



Lithuanian Diplomatic Playbook

28 September - 4 October 2015

Key Lithuanian Foreign Policy messages of the week. All materials included are public.
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Story of the Week

"We cannot pledge respect
for the UN Charter and
ignore its breaches at the
same time"

(President Dalia Grybauskaitė
at UNGA, 29 September, 2015)

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Press Service of the President
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Key messages:

- Justice cannot be vetoed
- All Ukrainian political prisoners must be released
- Russia's actions in Syria escalate conflict
- Lithuania to start supplying gas to Latvia and Estonia

Top lines, statements

United Nations:

- President Grybauskaitė: "Reform of the United Nations – inevitable" (29 September, 2015) [Read full](#)

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 - President Grybauskaitė: “Terrorism is taking on new forms in the world” (29 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - FM Linkevičius: “Those who vetoed Security Council’s decisions are also responsible for deaths in Syria” (1 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - FM Linkevičius: “Right to veto is not a privilege but a responsibility” (1 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - The President’s initiative places the situation of women in conflict zones in global focus (29 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - President Grybauskaitė: “Justice cannot be vetoed” (30 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Ukraine, Russia:

- Savchenko’s letter read on Lithuania’s initiative at a high-level discussion in New York (30 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Security and defence:

- German howitzers will give Lithuania defence capability the country and the Baltic Region have never had (29 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Vice-Minister Krivas at the meeting with the Chief of Staff of Italian Army: “We highly appreciate the participation of the Italian Army in NATO’s activities in Lithuania” (29 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Staffs of the Baltic states brigades affiliated to the Danish Division train in Lithuania (1 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania joins NATO Centre of Counter Intelligence (2 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Bilateral relations, regional cooperation:

- FM Linkevičius: “We have great opportunities to develop cooperation between countries in Baltic, Adriatic, and Black Sea regions” (29 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Croatia to open its Embassy in Vilnius (2 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - President Grybauskaitė: “Lithuanian and Germany – partners and allies” (2 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Minister Linkevičius meets with representatives of world and American Jewish organizations in NY (2 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Former Lithuanian FM Vaitiekūnas receives prestigious Palmer Prize in NYC (30 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Lithuanian economy, energy:

- Growing exports of transport services to the EU to replace the Russian market (30 September, 2015) [Read full news release](#)

- US healthcare giant planning further expansion of hugely successful Lithuanian office. (1 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania a bubbling Baltic tech-hub. (1 October, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Media links

- “Month after stone laid at Old Goa, Lithuania reciprocates with tribute“ *Times of India* (1 October, 2015) [Read full article](#)
 - “Lithuania is safer with NATO, Mr. Corbyn” *The Guardian* (29 September, 2015) [Read full article](#)
 - “Lithuania jumps in Global Competitiveness index” *The Baltic Course* (30 September, 2015) [Read full article](#)
 - “Lithuania to open gas supply to Latvia and Estonia” *en.Delfi* (1 October, 2015) [Read full article](#)
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