

MEMORANDUM

To: Larry Jackson, President,
Mary Lynn Polk, Dept. of English,
Aron Tannenbaum, Dept. of Political Science.

From: Garret Sobczyk, *Dept of Math - GES*

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Subject: Guest Speaker

Last April, more than one hundred Lander students signed a petition for the release of Dr. Kornel Morawiecki, leader of the Polish underground group, "Fighting Solidarity", who was being held incommunicado in a Polish prison. Kornel was Poland's most important Political prisoner, even through, at the time, the Polish government was denying having any Political prisoners.

Earlier this week, I caught up with Kornel in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and asked him if he might visit Lander College before he returns to Poland. Kornel has agreed to come to our campus sometime around the middle of September. He has promised me that he would give me two weeks advance notice as to exactly when he could come. I have heard Dr. Morawiecki speak, and he does an excellent job. Whereas Kornel speaks some English, I or somebody else would have to serve as translator.

I believe it would be interesting to have Kornel give an evening talk, open to the public, about the current situation in Poland, as well as about Gorbachov's "glasnost" and "peristroyka" from a Polish perspective. I am sure that he would also be willing to answer questions from the audience. In addition, he could talk to students in political science classes, and meet with students informally.

What funding would be available for Dr. Morawiecki to cover his expenses?

Enclosure: Chicago Tribune Article.