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## BRIGITTE MACRON GIVES RARE AND FRENCH INTERVIEW TO MARC OLIVIER FOGIEL ON RTL

### FIRST LADY OPTIMISTIC SINCERE ON HUSBAND

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« THE RITE OF BREAKFAST IS THE MOMENT WHERE WE TALK ABOUT THE DAY TO COME »

The first lady explained during her exclusive interview on RTL Radio, that it was very important for her and the President of the Republic to keep rites, especially to meet at the beginning and end of their day. Although at the top of the state, Emmanuel Macron has kept sacred moments that he shares daily with his wife Brigitte. She confessed : « The rite of breakfast, where we talk a little about the day to come, the rite of dinner. We always dine together, around 23 hours sometimes, because he goes back to work," says the First Lady. "But yesterday we did a restaurant and then we wandered in the streets," says Brigitte Macron. "What is very nice is to see the heads of people who see us go by saying: 'No it's not Macron, it's not possible'," she says with a laugh. So we kept these rites, we kept this word that starts the day and closes, "concludes the tenant of the Elysee, which recalls that when Emmanuel Macron" needs, he knows where I am. We can talk to each other at any time of the day. "

### THE INTERVIEW GIVEN BY FIRST LADY BRIGITTE MACRON TO MARC OLIVER FOGIEL'S MICROPHONE

1. « TIME WILL PAY TRIBUTE TO EMMANUEL MACRON »-----

Brigitte Macron spoke about her husband, Emmanuel, and how these two years at the Élysée have changed him. "I would be unhappy if I saw him give up, but not for a moment I saw him in a difficult situation, he works, he works all the time, he asks himself questions, he answers these questions, he finds solutions," she says.-----

Does Brigitte Macron admit mistakes made by the President of the Republic? "Everybody does it, it's deeply human and luckily we make mistakes, it's just a man, we do not have immediate answers to everything and I think time will pay tribute to him" .

2. "WE ARE TOTALLY FUSIONAL »-----

The First Lady also commented on her relationship: "I have a lot of confidence in him, we are there, one for the other without stopping, 24 out of 24. We are totally fusional. to say, sometimes not nice, we are a pretty muscular couple, we say things." But she specifies that it happens "always closed doors". "As a general rule, we stay on our positions, but I measure and say that for all presidents, which falls on their shoulders. This is Atlas, the god who carries the earth's vault," she adds.

### 3. " I HATE THE WORD COUGAR »-----

"It's not easy when you are not the same age, when you have a big difference in age (25 years, ed) as we have, it's even more complicated," she continues. But there is a word that has often been associated with him and that deeply shocked him: "cougar". "I hate that word!", Which is used trivially to refer to a mature woman who looks for and seduces men much younger than her.

### 4. « WE HAVE CERTAINLY DOWNPLAYED downplayed" THE BENALLA CASE-----

Brigitte Macron returned to the Benalla affair. "Personally, I was amazed at the scale it has taken," she says. "I had very little to do with him so I was a little surprised," she adds. "We certainly minimized, certainly," she admits. "Maybe we should have said right now, there is a problem." But it's not so easy because it's human - the people who work with us overnight can not tell them 'well, you're not working with us', "she says.

### 5. THE HOSPITAL IS AT THE HEART OF THE PRESIDENT'S CONCERNS-----

For three months, many emergency services are on strike to denounce the lack of resources and exhaustion of caregivers. "I want to tell them how proud I am of our hospital, of our health care system, I think it is one of the best in the world, we need to be very careful and safeguard it. absolute priority, "says the First Lady. The hospital is at the heart of the President's concerns, she added. "We know how essential they are, they are not just words, I have absolute confidence in the medicine of our country, and if I can help them, now that I am at the Hospitals of France Hospital Foundation. Paris, I would try, "she adds.

### 6. "YELLOW VESTS » AND BIG DEBATE: "EMANUEL MACRON EVOLVED »

Brigitte Macron returned to the crisis that has shaken the country for several months. This political and social agitation led by the "yellow vests" was at the origin of the great national debate, which, according to the First Lady, "did a lot of good" to the Head of State.

"It was sometimes long but it was very useful for him," she says. "I know he needed these meetings because look good, listen to him since the big debate, he has evolved, he is closer (people, ed)".

### 7. ON HIS DAILY LIFE « WE DID A RESTAURANT AND WE WALKED AROUND »

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### 8. " WE LAUGHED A LOT » WITH MELANIA TRUMP

Brigitte Macron also came back to a moment of complicity shared with the American First Lady Melania Trump during the D-Day commemorations on June 6th.

"We were in Colleville-sur-mer and Caen, while the presidents were talking about the future of the world, Melania (Trump) and I were both at the restaurant, we exchanged very pleasantly and laughed a lot" says Brigitte Macron.

Brigitte Macron has rarely performed on her role alongside the President of the Republic this Thursday, June 20 at the microphone of RTL. The First Lady took stock of her two years at the Elysee Palace, between the Yellow Vests, polemics on the short sentences of the President or the Benalla affair, but also more personally, on the singular couple she form with her husband. "I have a lot of confidence in him, we're there, one for the other, all the time, 24 out of 24. We're totally fusional, we have things to say to each other, sometimes we're not nice. We say things to ourselves ... it always happens with closed doors." Source: Rahma Sophia Rachdi, LCI, Cnews, RTL

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