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Canadians holding Polish securities issued before September 1, 1939, and not overdue on that date, must register them at a Polish consular office before March 15, 1949, otherwise they will become invalid. The regulations of the Polish Government requiring such registration may be found in the Polish Journal of Laws, Number 22, Item 88.

Registration applies to all stocks, bonds, notes and other evidence of indebtedness, except:

- (a) negotiable securities issued by the State;
- (b) documents issued outside Poland;
- (c) coupons;
- (d) bank notes and other documents payable at sight;
- (e) postal savings books payable to the bearer; and
- (f) documents containing a reservation that they may not be cancelled.

Consular offices of the Polish Government in Canada are located at:

985 Sherbrooke Street West,
Montreal, P.Q.
Telephone: Marquette 1217.

611 McIntyre Block,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.
Telephone: 9-7793.

Particulars required by consular offices are the full name, address, signature, nationality and citizenship of bearer, and his declaration stating from whom and when he obtained the document. The documents themselves should be presented to facilitate registration. Securities lost or destroyed between September 1, 1939, and December 17, 1945, may be registered on the basis of an attestation by the last holder giving an exact description of the lost or destroyed documents, including their serial numbers and other pertinent information.

The regulations also provide a procedure for the invalidation of bearer documents lost, destroyed or stolen between September 1, 1939, and December 17, 1945, if application is made before March 15, 1949. An application for invalidation, which is subject to final determination by competent Polish courts, must be accompanied by a full description of the documents together with proof of possession and loss.

Further information concerning registration of documents and procedure to be taken in the event of their loss will be furnished by Polish consular offices in Canada.
