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## JULIEN BAYOU ECOLOGIST MP ADVOCATES FOR EQUAL RIGHTS RATHER EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

### ANSWERS QUESTIONS TO USPA

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**USPA NEWS** - Prime Minister Elisabeth Borne, backed by a new Government, pronounced this Wednesday, July 6, 2022 her declaration of general policy, (DPG) which consists of speaking before the PM, at the National Assembly under the terms of the article 49 Paragraph 1 of the French constitution. This is how the PM was able to deliver a speech to the deputies in which, he outlines the main orientations of his government program, the main reforms and measures that she wants to put in place. She declined the request for the vote of confidence of the parliamentarians, because the majority of the President of the Republic is not absolute (163 deputies, of "Renaissance" party out of 577 Deputies in Total) as it was during his previous five-year term. It is a clever choice not to ask for a vote of confidence, which risked not being adopted in favor of PM Borne. She pronounced ten times (10), this expression Equal Opportunities "and encouraged us to question many politicians, whether ministers or deputies, senators, in order to clarify this element of language, based on one of the pillars of modern democracy, advocated in the name of social justice. Here is Interview of Julien Bayou, MP Ecologist NUPES.

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The opposition to the government is made up of the RN, with 89 deputies,

- NUPES (131 seats), Group made up of
- LFI (75 seats),
- Left Democratic Republican (22 Seats),
- Ecologists 923 Seats)
- Socialists (31 Seats, NUPES Intergroup)
- LR Republicans have 62 seats,

At the same time, according to the rule, when the Prime Minister exposes his declaration of general policy before the National Assembly, and simultaneously from the tribune of the Senate by another member of the Government. The Prime Minister also wished to make a second speech before the senators. It took place on July 6, at 9 p.m.

During the delivery of his speech, the atmosphere was very electric, because the hemicycle was very rowdy, especially from the opposition of the group of NUPES who knocked on their table and demanded "We want to vote". PM, Lady in Pink remained stoic and continued to deliver her Remarks, smiling and clearing her voice, while drinking her glass of water.

### PM BORNE PRONOUNCED 10 TIMES THE EXPRESSION "EQUAL OPPORTUNITY" DEAR TO PRESIDENT MACRON

And then, each time PM Borne pronounced the expression "Equal opportunities" the deputies chanted "Equal rights" This subtlety of naked language marked and we noticed that this expression very dear to President Macron, who had used, during his memorable speech on December 11, 2020, in Mureaux (Suburb of Paris), he who is convinced and concerned about this equal opportunity, and firmly believes in the possibility of succeeding in France, whatever the social, ethnic and even handicap status.

PRESIDENT MACRON ANNOUNCED IN 2021 1000 PLACES IN HIGH SCHOOLS FOR "YOUNG TALENT" IN THE NAME OF "EQUAL OPPORTUNITY"

Thus in February 2021, he made a trip to Nantes, to the RIA (Regional Institute of Administration) to defend access for young people to high schools, in the name of Equal Opportunities and to announce the reform of the High civil service for better diversity in these prestigious and often inbred establishments. He had banned, always in the name of this "Equal opportunities", "between oneself" and to fight against discrimination in hiring and to repair the social elevator. Thus, from the start of the 2022 school year, he announced the deployment in the regions of preparatory classes called "young talents" with the creation of 1,000 additional places for them, and the implementation of a "talent" competition which will lead on the creation of 15% additional places in five schools of senior public service, including the ENA (National School of Administration, from which most of the Presidents of the Republic, including Emmanuel Macron, have graduated).

PM Borne pronounced ten times (10), this expression Equal Opportunities "and encouraged us to question many men and women politicians, whether ministers or deputies, senators, in order to clarify this element of language, based on one of the pillars of modern democracy, advocated in the name of social justice. In this article, we were able to interview Julien Bayou, ecologist, both regional councillor and deputy for the 5th constituency of the NUPES group (New Union Popular Ecologist and Social).

QUESTION USPA : This morning USPA posed a question to the spokesperson of the government on Equal Opportunities, which been repeated several times by Mrs PM Elisabeth Borne, like a mantra, in her general policy speech on July 6, 2022, while that you, the opposition, have chanted "Equality of rights" could you clarify for me this subtle element speech ?

ANSWER JULIEN BAYOU : Yes, there is an "Equal Rights", concerns all men and women as citizens, while Equal Opportunities has an entrepreneurial side and somehow it individualizes. If you don't succeed, it's your fault, because you haven't taken a chance. However, a student in Master I, for example, who wants to go on to Master II, it's completely different from him that he a miss, this is an equal opportunity. However, the equality of rights, here, it is the right to study is flouted by the fact of refusing the granting of places at the university. So equal rights is the right to access university and this must be guaranteed by society. And if people are left behind, it is not their fault, it is the fault of the organization of public services. It's the same for accommodation, in these weary cases, if you haven't found accommodation, you are the burden and who have not succeeded, and responsible for your misfortune or else we see that there is has a shortage of housing because of the rental prices and the conditions that are required of you (no guaranteed deposit) and in addition to difficulties, such as discrimination on the face or surname at this time this challenges society more than the individual responsibility of this person who is called Abdelkader and has not found accommodation. So you see that "equal rights" speaks of the responsibility of society towards people, rather than the responsibility of people in the face of these difficulties. This does not mean that everyone does not want to do anything, but it is very important to insist on the fact that we have rights and that these rights are guaranteed by this institution (Editor's note, the National Assembly), it is the organization of this Institution that guarantees it.

QUESTION USPA : With regard to dependent people, ie people with disabilities, apart from seniors, who no longer work, but they need help at home, and to go to work and get out of precariousness for some. However, there is a shortage in France of carers at home, and although you had mentioned today in the debates on the increase in the minimum wage, SMIC (Demand of the parliamentary group NUPES, to reach SMIC at 1500 € net, gold it is on July 1, 2022 at €1,329.06 having increased by €60 in 7 months, because it was at €1,269.45) within the framework of the Purchasing Power Law.

ANSWER JULIEN BAYOU : Yes, it's not a matter of luck, we shouldn't count on luck to find carers at home, it's up to society to organize the fact that we can provide help in good conditions (To dependents). This is the debate on the AAH (Disabled Adult Allowance). We individualize the aid to allow autonomy to the disabled person, this must be granted because it is a right and not, to know if the person has the chance or not, to be in a couple or another situation which suitable or not. We have rights, we guarantee them. » Interview by Rahma Sophia Rachdi & Jedi Foster, French National Assembly

JULIEN BAYOU IS AN ECOLOGIST REGIONAL COUNSELOR & MP ELECTED DURING 2020 LEGISLATIVE ELECTIONS  
Julien Bayou, has been a regional councilor for Île-de-France, ecologists, since 2010, and national secretary of the Europe Écologie Les Verts party since 2019 and deputy for the fifth district of Paris since 2022. He is forty-two years old, and lives in Paris. Since the

legislative elections of June 2022, Julien Bayou has been elected deputy in the 5th district of Paris with the label of NUPES. In the first round, he came first with 48.8% of the vote, far ahead of the presidential majority candidate Élise Fajgeles (29.7%), obtaining one of the best scores of EELV in the first round. . He won the second round with 58.05% of the vote<sup>59</sup>.

On June 23, 2022, he was elected co-president of the environmental group in tandem with Cyrielle Chatelain. Joint co-presidency is a usual practice of the environmental group, already in force during the 2012-2017 term. Among his most striking positions, Julien Bayou is in favor of the legalization of cannabis, as national secretary of EELV, because he believes that the criminal response is responsible for the "highest rate of consumption among adolescents.

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