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THE 12TH MEETING OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR THE EVALUATION OF THE CRIMES OF THE SOVIET OCCUPATION REGIME IN LITHUANIA HAS BEEN HELD

On 29 November 2019 the 12th meeting of the subcommittee of the International Commission for the evaluation of the crimes of the Soviet occupation regime in Lithuania was held. Members of the commission were presented with the conclusions of 5 researches.

Members of the Commission discussed conclusions of researches on "Controlled cultural relations with foreign countries" and

"The status of the church. Restrictions on the rights of the Catholic church and of the congregation. Forced politics of atheism" by prof. dr. Arūnas Streikus, a research on "Military industrialization of economy: the military industry in Lithuania" by Saulius Grybkauskas, a research on "Disinformation of the free world" by dr. Kristina Burinskaitė and a research on "Usage of Lithuanian resources for the needs of the Soviet army" by dr. Inga Zakšauskienė.

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EMANUELIS ZINGERIS, CHAIRMAN OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION, HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE TO COMMEMORATE THE WINTER WAR

On November 29, a press conference was held at the Seimas of the Republic of Lithuania "Finland's heroic resistance to Russian aggression in 1939 at the Winter war."

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"The courage and determination of the Finnish people is an example of how a small nation can unite and fight an incomparably larger aggressor in order to preserve the most precious asset - their freedom and independence. This lesson of the Winter war is relevant to all the Baltic States as well as other small nations that also face the alike aggressor today. "

Emanuelis Zingeris

Ambassador of Finland Christer Gustaf Michelsson, Latvian Ambassador to Lithuania Indulis Berzins and Estonian Ambassador to Lithuania Jana Vanaveski attended the press conference.

THOUSANDS OF PUPILS IN LITHUANIA BUILT AND LIT UP LIGHTHOUSES OF TOLERANCE

Thousands of Lithuanian pupils celebrated the International Day of Tolerance in the middle of November, which is celebrated on 16 November in the democratic state worldwide.

A record number (956) of schools and preschools responded to the traditional invitation by the International Commission to mark this date and to join the civic initiative for this year "LIGHTHOUSE OF TOLERANCE".

On the initiative of the International Commission, this day has been marked in Lithuania since 2003.

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INTRODUCTION TO LITVAKS WHO WROTE IN YIDDISH - AT A SEMINAR FOR TEACHERS IN ALYTUS

On 21 November a seminar for teachers about famous Litvak writers, who wrote in Yiddish, was held at Jotvingių gymnasium in Alytus. During a seminar "Pages of the Jewish history. Introduction to the Yiddish language and literature" was attended by a large number of teachers from Kaunas, Alytus, Balbieriškis, Veiveriai. During the seminar, lectures on the Yiddish writers – Litvaks, were delivered by dr. Mordehay Yushkovsky (Israel).

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"The memory is alive because it testifies"

On 13 January 2020, we will commemorate a civil victory over the aggressor, which was won twenty nine years ago. On the morning of January 13th, at 8:00 AM, we invite to light candles of unity, victory and memory in windows for ten minutes all over Lithuania.

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International Holocaust Remembrance Day – 27 January

On 27 January 2020 the International Commission invites representatives of Tolerance education centers and school communities to participate in the national artistic conference "The silence, wandering on the street" in Ariogala to commemorate International Holocaust Remembrance Day.

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