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International Conference on the European Security

Thursday, 18 October 2012. The Presidential Palace held international conference dedicated to the European security issues - including an amendment of the European Security Strategy of 2003. The conference was organized by the National Security Bureau.

Among the conference participants were the representatives of state administration from 15 EU Member States. Also the Chancelleries of the President and the Prime Minister were represented along with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Ministry of National Defense and the leading think tanks. The session was opened by the Head of the National Security Bureau, Stanisław Koziej.



Conference program was divided into three panels covering issues relating to changes in the EU's security environment and their impact on the external actions of the Union, EU's priorities for the next decade and outlining its strategic potential as well as works on potential new strategy.

The idea of amending the European Security Strategy is supported by the President of Poland, Bronisław Komorowski. In his speech during the 48th Munich Security Conference on 4 February 2012, Polish President emphasized that the European Union must move from declarations to actions and called upon other Member States leaders to strategically reflect on the European security policy.

I believe that it is time for the European Union to seriously approach its responsibility for the security in Europe and the surroundings in a synergic cooperation with the United States and NATO as well as Russia and other East European states. It must relate to institutional aspects, general potential and operational as well as strategic and doctrinal capability. I believe that the American friends told us something very important. They said: Europe, get ready for a heavier armor. In my opinion, in order to revitalize EU's efforts in the security field, we should undertake works on the new security strategy of the European Union that have been put off. - said the President.

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