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During the Cold War U.S. government, East European diasporas and anticommunist publications readers smuggled publications behind the Iron Curtain on a massive scale. This way thousands of little known books fell into the hands of Polish intellectuals as an unexpected gifts from the West. Almost no-one knew in a time who paid for this and how carefully prepared the action was.

The operation was managed by George Minden, in fact CIA operative, from New York. The author of the project, following Minden's secret notes, get to London, Paris, Rome and other places. Sowiński penetrates the émigré archives in search of unknown documents on this battle for a mind and asks new questions about the origins of gaining freedom process in Poland. This innovative research intrigues not only professional historians.