

Demonstration at the Second Meeting between Willy Brandt and Willi Stoph (May 21, 1970)

Abstract

Supporters and opponents of the East German regime demonstrated on the occasion of the second meeting between Willy Brandt and Willi Stoph on May 21, 1970. Whereas their first meeting was held in the GDR (in Erfurt), the second took place in the Federal Republic (in Kassel). International recognition of the GDR by the Federal Republic and Bonn's policy of reunification were leading agenda points. The handwritten sign in the foreground is critical of the East German regime: "365 deaths at the Wall and [the border] since 1961." But the sign behind it, printed by the German Communist Party (DKP), takes aim at the Federal Republic. The sign features a picture of Brandt and Stoph, who shake hands underneath the headline: "And what now?" The text continues below: "He who says A, must also say B! International recognition of the GDR."

Source



Source: Second meeting between Chancellor Willy Brandt and Chairman of the Council of Ministers of the GDR Willi Stoph in Kassel. May 21, 1970. Photo: Hanns Hubmann.

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