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## President Duda for raising Poland's presence in demilitarised zone.

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### **President Andrzej Duda has an idea to strengthen Poland's presence in the Korean Demilitarised Zone, head of the National Security Bureau (BBN) Pawel Soloch said on Tuesday.**

Pawel Soloch, speaking to a private radio broadcaster, said the presidential side is in talks with Defence Minister Mariusz Blaszczak on how this could be achieved.

The BBN head added that top level summit talks serve to convince North Korea to resign from the nuclear programme. "There is also an expectation for China's greater involvement in this process as so far it is the US that exerts pressure on (the North Korean-PAP) regime."

Asked about Poland's involvement, Pawel Soloch noted that Poland has a diplomatic mission in Pyongyang and added that Poland is present in the Demilitarised Zone, although not permanently, "but we are mulling over such a possibility." "We have our military representation there, the president has an idea to strengthen our presence, we are discussing ways of achieving this with Defence Minister Mariusz Blaszczak," the BBN head said.

According to him this is vital as the threat of a possible conflict in that part of the world weakens the US's engagement in Europe.

Asked whether Warsaw has been taken into account as a possible venue of a Donald Trump-Kim Jong-un meeting, Minister Pawel Soloch said he could not confirm such information.

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