



HISTORICAL ACCOUNT

Recording from celebration of the 74th Anniversary of the Liberation of the Nazi German Concentration Camp in Auschwitz-Birkenau.

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Introduction

Ladies and Gentlemen, I would like to invite you to witness the filming of the ceremony of the 74th Anniversary of the Liberation of the Nazi German Concentration Camp in Auschwitz-Birkenau, which took place at the Jagiellonian University Collegium Novum on 24 January 2019.

Cracow Medical Society (TLK) is actively involved, since 1961, in discussion of the history of Nazi extermination camps. As already mentioned in my previous WJOMI articles published in 2017 [1, 2], from 1961 until 1991, TLK published materials known colloquially as “Auschwitz brochures” or more precisely Medical Review – Auschwitz / Przegląd Lekarski – Oświęcim (the proper name “Zeszyty Oświęcimskie” is reserved for the publication of Auschwitz-Birkenau Museum). More information may be found on the following website:

<http://www.tlk.cm->

[uj.krakow.pl/wydawnictwo.html](http://www.tlk.cm-uj.krakow.pl/wydawnictwo.html)

as well as on the dedicated site:

<https://www.mp.pl/auschwitz/> [3, 4].

Our main objective of these historical materials, as per Prof. Józef Bogusz motto, is: "Remembrance, Warning, Reconciliation".

The recording was uploaded with English subtitles in order to make it available to a wider international audience. The editorial office split the full recording into a few parts, encompassing most of the recording from the ceremony. All parts were successively published on the official WJOMI YouTube channel here:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv78AAmi2wvjdg1HVHwIXog>



Figure 1. The memorial wagon on the main ramp of Auschwitz-Birkenau, similar to the ones used to bring in transports of people to the extermination camp. The film starts here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Tp05JOZr-mQ&t=450s>

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