



VALUE

metal Ag 925/1000 ■ finish proof ■ diameter 32.0 mm weight 14.14 g ■ mintage (volume) 30,000 pcs

OBVERSE: In the centre, a stylised fragment of a broken tree trunk. On the right, stylised fragments of trees. At the bottom, an inscription: SMOLEŃSK/10.04.2010. Below, a semicircular notation of the year of issue: 2011. On the left, an image of the Eagle established as the State Emblem of the Republic of Poland. Below the Eagle, an inscription: 10 ZŁ. On the left side of the Eagle, a semicircular inscription: RZECZPOSPOLITA POLSKA [Republic of Poland]. The Mint's mark, M/W, under the Eagle's left leg.

REVERSE: In the centre, a stylised image of the bust of Sławomir Skrzypek. On the right, a facsimile signature; below it, an inscription: 1963-2010. At the top, a semicircular inscription: PREZES NBP SŁAWOMIR SKRZYPEK (NBP President Sławomir Skrzypek).

Coin designer: ANNA WATRÓBSKA-WDOWIARSKA

holds the exclusive right to issue the currency of the Republic of Poland.

In addition to coins and notes for general circulation, the NBP issues collector coins and notes.

Issuing collector items is an occasion to commemorate important historic figures and anniversaries, as well as to develop the interest of the public in Polish culture, science and tradition.

Since 1996, the NBP has also been issuing occasional 2 złoty coins, struck in Nordic Gold, for general circulation.

> All coins and notes issued by the NBP are legal tender in Poland.

Information on the issue schedule can be found at the www.nbp.pl/monety website.

Collector coins issued by the National Bank of Poland

are sold in the Kolekcjoner service (Internet auction/Online shop)

at the following website:

www.kolekcjoner.nbp.pl

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Smolensk in memory of the victims of 10 April 2010





metal CuAl5Zn5Sn1 alloy finish standard diameter 27.0 mm weight 8.15 g mintage (volume) 800,000 pcs

OBVERSE: Image of the Eagle established as the State Emblem of the Republic of Poland. On the sides of the Eagle, the notation of the year of issue: 20-11. Below the Eagle, an inscription: ZŁ 2 ZŁ. In the rim, an inscription: RZECZPOSPOLITA POLSKA (Republic of Poland), preceded and followed by six pearls. The Mint's mark, M/W, under the Eagle's left leg.

REVERSE: In the centre, against the stylised images of tree boughs, a diagonal inscription: SMOLENSK/10 IV 2010. Below it, a stylised image of the Air Force checkerboard, the marking of the Air Force of the Republic of Poland.

ON THE EDGE: Inscription, NBP, repeated eight times, every second one inverted by 180 degrees, separated by stars.

Obverse designer: EWA TYC-KARPIŃSKA Reverse designer: ANNA WATRÓBSKA-WDOWIARSKA KOLEKCIONER

and at the NBP regional branches.

The coins were struck at the Mint of Poland in Warsaw. Edited and printed: NBP Printing Office

Smolensk - in memory of the victims of 10 April 2010

The most tragic dates are not affected by the passing of time. They become embedded in the minds of people even when they morph into memory and then history left to next generations. The day of 10 April 2010 will always be such a date. At 8.41 a.m., the government plane Tu-154M with the Polish delegation to mark the 70th anniversary of the Katyn massacre on board crashed at the Severny airport near Smolensk. All 96 persons lost their lives in the crash.

The speed of today's dissemination of information allowed the whole world to know of the fatal crash by 12 CET, share the disbelief in the size of the tragedy, and witness the shock and pain of the Polish public that grew ever bigger as new pieces of information were pouring in. The news updates added new widely known names to the list of the crash victims. They were: Polish President Lech Kaczyński and his wife. Maria, last Polish President in Exile Ryszard Kaczorowski, Deputy Speakers of the lower and upper Houses of the Polish Parliament, more than a dozen Members of Parliament. commanders in chief of the branches of the armed forces, ministry officials, representatives of state institutions, war veteran and social organisations, Presidential Chancellery staff, senior members of the Polish clergy, accompanying persons, government security officers and the 7-member crew. In a few minutes, Poland sustained a loss of an extent hardly seen in the political history of the world. The private despair of the victims' families was coincident with the loss to the State that was deprived of its top decision makers, the nucleus of the armed forces, prominent members of public life and, finally, seasoned politicians who honed their skills during the two decades of Polish democracy. The National Bank of Poland also suffered a loss as its President Sławomir Skrzypek, in office since 2007, was a member of the presidential delegation and died at the Severny airport.

Every country, nation and culture is vested with gestures of homage used to commemorate the death of its prominent representatives: from a black ribbon attached to the flag, fire salutes during funeral ceremonies to erecting monuments and minting coins. The latter is part of the mission of the central bank that has for decades formed the numismatic calendar of Poland's momentous events.

On the first anniversary of the tragedy, the National Bank of Poland will issue coins in memory of the victims of the Smolensk plane crash: a 100-zloty gold coin dedicated to the late presidential couple, a silver 20-zloty coin that pays tribute to all the victims, and also a silver 10-zloty coin commemorating the late President of the National Bank of Poland. A 2-zloty coin, struck in Nordic Gold, that will complete the set is an item from the popular coin series known not only to coin collectors. It will also commemorate the 96 persons who died in Smolensk on 10 April 2010.

When designing the issue of numismatic items commemorating the crash victims, the central bank submitted this idea for approval to the families of Mr Kaczyński and of Mr Slawomir Skrzypek. Not only did they give their consent to the proposal but also appreciated the initiative to honour their loved ones. The coins will remain a token of tribute that – like the most tragic dates – is timeless.

Maciei Siembieda

On **4 April 2011**, the National Bank of Poland is putting into circulation coins commemorating the victims of the Smolensk plane crash, with the following face values:

100 zł – struck in proof finish, in gold (pad printing),

20 zł - struck in proof finish, in silver,

10 zł - struck in proof finish, in silver,

2 zł - struck in standard finish, in Nordic Gold.

The victims of the Smolensk plane crash:

Lech Kaczyński Maria Kaczyńska Ryszard Kaczorowski Joanna Agacka-Indecka Ewa Bakowska

Andrzej Błasik Krystyna Bochenek Anna Maria Borowska

Bartosz Borowski Tadeusz Buk

Miron Chodakowski

Czesław Cywiński Leszek Deptuła Zbigniew Debski

Grzegorz Dolniak Katarzyna Doraczyńska

Edward Duchnowski
Aleksander Fedorowicz

Janina Fetlińska

Jarosław Florczak Artur Francuz

Franciszek Gągor Grażyna Gęsicka Kazimierz Gilarski

Przemysław Gosiewski

Bronisław Gostomski Robert Grzywna Mariusz Handzlik

Roman Indrzejczyk

Paweł Janeczek Dariusz Jankowski Natalia Januszko

Izabela Jaruga-Nowacka

Józef Joniec

Sebastian Karpiniuk

Andrzej Karweta Mariusz Kazana

Janusz Kochanowski

Stanisław Komornicki

Stanisław Jerzy Komorowski

Paweł Krajewski Andrzej Kremer

Zdzisław Król Janusz Krupski

Janusz Kurtyka

Andrzej Kwaśnik Bronisław Kwiatkowski Wojciech Lubiński Tadeusz Lutoborski

Barbara Maciejczyk
Barbara Mamińska

Zenona Mamontowicz-Łojek

Stefan Melak

Tomasz Merta Andrzei Michalak

Dariusz Michałowski

Stanisław Mikke

Justyna Moniuszko Aleksandra Natalli-Świat

Janina Natusiewicz-Mirer

Piotr Nosek
Piotr Nurowski

Bronisława Orawiec-Löffler

Jan Osiński Adam Pilch

Katarzyna Piskorska

Maciej Płażyński

Tadeusz Płoski Agnieszka Pogródka-Węcławek

Włodzimierz Potasiński Arkadiusz Protasiuk

Andrzej Przewoźnik

Krzysztof Putra Ryszard Rumianek

Arkadiusz Rybicki Andrzej Sariusz-Skąpski

Wojciech Seweryn

Sławomir Skrzypek

Leszek Solski

Władysław Stasiak Jacek Surówka

Aleksander Szczygło Jerzy Szmajdziński

Jolanta Szymanek-Deresz

Izabela Tomaszewska

Marek Uleryk

Anna Walentynowicz Teresa Walewska-Przyjałkowska

Zbigniew Wassermann

Wiesław Woda Edward Wojtas Paweł Wypych

Stanisław Zając Janusz Zakrzeński

Artur Ziętek Gabriela Zych SMOLENSK 10.04.2010 20.04.2010



FACE VALUE 100 ZŁ

metal Au 900/1000 and black paint ■ finish proof diameter 21.0 mm ■ weight 8.0 g ■ mintage (volume) 5,000 pcs

OBVERSE: In the centre, a stylised image of a fluttering national flag of the Republic of Poland, cut with a black ribbon on the right. Above the flag, an inscription: SMOLENSK/10.04.2010. Below the flag and on the right, an image of the Eagle established as the State Emblem of the Republic of Poland. On the sides of the Eagle's legs, the notation of the year of issue: 20-11; on its right side and at the top, an inscription: 100/ZŁ. At the bottom, a semicircular inscription: RZECZPOSPOLITA POLSKA [Republic of Poland]. The Mint's mark, M/W under the Eagle's left leg.

REVERSE: In the centre, a stylised image of the late presidential couple. In the rim, an inscription: PARA PREZYDENCKA LECH I MARIA KACZYŃSCY 2005-2010 (Presidential Couple. Lech and Maria Kaczyński 2005-2010).

Coin designer: ANNA WATRÓBSKA-WDOWIARSKA



FACE VALUE 20 ZŁ

metal $Ag 925/1000 \equiv finish proof \equiv diameter 38.61 mm$ weight $28.28 g \equiv mintage (volume) 50,000 pcs$

OBVERSE: In the centre, a stylised fragment of a broken tree trunk. On the right, stylised fragments of trees. At the bottom, an inscription: SMOLENSK/10.04.2010. Below, a semicircular notation of the year of issue: 2011. On the left, an image of the Eagle established as the State Emblem of the Republic of Poland. Below the Eagle, an inscription: 20 ZŁ. On the left side of the Eagle, a semicircular inscription: RZECZPOSPOLITA POLSKA [Republic of Poland]. The Mint's mark, M/W, under the Eagle's left leg.

REVERSE: In the centre, a stylised image of the plane with a damaged left wing against the stylised images of tree boughs. At the bottom, a semicircular inscription: 10.04.2010 SMOLEŃSK.

Coin designer: ANNA WATRÓBSKA-WDOWIARSKA