

Non-governmental Organisations and the National Security of the Republic of Poland after 1989

Abstract:

After 1989, non-governmental organisations functioning in the Polish legal system were governed by two laws: the Associations Act of 7 April 1989 and the Foundations Act of 6 April 1984. At present, amended provisions have contributed to the renaissance of such organisations, thanks to greater freedom of association and of the establishment of associations. Some organisations, dating back to the pre-war period, underwent restructuring and divided their statutory activities. A number of new foundations and associations have been formed, to address the problems and needs of a modern society, including national security issues.

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