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Donald Trump pushing ahead to acquire Greenland – 19th January 2026

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Acquiring Greenland has been a priority for President Trump. He said "the national security of the United States and the world at large is at stake". He said strong measures were needed to secure world peace, and to ensure this "potentially perilous situation ends quickly". Thousands of people in Greenland protested yesterday against Trump's plans. In the capital city of Nuuk, people held signs that read "Greenland is not for sale".

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President Donald Trump is increasing his efforts to acquire Greenland. On Saturday, he announced he would impose 10 per cent tariffs on Denmark, Germany, Norway, Sweden, the UK and other countries if they did not "go along with Greenland". These countries recently sent officials to Greenland. The tariffs will start on the first of February. President Trump suggested the levy would increase to 25 per cent in June, "due and payable until such time as a deal is reached for the complete and total purchase of Greenland". UK Prime Minister Sir Keir Starmer responded to Trump's plans. He said: "Applying tariffs on allies for pursuing the collective security of NATO is completely wrong."

The acquisition of Greenland has been a high priority for President Trump since he took office again last year. He stressed that "the national security of the United States and the world at large is at stake" because "China and Russia want Greenland". He added: "It is imperative that, in order to protect global peace and security, strong measures be taken so that this potentially perilous situation ends quickly." President Trump said Greenland was a key component of the USA's Golden Dome missile defence system. Thousands of people in Greenland have protested against Trump's plans. In the capital city of Nuuk, protesters held signs reading "Greenland is not for sale".