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15th anniversary of Poland joining NATO

On 12 March 2014, President of the Republic of Poland Bronisław Komorowski said at the special meeting celebrating the 15th anniversary of Poland's NATO membership, that the harmony present when Poland was entering NATO is also needed today, because "we all want a safer world, and recent experience suggests that only those can feel secure who have force behind them".

B. Komorowski thanked the representatives of NATO member states who supported Poland's efforts to join NATO and all those Polish politicians who worked to secure Poland's position in the Alliance. He encouraged everyone to work together to strengthen NATO as the most important tool building a safer Western world, Europe and Poland.

Poland was accepted into NATO on March 12, 1999, together with Czech Republic and Hungary.

Guests invited to the official celebration at the Presidential Palace included the ambassadors of NATO member states and the ambassador of Ukraine, members of the National Security Council (RBN), former Polish presidents and prime ministers, speakers of the Parliament, foreign and defence ministers and other officials.

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