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Pavel Zeman switches camps



Remember what we wrote a month ago about how, according to ex-policeman Robert Šlachta, Interior Min. Milan Chovanec told Supreme State Prosecutor Pavel Zeman in mid-2016 that if he didn't support the police reorganization, [PM Bohuslav Sobotka would sack him](#) even if ANO left the government over it? Remember also how Million Moments made [keeping Pavel Zeman in office](#) one of its top priorities? Hundreds of thousands of people took to the streets to defend Zeman against a perceived effort by Justice Min. Marie Benešová to sack him. Andrej Babiš had to go, the protesters said, but P. Zeman had to stay. The first public sign of a seismic shift in Zeman's status as a counterbalance to Babiš came in [Právo on May 7](#), when Benešová said that she and Zeman were getting along very well and were meeting regularly. Yesterday Zeman declared that there is no serious public interest in going to court to see if Babiš has a conflict of interest in terms of media ownership.

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