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The Polish media were invited for a News Conference in Baltic Barracks in Szczecin on May 9th, 2012 to meet the Deputy Commander of Multinational Corps Northeast, Major General Bogusław Samol. The challenge for the Public Affairs team, who organized the event, was the location of the Deputy Commander. On this day he was in Denmark to share his profound knowledge gained during his deployment to Afghanistan.

For more than a year Major General Bogusław Samol served as Deputy Chief of Staff, in the Resources branch of the ISAF (International Security Assistance Force) Headquarters in Kabul. To transfer his experience as well as the lessons learned from the 2010 deployment of the Corps Headquarters to Afghanistan, the Headquarters MNC NE gathered its branches and units in Denmark for the Crystal Eagle 2012 exercise.

General Samol is also the Exercise Director of Crystal Eagle 2012, an exercise comprising approximately 1,200 soldiers from 18 nations. In spite his busy and time consuming position, the general welcomed a break in the exercise to meet the representatives from various Polish media gathered in Szczecin. The distance between the media and the general required a satellite link from the rainy, windy west coast of Denmark to the comfortable spring temperature of Szczecin.

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The news conference was conducted as a Video Teleconference in which General Samol underlined the importance of gathering and sharing experience. He contributed with his view on using every possible occasion to share observations to improve operational efforts and prevent losses.



The reporters attending the event in Baltic Barracks were also provided a face-to-face opportunity to ask questions to General Samol, who came to the Corps Headquarters in Szczecin just over a month ago.

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