



# Lithuanian Diplomatic Playbook

## 25 April - 1 May 2016

Key Lithuanian Foreign Policy messages of the week. All materials included are public.  
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### President Grybauskaitė:

**The landing of the most modern fighter jets on Lithuanian soil demonstrates that the United States can ensure swift and effective airspace defense.**

**It is a strong signal that the Alliance is fully prepared and capable to counter any challenge or threat.**

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### Key messages:

- Forward presence of NATO forces – key for the regional security.
- The strictest adherence to nuclear safety standards – vital for any nuclear power plant construction
- TTIP will boost transatlantic trade and lift EU–US strategic partnership to the yet another level

### Top lines, statements

### Security and Defence:

- Germany plans forming a NATO battalion group in Lithuania (29 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
- The world's most advanced U.S. fighter jets land in Lithuania (27 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
- NATO Defence Policy Directors agree that the upcoming NATO Summit in Warsaw will be a historical event (27 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
- Lithuania's Foreign Minister: Chernobyl catastrophe reminds us of importance of nuclear safety standards [Read full news release](#)

## Bilateral relations, regional cooperation:

- Lithuanian Foreign Minister, Moldova's President, other officials discuss country's reform agenda (27 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
- Lithuania-Portugal political consultations held in Lisbon (27 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
- Lithuania-Romania partnership discussed in Vilnius (25 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
- Lithuania opens five new VFS Lithuania Visa Application Centres in China (26 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)

## Economy:

- Free trade with the United States benefits Lithuania (28 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
- Stability Programme Envisages Accelerating Economic Growth and Balanced Public Finances (27 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)
- Linkevičius: Ambitious and comprehensive EU-U.S. trade deal is important and beneficial for Lithuania (28 April, 2016) [Read full news release](#)

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