The Double Recognition – Press Summary

The Double Recognition (DR) is a founding pact proposed to resolve the institutional, historical, and civilizational crisis in New Caledonia. Rooted in mutual recognition, it aims to establish a shared framework between the Kanaky and the French Caledonian peoples.

Its essence lies in this sequence: first, the legitimate customary authorities of Kanaky recognize the existence of the French Caledonia – its right, its land (public and private), and its people. In return, the French Caledonia recognizes the sovereignty of Kanaky over customary lands and its authority in matters of identity, territory, and culture. Once sealed, this dual recognition becomes binding for the French Republic, which acts only as the guarantor of balance, not as a party to the pact.

This pact is not a negotiation outcome nor a political compromise. It is a profound political and spiritual act. The DR asserts that only the Kanak can close the colonial parenthesis, and that only a recognized Caledonian people can offer peace in return.

The text is addressed to the people of good will, the customary authorities, and future generations. It is already available online and will be physically handed from person to person, from case to case, until it reaches the poles of Kanak custom.

More than a text, it is a gesture of truth. A path is open. The key lies with the Kanak people.