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Professor Stanisław Kot collection**

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Biographical Note

The Polish Institute and Sikorski Museum, commonly known as Sikorski Institute, is a London-based non-governmental organization of the Polish minority in United Kingdom. It was created after the Second World War to preserve the memory of Polish armed forces in the West and their contribution to World War II, when the communist takeover of Poland made it hard and dangerous for many Poles to return home, and research and publication on those issues were banned or censored in the People's Republic of Poland. To that goal, the Sikorski institute, named after General Władysław Sikorski, has acted as a museum, archive and publishing house for much of Western Polonia, particularly with regards to Poland and Second World War issues. Rząd Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej na uchodźstwie (Government of the Republic of Poland in Exile) was established after Germany and the Soviet Union occupied Poland in September 1939. The Polish government-in-exile was first based in France, but moved to London after the French army surrendered to the Germans in mid-1940. The Allies accepted the government-in-exile as the legitimate representative of the Polish people soon after it was created. The government-in-exile allied itself with the West, as its members believed that only a total military victory over Germany would restore Poland's independence and freedom. In addition, it amassed its own land, air, and naval forces. In 1942 reports about the mass murder of Jews in Poland reached London; at that point, the Polish government-in-exile made several public declarations on the subject, and officially demanded that the Allied powers stop the Germans from continuing on their murderous crusade. In early 1943 the Polish government-in-exile begged Pope Pius XII to condemn the Nazis' actions. From December 1942 onward, the government-in-exile backed the rescue work of Żegota, which offered aid to Jews throughout occupied Poland. New Polish government established after Germany and the Soviet Union occupied Poland in September 1939. The Polish government-in-exile was first based in France, but moved to London after the French army surrendered to the Germans in mid-1940. The Allies accepted the government-in-exile as the legitimate representative of the Polish people soon after it was created. The government-in-exile allied itself with the West, as its members believed that only a total military victory over Germany would restore Poland's independence and freedom. In addition, it amassed its own land, air, and naval forces. Stanisław Kot (22 October 1885- 26 December 1975) was a Polish historian and politician, member of the Polish Government in Exile.

Scope and Content of Collection

Contains photocopies of the clandestine press, publications of various political parties and fractions, reports from occupied Poland, speeches (e.g. the speech of the Prime Minister

Mikolajczyk during his meetings with BUND), records on various Jewish cases, on Polish Government in Exile post in Teheran, Polish refugees in Teheran, Iran, Jewish children coming to Palestine from Teheran, situation of Polish Jews in France, and relations between Stanislaw Kot and General Anders, on BBC broadcast, Jerusalem (1942-1945). Includes official correspondence (e.g. on relations with USSR, Middle East, Jews in Iran, evacuation of refugees including Jews from USSR), letters, notes, and reports of the Polish Government in Exile posts from USSR, and Middle East, letters and statements on financial aids to refugees, testimonies of employees of the Polish Embassy in Kujbyszew collected by the Special Investigative Commission in Iran, and name lists of refugees in Tel-Aviv (523 names) and Jerusalem, also name list of Jews selected for evacuation from Russia, and other various name lists.

Indexing Terms

Kot, Stanisław, 1885-1975.
Anders, Władysław, 1892-1970.
Mikołajczyk, Stanisław, 1901-1966.

Rzeczpospolita Polska (Government-in-exile)
International Jewish Labor Bund.

Diplomatic and consular service, Polish.
World War, 1939-1945 -- Underground movements -- Poland.
Jewish refugees -- Europe.
Polish refugees - Teheran (Iran)

Poland -- Foreign relations --1918-1945.

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- Kol. 25/22** The Prime Minister Mikołajczyk's addresses, incl. the address at the meeting with the Bund members of May 15, 1944 (conc. the ghetto uprising)
- Kol. 25/23** Reports conc. the clandestine press, 1941-1942
- Kol. 25/24** Jewish matters 1940-1944
- Kol. 25/29** Documents conc. the Polish refugees in Teheran, 1941-1943
Correspondence between the envoy of the Minister of Social Welfare in Teheran, Wiktor Styburski and Min. St. Kot; reports conc. the Polish refugees in Teheran; various name lists and other documents of the like
- Kol. 25/35** Polish Radio – BBC
Materials sent to BBC from March 27, 1943 through April 07, 1943 and May 03, 1943
- Kol.25/38** Jerusalem 1942-1945
Materials conc. the activity of the Polish offices and organizations
- Kol. 25/60** Miscellaneous:
- March 28, 1943, The address of Camill Huysmann, the Chairman of International Socialists, homage to Ehrich and Alter
 - Nov. 01, 1942, Information conc. the Polish refugees in various states, 6 pages
 - Jly 1940, Declaration of I. Schwarzbart conc. the article in "The Jewish Chronicle"

Col. 25/1A Series A (altogether 165 files, not catalogued and the pre-war ones)

Correspondence conc. the relations in Russia, 1941-1942

A/o the dispatches in an envelope: "Jewish matters in Kuybyshev", 1942

Col. 25/11A Official correspondence conc. Russia and Middle East, to be microfilmed solely:

- July 29, 1942, Court brief conc. the shooter, Zygmunt Zylberszlag
- Dec. 20, 1942, The letter of the Chief Rabbi of Palestine, Isaac Herzog
- Jan. 18, 1943, Letter from Tel-Aviv conc. the Polish-Jewish relations

Co. 25/23A Middle East – Jewish matters 1941-1943 divided into three parts:

- Jewish matters in Teheran, 1941-1942, a/o the letter of B. Kociatkowski to T. Romer of Nov. 25, 1942 conc. the evacuation of Jews
- Jewish matters in Palestine 1941-1943, a/o the letter of Jan. 23, 1943 of the Minister of Labor conc. Jewish children coming to Palestine from Teheran

Jewish matters – general, a/o the report of Tadeusz Romer of Oct. 06, 1942, entitled "Jewish refugees from Poland on the Far East

Co. 25/25A Materials conc. the evacuation from Russia:

Lists of refugees (many Jewish names), the problem of baptized Jews, 1939-1946.

Ca 50% of the file refer to the Jewish matters

Col. 25/29A Miscellaneous, 1941-1944, for microfilming:

- Dec. 02, 1943, the letter of Władysław Banaczyk to St. Kot and the study in Polish language "Situation of Polish Jews in France", a manuscript, 16 cards

Col. 25/30A Miscellaneous, to be microfilmed solely:

The information manuscript of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency, London, June 07: "Radio Lublin accuses the Home Army of murdering Jews"

Col. 25/31A Polish Government post in Palestine and Jewish matters, 1940-1943

Co. 25/33A Polish Government post in Teheran, 1942-1943. A/o:

- Oct. 15, 1942, Letter to R. J. Casey, Ministry of State British Delegation, Teheran conc. the situation of refugees in Teheran (in English language) and a rough copy of the dispatch, 3 pages
- Oct. 12, 1942, Report of W. Styburski conc. the activity of the Polish post conc. the social welfare and people evacuated from USSR to Iran, pages 34 + 4
- Financial relief paid to the refugees from USSR to Teheran of August, 1942 (name lists).

- Kol. 25/35A Varia, do zmkrofilmowania wyłącznie:
- 08.10.1943, Nota St. Kota do J. Karskiego
 - 11.10.1943, List J. Drohojowskiego do St. Kota na temat raportów J. Karskiego oraz opinia na temat działalności Karskiego w USA
- Kol. 25/36A Varia, do zmkrofilmowania wyłącznie:
- Raport Szluchtera na temat strzelania polskich żołnierzy i oficerów do żydowskich i ukraińskich oddziałów w okręgu Lubomli (Lubomel) we wrześniu 1939r.
 - News of Prime Minister Sikorski, nr 6: Spotkanie z Prezydentem Rooseveltem dn. 09.10.1942 poświęcone stosunkom polsko-rosyjskim oraz Żydom Polskim we Francji
- Kol. 25/39A Delegatura Ministerstwa Pracy i Spraw Socjalnych w Jerozolimie - Delegat Rządu Polskiego d/s Uchodźców w Palestynie [Tadeusz Lubaczewski] 1941-43, do zmkrofilmowania całość.
- Wiele informacji dot. uchodźców, polskich organizacji, stosunków polsko-żydowskich, m.in.:
- Lista uchodźców 18.09.1942 (523 nazwiska z podaniem różnych danych osobowych, także wyznania) mieszkających w Tel-Avivie
 - Lista uchodźców z 1942 (brak dokładnej daty) mieszkających w Jerozolimie (294 nazwiska)
 - 30.08.1942, Raport T.Lubaczewskiego na temat Pomocy Społecznej Polakom z Rosji
 - Różne listy T.Lubaczewskiego do St.Kota na temat żydowskich dzieci uratowanych z Rosji, bez dat
 - Wiele różnych wykazów i list nazwisk

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- Różne raporty dot. sytuacji w ZSRR 1939-42
- Nota: „Middle age characters in communists system”, rękopis, s. 6
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