

“The United States is proud to stand shoulder to-shoulder with Estonia as Allies and friends,” wrote United States President Barack Obama in his congratulatory letter to the Estonian Head of State. “I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the people of Estonia on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of your nation's accession to NATO.”

“Your country's contributions to NATO Operations and its commitment to the values, which define our Alliance, are a testament to NATO's ongoing transformation and evidence of the enduring benefits of NATO's enlargement,” added President Obama.

“We must remain devoted to our shared objective of a Europe united, free, and peaceful, and keep NATO's door open to nations that are willing and able to bear the responsibilities of membership. We must continue to support those who aspire to join NATO; Estonia's success stands as a strong example for others to follow.”

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