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STATEMENT

Withdrawal from distribution by the Sejm's Publishing House of the three academic publications concerning democracy is an act of censorship. For the first times after many years, we are seeing a return of the so-called „shelf-tenants,” works sent to populate warehouse shelves instead of reach readers and viewers.

In the Gdańsk Agreements of 1980s, abolition of censorship was one of the most important postulates. Today, the freedom of expression and scientific discourse as well as the freedom from censorship are guaranteed by the Constitution. We demand that they are respected.

Signed by the members of the Helsinki Committee in Poland: Halina Bortnowska Dąbrowska, Teresa Bogucka, Jerzy Ciemniwski, Janusz Grzelak, Jacek Kurczewski, Ewa Łętowska, Wojciech Maziarski, Michał Nawrocki, Danuta Przywara as well as Wiktor Osiatyński and Mirosław Wyrzykowski

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On behalf of the signatories,


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