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**There are no major difference among political forces as far as directions of Poland's security policy are concerned, Polish President Andrzej Duda said after a meeting of the National Security Council (RBN) in Warsaw on Wednesday.**

The president said the meeting was very substantive. "We held a businesslike discussion on key topics concerning Poland's security." Andrzej Duda added that opinions and stands were presented by the PM, ministers and representatives of political parties. "All the voices were very interesting and very valuable."

Andrzej Duda explained that he could not go into the meeting's details due to its confidential status.

"The position of the entire political spectrum on essential matters regarding Poland's and our citizens' basic security issues is absolutely unanimous," said the president adding that there are no major differences as to the directions in which Poland's security policy should develop.

President Duda said that in view of the July NATO summit in Warsaw and the World Youth Day in Krakow one can expect further meetings of the National Security Council. The president expressed satisfaction that in the formula of RBN meetings there "is a place for a substantive, constructive debate."

The Wednesday's meeting of the National Security Council was the first chaired by President Andrzej Duda since he took office in August 2015.

The meeting was attended by Prime Minister Beata Szydlo and the heads of all the parliamentary political groups: Law and Justice (PiS) - Jaroslaw Kaczynski, Civic Platform (PO) - Grzegorz Schetyna, Kukiz'15 - Pawel Kukiz, Nowoczesna Party - Ryszard Petru and Polish People's Party (PSL) - Wladyslaw Kosiniak-Kamysz.

The RBN also includes the lower and upper house speakers, the defence minister, the foreign minister, the interior minister, the President's Office head and the National Security Bureau (BBN) head.

The RBN is an advisory body to Poland's president on internal and external security. The president convenes and chairs the meetings and defines discussion topics.

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