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# PDT MACRON PLEDGES TO REBUILD NDAME & BILLIONAIRES PINAULT OFFERED €100M

## B. ARNAULT PLEDGES €200M

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**USPA NEWS -** French President Emmanuel Macron pledges to rebuild Notre Dame, will seek international help to do so. French billionaire François-Henri Pinault. Pinault pledges 100M euros toward rebuilding Notre Dame Cathedral, according to a statement (AFP). Furthermore, a « National collection » was launched during the night of the Notre Dame de Paris burning, by the Heritage Foundation to raise funds for the reconstruction of the Cathedral, a treasury of the World heritage. "This collection will be available on Tuesday, April 16 from noon on the site www.fondation-patrimoine.org" said the foundation. So far the pledges reached out, 1€Bn to rebuild Notre Dame de Paris, after the dramatic fire, occurred on April 15th at 6h45pm.

« WE WILL REBUILD NOTRE DAME DE PARIS » DECLARES THE PRESIDENT MACRON
President Macron believes that "the worst has been avoided, even if the battle is not fully won". He ended his speech by carrying a "message of hope" for "all the French", promising to rebuild the cathedral "together", by launching "tomorrow a national subscription". "We are going to build Notre Dame de Paris"
Indeed the violent fire that ravaged the roof of the Notre-Dame Cathedral of Paris Monday evening, 6:45 pm, causing impressive flames and the amazement of passersby, tourists and Parisians, helpless in the face of this tragedy ignited. The Fleche (the most recent part of this historic medical monument, built in the 19th century) has even collapsed in the midst of the tannic fire of hundreds of firefighters trying to calm the fire, powerful and devastating. The disaster then devastated the wooden frame, causing the collapse of this symbolic spire of the cathedral, but the structure of the building is saved, according to firefighters. More than five hundred firefighters have mobilized to pursue Notre Dame de Paris and a new night shift after midnight, while the balance sheet, is heavy because it is estimated that 30% of treasure and works of great value were between saves. Hundreds of people gathered to pray around the security prayers of Ile de la Cite, closed by the police forces of Paris.

PRESIDENT MACRON HAS BEEN TWICE IN THE SITE OF THE CATHEDRAL IN FLAMES----------
President Macron went to the scene twice, first, around 8 pm, which coincided with the planned time for his 8 pm speech on French television to deliver the results and big announcements of the National Grand Debate that lasted three months, following the crisis of Yellow Vests. The Head of State deplored a "terrible drama", and congratulated the five hundred firefighters for their "courage and professionalism" who "fought" and "still fight" against the flames.----------
President Macron was surrounded by the mayor of Paris, Anne Hidalgo, Prime Minister Edouard Philippe and the Archbishop of Paris, Monsignor Michel Aupetit, and the Secretary of State for the Interior, Laurent Nunez. He then left for the Elysee and returned around 11:30 pm at the scene of the fire. He will speak after the words of Monsignor Michel Aupetit, the Archbishop of Paris, who thanks the management of the firefighters. Firefighters win desperate battle after collapse of historic Cathedral's spire and roof. The Paris Public Prosecutor's Office and the investigation opened an investigation entrusted to the DRPJ and relates to an "involuntary destruction by fire"

THE STRUCTURE AND RELICS HAVE BEEN SAVED AT LEAST FOR 30%----------
"The structure of Notre-Dame de Paris is saved and preserved in its entirety" explain the firefighters. According to TF1, Matthieu Rougé, bishop of Nanterre (Hauts-de-Seine) explains that "the frame is burned but the vault is saved, as well as the two towers, even if they are" very damaged "," We can consider that the two laps are saved ",
The crown of thorns and the tunic of Saint-Louis, two objects extremely important for Catholics, were "saved" from the fire, said Bishop Patrick Chauvet, Dean of the cathedral at AFP.
A NATIONAL COLLECTION LAUNCHED AND A FIRST DONATION OF 100 MILLION BY FRANCOIS HENRI PINAULT

The Heritage Foundation will launch Tuesday a "national collection" for the reconstruction of Notre-Dame de Paris.

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Dozens of witnesses gathered in front of the cathedral pray with one voice.

The Pinault (Kering Group) family unblocks 100 million euros for the cathedral, announces François-Henri Pinault, and 200 Million announced by Barnard Arnault, CEO fo LVMH Group.
The global collection for the subscription of Notre-Dame de Paris carried by the Heritage Foundation amounts to 144.2 million euros:
“¢ 13.1 million euros of individuals;
“¢ € 131.1 million from major sponsors and companies: Groupe Total, Mrs. Lily Safra and the Edmond J. Safra Foundation, Groupe BPCE, Société Générale, Arkema, Philippe Hottinguer Group, BNP Real Estate, Primagaz.
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