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Fiala's new war



PM Petr Fiala has [rarely uttered the word "Iran" in public](#) but did so after his national security adviser, Tomáš Pojar, returned at the end of Jan. from a week of meetings in Washington.

Fiala told Czech TV on Feb. 2 (at [25:30](#)) that the situation in the Middle East will never be stable until "we weaken Iran with the combined forces of the West." In line with this, he and [other Czech ministers](#) have now [expressed understanding](#) for Israel's efforts over the past few days to stop Iran's nuclear and missile programs. Fiala told [Blesk in Nov.](#), after speaking to Donald Trump on the phone, that "reaching a good solution to the conflict in Ukraine may be a little harder than calming the situation in the Middle East." Neither has proven easy at all, and Fiala's government continues to play a small but significant supporting role in both areas. If Fiala can call a meeting of the National Security Council to discuss bitcoin, he might also want to do so to address what this new war means for Czech security and energy security.

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