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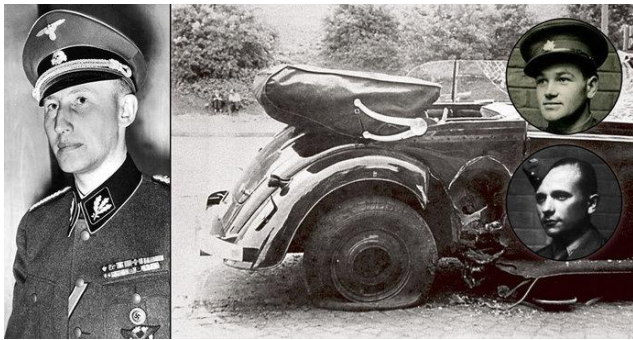
DAY STUDY TRIP TO LIDICE

Friday, February 21

Trip itinerary will be provided to CES & those who signed-up by email

ITINERARY:

- Visit to **Memorial of National Heroes and the victims of Heydrich Terror** in the crypt of the church
- Transfer to Lidice and:
 - Visit to **Lidice Memorial** and the exhibition
 - **Tour around the memorial area** where the village used to stand
 - Visit to small museum about construction of the **“New Lidice”**
- **Snack lunch and Museum + memorial tickets** provided by CET



The church of Sts. Cyrillus and Method became a hiding place of the Czech paratroopers who had performed **assassination on the Deputy Reich-Protector Reinhard Heydrich** in 1942. The Reich Police immediately started to search for them intensely, they arrested and questioned a great number of people. The questionings resulted in detection of the paratroopers' hiding place. On **June 18th, 1942**, the SS- and Gestapo members encircled the church and there was a fight early in the morning. **The combat took place inside the church, on choir and even in the crypt.** There are still bullet traces on the outer wall of the crypt.

Lidice, a small village in the Central Bohemia, was **destroyed June 10, 1942**. After the assassination on Reinhard Heydrich, May 27, 1942, the village was **razed to the ground** on the command of Karl Hermann Frank. 173 men were shot dead, women and most of the children were transported to concentration camps.

Nevertheless, the intention of the Nazis to erase the village from the map of the world was never successful. Lidice was restored and many **communities around the world bear the name in honor of Lidice.**

