

EDITORIAL

During the tenth World Congress of the International Political Science Association last August in Edinburgh an informal agreement was made between Professor Artur Bodnar, the editor-in-chief of Studia Nauk Politycznych, and myself concerning the exchange of articles by Polish and Finnish political scientists. Both of us felt that this kind of exchange would be most informative and beneficial for the parties involved. In more concrete terms, it was decided that Studia Nauk Politycznych and Politiikka would arrange for an exchange of 5—7 articles on roughly page-to-page basis. Later on, the Executive Committee of the Finnish Political Science Association took a favorable attitude towards this arrangement. In this issue we take the pleasure of publishing the articles sent to us by Professor Bodnar. In the selection of the articles by Finnish political scientists to be sent for publication in Studia Nauk Politicznych I have benefited fron the expertise of the members of the Editorial Board of Politiikka.

A glance at the table of contents reveals that the articles delivered over to us represent a selection of the production of very distinguished Polish political scientists. The emphasis in the topics discussed is clearly on the political system of Poland and, in particular, on its administrative structure and dynamics. There are, in addition, a couple of articles of more general focus. I have chosen to organize the material so that these more general papers are scheduled first and after them come articles of more specific nature. The International Political Science Assosiation has the copyright of the articles of Professors *Opatek* and *Wiatr*. These articles appear here by kind permission of the secretary of I.P.S.A., Professor *John Trent* of the University of Ottawa.

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