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At war in Libya



The war in Libya is now 100 days old. After eight days of bombing by the U.S., France and the U.K., Nato's members decided unanimously on March 27 to take over the operation. This means the Czechs have been at war by surrogate for three months, regardless of whether they've been engaged in any of the 5,000 strike sorties. Or at least that is one way to interpret it, even if Czech politicians are going out of their way to avoid saying it. Libya is barely mentioned in Prague, yet it has become a huge issue in Washington because of the possibility that Obama is violating the War Powers Act and the Constitution by not seeking congressional approval. Just as congressmen are asking Obama to defend the legality of his actions, Czech legislators and voters should ask their leaders to justify their continued consent for a war that they don't want responsibility for and that can only turn out badly for the West.

