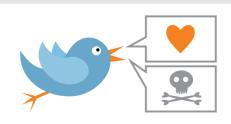
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The silent oligarch



When Petr Kellner of PPF declares in MFD that corruption is worse now in the CR than in Russia, dozens of good follow-up questions are begging to be asked. Who's doing the corrupting? What form is it taking? How are you doing so well in such a corrupt environment? A bold interviewer might ask about the Sazka valuation, the Prague 7 town hall deal, Homolka hospital or PPF's relationships to Tomáš Hrdlička and Miroslav Jansta. MFD didn't ask about any of them. In fact, it didn't ask any follow-ups on corruption. Nor did MFD press Petr Nečas when he spoke in a separate interview about the oligarchization of the CR. Sure, it asked about Andrej Babiš, and it got Nečas to mention the well-publicized Kalousek-Hava, Schwarzenberg-Bakala and Sobotka-ČSOB links. But MFD didn't ask Nečas about the biggest oligarch of all, Kellner, and Nečas didn't offer. Both MFD and Nečas know where to draw the line.



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