



Intelligence Alert Over Russian Attack: Poland and Lithuania on Front Lines Prepare

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The heads of European secret services have launched an unprecedented alarm on the continent's security, warning that **an aggressive action or large-scale provocation by Russia against NATO countries could materialize within months, not years**. Unlike the massive conventional offensive conducted in Ukraine, intelligence believes the Kremlin is evaluating **limited incursions, hybrid offensives or targeted actions** to test the cohesion of the Atlantic Alliance and the real effectiveness of Article 5 on collective defense.

In this scenario of growing tension, the countries most exposed on the eastern flank — in particular **Poland and Lithuania** — are drastically accelerating preparations on the military, strategic and civil protection front.

Risk Scenarios: The Suwałki Corridor Question

At the center of strategic simulations is the **Suwałki corridor**, a thin strip of territory about 65 kilometers on the border between Poland and Lithuania that separates Belarus from the Russian enclave of Kaliningrad. According to analyses disseminated by international media, Moscow could attempt **a localized incursion or partial occupation of this area** to test whether the 32 NATO members are willing to risk a nuclear conflict to defend such a restricted portion of territory.



Lithuania Organizes: Evacuation Plans and Shields to Defend Airspace

Faced with the perception of a constant threat fueled by repeated drone incursions and hybrid attacks in Baltic airspace, the Lithuanian government has chosen the path of operational transparency and preventive preparation:

- **Emergency plans and civil protection:** Lithuanian Prime Minister Mindaugas Sinkevičius confirmed to the BBC that the country has **prepared detailed evacuation plans to manage "a variety of scenarios"**. Among the measures envisioned are protocols for orderly evacuation without traffic congestion of the most vulnerable segments of the population, such as the elderly, from major cities.
- **Resolve and deterrence:** While clarifying that evacuation is a precautionary measure and that there is no reason to panic, Sinkevičius firmly reiterated that, in case of attack,

Lithuania "will not surrender" but will react decisively, fighting and engaging the enemy.

- **NATO support:** Lithuania continues to strengthen its defenses thanks to allied support, recording **Germany's commitment to deploy a permanent combat brigade** and the timely intervention of NATO fighter jets (including Italian ones) to intercept unidentified unmanned aircraft.

Poland Strengthens Infrastructure and Military Presence

In parallel, Poland is fortifying its territory and border area through massive infrastructure investments and bilateral defense agreements:

- **New bases and allied troops:** Warsaw is planning the construction of large military infrastructure facilities designed to host **a stable and rotating presence of thousands of U.S. soldiers**, with enhancement plans structured over the long term.
- **Surveillance and operational readiness:** Given the strategic proximity to the Suwałki corridor and active operational zones, Polish armed forces maintain **maximum alert levels**, coordinating closely with Western partners to deter any limited incursion and secure the eastern borders of the European Union.

The "Gray Zone" Strategy and the European Context

The main strategic challenge for the Atlantic Alliance lies in the nature of Russian operations: Moscow exploits ambiguity and deniability through the so-called **"gray zone"** (including cyberattacks, sabotage, arson, targeted killings, and drone incursions) to test NATO's resolve without openly crossing the threshold of large-scale conventional warfare.

This tactic fits within a framework of widespread concern across Europe — highlighted by classified briefings in France, civil protection recommendations in the United Kingdom, and infrastructure adjustments in German health systems — where governments understand that **deterrence is based on preparedness and the ability to demonstrate to Vladimir Putin that escalation will not lead to the collapse of Western societies.**

Conclusions

The proliferation of drone-related incidents, sabotage acts, and geopolitical tensions confirms that **the alert threshold in Europe has reached maximum levels since the beginning of the conflict in Ukraine**. While intelligence warns that the timeframe available to strengthen deterrence is shrinking, the joint response from Poland and Lithuania demonstrates that **NATO's eastern flank does not intend to be caught unprepared**