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Broadcasting regime change from Prague to Iran

EU Affairs Min. Martin Dvořák of STAN said on [OVM on Sun.](#) that employees of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty have their hopes pinned on the U.S. broadcaster's Radio Farda service to Iran, because it could be a way to enable RFE/RL to survive, despite the funding cuts ordered by Donald Trump. The link to Iran is important, Dvořák said, because Farda is a source of information for the Iranians. Pres. Stephen Capus of RFE/RL told [Respekt](#) before the war began that Farda was reaching 10% of the Iranian population on a weekly basis. However, Czech-Iranian film director Širín Nafariehová told [Czech Radio](#) that people in Iran have satellite TV and get information from abroad. The recent events have brought Iranians - both pro-regime and anti-regime - closer together, she said, and many aren't going to want a regime change that's orchestrated from abroad. Which means that RFE/RL's fate could now depend on how strongly the U.S. Congress wants to tell Iranians things they don't want to hear.

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