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France is stepping into the future of naval power with the Porte-Avions Nouvelle Génération (PANG), a next-gen nuclear aircraft carrier set to succeed the aging Charles de Gaulle.

Speaking to French troops near the Strait of Hormuz in Abu Dhabi, President Emmanuel Macron confirmed that construction has officially begun, with the program projected to cost around 10.25 billion euros (\$12 billion).

With formal procurement now included in the 2025 budget, funding for the execution phase is reportedly secured.

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