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BODY

The French Jean-Luc Brunel, former supermodel agent, friend of the late American billionaire financier Jeffrey Epstein, who with him had founded the MC2 Model Management agency and was suspected of having procured very young victims, was found dead hanged in his cell in the La Sant\* prison. The death would have occurred in the night between Friday and Saturday and his body was found by a night patrol at one in the morning. The AFP learned this from informed sources. The Paris prosecutor's office confirmed that the man, indicted for several rapes of minors, was found dead and announced that an investigation into the causes of his death has been launched. Erwan Saoudi, delegate of the FO prison union for Ile-de-France, explained that "according to the first elements available to us, no violations have been detected by the agents who were on duty that night".

Former agent accused of rape

Brunel had been accused of rape by several former supermodels and was arrested at Paris airport in December 2020 as he was about to board a flight to Dakar. The 76-year-old was indicted in late June 2021 for "rape of a child under 15", charges he has always denied. The former agent was detained in the de la Sant\* prison in Paris. His name had also emerged during the investigation launched in the United States into the scandal involving Jeffrey Epstein, who was arrested for child trafficking and sexual abuse in New York. The American billionaire was also found dead in his cell in August 2019.

Brunel had gained prominence by leading modeling agency Karin Models and had founded MC2 Model Management with funding from Jeffrey Epstein, with offices in both New York and Miami and Tel Aviv. The agent recruited models from all over the world and gave them appointments, residence permits and jobs. According to the records of the trial, some of his clients were often sent for services in Epstein's home, not far from the agency's headquarters. Epstein and Brunel got the girls to obtain visas and permits, and then asked them for rent.

The message to the billionaire friend

In 2005, the 76-year-old had left a message to his wealthy friend in which he informed him that he had sent him "a Russian teacher who is 2x8 years old and is not blonde, very good. The lessons are free and you can start them right away ". For the judges, the reference was to a 16-year-old Russian girl who had had sexual relations with both men. Brunel had been accused in the United States by at least two women of mediating for Epstein and bringing young girls of modest origins to America under the illusion that she was waiting for a modeling job.

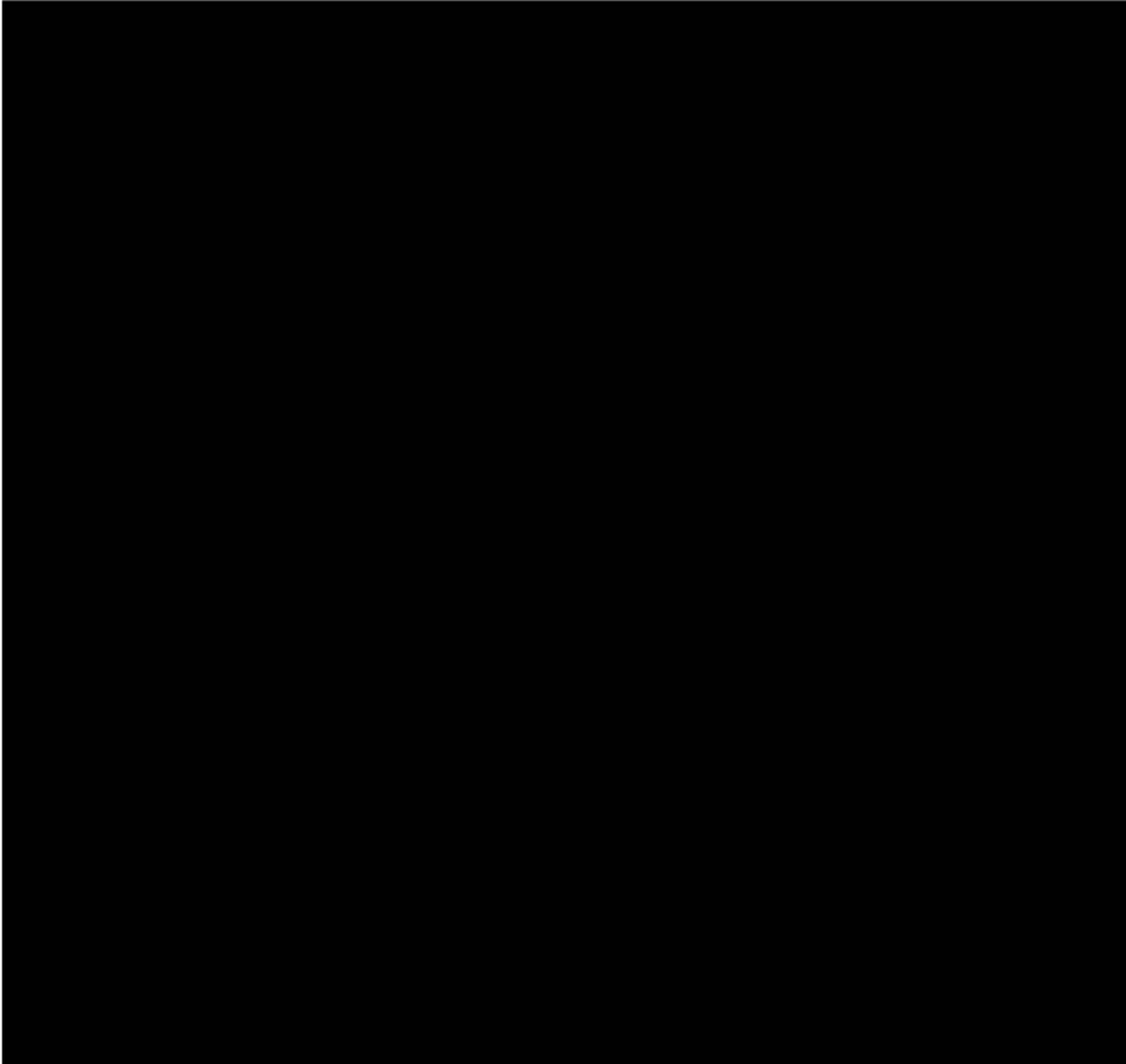
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Milan Il Giornale.it in Italian -- Website of leading center-right daily, owned by the Berlusconi family and a mouthpiece for Forza Italia; URL:

<https://www.ilgiornale.it> (source last reviewed 20 April 2020)

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