

**THE PASTOR AND THE MATRIARCH OF THE GERMAN
UNDERGROUND AND THEIR TIMES**

A Polish Perspective

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To my dear father Stanisław
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