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## POLLS GO DOWN FOR PRESIDENT MACRON DUE TO THE BENALLA CASE & POOR ECONOMY

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On the other hand, still during his hearing in front of the Senate, Alexandre Benalla, Emmanuel Macron's former chargé de mission assured him that he had applied for a "personal" weapon to ensure his own "security". And not that of the President of the Republic. The Senators, who audited him, were not convinced of his version and explained for some "being bored" and consider that Alexandre Balla was very calm, confident very well represented by a communication coach,

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To the question of who are responsible for the case, the French are 58% answer Alexandre Benalla, but 50% still mention the responsibility of Emmanuel Macron (several answers were possible). The poll reveals that the remaining 38%, they quote the employees of the Elysee. (According to BFM)

Emmanuel Macron's popularity rating dropped 5 points in September to its lowest level since the beginning of the five-year period, according to an Ifop poll for the "Journal du Dimanche". Only 29% of French say they are "satisfied" with the President of the Republic, against 34% at the end of August and 39% two months ago. (According to the JDD)

Despite the very "left" presentation of social plans with the Poverty Plan on September 13 with a slogan "Do More For Those Who Have Less" and then the Health Plan, announced by President Macron and Health Minister Agnes Buzyn, (3.4 billion Budget Sante by

2022) the French show their dissatisfaction with these survey results.-----

In fact the economic situation in France does not really improve, with a slowing down of growth, a return of inflation, a decline in purchasing power ...-----

"The President is extremely weakened in his relationship with the French, confirms in the JDD Frédéric Dabi, deputy director general of Ifop. There is more than its base of the first round of the presidential which holds ". In detail, the president loses 12 points in particular among the sympathizers ecologists and drops very strongly among his supporters of the center (MoDem and UDI). "The building is cracked, still analyzes Frédéric Dabi. Benevolence is finished. (According to the JDD)

The political situation of the government at the start of the year resulted in the resignation of Nicolas Hulot, the Minister of Ecology, then that of Laura Flessel, the Minister of Sports and the promise to leave shortly the announced departure of Gérard Collomb, the Minister The same minister explained to the radio Europe 1 "We have lack of humility" ... Gerard Collomb thus expressed a confession of conscience before announcing that he will leave his post of the government in 2019 while the thorny situation of immigration has become the biggest crisis of the European Union to manage and solve ... the influx of migrants at the gates of Europe has managed with "humanity" and "security"

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