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## Polish, Israeli national security officials discuss global security

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**Global security and political changes taking place in the West were among key issues discussed by the head of Poland's National Security Bureau (BBN), Pawel Soloch, and Israel's Acting National Security Advisor Jacob Nagel in Jerusalem.**

The conversation took place on Wednesday evening when Soloch was accompanying Polish President Andrzej Duda during his several-day visit to Israel and the Palestinian Authority.

Soloch told PAP on Thursday that his meeting with Nagel confirms the "strategic dimension" of close Polish-Israeli cooperation.

He also said that the conversation focused on security issues and "confirmed the thesis" of President Duda, who on Thursday remarked that history has accelerated rapidly in the past few years and that new challenges and threats have emerged "to which we should seek answers together."

Soloch specified that this involves political changes in the Western world, including the new administration taking over in the United States and upcoming elections in France, Germany and the Netherlands. Another important security factor from the point of view of both Poland and Israel, Soloch said, is the presence of the Russians in the Middle East. He also listed terrorism, the issue of failed states and migration.

"Israel is a key partner for us when it comes to not only economic cooperation and the exchange of technology, but also political dialogue, especially in the context of ... the rapid changes we have witnessed in recent years," Soloch said. He also voiced his view that "the Middle East is one of those areas of the world where the rules of global security governance are about to be redefined."

Soloch told PAP he had also talked with Israel's Nagel about "the presence of Russia in the Middle East" and about "further developments in the context of possible changes in US policy."

Other topics included the situation across Poland's eastern border, "the Russian-Ukrainian issue" and "the assessment of the global policies of the United States, Russia and other countries," Soloch said. (PAP)