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Treason is Shrinking Poland – 6 million of unborn

Poland with 40 million inhabitants and 15 million Poles who emigrated abroad is more populous than Spain. Much like Spain during its Civil War, Poland is struggling in a bloodless conflict with its own perpetual political elite who has established communist roots. However bloodless, this struggle has already claimed millions of born and unborn victims with no end in site.

In the last few decades however many countries with fewer assets have surpassed the population of Poland: Nigeria, Mexico, Vietnam, Philippines, Turkey, Siam, Egypt, South Korea, Iran, Myanmar (Burma), Ethiopia, Congo (Zaire), Algeria, Morocco, Sudan, South Africa, Colombia and Argentina. With the exception of Vietnam these countries had one thing in common – no communists to hinder birth of their children.

Ever since Stalin at the end of WW II imposed a communist government in Poland, Poles have always wanted to be liberated from this menace. After bloody uprisings in 1956 and 1970, finally with the help of the West, strong opposition was formed and named “Solidarity”, and resulted in Martial Law in 1981. It was a big shock for the country and a wake up call for the communists to change the modus operandi in Poland.

It must be remembered that all uprisings in Poland during communism were motivated by shortages of food and exploitive low wages, forcing factory workers to fight. After decades of experiments it was obvious even for the hardest Commies that a centrally planned economy would never work and they had to start planning for change. The communists were simply tired of the constant necessity of putting out the fires of discontent and also they were greedy for worldly riches, which they deprived themselves while playing the role model of good communists, friends of the workers. Only members of the Party could be managers in communist Poland. Since everybody was supposed to be equal they could not pay themselves higher management wages.

At that time Mieczyslaw Rakowski was nominated Premier of Poland and it was he who quietly started planning for the orderly change from communism to a system where former commies would be the only winners. The objective was to get rich quick. Officially communism in Poland was abolished in 1989 as a result of round table agreements between Commies and Solidarity but the real change started shortly after Martial Law in 1981, which was imposed to gain a few extra years of lawless money grabbing government power. By the time agreements were signed at the round table in 1989, the Commies of Poland were already rich and doing their earnest to corrupt future Solidarity governments.

The countries of the West led by the USA applauded this changeover, especially that both former Commies and Solidarity guaranteed free, unfettered access to the Polish market, which was starved of food and consumer goods. Also, for several years prior to this

change the Commies in power were eager to develop commercial contacts with the West, which was easy for them as they had absolute political power. American or German businessmen visiting Poland during the Communist regime did not want to talk with the poor members of trade unions but with their managers and only members of the Party had management posts. Both sides were eager for profit – the businessman from the West hungry for quick deals in Poland and poor members of the Communist Party eager to get rich fast by taking advantage of their political power. In this environment corruption was inevitable.

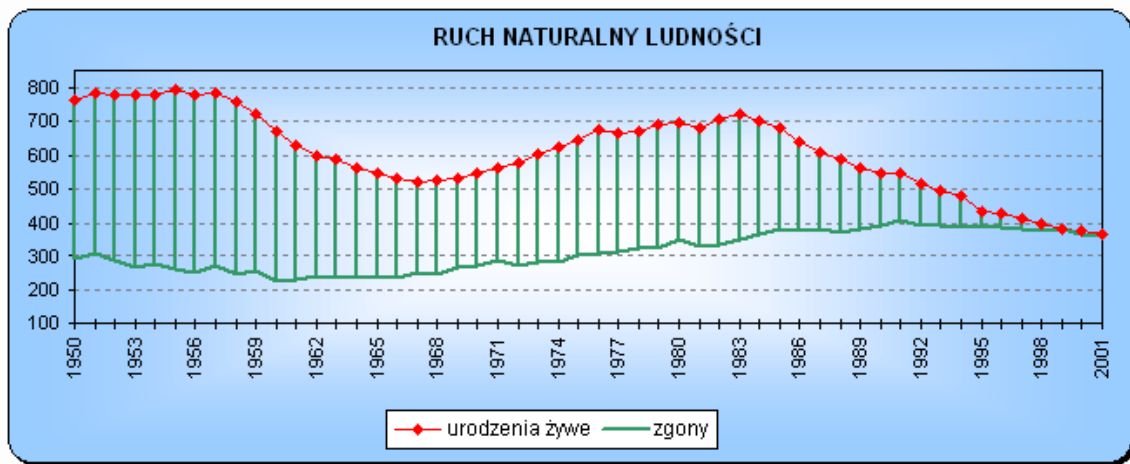
Oddly enough, most of the American funding of democracy in Poland ended up in the hands of the politically active Jewish minority, former communists themselves. Not a single patriotic Polish chapter of “Solidarity” has ever received substantial assistance from the funds destined to support democracy in Poland. Leading role in this distribution of millions of dollars of “assistance” was Zbigniew Brzezinski, famous for his botched up attempt to rescue hostages from Iran during the presidency of Jimmy Carter. Even the Congress of Polish Americans led by Edward Moskal was actively supporting the start-up of the Jewish national press with a donation of over a million dollars to “Gazeta Wyborcza” in 1990, shortly after it lost the rights to use the banner of “Solidarity” paper.

Corruptive business and political ties of the West with post-communist Poland are well documented by the American anthropologist Janine R. Wedel in her recent book “Collision and Collusion: The Strange Case of Western Aid to Eastern Europe 1989-1998”. Ms. Wedel spent a few years in Poland observing the changeover and has become very critical of the corruptive practices of the American “help” towards a free market economy. She has also testified on this issue of ineffective and corruptive assistance programs in the US Senate.

In the unregulated and unsupervised years of post-communism, there was plenty of leeway for unscrupulous operators to engage, what foremost English economist John Galbraith describes: “innocent crimes” – theft that is immoral but not against the law. The best example of that is the activity of international speculator George Soros, who established an early (1988) relationship with the communist regime of Jaruzelski in Poland and through his “Stefan Batory Foundation”, has spent more money than the US government on the development of “democracy” in Poland. As a result for many years Poland maintained a fixed course of exchange on the US dollar in an environment of high inflation and thus became heaven for currency speculators. Even Janine Wedel herself brags in her book “Private Poland” how she made a “quick” \$2000 as a young student, speculating with Polish currency.

At the same time the entire western press (and national press in Poland) glorified “miraculous” changes in Poland. Queen Elisabeth was riding with Lech Walesa in her carriage in London. Margaret Thatcher kept repeating that Poland could not jump the abyss between communism and capitalism in two steps. In fact all countries of the West were congratulating Poland for the decisive change, hoping to get a fair share of the new market. The whole Eastern block was seen as a virgin market of 300 million people starved for Western goods.

As a result of this self-served propaganda, many believe that Communism overturned the charismatic Polish Pope and Lech Walesa, a union leader with peasant roots, who bragged that he has never read a single book. Well, this is simply not true. The records show that it was the concentrated work of the Communists themselves. Their Premier Mieczyslaw Rakowski acted in full cooperation with the Americans since the early 80-s. At the time Commies had thousands of sociologists in their employ and they could easily forecast their future return to power, based on the riches and cunning management skills accumulated during the decades of the 80-s and beyond. The weight of the most painful moves towards free market economy fell on the shoulders of the “Solidarity” governments so they would be blamed for the ever descending standard of living of Poles.



Graph source: Office of Statistics, Government of Poland.

On the enclosed graph it is very obvious that the number of new births in Poland has declined steadily since when Mieczyslaw Rakowski become Premier and initiated the process of change towards capitalism in Poland. From this chart it can be calculated that because of the steadily decreasing standard of living, over 3 million Poles have never been born, compared to the starting year of 1981. If this many people were added to the present 3 million without work, the unemployment in Poland today would be in the range of 40%. With a pro-natal policy in place the birth rate should have grown in linear fashion to increase population by 6 million people in the same time period.

It is obvious that for the pro-natal policy to succeed, certain geopolitical conditions must exist for the population to flourish. At the same time, on a national level it takes a patriotic government to plan and implement the growth of its own people. I am purposely using the term patriotic, which is so popular in the US, not nationalistic, which is a hindrance to global business and leads to fascism. The patriots are concerned if the country will grow and prosper in 300 years, not 30 years from now.

The point here is that the Communist Party of Poland had the foresight and planning apparatus to take full advantage of the changeover at the expense of the people they were

supposed to protect. Their greed leaves no room for “national interest” and their excessive servility, obvious in disadvantageous deals with privatization of industry, created an economic system worse than Communism – capitalism without capital, thus enslaving Poles to foreign interests and the former Commies for generations. Some economists such as Prof. Kasimir Poznanski of Univ. of Washington and Prof. Stefan Kurowski of Warsaw have estimated that Poland has lost over 80 billion dollars with underhanded reform. But most of the children of the former Commies will never have to work!

The natural response to these immoral tactics has been massive emigration of young educated Poles, tired of the political and economic changes in their own country. They have no future in Poland, as the only group to benefit from the pre-planned changes is the former communists themselves. Well, finally in the year 2001 the Commies in Poland succeeded in having a post-communist President, a post-communist Premier and total post-communist control of the National Bank. Furthermore, most of the Court system is dominated by disposable, politically appointed post-communist judges, who will never rule without consultation of their friends in government. Also, the Tax Department is often used as a tool to eliminate or weaken political opponents, without any possibility of appeals. Add self-censored national press. There is no need to say more.

This describes ravished and exploited Poland with a steadily lower index of birth and steadily descending standard of living. But now this mismanaged country with its shrinking population is manipulated by the ruling post-communists to become a full member of the EU. For the Commies, it is a way to confirm camaraderie with governments of the West. But many Poles without work naively believe they will be able to get unrestricted employment in Germany, UK or France. They do not understand that all these countries have serious problems with shrinking economies and are unable to provide more jobs. Poland’s situation is much worse; the present 10% disparity of the banking prime rate precludes competitiveness with other countries of Western Europe.

The obvious servility of the post-commies ruling Poland today precludes the possibility of negotiation with the EU community. Since servility of the commies precludes any serious negotiations, the country will not be able to develop its potential based on geographic location and natural assets and skills. Never the less, in some areas Polish industry is showing some promise of health despite serious obstacles like the disadvantageous rate of exchange and the highest in Europe interest rates. A good example here is ability to produce and export frozen fruits and vegetables, making Poland the leader in the EU with 400,000 tonnes per year. This figure however could be much higher if the country was managed toward success.

To improve conditions of Poles and to stimulate “vigor of the nation” the only solution seems to be through political change to push the unpatriotic post-communists away from the rudder of Poland. Unfortunately the communist authored Constitution does not allow direct election of Members of Parliament. Only proportional elections are permitted, enforcing party cronyism and corruption of the political process. Some Poles have hopes that strong social unrest, motivated by a decreased standard of living will provoke the

demise of the post-communists. Well, it would have to be unrest comparable to Russian Revolution or WWII since former Commies are very good in pre-empting spontaneous demonstrations with their own provocateurs and highly trained and well equipped police force.

The bottom line is that today most Poles recognize their problems are related to treason and the greed of the former Commies and it is just a matter of time before solutions are found. The present conditions will not last forever. We must never lose our hope that truth and the patriotic interest of self-preservation of the nation will prevail and Poland will have more children to grow and prosper.

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