A decree was adopted on supplies of milk, meat and hay. 

Minc reported on talks with the USSR Trade Commissariat: (3)

In order to feed the population, the Poles had put forward the following monthly ration: 1 kg soap, 1 kg paraffin, 10 boxes matches. For the rest of this year: 3 m of calico cotton, 2 m suit cloth, 3 m bedding cloth, 1 pair of shoes for every second person, 1 jumper per family, 2 pairs of socks and 1 pair of stockings per person, 2 reels of thread per family. (4)

Bierut raised the matter of establishing trade relations with the outside world.

Józwiak was nominated commander of the Citizens' Militia (or possibly deputy security department head).

Drobner abstained in the vote.

Raabe (5) was nominated director of the higher education division of the Education Department.

As regards helping Jews ... separate workshops must not be set up for them.

Bierut's account of his audience with Stalin:

He brought up the problem of the arresting of Poles which must be settled properly since it infringes Polish sovereignty. He also raised the question of the arrests of the Polish émigrés in 1937. Stalin ordered a review of Polish affairs in the years 1934–39 and possibly their reappraisal.

Drobner moved a vote of thanks to Bierut.

Drobner raised the matter of industries in Rzeszów, and Red Army confiscations here, which did not however affect two aircraft factories which were under Soviet management.

Witos suggested sending a PKWN representative to Lvov to look after the Polish population.

NOTES

1 Previously unpublished.

2 The PKWN manifesto had asserted that the compulsory supply of agricultural goods by the peasantry established by the German occupying authorities would be abolished. Already however, it was becoming apparent that this rash promise would be fulfilled.

3 In these meetings the Poles had asked to the sum of 350 million roubles (Lublin, 1965), p. 184.

4 The introduction of rationing was to all, of the difficulty of compelling deliver the agreed quotas of agriculture, particularly given the large needs of the Soviet armies. (See documents)

5 Henryk Raabe, see biographical list