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ASSISTANCE COMMITTEE
TO POLISH HUMAN RIGHTS AND FREEDOM DEFENDERS

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Dear Polonians:

We are giving you the excerpts from the letter recently received from our National office:

"As is well known, significant segments of the Polish people are waging an effective struggle for human rights and fundamental freedoms, including the freedom of religion. Polish American Congress has consistently supported these movements.

Specifically, in a resolution adopted at its meeting in Detroit, Michigan on June 24, 1978, the PAC Board of Directors urged "all Polish American organizations and individuals to assist their endeavors by providing financial support to enable them to maintain and expand their efforts".

Our assistance is badly needed to help them finance their activities, such as publication of uncensored books and periodicals (duplicating and printing supplies), Flying Universities, legal assistance and support of families of people persecuted for, and discriminated against, for their openly stated views and their activities.

Some of the PAC Divisions and member-organizations are already active in raising funds for this purpose. I urge others to join in this effort, which will provide a tangible proof of our support and solidarity with the valiant people struggling for greater measure of freedoms in Poland.

Funds for distribution to the human rights movement in Poland may be forwarded to: Institut Litteraire - Kultura, 91, Avenue de Poissy, Mesnil-le-Roi, 78600 Maisons-Laffitte, France. With best personal regards, /-/ Aloysius A. Mazewski, President."

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF DEMOCRATIC OPPOSITION IN POLAND

The Polish American Congress Board of Directors at its meeting in Detroit, Michigan on June 24, 1978 resolves to extend its encouragement and support to all groups and individuals engaged in waging an effective struggle for human rights and fundamental freedoms in Poland.

The democratic opposition in Poland, which evolved during the past two years, now encompasses significant groups of workers, intellectuals, students, writers, university professors, scientists, etc. Although they represent varying socio-political viewpoints, all of them are based on principles of democratic pluralism and strive to promote exercise of civil and political rights by citizens of Poland, as guaranteed by Polish Constitution and endorsed in the Helsinki Final Act, as well as United Nations Declarations and Covenants.

We salute the courageous fighters for human rights and freedoms in Poland;

We urge all Polish American organizations and individuals to assist in their endeavors by providing financial support to enable them to maintain and expand their efforts;

We denounce repressive measures widely employed by Poland's Communist dictatorship to suppress their lawful and open activities".

Cordially yours, *Eugene I. Suszynski*
Eugene I. Suszynski, Chairman

P.S.

Our Division also participate in collection and forwarding donations to France.



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