Les stratégies émotives d'un repentir public offensif

Emotional strategies of offensive public remorse

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Abstract: This paper analyses Dominique Strauss-Kahn's strategies of remorse in his interview to TF1 in September 2011, after the withdrawal of charges in the Dominique Strauss-Kahn *vs* Nafissatou Diallo case. The paper relates the expression of offensive remorse, which recognizes a mistake, but not guilt, to a series of emotions that are self-assigned or assigned to the other(s). It then examines the markers and indicators of the semiotisation modes of emotions (*said, showed* and *supported* emotions). Finally, it proposes the notion of *showed emotion 2* to describe emotions that are assigned to the other(s) through empathy, and underlines the plurivalence of markers which explains the fact that they can, in a given context, be used in several semiotisation modes.

Key words: remorse; said, showed 2, supported emotion; self-assigned emotions; emotions assigned to the other(s); speaker/enunciator disjunction.