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They 'thought we could be frightened off with rockets and tanks', President Lukashenko says

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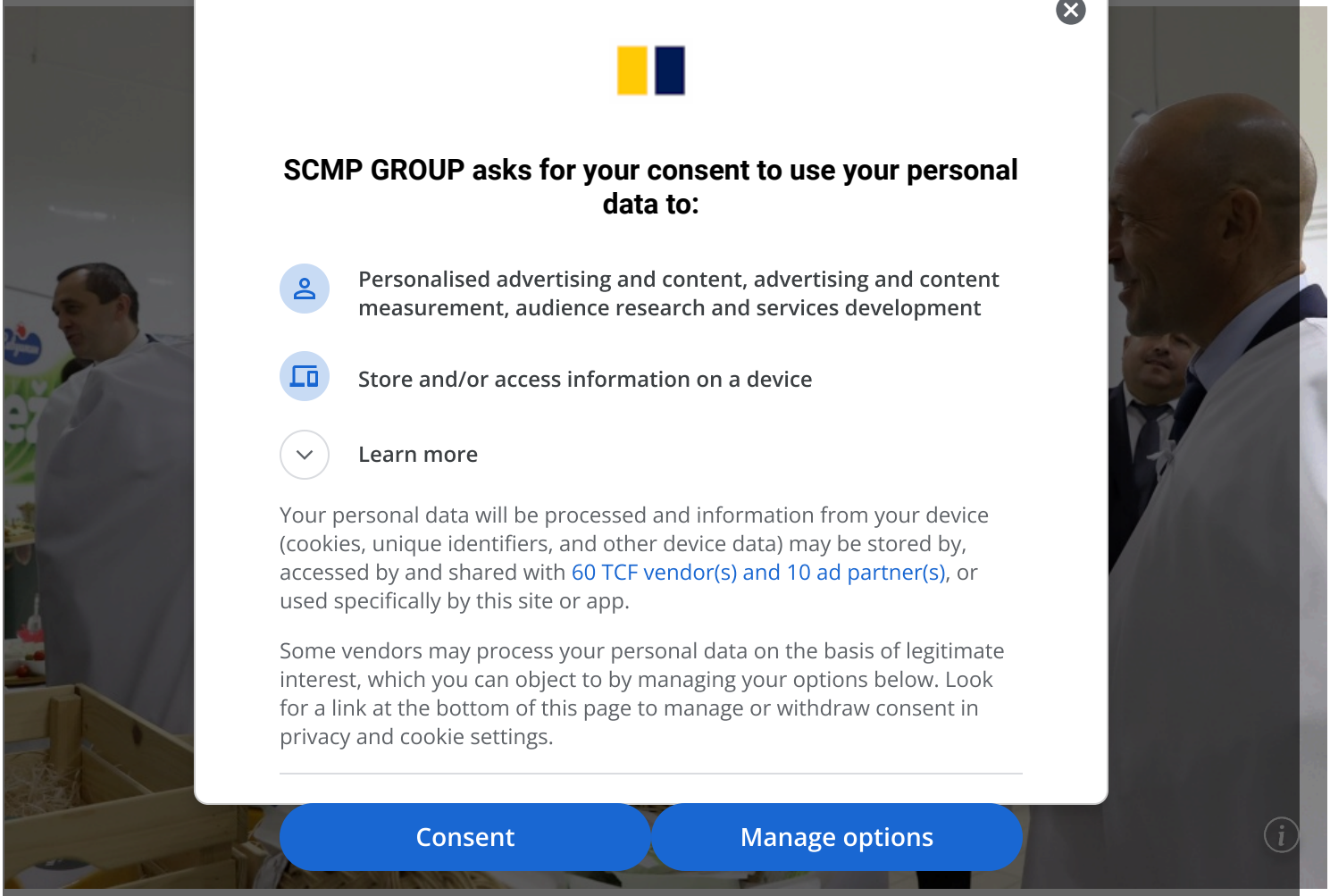

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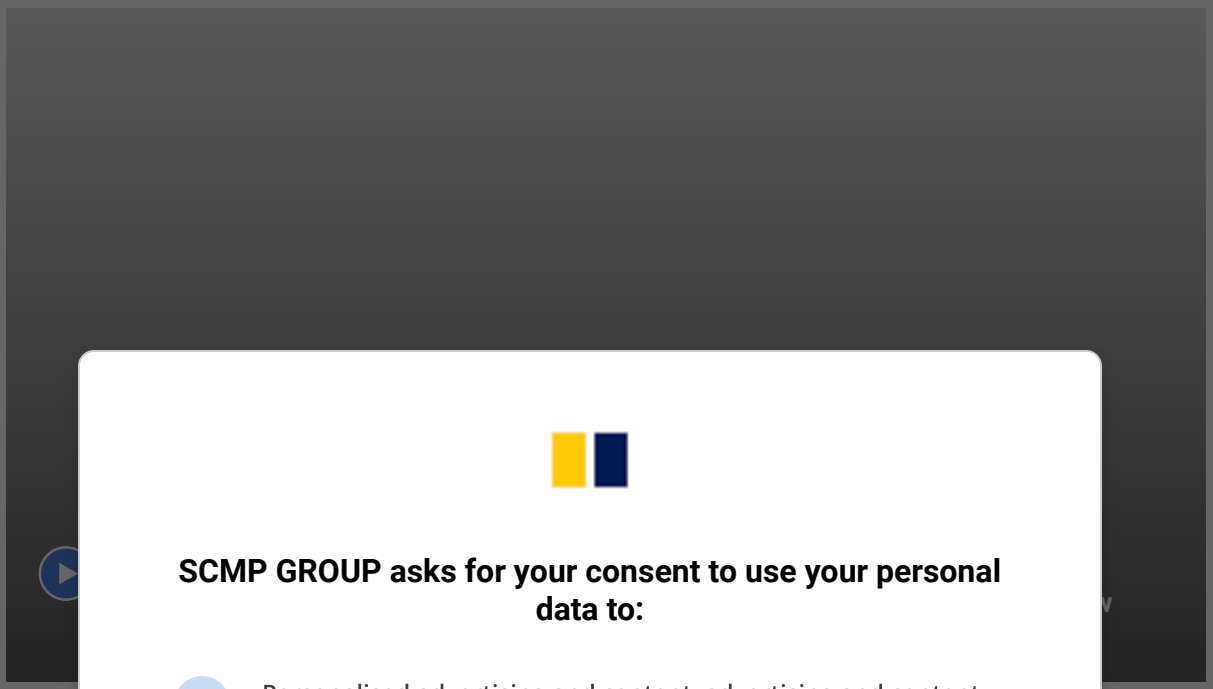

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