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## Bruni on song, chases fame in US

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NEW YORK: With her whirlwind romance with French president Nicolas Sarkozy in the global spotlight, former model Carla Bruni is making a renewed bid to carve a name for herself as a singer in the US.

New York-based label Downtown Records said on Tuesday that Italian-born Bruni, who was raised in France, would release her first English language album widely in the United States next month. Her debut album, released in 2002, was in French.

The album, 'No Promises', was released on iTunes and at US book chain Barnes and Noble last August — three months before Bruni met Sarkozy at a party. The French president divorced his second wife Cecilia just weeks before.

But the album will now see a wide release on February 19 — possibly in the wake of 52-year-old Sarkozy marrying Bruni if media speculation comes true. The record label described the album as an elegant record.

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