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## VV's peaks and troughs

Imagine the exchanges this week when Vice Chair Karolína Peake of VV joined her extended family for a vacation in the U.S., where her husband grew up. Peake's incredible journey from housewife to vice PM of an EU country in just a few years is even hard for yes-we-can Americans to fathom. At the same time, it would be difficult for many Americans to comprehend how someone suspected of conspiracy to commit public-procurement fraud (as revealed by MFD) could waltz into such a high position. Peake denies the allegations and told [Deník](#) that no one can point to a single rigged tender at a ministry run by VV. She has a point, actually. For all the talk about VV's designs on this or that ministry for commercial gain, there is precious little proof. It might even be time to consider, as Jaroslav Plesl suggested on [Czech TV](#), that VV's days in Parliament are not as numbered as most people have assumed.

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