

Wystąpienie Pana Ministra Zbigniewa Raua
na Konferencję Donatorów Funduszu Budowania Pokoju
High-level Replenishment Conference for the Peacebuilding Fund
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Secretary General,

Distinguished Ministers,

Excellencies,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Let me thank Secretary-General and the co-convening states for this meeting. This year sees the 5th anniversary of the UN Security Council and General Assembly twin resolutions, which placed sustaining peace at a center of the UN system.

In the spirit of the 2020 Peacebuilding Architecture Review, Poland welcomes the progress in translating sustaining peace agenda into practice.

Conflict prevention and peacebuilding are the areas of Poland's special commitment. Protection and inclusion of the most vulnerable groups, such as children and persons with disabilities, remain our priority.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Poland endorses the work of the United Nations Peacebuilding Fund. It has proven to be an efficient tool to address peacebuilding challenges with holistic action. Poland commends the fund for its swift and flexible response to Covid-19.

Financing of peacebuilding is still a critical challenge. Poland remains fully committed to supporting the Fund politically and financially. We have contributed over half a million US dollars to its actions. We also believe we all need to further explore new financing options.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Peace and sustainable development are inseparable. Unfortunately, Covid-19 is threatening hard-won gains in both areas.

In order to build back better, we must account for the needs of entire societies. Hence, Poland fully endorses Peacebuilding Fund Strategy for 2020-2024 with its emphasis on inclusion of women and youth.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Sustaining peace requires our longstanding and genuine commitment, both in spirit and in practice. We hope this conference will give a real stimulus to peacebuilding financing and will help to renew our commitment to the culture of prevention.

Thank you.