

The purpose of the research is to determine the number and importance of Polish soldiers Kingdom of Poland's in the Russian army and navy in 1914-1915. This objective will be realized by determining the size of Polish contingent and people of Polish origin Kingdom of Poland's in Russian armed forces in 1914-1915, specifying Poles' attitude to the military service, examining the lots of Polish conscripts who were forcibly recruited to the army as well as officers who voluntarily joined the army and the navy. Moreover, it will be essential to study and determine the attitude of the Russians (superiors, private soldiers and the entire society) to the servicemen of Polish origin. We will elaborate a list of posts held by the Poles and people of Polish origin in the army and navy, military educational entities, arms industry and War Ministry or Ministry of Imperial Court 1914-1915. Establishing the extent of the Poles and people of Polish impact on the creation, modernization and combat power of the Russian army and navy, participation of the 1914-1915. Poles in battles, motivation, establishing the list of names of the Polish soldiers Kingdom of Poland's losses - casualties, wounded soldiers, those who died in result of suffered injuries, captives and those who were missing in action 1914-1915.

In order to realize the planned task, it will be necessary to carry out extensive archival and library queries both in foreign and national centers. The research team intends to analyze the source material which has not been used yet. It is kept in the archives in Russia (Moscow, Sankt Petersburg) Lithuanian, Belarus archives and Poland (Central Military Archives and Archives of Historical Records in Warsaw) as well as in regional archives containing files drafted in Kingdom of Poland guberniyas by Russian Commissions for Recruit Obligation and Committees Supporting Families of Recruited Soldiers (Białystok, Kielce, Lublin, Łódź, Radom, Siedlce).. Apart from this, the research will include the most recent state of the art concerning the studied issues as they are depicted in the subject literature, mostly in foreign publications.

Realization of the research project will allow to explain one of the crucial issues in the Polish post-partition history, i.e. the presence of Polish soldiers in the Russian army. We will elaborate a study depicting enlistment records of Polish soldiers and people of Polish origin the Kingdom of Poland's in the Russian army and navy in 1914-1915 verifying a stereotypical presentation of this issue prevailing in the subject literature until now. We will create a list of posts held by Polish soldiers in the Russian army and navy 1914-1915. One of our greatest achievements will be the list of names of soldiers losses the Kingdom of Poland's (soldiers who were killed, wounded, lost and captured) of the servicemen from the Russian army and navy 1914-1915. Preparation of the database an electronic version of soldiers Kingdom's of Poland losses of the Russian army and navy in 1914-1915. So far, no one has attempted to accomplish this task because it is very difficult and time-consuming to realize but our team can guarantee the success of this undertaking.