

Note from the German government to the three Western Powers (19 November 1970)

Caption: On 19 November 1970, the Bonn Government sends notes to the US, French and British ambassadors, relating to the Germano-Polish Treaty and to the country's new Ostpolitik. This is the text of the note sent to the French ambassador.

Source: Bundesgesetzblatt 1972 II. Hrsg. Der Bundesminister der Justiz. 24.05.1972, n° 27. Bonn: Bundesanzeiger Verlagsges. m. b. H. "Note der Bundesregierung an die drei Westmächte", p. 364.

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Note from the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany to the three Western Powers (19 November 1970)

The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany has the honour to inform the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland of the attached text of a Treaty between the Federal Republic of Germany and the People's Republic of Poland, concerning the Basis for Normalizing their Mutual Relations, which was initialled on the 18th November, 1970 in Warsaw.

In the course of the negotiations which took place between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of the People's Republic of Poland concerning this Treaty, it was made clear by the Federal Government that the Treaty between the Federal Republic of Germany and the People's Republic of Poland does not and cannot affect the rights and resposibilities of the French Republic, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and the United States of America as reflected in the known treaties and agreements. The Federal Government further pointed out that it can act only in the name of the Federal Republic of Germany.

The Government of the French Republic and the Government of the United States of America have received identical Notes."

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