

## Relacje Ocalalych z Holocaustu (Sygn.301)

### Holocaust Survivor Testimonies

#### RG-15.084M

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### **Custodial History**

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### **Historical Note**

The Centralny Komitet Żydów w Polsce, CKŻP (Central Committee of Jews in Poland) was the most prominent official Jewish institution in Poland following the Holocaust. CKŻP attended to the needs of Jews from fall 1944 until 1950. It sponsored a variety of programs, providing food, shelter, education, medical assistance, cultural activities, and employment services and vocational training. The CKŻP also supervised the repatriation of Jews from the Soviet Union and assisted with legal emigration. A government-funded body, it was supported financially by the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee. The Centralna Żydowska Komisja Historyczna (Central Jewish Historical Commission) was one of the units of the Centralny Komitet Żydów w Polsce (CKŻP) (Central Committee of Polish Jews). Existed in the years 1944-1947, and on local levels until 1950. The Committee mainly collected documentation of the Holocaust and conducted publishing business. The main office of the Committee was located in Łódź, Narutowicz 25 Str. Among the most active activists were: Filip Friedman, Joseph Kermisz, Bernard Ber Mark, Simon Datner, Joseph Gitler-Barski, Nachman Blumental, Artur Eisenbach and Adam Rutkowski. The Commission established many branches in all Polish provincial cities with larger Jewish population, such as Dzierżoniów, Wałbrzych, Częstochowa, Kutno, Włocławek and Żary. In years of 1947-1950 the archives of the Committee were transferred to the Żydowskie Towarzystwo Kultury, (Jewish Cultural Society), Towarzystwo Społeczno-Kulturalne Żydów w Polsce (Social and Cultural Association of Jews in Poland) and the Żydowski Instytut Historyczny (Jewish Historical Institute), which continued issuing periodicals committee: "Yiddishe Szriftn" and "Bleter far Geshichte".

### **Scope and Content of Collection**

Contains 7,200 Holocaust survivor testimonies. Testimonies describe the destruction of an entire Jewish community during World War II. From the autumn of 1944 to the summer of 1947, the Central Jewish Historical Commission developed a questionnaire and trained interviewers to record the testimonies. Survivors came forward from bunkers in the forests, from partisan units, and from newly liberated concentration and labor camps wishing to relate to the Commission's field workers what they or their families had endured during the occupation. In some cases, the survivor wrote down his/her own statements. The materials in this collection have been and continue to be used as evidence in the trials of war crimes.

## **System of Arrangement**

The system of arrangement of the source repository has been preserved in the microfilmed reels.

## **Indexing Terms**

World War, 1939-1945--Atrocities--Poland--History--20<sup>th</sup> century.

World War, 1939-1945--Personal narratives, Jewish.

Jews--Legal status, laws, etc.--Poland--20th century--Registers.

Jewish ghettos--Poland.

Jews--Segregation--Poland.

Holocaust survivors--Poland--Social conditions.

Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)--Poland

Poland--Ethnic relations--History--20th century.

Poland--History--Occupation, 1939-1945.

Testimonies.

Diaries.

# **CONTAINER LIST**

## **Note**

Published finding aid located in the USHMM Library: Jóźwik, Marek., Teresa Mahorowska, and Apolonia Umińska. *Relacje z Czasów Zagłady: Inwentarz : Archiwum ŻIH-INB, Zespół 301 (Holocaust Survivor Testimonies. Catalogue): Jewish Historical Institute Archives, Record Group 301. Wyd. 1. Warszawa: Żydowski Instytut Historyczny--Instytut Naukowo-Badawczy, 1998. Call No. Z6374. H6 Z97 1998, vol. I. No. 1-900. and vol. II. No. 901-2000; vol. III. No. 2001-3000; vol. IV. No. 3001-4000.*

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