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The "The Fall of the Empire. The time of Polish-Lithuanian Cooperation" exhibition – Warsaw, 3–29 January 2021

"The Fall of the Empire. The time of Polish-Lithuanian Cooperation" exhibition was opened in Warsaw on 3 January 2021.







The outdoor exhibition on Polish-Lithuanian cooperation during the Lithuanian struggle for independence is currently being displayed on the fence of the Embassy of the Republic of Lithuania in Warsaw.

The presentation of the exhibition coincides with the 30th anniversary of the tragic events of 13 January 1991 in Vilnius when the Soviet army stormed the TV tower defended by the Lithuanians.

Using rich iconographic material, the exhibition recalls not only those tragic moments, but the entire journey of Lithuanians to an independent state, as well as Polish-Lithuanian cooperation in the fight

against the Soviet empire.

The second edition of the exhibition, in a new layout, was enriched with iconographic materials gathered by Piotr Hlebowicz - a Polish oppositionist and founder of the Autonomous Eastern Division of Fighting Solidarity. The topic was presented for the first time on the 20th anniversary of the events in Vilnius, as part of the exhibition shown in Cracow in January 2011. Thanks to the efforts of the Cracow Branch of the Institute of National Remembrance, the exhibition was displayed in numerous Polish cities, familiarizing their inhabitants with the history of Polish-Lithuanian relations and cooperation.

The exhibition presents the main activists, both Polish and Lithuanian, from this period and reminds the viewers of the enormous support which Poland gave Lithuania in the most difficult moments.

The authors of the exhibition did not limit themselves to presenting the events in Lithuania, they also show the echoes of those events in Poland, such as, for example, reports in the opposition press or demonstrations organized in support of the Lithuanian road to independence in the largest Polish cities.

The exhibition on Polish-Lithuanian cooperation during the Lithuanian struggle for independence was prepared in two language versions: Polish and Lithuanian

The exhibition will be on display until 29 January 2021.

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