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## **Official Statement about Current Campaign against Huawei risks of Polish-Chinese relationships worsening**

We are watching with great sadness attempts to deteriorate strategic and vital cooperation between our countries: Poland and China. The indictment that Huawei corporation is used as a tool for spying induced by a series of actions worldwide is highly controversial. It may be interpreted as part of the war on competitors during the time of implementation of important and expensive 5G infrastructure and it's devices. In consequences, the Polish government and the people may not have had a fair choice between different producers based on price and quality.

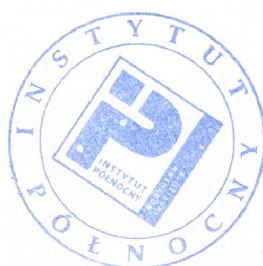
We are deeply concerned about the rising tension between two our friends and allies: China and USA. It may destroy fragile chains responsible for delivering key technologies and the advancement of our societies. We believe that cooperation is always better than competition. If we want to face global challenges such as poverty, lack of infrastructure and bloody conflicts, we need to join our collective efforts.

In a critical moment of Polish history in 1956, when USSR tanks were about to be sent to our fatherland, Chinese leader Mao Zedong blocked this aggression. We remember peaceful acts like this...

Throughout the whole 20th century, despite the huge number of challenges that Poland and China faced in the post-war period our mutual contacts have developed. We are like old friends and we always will understand on a deep level each other will of independence.

Since 2013 our experts have been studying a new vision of president Xi Jinping – One Belt One Road which based on the idea of Community of Shared Future for Mankind. Renewing roads lost over the centuries between Europe and China is a bold and challenging goal. We imagine the new future where we can live in the prosperous Eurasian continent with great connectivity and brand new cooperating value chains in many sectors (especially high technology). Cooperation between Europe and China can give birth to a new era of great prosperity for the whole world. Acting in peace and mutual acceptance can develop and deliver better than ever connectivity and new digital platforms of trade and cooperation between our continents and countries.

Despite the current difficult situation, Poles are conscious of the importance of China as the world's leading economy. We hope that all sides of the conflict will find a compromise solution and Poland will encourage and inspire other countries to progressive cooperation.



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