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Remembering the first transport of prisoners to Auschwitz 80 years ago

15 Jun 2020

On June 14, 1940, the first transport with Polish prisoners reached the Auschwitz concentration camp, which was then under construction. The International Auschwitz Committee (IAK), an association of Auschwitz survivors, invited to a memorial service in Berlin on the 80th anniversary of the …

Objects hidden by prisoners found at Auschwitz

15 May 2020

On 21 April 2020, numerous objects dating back to the time of the camp were found in Block 17 of the former Main Camp at Auschwitz, where the new Austrian exhibition will be displayed.

Richard Wadani Obituary

28 Apr 2020

Richard Wadani, deserter from the German Wehrmacht, honorary chairman and long-standing spokesperson of the committee “Justice for the Victims of Nazi Court Martial”, passed away in Vienna on the night of 19 April 2020.

National Fund supports NS victims and their descendants in obtaining Austrian citizenship

20 Sep 2019
Yesterday evening the National Council unanimously passed an amendment to the Citizenship Act enabling people from Austria persecuted by the Nazi regime and their direct descendants to obtain Austrian citizenship more easily.

Renovation work for the Austrian exhibition at the Auschwitz Memorial has commenced

12 Sep 2019

Following public procurement proceedings, on 26 August 2019 the National Fund of the Republic of Austria awarded the Krakow-based company Tomas Francuz the contract to renovate Block A-17 on the grounds of the Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial. Following the signature of the general contractor agreement ...

The Austrian National Library restitutes 2,255 books to the National Fund of the Republic of Austria

18 Dec 2018

The Austrian National Library today restituted 2,255 books – which it had acquired unlawfully during the Nazi period and are now considered “heirless” – to the National Fund of the Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism, in accordance with the provisions of the Art Restitution Act. It ...

Book presentation “Exile in Australia”

02 Oct 2018

The National Fund of the Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism and the Australian Embassy extend a warm invitation to the presentation of the 5th volume of the series “Erinnerungen. Lebensgeschichten von Opfern des Nationalsozialismus”/“Lives Remembered. Life Stories of the Victims ...

Sobotka and Lessing Mourn the Death of Johannes Schwantner, Member of the Board of Trustees

19 Mar 2018

His achievements in promoting learning from history at Holocaust memorials were unparalleled

National Council Unanimously Resolves to Revise the Tasks of the National Fund
Legislation has been passed to redefine and expand the set of tasks assigned to the National Fund of the Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism.

Claims Committee of the General Settlement Fund Disbanded Upon Acknowledgment of its Final Report

05 Apr 2017

Claims Committee Member G. Jonathan Greenwald receives Medal of Honor of the Republic of Austria

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