



Ambassador's Message: "Before the heat waves began to bear down this summer, the Czech Embassy focused on furthering its economic diplomacy and bilateral trade relations with the United States via the visits of Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies Jan Hamáček, Czech Minister of Industry and Trade Jan Mládek, accompanied by companies from the Czech aerospace and aviation industries, and a technology mission. The Embassy is a keen supporter of all Czech companies looking to penetrate the US market, to which access will be made potentially easier through the negotiations on the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP)." ~ Petr Gandalovič

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Delegation Talks Trade

In May, Washington, DC was visited by a Czech parliamentary delegation headed by the Speaker of the Chamber of Deputies, Jan Hamáček, and including Deputy Speaker Jaroslava Jermanová, Members of the Chamber's European Affairs Committee and State Secretary for European Affairs Tomáš Prouza. Discussions with interlocutors on the Hill and across the think-tank landscape concentrated on current transatlantic opportunities and challenges with particular focus on the benefits of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (TTIP).



Victims of Communism Remembered

Deputy Chief of Mission of the Czech Embassy Jaroslav Zajíček joined a two-day-long commemoration of the victims of communism on Capitol Hill on June 11-12, 2015. The annual remembrance concentrated on human rights in Cuba and the legacy of the post-Soviet sphere. The event was attended by multiple embassies, members of the US Congress, human rights organizations and over 300 participants. | [Read more.](#)



Tech Companies Introduced in US

The Embassy along with the CzechInvest organized a technology mission to the US on May 25-29, 2015. The goal was to introduce the Czech Republic as a technologically advanced country with capabilities for scientific research collaboration at the highest levels and meet American partners with research infrastructure and potential for bilateral cooperation. | [Read more.](#)



Aerospace Conference 2015

The Embassy and CzechInvest organized an aerospace industry conference as part of the Embassy's economic diplomacy in Washington, DC, on May 13. The conference introduced the engineering and production capabilities of Czech aerospace and aviation companies and placed such businesses in direct contact with US partners. | [Read more.](#)



Minister Furthers Economic Goals

The Czech Minister of Industry and Trade, Jan Mládek, accompanied by entrepreneurs visited the US on May 12-15, 2015. He met with the US administration to discuss further developments in economic cooperation. He also met with US investors regarding their further investments in the Czech Republic and representatives of important US corporations. | [Read more.](#)



Veteran's Photos Reveal War & Peace

Deputy Chief of Mission Jaroslav Zajíček and Head of Public Diplomacy Pavla Veličkinová met with the family of WWII veteran James Duncan at the Czech Embassy on May 28. Duncan documented his experiences in WWII and peace thereafter via over 500 photographs, using cameras and film he found along the way. Duncan's son helped organize a selection of his father's images on view during the EU Open House on May 9. | [Read more.](#)



FAIRPLAY - A Director's View

Czech director Andrea Sedláčková presented her new film *Fair Play* at the Avalon Theatre on May 13, offering insight into the story, the actors, and her personal vision for the highly acclaimed film. The poignant mother-daughter story centers on an Olympic dream and a desire for freedom—set against a backdrop of the 1980s under communist rule. | [Read more.](#)

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