

# Claim

Claim: "French President Emmanuel Macron called Russian President Vladimir Putin a 'butcher' during his press conference with Donald Trump on Monday, Feb. 24, 2025."

## Actions

`image_search("Emmanuel Macron Vladimir Putin press conference")`

`image_search("Emmanuel Macron Donald Trump press conference February 24`

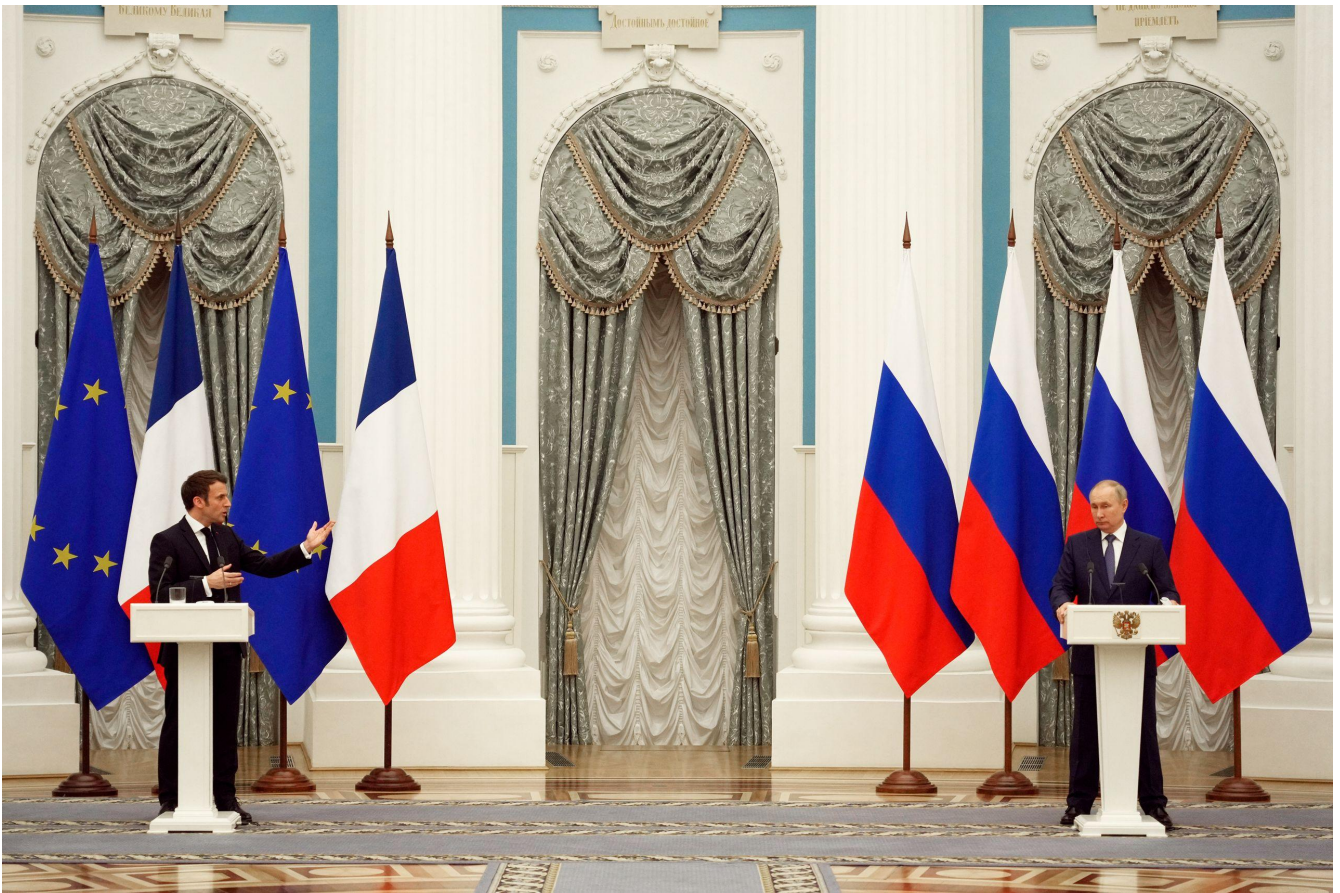
## Evidence

### Evidence from `image_search`

The Atlantic published an image of a press conference between Emmanuel Macron and Vladimir Putin on May 29, 2017 (



). The New Yorker provides an image of Emmanuel Macron and Vladimir Putin (



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ABC News contains an image of Emmanuel Macron and Vladimir Putin (



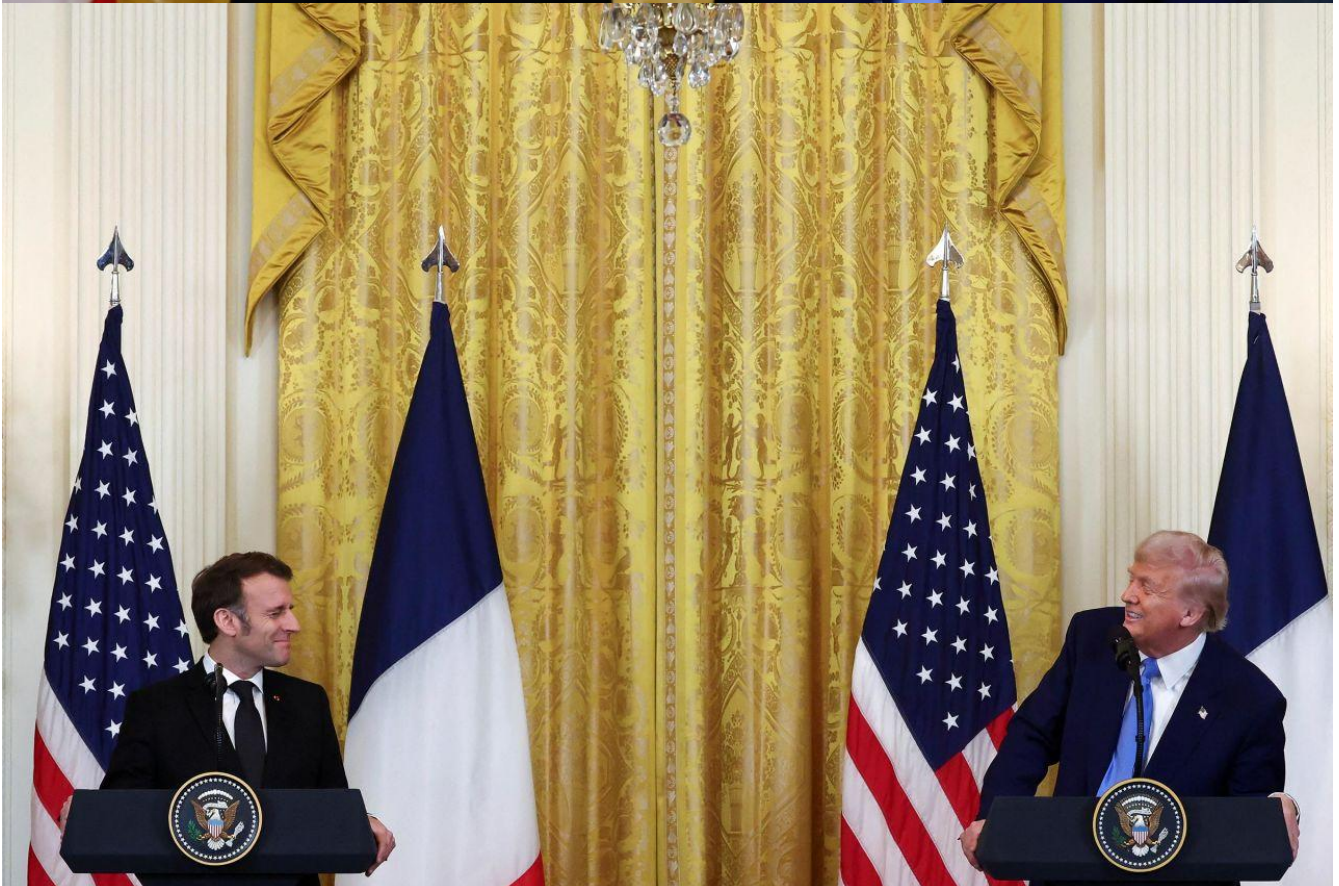
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Evidence from **image\_search**



The web sources provide information about a meeting between Emmanuel Macron and Donald Trump on February 24, 2025. VPM.org/NPR News (<https://www.vpm.org/npr-news/npr-news/2025-02-24/trump-and-macron-meet-in-washington-as-europe-pleads-for-continued-help-with-ukraine>) and CNN (<https://edition.cnn.com/politics/live-news/trump-administration-news-02-24-25?Date=20250224&Profile=cnnbrk>) both show images of the event.

ABC News (<https://abcnews.go.com/International/macron-warns-trump-careful-ukraine-fact-checks-white/story?id=119157061>) also provides an image of the meeting.





## Elaboration

The evidence confirms that Emmanuel Macron and Donald Trump had a press conference on February 24, 2025. However, the provided sources do not contain any information about Macron calling Putin a "butcher" during the press conference.

Therefore, the claim cannot be verified with the available information. Additional sources would be needed to confirm whether Macron made the statement.

## Actions

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image_search("Macron Trump Putin butcher February 24 2025")
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## Evidence

### Evidence from `image_search`

Al Jazeera (<https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2025/2/24/macron-tells-trump-europe-wants-to-secure-solid-peace-in-ukraine>) published an image of Emmanuel Macron and Donald Trump on February 24, 2025 (





). CNN (<https://www.cnn.com/2025/02/25/politics/trump-macron-ukraine-united-nations-analysis>) also published an image of the same event (



). Reuters (<https://www.reuters.com/world/macron-arrives-white-house-ukraine-talks-with-trump-2025-02-24/>) also published an image of Emmanuel Macron and Donald Trump on February 24, 2025 (



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## Elaboration

The new evidence confirms the meeting between Macron and Trump on February 24, 2025. However, it still does not provide any information about Macron calling Putin a "butcher"



during the press conference.

Therefore, the claim remains unverified.

## Actions

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image_search("Macron Putin butcher speech")
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## Evidence

### Evidence from `image_search`

Axios published an image of Emmanuel Macron. The Moscow Times published an image of Emmanuel Macron and discusses Biden calling Putin a "butcher" (



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## Elaboration

The evidence does not contain any information about Macron calling Putin a "butcher." Therefore, the claim is unverified.

## Final Judgement

The evidence confirms that Macron and Trump met on February 24, 2025, but there is no evidence to support the claim that Macron called Putin a "butcher" during the press conference. The search results do not provide any information about Macron using that specific term.

false

**Verdict: FALSE**

## Justification

The fact-check reveals that while Emmanuel Macron and Donald Trump did hold a press conference on February 24, 2025, as evidenced by sources like [VPM.org/NPR News](#) and [CNN](#), there is no supporting evidence to confirm that Macron referred to Vladimir Putin as a "butcher" during the event.