



The News

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Gérald Darmanin has arrived in Cannes. The Minister of the Interior went to the police station after the stabbing attack on a police officer this morning. A 37-year-old man of Algerian origin stabbed him while in his vehicle but fortunately the officer was not injured having been protected by his bulletproof vest. The suspect was then arrested by another officer who used his weapon. An investigation has been opened but the aggressor was hitherto unknown to the intelligence services and not on the S list.

The plenary assembly of the Conference of Bishops of France is coming to an end. After meeting for a week in Lourdes, the Catholic bishops have completed talks on child abuse within the French Catholic Church. The President of the Conference of Bishops of France, Eric de Moulins-Beaufort has acknowledged the institutional responsibility of the Church for sexual abuse suffered by hundreds of thousands of minors.

The three bodies found in Nepal are indeed those of the French mountaineers who disappeared a few days ago in the Himalayas. Local authorities confirmed this this morning. The victims will be transported to Kathmandu where an autopsy will be carried out.

There has been a return to mask-wearing this morning for thousands of primary school students in several areas where the incidence rate again exceeds the alert threshold. This is now in 61 départements. The health crisis will be one of the subjects discussed tomorrow evening at 8 p.m. by Emmanuel Macron during his televised address.

And finally, Thomas Pesquet is heading home. His departure from the International Space Station, initially scheduled for last night, was delayed because of bad weather conditions. The French astronaut will head towards Planet Earth and is scheduled to arrive at around 4:30.