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**Members of Czech Parliament will launch the Czech Parliamentary Group for Tibet.**

From the initiative of Members of Parliament Dana Balcarová (Pirate Party) and Marek Benda (ODS), the **Czech Parliamentary Group for Tibet** was established in September. On October 9<sup>th</sup>, at the occasion of the Forum 2000 conference with the participation of the President of the Central Tibetan Administration, Lobsang Sangay, the group's activities will be officially launched.

The aim of the **Czech Parliamentary Group for Tibet** is to point out possible solutions to the Tibetan issue and serve as a reminder that silencing the dialogue proves often counterproductive. With over fifty representatives of both Chambers – Chamber of Deputies and the Senate – this is the largest group of friends within the Parliament of the Czech Republic.

The **Czech Parliamentary Group for Tibet** will be launched on Tuesday, October 9, at 16:30 at the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic (Green Lounge, Kolovrat Palace, Valdštejnská 154/10). The speakers will include the representatives of the Parliamentary Group, Mikuláš Peksa (Pirate Party), Jitka Seitlová (KDU-ČSL), and Karel Schwarzenberg (TOP 09), as well as Executive Director of the Forum 2000 Foundation Jakub Klepal and the President of the Central Tibetan Administration Lobsang Sangay,

Due to limited space capacity, the event is accessible by invitation only.

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