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President approves Polish air policing mission over Baltics

President Bronislaw Komorowski has approved the use of the Polish Military Contingent in the NATO air policing mission over the Baltic States.

The chief aim of the mission is to patrol and protect the air space of Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia and provide aid to military and civilian aircraft in emergency.

The current shift of the Baltic Air Policing mission is to last from December 22, 2014 to May 15, 2015.

The contingent with four MiG-29 aircraft is planned to return to Lithuania after a four-month break. It will comprise up to 120 soldiers and military personnel. The cost of the mission is planned at PLN 9 million.

It is the sixth shift of the Polish contingent in the NATO's Baltic mission. Poland first sent its Air Force units to the Baltics in 2006.

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