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## President briefed about bill on strategic reserves

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**The head of the National Security Bureau (BBN) has presented the president with details regarding a bill on strategic reserves as well as a report on the coronavirus vaccination process in Poland.**

"Before signing a related bill, President Andrzej Duda met with the leadership of the Material Reserves Agency, which, we believe, will soon be transformed into the Strategic Reserves Agency," Pawel Soloch told reporters on Tuesday.

"Before taking a decision, the president has been holding broad consultations with all the people working on the bill," Soloch said.

He also stated that the Strategic Reserves Agency was planned as an element of a plan designed to improve the security of civilians.

Michal Dworczyk, the head of the Prime Minister's Office, who also attended the meeting with Duda, added that the chief goal of the draft was to increase the effectiveness of the Material Reserves Agency, which was one of the most important entities, thanks to which the National Vaccination Programme was being implemented.

"After the changes envisaged in the bill, the agency will be much more effective," Dworczyk stated.

He also said that the president had also been given a detailed report concerning the course of the COVID-19 vaccination process in Poland.

Dworczyk stated that, in addition, the president had been presented with information regarding potential threats and challenges to the process, chiefly posed by vaccination supply delays as well as reduced deliveries by foreign producers.

The bill on strategic reserves was sent to the president last week after the Sejm (lower house) had voted against the upper house's resolution rejecting the draft. The Strategic Reserves Agency is planned to be authorised to conduct fast purchases in crisis situation, and to be relieved from the necessity to apply regulations on public orders. (PAP)

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