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Mr. Jens Stoltenberg

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Dear Mr. Secretary,

As members of the Polish Diaspora dispersed around the world, in vast majority, also being legal citizens of Poland and other countries, represented by the World Polonia Council, an umbrella organization of all Poles living outside of Poland, we are concerned with the strategic security interests in Europe.

Russia's aggressive behavior represented by military intervention in Georgia, the annexation of Crimea and the war in the Donbas Region of Ukraine threatens the free and democratic countries of Eastern and Central Europe. Today, Russia represents a very real and even an imminent threat to Poland and to world peace.

These developments have drawn a direct reaction from NATO in the form of large military exercises in its eastern region, but it is imperative to further and permanently strengthen the eastern flank of NATO.

We trust that this 2016 NATO Warsaw Summit of July 8-9 will determine the adequate response of the NATO Alliance to Russia's threatening and offensive moves. Now, there is no other option then putting in place military NATO capabilities to protect real peace in this part of Europe and priority should be given to the Alliance's collective security in accordance with Article 5 of the North Atlantic Treaty.

Yours sincerely,

Jan Cytowski,
President, World Polonia Council