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## **PRESIDENT HOLLANDE LEADS TRIBUTE TO NOBEL PRIZE ELIE WIESEL AS HE DIED AT 87**

### **GREAT WITNESS OF LAST CENTURY**

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**USPA NEWS** - Elie Wiesel, Nobel Peace Prize, has died at the age of 87 years, said the Israeli newspaper Haaretz. From a Romanian Orthodox Jewish family, Holocaust survivor was known for his book *The Night*, testimony of his experience in a concentration camp. President Hollande makes him a tribute.

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**ELIE WIESEL WAS GREAT WITNESS OF THE PAST CENTURY, PRESIDENT HOLLANDE SAID**-----

Elie Wiesel was a great witness of the past century. He was born in a Romanian Jewish family in 1928, he was deported with his sisters and his parents at the age of 15. He then experienced the hell of the concentration camps, the omnipresent death, tyranny of hunger, stripped of all humanity. From this experience after the horror that left an orphan, he helped open the world's eyes on the unspeakable injury to the extermination of European Jews. His literary work and commitment to human dignity were crowned in 1986 by the Nobel Peace Prize. This universal man had a special relationship with France, where he studied after the war, where he published the first edition of *The Night* by Jerome Lindon, where he created in 1992 the Universal Academy of Cultures.

France welcomes the memory of a great humanist, tireless advocate of peace.-----

A spokesman for the memorial confirmed to AFP the death of the famous American Jewish writer, without giving further details. He lived in the United States. According to the New York Times, Elie Wiesel died at his home in Manhattan at the age of 87. Elie Wiesel was considered a "ray of light" by some intellectuals, and "died there several hours," according to spokesman Allen Simmy memorial. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in a statement hailed his memory, saying it was a "ray of light and an example of humanity that believes in the goodness of man." "The State of Israel and the Jewish people weep bitterly death of Elie Wiesel," added Netanyahu.-----

"During the dark years of the Holocaust, in which six million perished brothers and sisters, Elie Wiesel was a ray of light and an example of humanity that believes in the goodness of man," said Benjamin Netanyahu about the one who has traveled the world to perpetuate the memory of the Shoah. He was a "great humanist, tireless advocate of peace"-----

In France, Francois Hollande hailed "a great humanist, tireless advocate of peace" while Manuel Valls tweeted tribute to him, stressing the duty of memory. "Sad day when our living memories go out ... The Holocaust, the requirement of Elie Wiesel never forget."

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