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Subject: RE: Polish American Congress Letter

Here is a statement from the Congressman:

“Polish Americans have long been leaders in the Baltimore community and across the nation. I am a strong and long-time supporter of closer relations between Poland and the United States.

As a Member of Congress I have worked closely with Senator Barbara Mikulski to build closer ties between the two nations, including my early support for Poland’s membership in NATO and the European Union. I have worked to add Poland to the U.S. visa waiver program. As the senior Democrat on the Helsinki Commission, I have had a direct role in building our strong, multi-faceted relationship.

I have always worked to strengthen and recognize the value of Poland as an ally, and the importance of Polish Americans in our community and across the country. As I replaced Barbara Mikulski as the Member of Congress from the Third Congressional District, which includes much of the Polish American community in and around Baltimore, I was well schooled in the importance of this community and eagerly sought to fully represent it. I look forward to continuing this work in the United States Senate.”

Thanks so much. Please let me know if there’s anything else I can do for you.

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