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Poland

*Telegram<sup>1</sup> from the Polish Ambassador in East Berlin, Janusz Obodowski<sup>2</sup>,  
to the Polish Minister of Foreign Affairs, Krzysztof Skubiszewski<sup>3</sup>*

For immediate action

East Berlin, 10 November 1989, 1.00 a.m.

Following Schabowski's<sup>4</sup> statement about the opening of borders with the West, the border with the FRG has burst. Masses of people are crossing into West Berlin. Some are moving back and forth. Rallies at the W[est] B[erlin] border.

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<sup>3</sup> *Krzysztof Skubiszewski (1926–2010), [dodis.ch/P57377](https://dodis.ch/P57377), Polish Minister of Foreign Affairs 12.9.1989–26.10.1993.*

<sup>4</sup> *Günter Schabowski (1929–2015), [dodis.ch/P56902](https://dodis.ch/P56902), member of the SED Politburo and spokesman of the GDR government 1989.*

