

Appeal to North American Polonia and to all Poles in the Motherland and Abroad!

We are gathered here on 12 April 2014 at the National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, to commemorate the Fourth Anniversary of the Smolensk Disaster of 10 April 2010. In that Disaster all 96 aboard Polish Air Force One perished. Among the victims were many of Poland's top governmental, military, Church, and academic leaders, including President Lech Kaczynski. On this occasion, we issue this appeal to all of our fellow Poles and friends who love Poland.

Nations are not granted their independence once and for all. From across the Atlantic, we clearly see that, in these times, the sovereignty of Poland is once again threatened. From the moment of the Disaster to the present we observe the attenuation of Poland's sovereignty, which unless stopped, will destroy our Motherland. One can ascertain it by the fact that the investigation of the Smolensk Disaster was subserviently and unconditionally handed over by the Tusk Government to a foreign power unfriendly to Poland - the Russian Federation.

We are deeply troubled by the stance of the Tusk Government, which demonstrates a disdainful and even contemptuous attitude towards the families of the Smolensk Disaster victims. Independent academic researchers and journalists have been harassed and even defamed following their attempts to objectively analyze the causes of the Disaster. This clearly demonstrates a threat to fundamental democratic principles and a return to what we recognize as well-known totalitarian methods of control and manipulation.

Our staunch opposition to these threats as well as our engagement on the side of truth, justice and freedom, are necessary to uphold the sovereignty of Poland. This is why we appeal to our compatriots throughout the world to show courage and tenacity in search for truth. We appeal for moral support for those who relentlessly work to uncover the truth about what really happened on 10 April 2010 at Smolensk Severny Airfield.

Most importantly, we are calling on North American Polonia to let their elected representatives know that their Polonia constituents expect them to convene congressional and parliamentary hearings on the Smolensk Disaster.

Revealing the truth about the Smolensk Disaster is the key to ensuring Poland's sovereignty. We will always regard this effort as our sacred obligation to those who perished on April 10, 2010.

So help us God!

This appeal was enacted by acclamation at the Forum of Representatives of Major Polish Organizations from Canada and the United States of America, which took place at the American Czestochowa in Doylestown, PA, on April 12, 2014.

The Organizing Committee to Commemorate
Fourth Anniversary of the Smolensk Disaster of April 10, 2010.
Tadeusz Antoniak, Chairman.