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The Polish Council of Christians and Jews



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STATEMENT

The Polish Council of Christians and Jews is very concerned about the renewed exacerbation of rhetoric over Polish-Jewish matters. As in the first quarter of 2018, we regret to say that the emotions surrounding the difficult issues in the history of both connected nations are escalated and used instrumentally for current internal political conflicts - especially in the context of subsequent election campaigns in Israel and Poland.

We call for a responsible look at the history of Polish-Jewish relations and the prudent shaping of the social and political framework in which these relations will develop in next generations. Ad hoc use of mental shortcuts, harmful generalizations and stereotypes makes it difficult to conduct a dialogue and substantive discussion about the past.

We call participants in the public debate - both politicians and journalists; both in Poland and in Israel - that they talk about the history of the 20th century with relevant care and respect for the memory of the dead and the murdered.

Warsaw, 20 February 2019.

On behalf of the Polish Council of Christians and Jews, signed by:

Stanisław Krajewski - Jewish Co-chairman

Zbigniew Nosowski - Christian Co-chairman