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Davos. The President participated in the discussion 'Can Europe Defend Itself'

The second day of the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, saw the President of Poland take part in a discussion entitled "Can Europe Defend Itself", which focused on the challenges and problems facing contemporary Europe. - In Europe, we need solidarity and good transatlantic relations. - said Karol Nawrocki.

The President emphasised that "when it comes to security, the United States pays 65% for NATO, Europeans 35%, so we must take into account what Donald Trump says about world security, because he is responsible for it as a leader and we must support him."

He reminded that there are ten thousand American soldiers stationed in Poland and that we purchase the best equipment in the world, which is an American one. - "Poland has increased its defence spending to almost 5% of GDP since we feel responsible for our security. I can assure you that Poland's independence and sovereignty are very strong. I believe in our soldiers and our readiness to fight anyone who would like to invade our country. But at the same time, I believe in the North Atlantic Alliance. The United States are very important for NATO's eastern flank." - The President pointed out.

When asked about the dispute over Greenland, the President expressed/voiced his hope that "it will be resolved diplomatically thanks to the help of all partners".

- „The fact that we are talking about Greenland does not mean that we are not thinking about Ukraine. Poland aids Ukraine within NATO and the European Union. We consider this to be the most important issue in Europe. I am pleased that we are slowly but surely moving towards long-term peace in Ukraine. This must happen. We understand how important the issue of Ukraine is, how great the threat from Russia is.” - added Karol Nawrocki.

NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte, Finnish President Alexander Stubb, European Investment Bank President Nadia Calviño and Sanofi CEO Paul Hudson also took part in the discussion.