



**MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS,
INDUSTRY AND TRADE**
Faroe Islands

**Proposal for a Parliamentary Resolution
on
National Security Policy**

Summary

The Faroe Islands are committed to promoting peace, democracy, human rights and global stability, and to ensuring the security and welfare of its citizens. The government's national security policy proposal focuses on strengthening the security and defence of the Faroe Islands and asserting full control over decisions related to Faroese land, sea and air. This includes increasing cooperation with neighbouring states, NATO and international partners while adhering to international law.

Key objectives include enhancing civilian security and emergency services, safeguarding critical infrastructure from cyber threats, and ensuring Faroese sovereignty through joint sea and air surveillance. The Faroe Islands seek involvement in regional defence and security decision-making, and advocate for disarmament and non-proliferation, in line with the long-established commitment to a nuclear weapons-free zone.

The proposal highlights the changing global political landscape, emphasising the need for the Faroe Islands to actively shape their security and foreign policy in response to growing international tensions. Amid growing multipolarity, the Faroes aim to maintain strategic autonomy and build partnerships with like-minded nations. This policy framework is designed to safeguard Faroese interests while contributing to global stability.

Due to growing security concerns in the Arctic and North Atlantic, NATO has placed greater focus on the region, with the strategic location of the Faroe Islands being integral to NATO's defence strategy, particularly for deterrence and monitoring activities. The Faroe Islands aim to contribute to NATO's deterrence strategy, while reducing security tensions and increasing transparency.

The government is also working to strengthen emergency preparedness and cybersecurity, collaborating with Nordic neighbours and NATO. The Faroe Islands should focus more on engagement in e.g. Nordic defence cooperation (NORDEFECO) and the Joint Expeditionary Force (JEF), with a focus on security, resilience, and addressing cyber and hybrid threats.

Historically, the Faroe Islands have maintained a cautious approach to military involvement. The current proposal aims to align defence activities with civilian protection, ensuring the security and sovereignty of the Faroe Islands while remaining accountable to the Løgting and adapting to evolving global and regional security dynamics.