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The Katyn massacre was one of the most brutal acts of the Stalin era, which took place in 1940 and started a several-year hunt for the culprit. The Soviet Union's biggest rival was Nazi Germany, which did not want to be wrongly accused of murdering Polish officers. But the incident had a much bigger impact than it might at first look. The Katyn massacre also had a significant impact for the Czech context. As part of the investigations, special groups were formed, made up of leading experts, such as doctors and journalists. These groups included a few representatives from the Czech lands, thanks to whom we can take an even closer look at the whole event.