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Polish food in Vietnam

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Ewa Lech, the Undersecretary of State, participated in an official visit of the President of the Republic of Poland, Andrzej Duda, in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

One of the aims of this visit was to enhance economic cooperation with Vietnam. Poland hopes to increase Polish export, also in terms of agri-food products. Official Polish delegation consisted i.a. of management representatives from the Polish Ministry of Science and Higher Education, Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Development, as well as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

During the visit, Deputy Minister Ewa Lech and Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development of Vietnam Ha Cong Tuan signed Memorandum on the Agreement on agricultural cooperation. It was one of the seven documents signed on 28 November 2017 in the presence of the Presidents of Poland and Vietnam.

Furthermore, Polish Deputy Minister had a bilateral discussion with the Deputy Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, Le Quoc Doanh, regarding the most crucial issues under the Polish-Vietnamese cooperation in the area of agriculture. Ewa Lech expressed the hope for further, fruitful, and even more efficient cooperation between Polish and Vietnamese veterinary and phytosanitary services. As regards market access, she requested an answer on Polish proposal to change veterinary certificate for poultry meat. Moreover, she stated that Poland would be interested in commencing bovine meat export, and informed that as of May 2017 Poland has a status of negligible BSE risk.

Deputy Minister Lech suggested that in order to further enhance trade, it is possible to take advantage of the National Agricultural Support Centre (KOWR) offer aimed at entrepreneurs from the agri-food industry.

Vietnam stressed the importance of the document signed in the presence of both Presidents, and expressed the hope for further strengthening of mutual relationship through more frequent expert meetings. Ewa Lech presented possible cooperation scenarios between Polish science and research institutions and Vietnamese entities in the area of agriculture.

Polish Deputy Minister met with media representatives and discussed present bilateral cooperation with Vietnam in the area of agriculture, and introduced possible ways to further enhance these actions.

As part of the economic component of the President of the Republic of Poland's visit in Vietnam, a Polish-Vietnamese Economic Forum will take place on 30 November 2017 in Ho Chi Minh City. Participants of the Forum include representatives of Polish and Vietnamese businesses, also in the agri-foods industry, representing meat, fruit and vegetable and fisheries industries.

A Foreign Trade Office in Ho Chi Minh City, the opening of which is scheduled to take place on 30 November this year, with the participation of the President of the Republic of Poland, will be a major convenience for Polish entrepreneurs.

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