



<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
July 1, 1569	The Union of Lublin treaty is signed, forming the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth
January 28, 1573	The Confederation of Warsaw is instituted, granting religious freedom throughout the Commonwealth
May 1, 1576	Stefan Batory is crowned king, reforms army, and formalizes the husaria
April 17, 1577	Battle of Lubieszów, the first of many hussar victories
December 12, 1586	King Stefan Batory dies
August 19, 1587	Zygmunt III Vasa is elected King of Poland
1593	The Moldavian Magnate Wars begin
1595	Fire breaks out in Wawel Castle (Kraków), destroying the royal quarters
1596	King Zygmunt III decides to move court and government to Warsaw
1598	Death of Fyodor, Tsar of Muscovy, and beginning of Muscovy's Time of Troubles
1600	Beginning of Polish-Swedish War
1605	Beginning of the Dymitriads, the rise of various false claimants to the Muscovite throne
1605	King Zygmunt III marries Austrian Archduchess Constance, sister of his late wife
September 27, 1605	Battle of Kircholm, a hussar victory over Swedish forces
1606	Zebrzydowski Rebellion begins
July, 1607	Battle of Guzów, where the royalists crush the Zebrzydowski rebels
1608	Zebrzydowski Rebellion ends
1609	Beginning of Polish-Muscovite War
1609	Siege of Smoleńsk by Poland
July 4, 1610	Battle of Kłuszyn, led by Hetman Stanisław Żółkiewski, a hussar victory over combined Muscovite and Swedish forces
August, 1610	Field Crown Hetman Stanisław Żółkiewski marches into Moscow; Poland occupies Moscow
August 27, 1610	Muscovite boyars sign a treaty wherein King Zygmunt III's son, Prince Władysław, is named Tsar
June, 1611	Smoleńsk falls to Poland
June, 1611	King Zygmunt III sends Field Hetman Żółkiewski to Moscow to relieve the Polish garrison
August, 1611	Field Hetman Żółkiewski is driven off, returns to Poland
September, 1611	King Zygmunt III moves into the Royal Palace at Warsaw
October, 1611	Field Hetman Żółkiewski presents deposed Tsar Wasyl IV to King Zygmunt III
July, 1612	Magnate Stefan Potocki leads his army into Moldavia, where he's defeated and taken prisoner
October 22, 1612	The Polish garrison is driven out of Moscow
October, 1612	Field Hetman Żółkiewsk reaches agreement with Ștefan II Tomza of Moldavia
February, 1613	Michał Romanov, founder of the Romanov Dynasty, becomes Tsar; the end of the Dymitriads
1613	Stanisław Żółkiewski given title of Great Crown Hetman
October 7, 1620	Stanisław Żółkiewski dies at the Battle of Cecora in Moldavia; end of the Moldavian Magnate Wars

