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On 15 August 2012, the President of the Republic of Poland Mr Bronisław Komorowski, head of the Polish Armed Forces, awarded the Deputy Commander of Multinational Corps Northeast (MNC NE) Major General Bogusław Samol with the "Army Cross of Merits with Swords".

During the ceremony held on the occasion of Polish Armed Forces' Day, the President of Poland handed over the General's nominations, medals and decorations as well as commemorative gorgets to selected meritorious service members.

For conscientious duty within the Armed Forces when serving abroad during peacetime in especially dangerous conditions, the President of Poland awarded Major General Bogusław Samol, the Deputy Commander of Multinational Corps Northeast, with the "Army Cross of Merits with Swords".

The Cross of Merit with Swords is a Polish medal established on 19 October 1942 by the Polish Government in Exile; it is awarded for deeds of bravery and valour not connected with direct

combat, and for merits demonstrated in perilous circumstances.

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