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Itai BRIN Colonel Defence and Military Attaché of the State of Israel

Dear Sir,

On behalf of the Minister of National Defence of the Republic of Poland and the Global Special Operations Forces (SOF) Foundation, I am writing to invite you to attend the **Global SOF Symposium – Europe** taking place in Warsaw on 5-7 October 2020.

The 2019 *Global SOF Symposium – Europe* was held in Brussels and in the preceding years it took place in: Madrid (2018), Bucharest (2017) and Vilnius (2016). I am proud to announce that Poland will host the *Global SOF Symposium – Europe* in 2020, the year that is particularly special as Poland is commemorating the 100th anniversary of its victory in the Battle of Warsaw. In 1920 a young, reborn country managed to defeat the Red Army of the Bolshevik Russia successfully stopping the spread of the communist ideology in Europe for at least several years. I would like to express my confidence that the 2020 SOF Symposium in Poland will continue not only the noble tradition of excellence, but also it will give all participants a chance to experience Polish hospitality and heritage. I look forward to continuing the dialogue among colleagues, discussing issues of mutual interest, exchanging opinions as well as different perspectives, together with building strong relationships among partners. Furthermore, I would like to draw your attention to the main Polish theme of the Symposium, oscillating around the contemporary concept "Regionalization as a first step to build collective defence".

The Global SOF Foundation is our partner in this endeavour. It serves as the only professional association for the international special operations community. The Global SOF Foundation includes members from 60 nations and has the support of nearly 90 industry partners. The Foundation's mission is to build and grow an international network of military, government, commercial, and educational stakeholders in order to advance special operations capabilities and partnerships.

A complete agenda and registration is available on the website:

https://www.gsofeurope.org/

Unfortunately, the participation is not free of charge but the registration fee is heavily discounted for government and military attendees and covers some food and beverages. I know you are extremely busy, but I would be honored to have you (or your representative) attend this important event. Any questions can be directed to the Foundation's Events Manager, Ms. Ranae Grehl, at rgrehl@gsof.org or +001 (954) 740-0068 or POL Special Operations Component Command leading the event preparation within the Polish Armed Forces at +48 261-132-300 or dkws.sekretariat@ron.mil.pl

Sincerely,

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