



HELENA BROŻYNA

On 11 January 1948 in Bodzentyn, examining judge Tadeusz Wyga from the administrative area of the District Court, from the Criminal Investigation Section of the District Citizens' Militia Station in Kielce, with the participation of reporter Jerzy Lichacz, heard the person named below as a witness, without taking an oath. Having advised the witness of the criminal liability for making false declarations, of the provisions of Article 107 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and of the significance of the oath, the judge took an oath therefrom, following which the witness testified as follows:

Name and surname	Helena Brożyna
Age	26 years
Parents' names	Józef and Katarzyna, <i>née</i> Kopacz
Place of residence	Bieliny, commune of Bieliny, district of Kielce
Occupation	housewife
Religion	Roman Catholic
Criminal record	none
Relationship to the parties	none

In 1944 I worked at the German kitchen in Bieliny, where I had been forcibly taken. On the evening of 8 March 1944 partisans came up to the post and started shooting very loudly, which resulted in the wounding of three Germans. At the time, we were washing up after dinner. The shooting grew in intensity and the partisans soon entered the kitchen, and passed through the kitchen into the room, and then I ran out into the courtyard and sat there. When the shooting subsided, three Germans walked up and took me away. They led me to the kitchen and locked me up there. They released me in the morning and told me to



go and serve food. But I knew nothing about the Germans shooting anyone, for nobody told me anything. I only saw a pile of shoes and clothes in the courtyard, and so I gathered that something must have happened. Only after three days did they order me to go the village, and only there did I learn that the Germans had executed 20 people in connection with the attack on the post.

I know nothing more regarding the case in hand. The report was read out to me and I have signed it.