

To the Chairs of the Defence Committees in the Parliaments of Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Germany, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway and Poland

Dear colleagues,

The 2019 Annual Security and Defence Forum of the Defence Committees will take place in Sweden, with the Swedish Defence Committee as host.

As Chair of the Swedish Defence Committee, it is my great privilege to invite you and another member of your committee to participate in the Forum, which will take place on Monday 10 and Tuesday 11 June in Stockholm. During the Forum, we will visit the Swedish Home Guard Combat School and we will try to provide opportunities to discuss some current topics, such as the creation of resilient societies and the development of the European Defence Fund.

The Forum will be held under the Chatham House Rule. The presentations and discussions will be in English, but please feel free to bring your own interpreters if you wish.

A preliminary programme, as well as some practical information, are attached to this invitation.

Please let us know if you have any questions by contacting the Head of Secretariat Mr Lars Franzén by email lars.franzen@riksdagen.se or phone +46 8 786 40 94.

I look forward to meeting you in Stockholm.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair