Material Sources

- 1. The author's personal experiences and observations, who during the Nazi rule, from 26th September 1939 to 28th April 1942, was working in the sanitary service at the Zofiówka Sanatorium in Otwock. Once each week, he was in Warsaw and, in the year 1941 and the first months of 1942, he travelled officially, with patients, to Częstochowa during the time of the "Big Ghetto". From 28th April 1942, he was in the Karczew [labour] camp until 22nd January 1943, from where he fled on 22nd January and was on the "Aryan side" in Warsaw. On 18th March 1943, he arrived in the Częstochowa "Small Ghetto". At first, he worked in HASAG-Raków and, later, in HASAG-Pelcery until 15th January 1945. On 15th January, he was evacuated to Buchenwald, where he was until 23rd January. On 24th January, he was transferred to the Dora concentration camp near Untersachsenhausen [sic Nordhausen], where he remained until 2nd April. On 2nd April, he was evacuated to Bergen-Belsen and, on 15th April 1945, he was liberated.
- 2. Testimonies taken from the following individuals (in alphabetical order):

Abramowicz, Efroim Birenholc, Chaim Bomba, Abram Cukierman, Berek Cymerman, Josef Domb, Mojsze Adv. Epsztajn, Estera Finkelsztajn, Sala Dr Freiman, Arnold Freiman, Hanka Gelbard, Aron Gliksman, Hela Adv. Goldberg, Mendel Goldsztajn, Hersz Jakubowicz, Dawid Dr Kantor, Cwi **Kornfeld, Frania** Krauze, Mendel Kurland, Anna Kurland, Heinrich **Kurland**, Natan Laski, Roman Laski, Szymon Leszczyk, Mania

Lewkowicz, Hersz Lichtensztajn, Marian Linden, Herman

Lustiger, Hercl

Majerowicz, Gabriel

Mlodynow, Szymon

Monowicz, Izrael

Pieprz, Jankel

Pieprz, Lidia née Siemiatycka

Pradelski, Henoch

Praport, Mojsze

Prejzerowicz, Dawid

Polewicz, Pola

Rozenwajn, Cwi

Rutkowski, Dawid

Sztajer, Hanka née Sztal

Szmulewicz, Zyskind

Sztajnhardt, Abram

Sztajnhardt, Bela née Landau

Szwarc, Zysza

Wajsler, Josef

Wajsler, Rywcza née Joskowicz

Wien, Eugenia

Wien, Heinrich

Wien, Szmul

Wislicki, Icchok

Zelewer, Dawid

Zelewer, Leon

Zysman, Dawid

Our friend, the historian Dr Phillip Friedman, provided the author with sixteen documents from the Częstochowa *Judenrat* and Częstochowa Town Hall. These documents contain tables and statistical information on Jewish life in Częstochowa.

The largest part of the testimonies was personally taken by the author himself. A smaller part were sent, in written form, by members of the Central Administration of the Częstochower Landsmannschaft in the US Zone in Germany.

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The author has introduced his own method for up-to-date historical research, which consists of the following system:

Firstly, he wrote down all his information on Częstochowa. He [then] sent the manuscript to the members of the Central Administration and to the members of the Cultural Commission that was formed specifically for this purpose and which is managed by the author. Those, who received the manuscript, studied the material thoroughly and sent it back to the author with their comments.

All these written comments, testimonies taken and correspondence have been meticulously and painstakingly set aside as study material and will be sent, by the author, to one of the principal archives that is engaged in studying the Jewish tragedy during the Nazi epoch.