

Exhibition “MartialLaw”

Curated by the Institute of National Remembrance (IPN)

<http://martiallaw.pl/portal/swe/>

IPN is the Polish state institute in charge with collecting and keeping the elements of national history which were overlooked or boycotted during the Communist regime (further information is available in the section "Not to forget").

The exhibition, in Polish and English, is introduced by a 4-minute video with period footage showing the moment when the State of war was proclaimed by General Jaruzelski, the author of the coup of 13 December 1981 in Poland, the protest demonstrations which followed that moment and the opponents' underground organization in the following years.

It contains:

- A historical overview, with chapters devoted to the prior events, the events of December 1981, the reaction of the Solidarity Movement and the agitations within the power apparatus
- The detailed calendar of the events, from the moment of the coup to 22 July 1983, the day on which the martial law was repealed
- The profile (consisting of a picture and a biography for each character) of 56 victims of the repression
- The representation of the different independent cultural expressions (books, theatre, music, art);
- A glossary
- Link
- Many picture galleries
- Original pieces of footage
- Quiz-type cross-check questions summarizing the events