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**13 APRIL 1990** THE RUSSIANS ADMIT THEIR RESPONSIBILITY: THE KATYN LIE ENDS

**1969**: REMAINS OF POLISH OFFICERS IN THE PYATIKHATKY FOREST NEAR KHARKIV DESTROYED WITH CHEMICALS

**1959**: THE PERSONAL FILES OF POLISH OFFICERS MURDERED IN KATYN ARE DESTROYED, AS PROPOSED BY KGB CHAIRMAN SHELEPIN

**DECEMBER 1952**: THE MADDEN COMMITTEE CONFIRMS SOVIET GUILT, BUT ITS RECOMMENDATIONS ARE NOT ADOPTED BY THE CONGRESS

**MAY 1945**: LT. COL. VAN VLIETS REPORT FOR THE PENTAGON – BURIED

**MAY 1944**: GEORGE EARLE'S REPORT FOR FDR – BURIED

**JANUARY 1944**: WESTERN JOURNALISTS WITH KATHLEEN HARRIMAN VISIT KATYN – THEY CONFIRM THE SOVIET VERSION

**30 APRIL 1943**: COL. SZYMAŃSKI'S REPORT FOR AMERICAN MILITARY INTELLIGENCE – BURIED

**15 APRIL 1943** SOVIET DEMENTI IN RESPONSE TO GERMAN ACCUSATIONS

**DEC. 1941**: STALIN'S LIE ABOUT POLISH OFFICERS FLEEING TO MANCHURIA

**1976**: THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT BOYCOTTS THE ERECTION OF A KATYN MEMORIAL IN LONDON

**1969**: THE USSR UNVEILS A MONUMENT TO THE MEMORY OF VICTIMS OF GERMAN GENOCIDE IN THE VILLAGE OF KHATYN, TRYING TO BLOT OUT KATYN FROM THE WORLD'S MEMORY

**DEC. 1945-JAN. 1946**: LENINGRAD TRIAL OF GERMAN SERVICEMEN CHARGED WITH THE KATYN MASSACRE

**AUTUMN 1945**: THE SOVIETS TRY TO CHARGE THE GERMAN DEFENDANTS IN THE NUREMBERG TRIAL WITH THE KATYN MASSACRE

**JANUARY 1944**: THE BURDENKO COMMISSION ANNOUNCES GERMAN RESPONSIBILITY

**AUTUMN 1943**: THE SOVIETS RETAKE THE AREA AND DESTROY SOME OF THE EVIDENCE

**25 APRIL 1943** THE USSR BREAKS OFF THE RELATIONS WITH POLAND IN RESPONSE TO ITS DEMANDS THAT THE KATYN CRIME BE INVESTIGATED BY THE RED CROSS

**JUNE 1943**: O'MALLEY'S REPORT FOR BRITISH GOVERNMENT: CLASSIFIED

**MAY 1943**: O'MALLEY'S LETTER TO THE POLISH GOVERNMENT: IT MUST REFRAIN ITSELF FROM PUTTING THE CASE "CLEARLY BEFORE THE PUBLIC".

## APRIL-MAY 1940: THE KATYN MASSACRE

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