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OF THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

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**on the promulgation of a consolidated text of the order of the Minister of Foreign Affairs
on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs**

1. Pursuant to Article 16(3) of the Act of 20 July 2000 on the promulgation of normative acts and certain other legal acts (Journal of Laws of 2019, item 1461), a consolidated text of the Order of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of 18 July 2017 on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Journal of Laws of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, item 46) is promulgated in an appendix to this announcement, as amended by:

- 1) the Order No. 22 of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of 24 May 2022 amending the Order on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Journal of Laws of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, item 28);
- 2) the Order No. 2 of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of 7 February 2023 amending the Order on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Journal of Laws of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, item 5).

2. The consolidated text provided in the appendix to this announcement does not include:

- 1) Article 2 of the Order no. 22 of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of 24 May 2022 amending the Order on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Journal of Laws of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, item 28) which stipulates:

“Article 2. This order shall enter into force as of the day following its publication.”;

- 2) Article 2 of the Order no. 2 of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of 7 February 2023 amending the Order on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Journal of Laws of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, item 5) which stipulates:

“Article 2. This order shall enter into force as of the day following its publication.”.

Minister of Foreign Affairs: *Zbigniew Rau*

ORDER NO. 24
OF THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS¹
of 18 July 2017
on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs

Pursuant to Article 34(1) of the Act of 8 August 1996 on the Council of Ministers (Journal of Laws of 2022, item 1188), it is ordered as follows:

§ 1 In order to awaken the interest in the history of the Republic of Poland and of Polish diplomacy within the international science and research community, an annual History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs shall be established, hereinafter referred to as the “Contest”.

§ 2 1. Contest prizes shall be awarded by the Minister of Foreign Affairs at the request of the Historical Diplomacy Council, appointed by the Order No. 24 of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of 11 July 2016 on the Historical Diplomacy Council (Journal of Laws of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, item 32, and of 2018, item 49).

2. The Minister of Foreign Affairs shall award contest prizes in the following categories:

- 1) Best Polish-language publication on the history of Polish diplomacy;
- 2) Best foreign-language publication promoting Poland’s history.

§ 3 The organisation of the Contest shall be governed by:

- 1) the Rules of the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs in the category “Best Polish-language publication on the history of Polish diplomacy”, set out in Appendix 1 to this order;
- 2) the Rules of the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs in the category “Best foreign-language publication promoting Poland’s history”, set out in Appendix 2 to this order.

§ 4 1. The Contest shall be announced on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and at the Ministry’s headquarters. The announcement may be also published in mass media.

2. The announcement shall specify in particular how and when publications must be entered for the Contest as well as the assessment criteria applied to the received publications in either category.

3. The contest announcement shall be approved by a senior official of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs competent for public diplomacy.

§ 5 1. Organisational and technical support for the Contest shall be provided by an organisational

¹The Minister of Foreign Affairs manages the government department for foreign affairs pursuant to Article 1(2) of the Regulation of the Prime Minister of 27 August 2020 on a detailed scope of activities of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Journal of Laws, item 1469).

unit of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs competent for public diplomacy.

2. ²⁾The cost of prizes awarded in the contest shall be financed with part 45 of the state budget, from the funds at the disposal of the head of an organisational unit of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs competent for providing services to the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

§ 6 Publications released in 2015 and 2016 may be entered for the first edition of the Contest.

§ 7 This order shall enter into force as of the day following its publication.³⁾

²⁾ As worded in Article 1(1) of the Order No. 22 of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of 24 May 2022 amending the Order on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Journal of Laws of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, item 28) which entered into force on 27 May 2022.

³⁾ The order was published on 20 July 2017.

Appendix 1

RULES OF THE HISTORY CONTEST OF THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

in the category “Best Polish-language publication on the history of Polish diplomacy”

§ 1 1. The History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs in the category “Best Polish-language publication on the history of Polish diplomacy”, hereinafter referred to as the “Contest”, shall be carried out by the Historical Diplomacy Council.

2. ⁴⁾At the request of the Secretary of the Historical Diplomacy Council, the Head of the Historical Diplomacy Council shall appoint a committee to review the publications entered for the Contest.

3. ⁵⁾The committee shall be headed by the Secretary of the Historical Diplomacy Council. The committee may consist of employees of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, members of the Historical Diplomacy Council or their representatives, and external experts.

§ 2 Publications entered for the Contest should be related to the history of Polish diplomacy, with particular focus on:

- 1) Polish foreign service contributing to the protection of Poland’s interests;
- 2) history of Polish foreign policy;
- 3) history of the activity of Polish foreign missions;
- 4) prominent figures of Polish diplomacy;
- 5) organisation of Polish foreign service;
- 6) history of Poland’s bilateral relations with another country/other countries;
- 7) history of the Republic of Poland’s membership and involvement in international organizations.

§ 3 1. Publications entered for the Contest shall be:

- 1) released in the year preceding the announcement of the Contest;
- 2) authored by Polish or other nationals;
- 3) released in Polish or translated into Polish if written in another language.

2. Scientific monographs, popular science publications, editions of sources, and memoirs may be entered for the Contest if they have no more than three authors.

⁴⁾ As worded in Article 1(1)(a) first indent of the Order No. 2 of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of 7 February 2023 amending the Order on the History Contest of the Minister of Foreign Affairs (Journal of Laws of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, item 5) which entered into force on 9 February 2023.

⁵⁾ Introduced by Article 1(1)(a) second indent of the order referred to in footnote 4.

3. ⁶⁾Publications authored or co-authored by full-time staff employed at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the year preceding the year of Contest announcement or in that year may not be entered for the Contest.

§ 4 1. Publications may be entered for the Contest by:

- 1) publishers,
- 2) authors of the papers,
- 3) members of the Historical Diplomacy Council,
- 4) non-governmental organisations, cultural and scientific institutions, local government units,
- 5) laureates of previous editions of the Contest,
- 6) other individuals and legal persons or organisational units without legal personality granted legal capacity under other regulations.

2. A written consent of the author or authors to participate in the Contest shall be enclosed with the entry.

3. Publications entered for the Contest will not be returned.

§ 5 ⁷⁾ 1. The author of a publication which ranked first in the Contest shall be awarded a cash prize of PLN 20,000. The author of a publication which ranked second in the Contest shall be awarded a cash prize of PLN 10,000. The author of a publication which ranked third in the Contest shall be awarded a cash prize of PLN 5,000. Should the prize be awarded to a publication drawn up by more than one author, it shall be equally divided among co-authors.

2. Authors of publications entered for the Contest may be awarded honourable mentions.

§ 6 1. The results of the Contest shall be published on the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

2. ⁸⁾The Secretary of the Historical Diplomacy Council shall notify the Contest laureates that they were granted a prize and invite them to an award ceremony.

§ 7 (repealed).⁹⁾

⁶⁾ As worded in Article 1(1)(b) of the order referred to in footnote 4.

⁷⁾ As worded in Article 1(1)(c) of the order referred to in footnote 4.

⁸⁾ As worded in Article 1(1)(d) of the order referred to in footnote 4.

⁹⁾ By Article 1(2) of the order referred to in footnote 2.

RULES OF THE HISTORY CONTEST OF THE MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

in the category “Best foreign-language publication promoting Poland’s history”

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2. ¹⁰⁾ At the request of the Secretary of the Historical Diplomacy Council, the Head of the Historical Diplomacy Council shall appoint a committee to review the publications entered for the Contest.

3. ¹¹⁾ The committee shall be headed by the Secretary of the Historical Diplomacy Council. The committee may consist of employees of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, members of the Historical Diplomacy Council or their representatives, and external experts.

§ 2 Publications entered for the Contest should be related to the history of Poland and its nation.

§ 3 1. Publications entered for the Contest shall be:

- 1) released in the year preceding the announcement of the Contest;
- 2) authored by Polish or other nationals;
- 3)¹²⁾ released in English, German, Russian, French, Italian, Chinese, Spanish, Ukrainian, Czech, Slovak, Belarussian or Lithuanian, except for papers translated from Polish; in case of the other languages, a translation of the entire publication into English or Polish shall be enclosed.

2. Scientific monographs, popular science publications and editions of sources may be entered for the Contest if they have no more than three authors.

3. ¹³⁾ Publications authored or co-authored by full-time staff employed at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in the year preceding the year of Contest announcement or in that year may not be entered for the Contest.

§ 4 1. Publications may be entered for the Contest by:

- 1) diplomatic missions and consular posts in Poland,
- 2) foreign missions of the Republic of Poland,
- 3) publishers,
- 4) authors of the papers,

¹⁰⁾ As worded in Article 1(2)(a) first indent of the order referred to in footnote 4.

¹¹⁾ Introduced by Article 1(2)(a) second indent of the order referred to in footnote 4.

¹²⁾ As worded in Article 1(3)(a) of the order referred to in footnote 2.

¹³⁾ As worded in Article 1(2)(b) of the order referred to in footnote 4.

- 5) members of the Historical Diplomacy Council,
- 6) non-governmental organisations, cultural and scientific institutions, local government units,
- 7) laureates of previous editions of the Contest,
- 8) other individuals and legal persons or organisational units without legal personality granted legal capacity under other regulations.

2. A written consent of the author or authors to participate in the Contest shall be enclosed with the entry.

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§ 5 ¹⁴⁾ 1. The author of a publication which ranked first in the Contest shall be awarded a cash prize of EUR 10,000. The author of a publication which ranked second in the Contest shall be awarded a cash prize of EUR 5,000. The author of a publication which ranked third in the Contest shall be awarded a cash prize of EUR 2,500. Should the prize be awarded to a publication drawn up by more than one author, it shall be equally divided among co-authors.

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¹⁴⁾ As worded in Article 1(2)(c) of the order referred to in footnote 4.

¹⁵⁾ As worded in Article 1(2)(d) of the order referred to in footnote 4.

¹⁶⁾ By Article 1(3)(b) of the order referred to in footnote 2.