

APPENDIX: Air Surveillance in Iceland

The participation of Finland and Sweden in air surveillance in Iceland was first proposed in the Stoltenberg Report.

In response to Iceland's initiative, Sweden and Finland have stated that they are prepared to take part in air surveillance in Iceland together with Norway during the first four months of 2014. This is a good example of closer Nordic security and defence cooperation. It is an expression of solidarity and a natural continuation of the close cooperation on exercises that the Swedish, Norwegian and Finnish air forces have established in the north. Iceland, Norway and Denmark welcome the willingness shown by Sweden and Finland to participate. A final decision, including a due parliamentary process, can be taken in Finland and Sweden only after the matter has been discussed in NATO.