
POLAND'S PRESIDENT SET TO DEMAND WAR REPARATIONS IN TENSE BERLIN VISIT

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Its no secret that German Chancellor Friedrich Merz prefers to work with that other Polish leader, centrist Prime Minister Donald Tusk.

But on Tuesday hell be receiving Polish President Karol Nawrocki, a nationalist backed by the opposition populist right-wing Law and Justice (PiS) party, which demands that Berlin pay reparations for Nazi Germanys World War II invasion and occupation of Poland.

Relations between Poland and Germany have seesawed between close cooperation and open friction in recent years. While the two countries have strong trade relations and increasingly cooperate on defense, Nawrocki and PiS politicians have railed against the EUs influence over Polish affairs and have stoked lingering resentments over the historical destruction that Nazi Germany wrought on Poland.

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