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POLISH POLICE DELEGATION VISITED THE DEA (DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION) HEADQUARTERS IN THE USA

Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Police general Kamil Bracha and Deputy Commander of the Central Bureau of Investigation of the Police colonel Piotr Stasiak paid an official visit to the DEA Headquarters in the USA. Polish delegates had an opportunity to learn about the most recent methods of combating drug crime and take a close look at agents' daily activities

On 3rd-5th March 2020, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Police general Kamil Bracha and Deputy Commander of the Central Bureau of Investigation of the Police colonel Piotr Stasiak attended a meeting with high-ranking DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration) officers at the Agency's Headquarters in Arlington, Virginia (USA). The meeting was an opportunity to discuss the key issues related to drug crime. The focus was particularly placed on criminal phenomena in Central and Eastern Europe, and during the presentation of related issues, the U.S. hosts provided materials from cases and operations implemented by DEA forces. Polish delegates also had a unique opportunity to familiarize themselves with the training and technological resources of the DEA Academy in Quantico. During the visit of the Commanders, DEA representatives shared information about the Academy and methods of agent training. The meeting ended with a visit to a modern forensic laboratory.

In conclusion of the meeting, emphasis was put on the importance of developing close cooperation between the Polish Police and the DEA. Both parties highlighted the relevance of international exchange of experience and information, including good police practice, as a sine qua non for effective control of the market for illicit trade in prohibited substances and for tackling related criminal phenomena.

Drug Enforcement Administration, known as the DEA, is an American government agency specializing in combating drug crime. With 10,169 employees, including 4,924 special agents, and a budget exceeding USD 3 billion, DEA (as of 2019), it is at the forefront of the fight against global drug crime.

