

# **DECLARATION OF COOPERATION**

## **COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF MEMORY OF COMBAT AND MARTYRDOM BY THE PRIME MINISTER OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND AND THE UNITED STATES COMMISSION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF AMERICA'S HERITAGE ABROAD**

The Council for the Protection of Memory of Combat and Martyrdom by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Poland and The United States Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad,

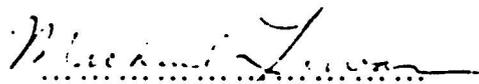
- Seeking to honor the memories of victims of repression, genocide and war and to promote knowledge of their culture and heritage,
- Expressing their deeply-held conviction that the cultural heritage of Polish and American nations constitutes an inalienable part of their civilization, their memory and their common history to be preserved, protected and transmitted to future generations

In recognition of the need for close and constant cooperation both parties declare that they will take appropriate steps to elaborate and sign an agreement later this year for cooperation in the following fields:

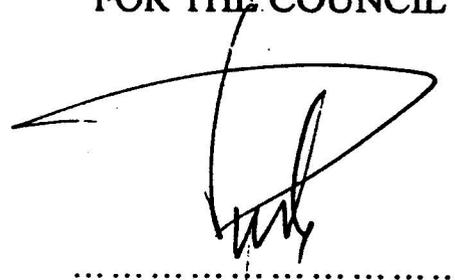
- information exchange of places of spiritual, cultural and historical significance for the American nation in Poland and Polish nation in the USA, as well as their physical state and needs concerning their protection
- development of inventories and preparation of lists of historical sites and monuments on both territories
- close cooperation to ensure adequate protection and preservation of spiritual, cultural and historical sites of significance particularly those which are in danger of partial or complete deterioration and destruction, and falling within the above mentioned inventories
- promote for future generations not only knowledge about history and victims of genocide, repression and war but also spiritual and cultural values

Signing this document both parties declare their deep hope and conviction, that the present document shall intensify the hitherto existing cooperation, and reinforce the dialogue that shall lead both governments to sign the agreement for protection and preservation of spiritual, cultural and historical sites for Polish and American nations.

FOR THE COMMISSION

  
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Warsaw, March 12, 1996.