



12 February 2026
Meeting of NATO Ministers of Defence
#DefMin
NATO HQ - BRUSSELS

MEDIA PROGRAMME

Access is limited to journalists with annual accreditation and those who have registered and been notified that they are accredited to cover the meeting in person.

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The media programme is subject to change.

11 February 2026

09:30 – 17:30 NATO Site entrance. Delivery of media passes for access (only for ad-hoc accredited media representatives) to the Ministerial. Annually accredited journalists can enter with their annual badges.

09:30 – 17:30 Information desk (Public Square, floor 1)

13:30 – 14:30 Distribution of pool cards (Public Square, floor 1)

09:30 – 19:00 Media centre opening hours

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRE-MINISTERIAL PRESS CONFERENCE

15:00 **Pre-ministerial press conference by the NATO Secretary General in the Main Press Theatre**

- Open to media representatives covering the Ministerial meeting.
- Available live in multiple languages on the [NATO website](#), on CCTV, EBU Worldfeed, to EBU news exchange, as well as on X [@NATOPress](#) and [NATO News on YouTube](#).
- Video, photos and transcript will be available afterwards on the [NATO website](#).

12 February 2026

07:00 – 15:30 NATO Site entrance. Delivery of media passes for access (only for ad-hoc accredited media representatives) to the Ministerial. Annually accredited journalists can enter with their annual badges.

07:00 – 17:30 Information desk (Public Square, floor 1)

07:30 – 09:30 Distribution of pool cards (Public Square, floor 1)

07:00 – 21:00 Media centre opening hours

DOORSTEPS – NATO OFFICIAL ENTRANCE

08:00

Doorstep statement by the NATO Secretary General

- Available live on the [NATO website](#), on CCTV, EBU Worldfeed, to EBU news exchange, as well as on X [@NATOPress](#) and [NATO News on YouTube](#), and afterwards on the [NATO Multimedia portal](#) for download.
- Immediately following this, media representatives with pool cards 3 and 4 to cover the beginning of the North Atlantic Council meeting will need to look out for escorting officers. Movement will be by escorting officers only.

07:30 – 08:55

Ministers' arrivals and doorstep statements

Available live on the [NATO website](#), on CCTV, EBU Worldfeed, to EBU news exchange and afterwards on the [NATO Multimedia portal](#) for download

REMARKS BY THE NATO SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE US UNDER SECRETARY OF WAR

08:10

Pool 1 departs to cover the remarks

Pool 1 meeting point in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square

08:50

Remarks by the NATO Secretary General and the US Under Secretary of War

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MEETING OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC COUNCIL IN DEFENCE MINISTERS' SESSION

08:30

Pools 2 and 3 of visual media depart to cover the meeting.

Pool meeting point: in front of the Press shop, ground floor Public Square

09:00

Meeting of the North Atlantic Council in Defence Ministers' Session Opening remarks by the Secretary General.

- Pools 2 and 3 to cover the opening remarks. Restricted to visual media only
- Available live on the [NATO website](#), on CCTV, EBU Worldfeed and available on EBU news exchange, as well as on [NATO News on YouTube](#) and afterwards on [natomultimedia.tv](#)

- Video, photos and transcript will be available afterwards on the NATO website

OFFICIAL PHOTO

11:35 Pool 4 of visual media only departs to cover the Official Photo of NATO Ministers of Defence.
Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square.

12:05 **Official Photo of the NATO Ministers of Defence**

- Available live on CCTV, available on EBU news exchange and afterwards on the [NATO Multimedia portal](#) for download.
- Photos will be available afterwards on the [NATO website](#)

REMARKS BY THE NATO SECRETARY GENERAL AND THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE OF UKRAINE

12:00 Pool 5 departs to cover the remarks.
Pool meeting point in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square

12:30 **Remarks by the NATO Secretary General and the Minister of Defence of Ukraine**

Pool 5 to cover the remarks

- Available live on CCTV, available on EBU news exchange and afterwards on the [NATO Multimedia portal](#) for download.
- Video, photos and transcript will be available afterwards on the [NATO website](#)

NATO-UKRAINE COUNCIL WORKING LUNCH

13:00 – 14:00 **Informal NATO- Ukraine Council**

No media opportunity

SIGNING CEREMONY

15:00 Signing ceremony led by the Defence Investment Division of Letters of Intent and Memorandums of Understanding on Multinational Cooperation.

Opening remarks by the NATO Deputy Secretary General Radmila Shekerinska

- Available afterwards on the [NATO Multimedia portal](#) for download
- Photos will be available afterwards on the [NATO website](#)
- Restricted to official photographers and videographers.

NATO SECRETARY GENERAL'S PRESS CONFERENCE

15:00 – 15:30 **Secretary General's Press Conference**

Press Briefing Room

- Open to all media representatives.
- Available live in multiple languages on the [NATO website](#), on CCTV, EBU Worldfeed, available on EBU news exchange, as well as on [NATO News on YouTube](#), and afterwards on the [NATO Multimedia portal](#) for download

MEETING OF THE UKRAINE DEFENCE CONTACT GROUP

15:20 Pool A of visual media depart to cover the start of the meeting.
Pool meeting point: in front of the Press shop – ground floor Public Square

15:45 – 17:45 **Meeting of the Ukraine Defence Contact Group**

Public opening remarks.

Pool A to cover the beginning of the meeting

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JOINT PRESS CONFERENCE

18:15 – 18:45 Press conference by the Minister of Defence of Germany, Secretary of Defence of the United Kingdom, the Minister of Defence of the Ukraine and the NATO Secretary General.

Press Briefing Room

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Note: *Some national delegations may choose to brief the media after the NATO Secretary General. Time and location to be announced on the CCTV in the Media Centre.*