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

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Evidence

Evidence from web_search

France 24 (<u>Source</u>) reported that Emmanuel Macron warned against escalating the situation in Ukraine after Joe Biden called Vladimir Putin a "butcher" <u>image:i</u>. Yahoo News UK (<u>Source</u>) states that Macron did not call Putin a "butcher" during a press conference with Donald Trump on February 24, 2025. The Moscow Times (<u>Source</u>) reported that Macron warned against escalating the verbal conflict with Russia after Joe Biden called Vladimir Putin a "butcher"



. The Moscow Times also published an article on August 6, 2025, about Trump





Evidence from web_search

On February 24, 2025, Emmanuel Macron and Donald Trump held a press conference at the White House, as reported by <u>Roll Call</u> and <u>PBS News</u>. Reuters also reported on the meeting, stating that Macron said Russia was the aggressor, and Trump expressed a desire for a ceasefire.



The Reuters article was written by Andrea Shalal, Michel Rose and Steve Holland.

Elaboration

The evidence indicates that Emmanuel Macron did not call Vladimir Putin a "butcher" during the press conference with Donald Trump on February 24, 2025. Yahoo News UK explicitly states this fact (https://uk.news.yahoo.com/macron-didn-t-call-putin-113000978.html).

The press conference did take place on the specified date, as confirmed by Roll Call and PBS News (https://www.pbs.org/newshour/world/watch-macron-corrects-trump-after-he-says-european-support-for-ukraine-was-a-loan).

Final Judgement

The evidence confirms that Emmanuel Macron did not call Vladimir Putin a "butcher" during the press conference with Donald Trump on February 24, 2025. While the press conference did occur on the specified date, multiple sources state that Macron did not use that term.

false

Verdict: FALSE

Justification

The claim is false. While a press conference between Emmanuel Macron and Donald Trump did occur on February 24, 2025, as reported by <u>Roll Call</u> and <u>PBS News</u>, Macron did not call Putin a "butcher" during the event, according to <u>Yahoo News UK</u>.