impressed.

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Obama had earlier paid an emotional tribute to Nelson Mandela, calling the South African leader a 'giant of history' as he spoke in a stadium.

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To people watching inside the FNB stadium and in the wider South Africa, he said: "The world thanks you for sharing Nelson Mandela with us. His struggle was your struggle. His triumph was your triumph."

