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A delegation of prosecutors from the Headquarters of the Central Office of the State Justice Administrations for the Investigation of National Socialist Crimes visits the IPN



Zentrale Stelle
der Landesjustizverwaltungen
zur Aufklärung
nationalsozialistischer Verbrechen

From April 9 to April 11, 2018, a delegation of prosecutors from the Headquarters of the **Central Office of the State Justice Administrations for the Investigation of National Socialist Crimes** (*Zentrale Stelle der Landesjustizverwaltungen zur Aufklärung nationalsozialistischer Verbrechen* in Ludwigsburg, Germany, visited the Chief Commission for the Prosecution of Crimes against the Polish Nation.

The delegation was composed of the following people: the Head of the Central Office - prosecutor Jens

Rommel, a prosecutor of the Central Office - Thomas Will and translator Robert Sochacki.

The purpose of the meeting was to exchange experiences regarding the prosecution of Nazi crimes and to discuss future cooperation and mutual assistance in investigations concerning individual perpetrators of crimes committed during World War II, with particular reference to crimes committed in Nazi German concentration camps.

The prosecutors from the Chief Commission for the Prosecution of Crimes against the Polish Nation obtained more information about the criminal proceedings currently being conducted by the Central Office, particularly those in which it was possible to determine the perpetrators of crimes who are still alive as well as proceedings which had recently been completed and forwarded to individual prosecutorial offices in Germany.

The German prosecutors also provided information about the archival resources located in Ludwigsburg and the possibilities of their use by prosecutors and historians from the IPN's investigative division. They also informed the hosts about the current case law of German courts regarding crimes committed during the Second World War in German concentration and death camps.

Moreover, the participants of the meeting discussed issues related to the search of people, in Germany, whose data was determined in the course of investigations in the cases of Nazi crimes conducted by the Branch Commissions for the Prosecution of Crimes against the Polish Nation and the implementation of requests for legal assistance addressed to the Headquarters of the Central Office in Ludwigsburg.

It should be emphasized that the German guests expressed great interest in the database of the concentration camp personnel being prepared by the team operating in the IPN's investigative department.

Therefore, issues related to the exchange of data in this respect were discussed between the Chief Commission for the Prosecution of Crimes against the Polish Nation and the Headquarters of the Central Office of the State Justice Administrations for the Investigation of National Socialist Crimes.

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