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## **PRESIDENT MACRON WELCOME RUSSIAN PTD POUTIN IN BREGANCON FORT 5 DAYS AHEAD OF G7**

### **UKRAINE IRAN SYRIA & OTHER HOT TOPICS**

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**USPA NEWS** - President Vladimir Putin was received today Monday, August 19th by the President of the French Republic Emmanuel Macron and his wife Brigitte at the fort of Bregançon, (South of France, near Brome the Mimosas), five days before the opening of the G7 which France has the presidency of 24-26 August in Biarritz. This summit of the Group of 7, G7, which brings together the seven leaders of the main industrialized countries with the exception, precisely, of Russia. Russia, which was part of the G8, was excluded from the group of powerful after the annexation of Crimea in 2014. The venue of this meeting in Bregancon is very symbolic, in a "solemn summer" of the Head of State French, who receives his Russian counterpart, The Russian President, Vladimir Putin, arrived by helicopter on the tarmac of Fort Bregancon, at 17h and climbed the few steps up his hands loaded with a beautiful bouquet of flowers that he offered to the First French First Lady, Brigitte Macron .. Last summer, the head of state Francis had received Theresa May, the former British PM. It is the most summer symbolic diplomatic meeting to be held by French President in Bregancon Fort, since General De Gaulle.

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The two heads of state, then met the press, on the sunny terrace, and answered questions and journalists even before going to withdraw and discuss the subjects of Ukraine, Iran, Syria, the rights of man, defense architecture and common security, as part of this summer diplomatic meeting. Journalists' questions were equitably divided between Russian Media rating issues as well as French, whose Q & A sequence lasted for an hour, with the respective repose of the two heads of state. The topics discussed were essentially the "Normandy Format", the announcement of President Macron of a forthcoming Summit "provided that significant progress is made" and Russian President Putin having confirmed that this format Normandy would remain in the State and that the "recent Ukrainian president Zelensky has shown a certain optimism via their exchanges". Other topics such as the escalation situation in Iran and Libya as well as Syria were the subject of questions and answers. French Head of State Macron recalled the primordial role of "Russia as a great anti and fundamentally European". As for the question of returning to the G7, President Putin replied not to "know the G7 but the G8" and "he was waiting to be contacted to restart the G8" recalling that it is already part of the G20 and BRICS

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President Macron congratulated President Putin for ratifying the Paris Agreement, and his Russian counterpart recalled that the "extreme temperatures of this summer are worrying and the fires in Siberia encourage compliance with the Paris Agreement and beyond." The end of the sequence ended with an evocation of the urban violence that took place in Russia recently and at the same time in France as a result of the Yellow Vest demonstrations. The two Heads of State then sent the subject to each other as a conclusion, recalling that "Freedom of expression and demonstration must be compatible with the respect of maintenance of order," according to President Macron. and that the "riots related to the elections are explained by the refusal to fifty candidates having falsified their signatures, after investigation of the committee for elections". TO BE CONTINUED in the next publication revealing the full integrity of the Q&A session with the press at Bregancon.

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