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3 **Joint Declaration**  
4 **of**  
5 **the National Secretariate of Mining and Energy of the Solidarity Union**  
6 **and**  
7 **the Heartland Institute**

8 The National Secretariate of Mining and Energy of the Solidarity Union, and the Heartland  
9 Institute reaffirm the concerns previously expressed in their joint declaration regarding the  
10 conclusions of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), which state that the  
11 world is facing a climate catastrophe. Both Parties of the Declaration see no justification for  
12 declaring a climate emergency, nor do not agree with the statements made by UN Secretary-  
13 General António Guterres that “the era of global **boiling** has arrived.” In our opinion these  
14 actions create widespread fear and anxiety, especially among young people, without sufficient  
15 scientific validation at this point.

16 We observe with great concern the ongoing efforts to create legislation that, under the guise of  
17 combating hate speech, seeks to stifle free expression regarding climate policy. The official  
18 interpretation presented by the IPCC is becoming the only acceptable narrative, reminiscent of  
19 the dystopian visions described by Orwell. The global energy mix does not depend on policies  
20 but on the availability of resources, technologies, and the wealth of societies striving to ensure  
21 a secure present and a sustainable future for themselves and future generations.

22 The National Secretariate of Mining and Energy of the Solidarity Union, and the Heartland  
23 Institute strongly oppose actions aimed at completely eliminating coal from the global energy  
24 portfolio in light of the ongoing full-scale war in Ukraine, other conflicts, and the approaching  
25 winter. Increasing the share of renewable energy sources (RES) in the energy mix will not  
26 enhance security but will instead increase the risk of energy supply disruptions, or blackouts.

27 The National Secretariate of Mining and Energy of the Solidarity Union, and the Heartland  
28 Institute recognize that energy transformation means a dynamic process of developing energy  
29 production technologies and fostering innovation based on the rational management of natural  
30 resources while adhering to environmental protection principles. Therefore, energy  
31 transformation should never be understood as the elimination of coal as an energy source. The  
32 depletion of coal resources is a natural stimulus for seeking new energy generation technologies  
33 based on alternative energy resources. The decision to exclude coal can only be made when  
34 alternative, commercially viable energy production technologies are available on the market.  
35 This decision must not jeopardize the continuity of energy supplies at socially acceptable prices.

36 The parties declare mutual assistance in preparing for a referendum in which Poles will decide  
37 on the verification or suspension of the European Green Deal. Key actions in this area will  
38 include: preparing resources comprising analyses, assessments, forecasts, interviews, reports,  
39 and informational notes, as well as securing international support from the strongest member  
40 states. Appreciating the Heartland Institute's extensive experience in managing large  
41 international projects, we are convinced that such collaboration can significantly enhance the  
42 effectiveness of our efforts in the future.

43 The National Secretariat of Mining and Energy of NSZZ "Solidarity" fully appreciates the achievements  
44 of the Heartland Institute in the field of climate education and is greatly interested in their creative  
45 application in Poland.

46 The National Secretariate of Mining and Energy of the Solidarity Union, and the Heartland  
47 Institute call on world leaders to focus their efforts on ensuring accessible and affordable energy  
48 to raise the standard of living for societies. Such energy is essential to lift societies out of  
49 poverty, reduce food waste, and provide access to clean water. These are the main goals of  
50 sustainable development adopted by the UN General Assembly in September 2015.

51 The National Secretariate of Mining and Energy of the Solidarity Union, and the Heartland  
52 Institute declare their willingness to cooperate in clarifying the following issues:

- 53 • Assessing the actual level of risk of a climate catastrophe in light of persistent attempts  
54 to declare a climate emergency.
- 55 • Evaluating the need for climate change adaptation in urban, coastal, industrial areas, as  
56 well as public health concerns (tropical diseases, temperatures, etc.).
- 57 • Assessing the adaptation of military forces to changing climate conditions.
- 58 • Reviewing the Heartland Institute's activities in the fields of environment, climate, and  
59 social policy.
- 60 • The European Green Deal and its implementation effects. Assessing the possibility of  
61 expert support for technical and legal actions by Polish side in this regard, based on the  
62 experiences of similar cooperation between European environmental organizations and  
63 American NGOs.
- 64 • The possibility of using American low-emission energy generation technologies and  
65 manufacturing components for the chemical, steel, and agricultural industries, as well  
66 as nuclear and other technologies.

67 The National Secretariat of Mining and Energy of the Solidarity Union and the Heartland  
68 Institute recognize participation in future scientific conferences and seminars organized by both  
69 parties as a priority action, declaring their willingness to collaborate in organizing such  
70 conferences.

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