Questions Sarkozy must answer

Former President Nicolas Sarkozy is to seek the leadership of France's centre-right *Union pour un Mouvement Populaire (UMP)* in November despite legal woes and ongoing investigations

INFLUENCE PEDDLING, CORRUPTION

Sarkozy charged in July over alleged attempt to influence judges who were looking

into his affairs. Case suspended

CASH FROM GADDAFI

Allegations that former Libyan dictator *Muammar Gaddafi's* regime helped finance Sarkozy's 2007 campaign. Sarkozy is suing for defamation

BYGMALION AFFAIR

Investigation opened in June over allegations that UMP was falsely billed by PR agency *Bygmalion* for €10 million to cover Sarkozy's campaign expenses in 2012

TAPIE SCANDAL

Suspected of pressuring his finance minister *Christine Lagarde* (*right*) to refer to arbitration rather than legal system in €400 million state payout to tycoon *Bernard Tapie*

ELYSÉE POLLS

Anti-graft organisation *Anticor* alleges that Sarkozy spent more than €9 million of taxpayers' funds on hundreds of polls to gauge nation's attitude to his private life

CLEARED IN CAMPAIGN FINANCE CASE

Sarkozy cleared in March 2013 of allegations of soliciting secret campaign financing from *L'Oreal* heiress *Liliane Bettencourt*, France's richest woman

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