

POLAND IN THE HEART OF EUROPEAN HISTORY

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Our Main Anniversaries 2022

IN 2022, ROUND ANNIVERSARIES OF SEVERAL IMPORTANT EVENTS FROM THE HISTORY OF POLAND WILL TAKE PLACE:

130th anniversary

The birth of General Stanisław Maczek -
31.03.1894

General lieutenant Stanisław Maczek was one of the most outstanding Polish commanders of the Second World War, the commander of the 1st Polish Armoured Division, and later of the I Polish Army Corps under Allied Command in 1942-45. He is buried among his soldiers at the Polish military cemetery in Breda, the Netherlands.

The birth of General Stanisław Sosabowski -
8.05.1894

Polish general during the II WW, he was the commander of the Polish 1st Independent Parachute Brigade, which he commanded during the Battle of Arnhem; one of the participants of the operation "Market Garden".

The birth of General Władysław Anders -
11.08.1894

distinguished Polish commander, participant of

Polish-Bolshevik War, Polish general during the II WW, he was the commander-in-chief of the Polish Armed Forces in the USSR and 2 Polish Corps (2 KP) - higher tactical union of the Polish Armed Forces. He organized the forming of Polish military units in USSR and led them through the combat trail.

1922 - 100th anniversary

Incorporation of Vilnius to Poland - 20.02.1922

The Vilnius Sejm voted to join the city to Poland as the effect of the Polish military operation carried out by general Lucjan Żeligowski

The Gdynia Seaport Construction Act passed by the Polish Parliament (Sejm) - 13.09.1922

A new port under the Polish authorities control was a necessity in order to provide Poland with access to sea routes and a naval base in the face of the uncertain situation in the Free City of Gdańsk.

1932 - 90th anniversary

The first breaking of the Enigma I ciphertexts by the Cipher Bureau by the team of three mathematicians from Poznań - December 1932

The team headed by Marian Rejewski included Marian Rejewski and Henryk Zygalski. They managed to decode the first telegram. That allowed to get to know top secret German military correspondence.

1942 - 80th anniversary

The establishment of the Home Army (Armia Krajowa - AK) - 14.02.1942

Związek Walki Zbrojnej (ZWZ - The Union of Armed Struggle) - Polish underground organization during World War II, was transformed into the Home Army. It was done by order of Władysław Sikorski - the Commander-in-Chief. He renamed ZWZ in order to confirm the military nature of the Polish underground organization consolidating various political and armed organizations.

The establishment of "Żegota" - 4.12.1942

Żegota (full codename: the "Konrad Żegota Committee") was the Polish Council to Aid Jews with the Government Delegation for Poland (Rada Pomocy Żydom przy Delegaturze Rządu RP na Kraj), an underground Polish resistance organization and part of the Polish Underground State, active 1942-45 in German-occupied Poland. Operatives of Żegota worked in extreme circumstances - under threat of death by the Nazi forces. Poland was the only country in German-occupied Europe where such a government-established and -supported underground organization existed.

1952 70th anniversary

The first broadcast of Radio "Wolna Europa" (Radio Free Europe) from Munich in Polish - 3.05.1952

The broadcasts of Polish section of a United States government funded organization were the source of information for many Polish people. In time of

PRL (Polish People's Republic) it was the most frequently listened to (and systematically jammed) foreign radio.

The Madden Committee Report was published in USA - 22.12.1952

The Committee established in 1951 to conduct an investigation about the Katyn Forest Massacre under the leadership of Ray John Madden, congressman from Indiana, unanimously pointed out that the Soviet Union was responsible for mass executions of Polish military officers and intelligentsia and recommended a trial before the International World Court of Justice.

1927 95th anniversary

The announcement of Dąbrowski's Mazurka as the official national anthem of Poland - 26.02.1927

Polish patriotic song written in 1797, from the very beginning has accompanied Poles in their struggle to regain independence.

A new coat of arms of the Second Republic of Poland according to the design of Zygmunt Kamiński - 13.12.1927

Polish painter and graphic - Zygmunt Kamiński designed the emblem of crowned eagle; his archetype is the dynastic herb of the Piasts, the first rulers of Poland.