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Andris Nelsons and the Boston Symphony Orchestra’s second Deutsche Grammophon recording, Shostakovich Under Stalin’s Shadow: Symphonies 5, 8, & 9, is available for purchase internationally today, Friday, May 27. The two-disc set of live performance recordings also includes the incidental music to Hamlet. To purchase the recording, visit www.bso.org and other online and local retailers.

This is the second installment in the BSO’s live performance recordings of Shostakovich’s complete symphonies. The first album of the partnership between the BSO, Nelsons, and DG, Shostakovich’s Symphony No. 10, released in July 2015, won the Grammy Award for Best Orchestral Performance at the 58th annual Grammy Awards in February 2016.

The Boston Symphony Orchestra, Andris Nelsons, and Deutsche Grammophon recently announced that they would expand their award-winning recording partnership by extending their original agreement, which focused primarily on Shostakovich Symphonies 5-10 (works composed during the period of Shostakovich’s difficult relationship with Stalin and the Soviet regime, mid-1930s to 1953), to include live recordings of the composer’s entire canon of 15 symphonies, plus the masterpiece opera, Lady Macbeth of Mtsensk. For more information on the collaboration, click here.

On May 19, Andris Nelsons also announced that he had signed an exclusive contract with Deutsche Grammophon, with plans for recordings of Bruckner’s music with the Gewandhausorchester Leipzig and Beethoven’s complete symphonies with the Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra. For more information about Andris Nelsons’ exclusive contract with Deutsche Grammophon, click here.