

All Polish collector coins feature:

- face value
- image of the Eagle established as the state emblem of the Republic of Poland
- inscription: Rzeczpospolita Polska
- year of issue



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.

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On 22 November 2017, Narodowy Bank Polski will be putting into circulation a collector coin of the series “Enduring Soldiers Accused by the Communists” – Feliks Selmanowicz alias Zagończyk, with a face value of 10 zloty

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100th Anniversary of the Polish National Committee



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On 4 June 1917 the President of the Republic of France, Raymond Poincaré, issued a decree announcing the creation of the Polish Army in France. In accordance with democratic standards requiring civilian control over the armed forces, the French government allowed for Polish national representation. Such an institution was created in mid-August 1917, with the establishment of the Polish National Committee led by Roman Dmowski. Not wanting to contribute to fuelling the already sharp antagonisms within Polish society, the Polish National Committee consciously limited itself to two areas: the army and foreign policy. Therefore, it fulfilled the dual role of the Polish ministry of foreign affairs and ministry of defence.

In autumn 1917, the Polish National Committee was recognised by France, the United Kingdom, Italy and the USA as the official Polish representation. Its appearance in the West paved the way for the recognition of the rights of Poland to independence: on 3 June 1918 the allied states announced in a declaration issued at Versailles that the creation of a unified, sovereign Polish state with access to the sea is one of the military aims of the coalition of states. This was a great political success of the Polish National Committee.

Although the political backbone of the Polish National Committee was exclusively right-wing – national democrats and conservatives – it was a national institution which served well the country. It was able to distance itself



On 15 November 2017, Narodowy Bank Polski is putting into circulation a silver coin “100th Anniversary of the Polish National Committee” with a face value of 10 złotych

Face value 10 zł

Metal: Ag 925/1000

Finish: proof

Diameter: 32.00 mm

Weight: 14.14 g

Edge: plain

Mintage: up to 15,000 pcs

Designer: Tadeusz Tchórzewski

The photographs used for the design of the coin are from the collection of the National Digital Archives.

Issuer: NBP

The coins, commissioned by NBP, were struck by Mennica Polska S.A.



from party manoeuvring, ensured Poland a place among the victors of World War I, and created a territorial programme of a sovereign state – in the borders within which the Polish nation could regain the conditions of all-round development. Then, as a Polish delegation to the peace conference (1919), with skilful diplomacy the Committee supported the Polish military effort.

On the obverse of the coin there is a scene of the oath of the Polish Army in France, while on the reverse there is a fragment of the portrait photograph of the Polish National Committee with its president, Roman Dmowski, sitting in the middle (in the first row).

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