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JRI-Poland Announces Historic Agreement with Miriam Weiner and The Routes to Roots Foundation

Jewish Records Indexing – Poland is extremely honored to announce a historic agreement with Miriam Weiner and her Routes to Roots Foundation (http://www.rtrfoundation.org/) that will provide researchers of Polish Jewish family histories with a wealth of new materials freely offered online through the JRI-Poland website.

Miriam is an internationally acclaimed genealogist who was instrumental in opening up archives in Eastern Europe and has collected many interesting and important documents in over 30 years of research. Miriam has decided to make these materials available to the public and chose JRI-Poland to be the conduit for her Polish materials. In 2016, Board member Mark Halpern visited Miriam’s archive (her home and storage unit) to view her vast collection. His comment was “Amazing!”

Miriam is sharing her collection of Archival inventories, the information that populates her award winning book, “Jewish Roots in Poland,” and her online Routes to Roots Foundation archival inventory, but with more detail of value to researchers. Miriam is sharing archival lists (tax, census, birth, burials, memberships, etc.) that she copied over the years. These will be processed and added to the online JRI-Poland database in the next months and years. A partial list of the contents of Miriam’s Polish materials can be found at http://www.jri-poland.org/miriam-weiner-rtrf-agreement.htm. Included are many articles of interest from Miriam’s book and her website including chapters on 28 of the largest Jewish towns in Poland providing an overall picture of those towns.

More about this important agreement can be found by clicking on the “Please read the full announcement” link on the Miriam Weiner banner of our homepage http://www.jri-poland.org/.

With great pleasure and on behalf of the Board of Directors.

Stanley Diamond
Executive Director