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A N O P E N M E M O R A N D U M

From: Louis FitzGibbon (of above address) 18 July 1989

To: HE Mr. Leonid M. Zamyatin
The Ambassador
Embassy of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics
13 Kensington Palace Gardens, London W8 4QX

and To Whom it may concern

MASSACRE OF NEARLY 14,500 POLISH OFFICERS AT KATYN AND ELSEWHERE (GENERALLY KNOWN AT "THE KATYN MASSACRE") IN THE SPRING 1940. ADMISSION OF SOVIET GUILT

Your Excellency will doubtless have seen the article which appeared on page 10 of THE TIMES (London) issue for 18 July 1989 (copy attached). THE TIMES has a circulation here and abroad of about 500,000 copies, and the article will have been noted in numerous embassies around the world.

In order, therefore, to fulfill the promise of "Glastnost"; to ^{honour} your the memory of the victims; in the name of Justice for their surviving relatives and friends and indeed for the whole Polish people; in the name of Justice also for the German people wrongly accused since 1943; in defence of Truth and History, and in order to clear up this case once and for all, I would hope that your Government will now most earnestly consider an admission of Soviet guilt during the Stalin era, and clearly state that this crime was committed by the NKVD in the Spring of 1940.

As Honorary Secretary of the (London based) Katyn Memorial Fund (1971-76) and as author of several books on the subject of Katyn, I hereby request that this simple message be transmitted to your Government in Moscow.

I take advantage of this opportunity to offer to Your Excellency, and to your Government, an expression of my highest regard.

Louis Fitzgibbon.

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