

## Dishonor among thieves

Perhaps you'll forgive another "Godfather" analogy. They say that Vít Bárta of VV visited Petr Nečas in the company of Petr "Luca Brasi" Lessy and presented the prime minister with an ultimatum about the selection of the new police president. "Either your brains, or your signature, will be on the appointment," Bárta told him. Afterward, Lessy was overhead stuttering to Bárta, "I am honored ... and grateful ... that you have invited me ... into your family. I pledge my ever-ending ... loyalty." Soon thereafter, Bárta summoned Lessy and told him, "I'm a little worried about this Ivan Langer fellow. I want you to find out what he's got under his fingernails. Go to ODS, and make them think you're not very happy with our family. And find out what you can." So Lessy, who isn't the swiftest sheep in the flock, lumbered back to his walk-up, took out his size XXL bullet-proof vest, and checked the bullets in his gun. "Yes, I think you and I can do business," Langer said when they met, as a henchman looped a garrote around Lessy's neck.



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