

An aerial photograph of Warsaw during World War II, showing a dense urban grid with a river winding through it. The image is in black and white and has a grainy, historical quality. A white rectangular border is superimposed on the image, framing the text.

WARSAW DURING WORLD WAR II

POLISH RESISTANCE FIGHTS GERMAN OCCUPATION

- Guerrilla warfare in urban environment
- Underground tunnels and sewers used
- AK* coordinated with Allies, received little aid

*Polish national army



DESTRUCTION AND HUMANITARIAN CRISIS

- Widespread destruction of infrastructure and buildings
- Thousands of civilians killed or injured
- Lack of basic necessities led to starvation and disease



WAR CRIMES COMMITTED BY GERMAN FORCES

- Mass executions of civilians and prisoners
- Use of incendiary weapons on civilian areas
- Rape and torture of civilians and prisoners

