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2025 NATO Summit The Hague

President Andrzej Duda has praised NATO's long-awaited move to ramp up the recommended defence spending level from 2 percent to 5 percent, saying the new threshold aligns with his suggestions and the "current situation".

Demanded by US President Donald Trump, the alliance collectively reached an agreement on elevated military spending targets on Wednesday at the NATO summit in The Hague, the Netherlands.

Commenting on the move at the press conference following the talks, Andrzej Duda thanked the American leader for backing the initiative while mentioning Washington's significance and strength in the alliance. He said that the changes followed more than a year-long Polish bid for a new rule.

The new defence spending goal, Andrzej Duda added, influences Poland: "A strong alliance means strong Poland".

Speaking of how „Russian imperialism” jeopardises foreign security, the head of state said NATO's Eastern flank members „don't need an explanation” on the matter.

The decision comes just over a month before newly elected leader Karol Nawrocki officially succeeds Andrzej Duda.

President said he is leaving Poland's highest office at peace about a pivotal shift in NATO's military focus. He added that "everyone" in the alliance "knows" defence spending needs to be higher.

A NATO summit is an opportunity for meetings and discussions between leaders of member states. In The Hague, President Duda spoke with the President of USA Donald Trump.





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