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Why did Pavel accept Decroix?



STAN is giving new Justice Min. Eva Decroix of ODS two weeks to submit a timeline of the events and decisions in the bitcoin affair of her predecessor, Pavel Blažek. Pres. Petr Pavel could have insisted on an unbiased candidate who would be more of a guarantee of an honest effort, but he accepted someone who has already said publicly that only Blažek knew the details of the bitcoin transaction with Tomáš Jiřikovský. If Decroix does what she's promising and satisfies STAN and the public, both she and Pavel will come out of this looking well. If she doesn't, STAN will be able to use her failures to put more pressure on ODS in the election campaign. The question, then, is whether Pavel agreed to appoint Decroix without a fuss as a way to calm down the political situation, or the opposite. He could be intentionally setting Decroix up to fail as a way to help his preferred party, STAN. Remember, Pavel said last year that he'll do everything he can so that the elections turn out the way he wants them to.

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