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38 years of Independent Self-governing Trade Union of Individual Farmers "Solidarity"

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Celebrations commemorating the 38th anniversary of the registration of the Independent Self-Governing Trade Union of Individual Farmers "Solidarity", were held in Warsaw on 12 May 2019. The President of the Institute of National Remembrance, Dr Jarosław Szarek, attended the event.

The celebrations began with a Holy Mass in the Archcathedral Basilica of the Martyrdom of Saint John the Baptist. After the mass, flowers were laid at the grave of Cardinal Stefan Wyszyński, whose support determined the recognition of the Independent Self-Governing Trade Union of Individual Farmers by the communists in 1981.

The main point of the program was a conference entitled "Yesterday ... Today ... Tomorrow ... - Difficult beginnings, clear goals. 38 years of NSZZ RI »Solidarność«", which took place in the building of the Central Agricultural Library. The meeting summarized 38 years of the activity of Individual Farmers' "Solidarity", presented the history and achievements of the Union and the profiles of its activists. During the conference, a lecture was delivered by the President of the Institute of National Remembrance, Dr Jarosław Szarek. – For years, Polish rural communities have been giving the country its best sons - emphasized the President of the Institute.

During the ceremony, the Institute of National Remembrance was honored with the Golden Statuette of the Independent Self-governing Trade Union of Individual Farmers "Solidarity" awarded in recognition of the prominent role of the IPN in the field of preserving memory and disseminating knowledge about the participation of Polish rural communities in the struggle for free Poland.

The event took place under the patronage of the President of the Republic of Poland, Andrzej Duda.

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