By 1949 in Greece was a civil war fought between government’s army and military forces
of the Greek Communist Party (KKE). After the collapse of the communist guerrilla actions,
Poland as one of the satellite countries of the USSR, adopted more than 13,000 refugees from
Greece: soldiers from units fighting under the auspices of the KKE, their families
and supporters. Asylum in Poland found more than 3,000 children evacuated from areas of
military operations.

During the Polish-Greek academic seminar organized in Szczecin we are going to raise
the issues of secret military operation in which refugees from Greece where settled in Poland,
their adjustment to the new place of living, the government’s policy towards the immigrants
and their socio-cultural life in new homeland. Historical background will be enriched with
testimonies of refugees from Greece and their descendants still living in Poland.

The seminar will be held in Polish and Greek with simultaneous interpretation.

9:00 opening of the academic seminar (Head of Branch Office of Institute of National
Remembrance in Szczecin Marcin Stefaniak, PhD and Head of Federation of Greek Associations
in Poland “Hellada” and Association of Greeks in Western Pomerania Christou Konstantinos)

9:10-9:30 prof. Nikos Marantzidis (Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies
University of Macedonia), The Greek civil war and the international communist system
9:30-9:50 prof. Andrzej Paczkowski (Institute of Political Studies, Polish Academy of Sciences,
Warsaw), „The Greek operation” by 2nd Section of General Staff of the Polish People’s Army
9:50-10:10 Pawel Piotrowski PhD, Polish support for the Greek guerillas
10:10-10:30 Costas Tsivos PhD (Ústav řeckých a latinských studií, Univerzita Karlova,
Prague), The Polish-Czech cooperation through the operation “S”
10:30-10:50 discussion
10:50-11:20 break

11:20-11:40 Katerina Tsekou PhD (Department of History, Faculty of Philosophy at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki), *The Greek refugees in Eastern Europe*

11:40-12:00 Angelica Wudalas (Warsaw), *The Greek political refugees in Poland Peoples Republic – medical care – Hospital No 250 in Dziwnów*

12:00-12:20 Mieczysław Wojecki PhD (State Higher Vocational School in Sulechów), *Settlement of Greek emigration in Poland (Lower Silesia, Pomerania, Bieszczady Mountains...)*

12:20-12:40 Izabela Kubasiewicz (Jagiellonian University, Cracow), *Children and youth from Greece in the realities of Polish People’s Republic: orphanages, schools, education*

12:40-13:00 discussion
13:00-13:40 break

13:40-14:00 Sebastian Górski (Wrocław), *The Greek civil war in the light of polish press*


14:20-14:40 Magdalena Semczyszyn PhD (Institute of National Remembrance, Szczecin), *The communist security apparatus against Greek refugees in Polish People’s Republic*

14:40 discussion
15:00-17:00 meeting with representatives of refugees from Greece and their descendants

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