



Lithuanian Diplomatic Playbook

16 - 22 November 2015

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

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"To do nothing
is provocative"

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Lithuania's foreign minister Linas
Linkevičius

Key messages:

- Lithuania stands united with its allies in the fight against terrorism.
- Sanctions on Russia have to be maintained until the Minsk Agreements are fully implemented.
- Unity of the Baltic States – a model example for Europe.
- Lithuania welcomes U.S. plans to maintain its troops in Lithuania & provide assistance to the modernisation of the Lithuanian Armed Forces.

Top lines

Countering Terrorism:

- In Paris, the President paid tribute to the victims of terror attacks (16 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)

- At UN Security Council, Lithuania voices solidarity with France in fight against terrorism (20 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - FM Vice-Minister Karoblis highlights importance of fight against propaganda in countering terrorism (17 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Bilateral Relations, Regional Cooperation:

- Unity of the Baltic States – a model example for Europe (20 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - PM Algirdas Butkevičius: external border security becomes a necessity aiming to protect our people (16 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuanian and Estonian Foreign Ministers agree to intensify security cooperation (20 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Ukraine:

- Lithuanian and Swedish Foreign Ministers voice support for reforms in Ukraine (17 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania and Sweden to help schools in eastern Ukraine (17 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania's 10th Honorary Consulate in Ukraine opens in Kharkiv (17 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania's Foreign Vice-Minister pays tribute to those who died for Ukraine's freedom (20 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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United Nations:

- Lithuania and UNESCO strengthen peace in the world (16 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Lithuania and other EU member states did not support Russia's resolution at UN (16 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Security and Defence:

- Defence Minister Olekas invited Canada to continue contributing to assurance measures in our region (21 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - NATO's enhanced preparedness to counter threats (18 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - The United States plans maintaining its troops in Lithuania and providing assistance to the modernisation of the Lithuanian Armed Forces (18 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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- Strategic project for Lithuania RAIN-2 won the international award (17 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
 - Business in Lithuania: does it make sense to move your operations there? (20 November, 2015) [Read full news release](#)
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Media

- FM Linkevičius: “EU should put more pressure on Russia” euractiv.com (16 November, 2015) [Read full article](#)
 - FM Linkevičius: “To do Nothing is Provocative” New Eastern Europe (17 November, 2015) [Read full article](#)
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