

August 5, 1944 Boleslow Bierut Arrives in Moscow

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The President of the National Council of Poland gives a speech in Moscow.

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On 5 August, 1944, there arrived in Moscow from Lublin Mr. Boleslaw Bierut (President of the National Council of Poland), Mr. E. Osobka-Morowski, Mr. A. Witos (Vice-Chairman of the Polish Committee of National Liberation), Colonel-General M. Rola-Zymierski and others.

They were met at the Moscow aerodrome by A.Y. Vyshinsky (Deputy People's Commissar for Foreign Affairs of the U.S.S.R.), W.L. Wassilewska (Vice-Chairman of the Polish Committee of National Liberation), V.A. Zorin (Director of the Fourth European Department of the People's Commissariat for Foreign Affairs), Major-General V.N. Yevstifneyev (Chief of the Department of External Relations of the People's Commissariat for Defense), Major-General K.R. Sinilov (Commandant of the City of Moscow) and others.

A guard of honour was drawn up, and the State anthems of Poland and the Soviet Union were performed.

The aerodrome was decorated with the Polish and Soviet flags.

After receiving the report of the Commander of the Guard of Honour, Mr. Boleslaw Bierut, President of the National Council of Poland, made the following speech in Polish addressed to the citizens of Moscow:

"On behalf of the Polish people, on behalf of the National Council of Poland, I convey the most cordial greetings to the people of the capital of the Soviet Union.

I am happy to be able to visit this country which Poland, my motherland, greets as the most mighty country with the most valorous and heroic army, and whose friendship my country desires always to enjoy.

I convey to the citizens of Moscow my most hearty greetings."

Mr. Edward Osobka-Morawski, Chairman of the Polish Committee of National Liberation, also made the following speech in Polish:

"On behalf of the Polish Committee of National Liberation I wish to express the feelings of my compatriots to the Soviet Union and to the Red Army, which, together with the Polish Army, is already liberating our motherland. In the name of the Polish people and in the name of those who represent it today - the National Council of Poland and the Polish Committee of National Liberation - I should like to give the assurance that this brotherhood-in-arms, created on the field of battle, will remain for long ages and will be the foundation of fraternity between our country and the Soviet Union."