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Johnny Depp to get \$301 mn deal with apology letter to return as Jack Sparrow: reports

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Disney has reportedly offered Hollywood star Johnny Depp a whopping \$301 million deal for him to return as the iconic character of Jack Sparrow in the 'Pirates Of The Caribbean' franchise and a Disney Plus series.

According to poptrack.au, an industry insider, the company is preparing a \$301 million deal as a formal apology and a request for the actor to return as Jack

Johnny Depp

Sparrow.

According to a source close to Disney, the Mouse House company is putting together a deal, reports poptrack.au.

"Disney are very interested in patching up their relationship with Johnny Depp. They reached out to the actor prior to his defamation trial against Amber Heard and asked whether he would be interested in returning for another Pirates film or two.

"I know corporate sent him a gift basket with a very heartfelt letter, but I'm unsure how it was

received. But what I can tell you is that the studio has already penned up a draft for a film about Jack Sparrow -- so they are very hopeful that Johnny will forgive them and return as his iconic character," the source said.

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During the defamation trial, Heard's attorney, Bredehoft,

asked, "Is Disney aware that Mr. Depp has testified under oath that he would not take another 'Pirates of the Caribbean' franchise role for \$300 million and a million alpacas?"

"Disney are prepping a deal for USD\$301 million deal that will include a sizable donation to a charity of Depp's choice. The deal is reportedly for Johnny Depp to return as Jack Sparrow in Pirates of the Caribbean 6 and a spin-off Disney Plus series about the early life of the Captain of The Black Pearl."

Emilia Clarke recalls her 'catastrophic failure' in a 2013 theatre play

ANI Washington

Actor Emilia Clarke of 'Game of Thrones' fame described her debut theatre performance in Broadway theatres as a 'catastrophic failure'.

Clarke made her debut Broadway performance with 'Break-

fast at Tiffany's' opposite Cory Michael Smith and George Wendt in 2013. According to the actor, she was 'inexperience' and 'not ready' at that time, reported Variety.

"[It was a] catastrophic failure. It was just not ready. Was I ready? No, I was defi-

nately not ready. I was a baby. I was so young and so inexperienced" confessed Clarke.

Clarke admitted that she was widely criticized for her acting. The New York Times reported that the actor performed like 'an under-age debutante' who

was trying too hard to fit the role of a sophisticated grown-up., reported Variety. Other film critics panned her to be miscast in the character.

Emilia Clarke



Chris Pratt reveals failed auditions for Avatar and Star Trek

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Chris Pratt missed out on parts in 'Avatar' and 'Star Trek' before landing a role in 'Parks and Recreation'.

The 43-year-old actor has become a major force in Hollywood in franchises like 'Jurassic World' and 'Guardians of the Galaxy', but he has opened up on a difficult period in his career when he was struggling with auditions.

Appearing on the 'SmartLess' podcast, he said: "I didn't come close. It was a real - I know I've made light of actors feeling rejection, but I didn't come close.

"It was so not close that it was really demoralising and made me actually truly question my potential or what I should be aiming for as an actor... For both of those. I remember... I was reading to play the role in 'Avatar', and in another one I was reading for Captain Kirk...

"Anyways, I just remember reading this character description, 'He walks in and he has the It Factor'. I was feeling a little overweight, I

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CHRIS PRATT

hadn't been taking great care of myself physically, I was in a relationship when we were drinking a lot. I walked in and I started sweating immediately."

Pratt insisted there was nothing about his audition that was "compelling" the casting assistant on the day, and it knocked his confidence during a "lean stretch" where he wasn't getting any acting jobs.

He added: "I had enough of those in that very lean stretch in my career where I didn't get hired for a couple of years. It was shortly before Parks and Rec... Early on in my 20s, I was in pretty good shape, I was working out a lot, I was young.



Chris Pratt

Olivia Rodrigo uses derogatory remark against US Supreme Court Justices over abortion rights

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Olivia Rodrigo, at the Glastonbury Festival, used her set to slam the United States Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade on Friday, in the same way, Phoebe Bridgers did at the festival a day earlier.

As per Variety, Rodrigo brought out British singer Lily Allen on stage and performed the song, 'F*** You.'

"This is actually my first Glastonbury and I'm sharing this stage with Lily, this is the biggest dream come true ever. But I'm also equally as heartbroken about what happened in America yesterday," Rodrigo said.

The 19-year-old singer told in an interview, "I'm devastated and

terrified. So many women and so many girls are going to die because of this. I wanted to dedicate this next song to the five members of the Supreme Court who have showed us that at the end of the day, they truly don't give a shit about freedom. The song is for the justices: Samuel Alito, Clarence Thomas, Neil Gorsuch, Amy Coney Barrett, Brett Kavanaugh. We hate you! We hate you."

Meanwhile, Phoebe Bridgers, who has been outspoken about the battle over abortion rights since news of Roe v. Wade's impending overturn by the Supreme Court was first leaked earlier this year, made no bones about her feelings during her set at the Glastonbury festival in England on Friday, as per Variety.

Olivia Rodrigo



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Yesterday's solution

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