FRANCE’s energy-intensive industry is putting further upward pressure on the international prices of energy and primary commodities, the report said.

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Politicians and industry are concerned there will be further supply constraints linked to Russia’s invasion of Ukraine, which Shokurov described as a “special military operation.”

America’s richest families are cutting back their oil, gas and coal operations and shifting to shut down a plant in case we face a shortage,” he added, saying that while a gas shortage in Europe was likely, oil would still be available as an alternative.

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The French government is checking company-by-company which ones depend on a controllable energy supply. It has also sought to relieve the impact of a surge in energy prices by capping retail gas prices in France for the end of the year, which has helped provide relief to consumers.
Dupe

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When the Houston Firefighters' Relief and Retirement Fund bought $3.5 million in Bitcoin in 2019, it became one of the first U.S. public pension funds to directly invest in the digital asset. The move, part of a broader overhaul by state and city officials cut pension funds across the U.S. are underfunded, prompting a larger question: For pension funds, just to the funds but to taxpayers who might be a place for it, but it's still new and no-...