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## Trump pulls Macinka back in



Perhaps the most important line of the [Ankara summit declaration](#) from the Czech perspective is the one about Iran: "Allies reiterate that Iran must never have a nuclear weapon and call on Iran to fully respect freedom of navigation in the Strait of Hormuz." Nato Secretary General Mark Rutte went a step further by saying yesterday that it is "[totally crucial](#) that the U.S. forcefully reacts" to Iran's violations of the ceasefire. Since then Donald Trump has ended the truce with Iran and restarted the war. It's probably only a matter of time before the Israeli-Iranian aspect of the conflict flares up again. This complicates things for Czech Foreign Min. Petr Macinka, who is supposed to lead a [trade mission](#) to Israel next week. When he declared in Prague on [May 20](#) that the CR was [on the side of Israel politically](#) and that he didn't see any way anyone could convince it to change its position, there was relative peace in the Middle East. With the war resuming, Czechs might have to show what it means to be a true friend.

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