





Polish Railway Security Guard

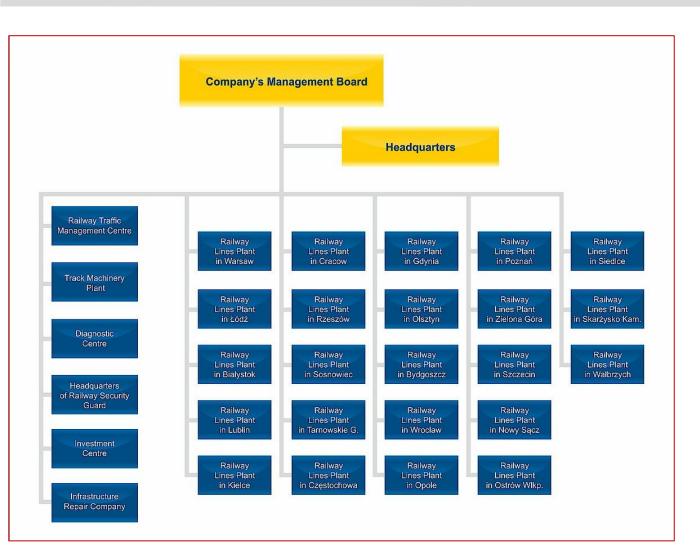
Security of vulnerable passengers / Ukrainian and Belarus refugee Crisis

Geneva, 18 June 2024



# RAILWAY SECURITY GUARD (SOK) ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE





RAILWAY SECURITY GUARD functions within the frame of the infrastructure Railway Manager PKP PLK S.A.

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE:

#### **HEADQUARTERS OF RAILWAY SECURITY GUARD:**

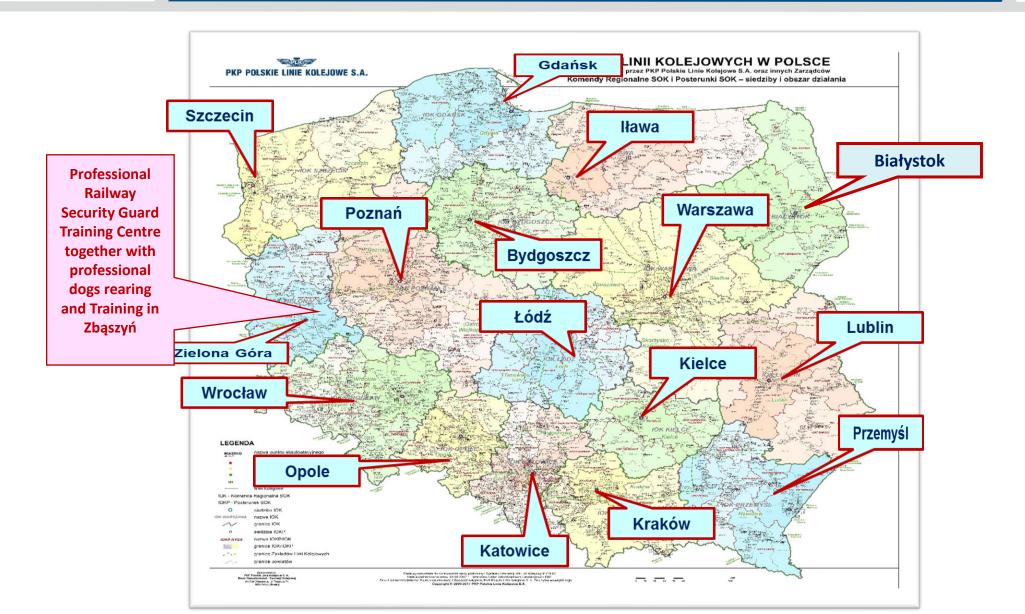
- 18 REGIONAL RAILWAY SECURITY GUARD HEADQUARTERS
  - 78 RAILWAY SECURITY GUARD STATIONS
- PROFESSIONAL RAILWAY SECURITY GUARD
   TRAINING CENTRE TOGETHER WITH PROFESSIONAL
   DOGS REARING AND TRAINING IN ZBASZYŃ



Zarządca narodowej sieci linii kolejowych

# Regional Headquarters of the Railway Security Guard







# RAILWAY SECURITY GUARD (SOK) STATUTORY TASKS



#### The tasks of the Railway Security Guard include:

- control of order regulation abidance in the railway area, on trains and other railway vehicles and in rooms intended for the service of passengers using rail transport at railway stations;
- human health and life and possession protection in the railway area, on trains and other railway vehicles and in rooms intended for the service of passengers using rail transport at railway stations. (Act of 28 March 2003 about Railway Transport)

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#### Infrastructure maintenance



18 806 km of railway lines



37 352 points of infrastructure



11 603 level crossings



24 724

engineering structures



5 140 buildings (including buildings of technical

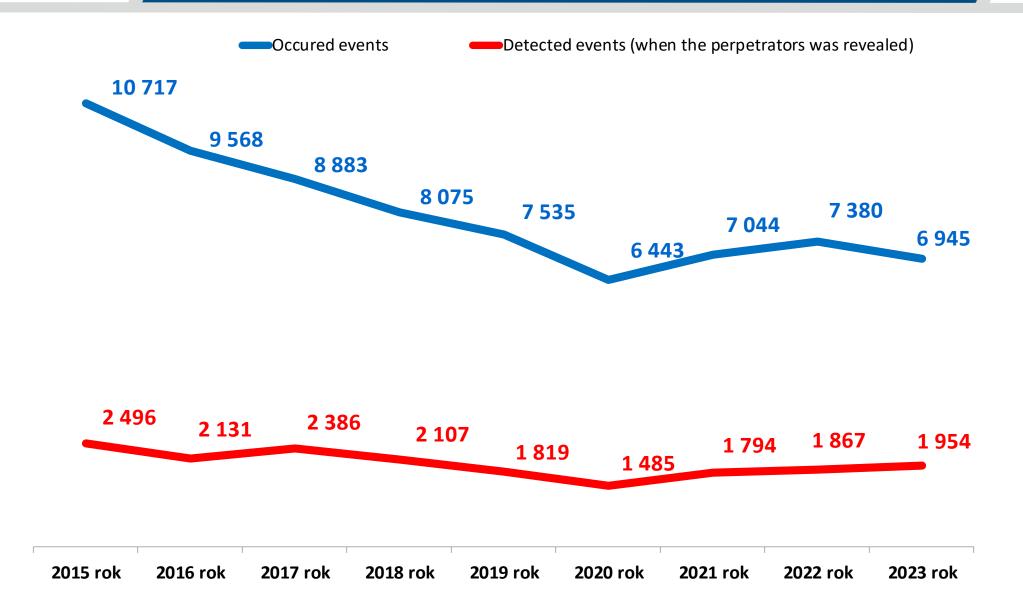


16 292 structures (umbrella roof



## **Events recorded by Polish Railway Security Guard** 2015 - 2023







# Results achieved by officers SOK in period of 12 months of 2023



**Checked of ID persons-12 932** 

Instructed persons- 22 475

Imposed fines – 31 102

Amount of imposed fines- 3 344 698 zł

Apprehended perpetrators of crimes and offences – 2 285

Carried out patrols of railway routes – 206 266

Carried out patrols of stations and passanger stops – 237 560

Carried out patrols of freight stations – 57 946

Carried out of freight stations – 52 143

Checked freight wagons – 992 512







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## Cooperation with Police and other public services responsible for security



### Railway Security Guard officers during performing own tasks cooperates with:





















#### Cooperation is performed on the basis of infrastructure Minister regulations

- 1. **REGULATION OF THE MINISTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE** of 29 September 2004 on the cooperation of the railway security guard with the Police, Border Guard and Road Transport Inspection.
- 2. **REGULATION OF THE MINISTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE** of 15 April 2004 on the cooperation of the railway security guard with the Military Police.
- 3. REGULATION OF THE MINISTER OF INFRASTRUCTURE and Construction of 12 April 2017 on the cooperation of the railway security guard with the organs of the National Tax Administration.



## Cooperation with Police and other public services responsible for security







#### **Collaborative actions**

- Analysis of occurring security events
- Collaborative patrol on passenger trains
- Collaborative actions intended prevention of goods steal
- Anti-theft actions on railway routes
- Collaborative checks of scrap yards
- On going exchange information, periodic security assessments within established security teams and planning collaborative solutions.









#### **Cooperation with RAILPOL**







#### **Collaborative actions**

The Railway Security Guard began cooperation with RAILPOL in 2018. From November 2022, Polish Railway Security Guard is the member of RAILPOL.

As part of close cooperation, SOK is invited to participate in coordinated international activities called "RAW" and "24 BLUE RAD" for safety in the railway area in RAILPOL member states.

Invitations to participate in the actions are the result of good cooperation and relations between the RAILPOL organization and the Railway Security Guard.











#### **General security situation in Poland**



#### Security alerts on the territory of Poland

THE SECOND ALERT LEVEL (BRAVO) was introduced on <u>16 April 2022</u> and THE THIRD CRP ALERT LEVEL (CHARLIE-CRP) was introduced on <u>21 February 2022</u>.

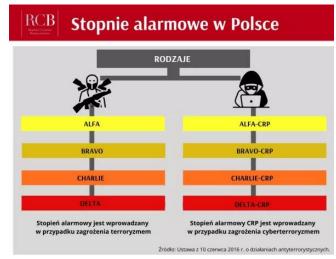
From 01 March 2024 to 31 May 2024 was prolonged the second alert level (BRAVO) and dicreased level from (CHARLIE CRP) to (CHARLIE BRAVO).

Alerts APPLIES TO THE ENTIRE TERRITORY OF THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND.

The second **BRAVO** alert level is of a preventive nature and is related to the current dynamic geopolitical situation in the region and in Ukraine as well as increased traffic on the border.

On the other hand, the **BRAVO CRP** alert level was introduced to counteract threats in cyberspace.

The alert levels are, above all, a signal for security services and the entire public administration to be particularly vigilant.









#### General security situation in Poland – illegal migration





On the Polish-Belarusian border, which is also the eastern border of the European Union, a physical barrier was created in 2022.

It was the actions of the Belarusian regime that caused the construction of the wall. Alexander Lukashenko, wanted to destabilize the situation in our region with illegal migration.

The 186 km barrier makes it difficult to cross the border illegally and provides time for the Polish Border Guard to react.

## Physical and electronic barier on the Polish-Belarusian border













#### illegal migration in Railway area (2021-2023)



#### Illegal migrants revealed in railway area:

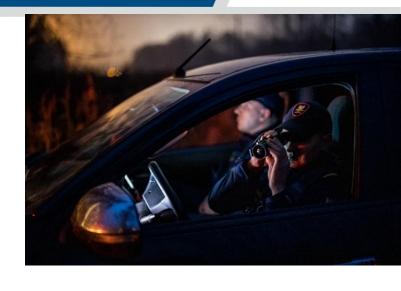
Year illegal migrants

2021 – 97 (32 recorded events)

2022 - 203 (91 recorded events)

2023 – 76 (52 recorded events)













#### Human trafficking on railway area

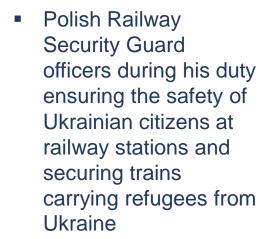




Polish Railway Security Guard haven't been reaveled any incidents like human trafficking.



We have no signals that human trafficking occur in the railway area, but our Railway Security Guard officers are ruthless to observe suspicious behavior and respond, as was the case during the Ukrainian crisis.











#### **Human trafficking in Poland**



Preventive actions taken at the beginning of the conflict by the Polish Police, including border patrols, leaflets, hotlines, significantly influenced the number of human trafficking proceedings in which the victims are Ukrainian citizens, in particular refugees.

From the moment of Russia's armed attack on Ukraine until the end of May 2024, 10 such proceedings were established.

Of all, only three have confirmed human trafficking (2 in 2023 and 1 in 2024).

The first case concerned the disclosure of two minor Ukrainian women who came to Poland after the start of hostilities in their country. Wanting to improve their lives, they were looking for work. The perpetrators, taking advantage of their young age (17) and lack of life experience, manipulated them and forced them to provide sexual services.

The second investigation was conducted in terms of use for slavery. Police officers exposed the group (6 people) from Ukraine who were forced to work in an illegal cigarette factory in Poland.

The third case was initiated on May 24, 2024 and concerns the use of a minor citizen of Ukraine and his 43-year-old mother.



#### **Human trafficking**



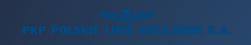


Polish Railway Security Guard was invited by Polish Police to part in Joint Action Days (JAD) - international operations that bring together national law enforcement authorities, international organisations and EU agencies to take on serious and organised crime.

These operations are coordinated under the umbrella of the European Multidisciplinary Platform Against Criminal Threats (EMPACT).

The activities were aimed at combating organized crime, including: people smuggling, forcing begging (including minors) and committing crimes.

JAD action was carried out during 2 days in June 2024.



#### **RAILWAY SECURITY GUARD (SOK)**





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