MELINDA AND BILL GATES WELCOMED AT ELYSEE BY PRESIDENT MACRON AND THE 1ST LADY

DISCUSSED AFRICA & GENDER EQUITY AGENDA

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USPA NEWS - Bill Gates Billionaire (Microsoft founder) and co-chairs with his wife Melinda of the foundation, who bears their respective first names have both been received at the presidential palace. "I appreciated the chance to see President Macron, and Melinda and I had a good meeting with him, discussing his commitment to development, the work we are doing together, especially in Africa, in the region of Sahel, on issues like health and agriculture " "I'm really pleased to the partnerships and the commitments that we both have to improve undeveloped countries" [Said Bill Gates after a meeting with the Head of State at the Elysee. Melinda Gates stayed longer at the Elysee to talk to Brigitte Macron, the first lady to discuss issues about gender equity. I had the chance to ask him two questions, about Melinda his wife and the issues to be discussed with Brigitte Macron who is very much concerned about education and disability, in our society.

It had an endowment of \$44.3 Bn as of December 31, 2014. The scale of the foundation and the way it seeks to apply business techniques to giving makes it one of the leaders in venture philanthropy, though the foundation itself notes that the philanthropic role has limitations. In 2007, its founders were ranked as the second most generous philanthropists in America, and Warren Buffett the first. As of May 16, 2013, Bill Gates had donated US\$28 billion to the foundation. Since its foundation, the foundation has endowed and supported a broad range of social, health, and education developments including the establishment of the Gates Cambridge Scholarships at Cambridge University. (Bill& Melinda Gates Foundation)

Bill and Melinda Gates, have learnt how they can use their fame and power to influence the biggest global leaders to encourage them to be part of the global effort of solidarity towards the poorest and this week, the choice was to lobbying in France. This is how, Melinda Gates was welcomed by President Macron and his wife Brigitte, the same day as Justin Trudeau Canadian Prime Minister. Justin Trudeau and Melinda Gates discussed Canada's commitment to the Global Goals, last year in September 2017. We get that diversity is a source of strength, "[?] Justin Trudeau said, in conversation with Melinda Gates. "One of the most obvious diversity plays you have to make is that you have equal representation of men and women." [?] Gates introduced the Canadian prime minister today at Goalkeepers, an event

BILL GATES WAS GLAD TO HAVE A MEETING WITH PRESIDENT MACRON AND TACKLED ISSUES ABOUT AFRICA AND SAHEL

He spontaneously explained the content of his meeting with President Emmanuel Macron. "I appreciated the opportunity to see President Macron, and Melinda and I had a good meeting with him, discussing his commitment to development, the work we are doing together, especially in Africa, in the region of Sahel, on issues like health and agriculture "said the American billionaire to the press after a handshake exchanged with Mr. Macron on the steps of the Elysee. "We are pleased with the relationship we have and our growing commitment to improving the situation of developing countries," he added.

Asking where Melinda is, who did not come out of the Elysee at the same time as him, Bill Gates told me that: Melinda stayed talking with Brigitte Macron ". In insisting on ongoing projects between the French First Lady, "very concerned about the topics of child education and disability," Bill Gates replied that "

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