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Zeman vs. Obama



In his 40-minute speech at the United Nations, [Barack Obama](#) touched on at least 20 different major issues, from climate change to eradicating extreme poverty. In his 10-minute address, [Miloš Zeman](#) limited himself to one issue and said that if you have many topics and priorities in your short speech, you have none. Whether this was a jab at Obama we will probably never know, but it's clear that the thrust of Zeman's speech was anti-Obama. Zeman repeated his call [from Jan.](#) for a global anti-terrorism force on the level of the U.N. Security Council. Others, including Obama, have spoken of closer cooperation with Moscow on this, but Zeman's version would give Russia (as a member of the Security Council) a veto over the U.S.'s efforts. Zeman said nothing new yesterday, but the landscape is changing. Even his prime minister, [Bohuslav Sobotka](#), has suggested that the U.S. is not doing enough to combat ISIS and to stabilize the Middle East.

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