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Emmanuel Macron will address France this evening at 8 pm in a long-awaited speech. Five months after his last speech, the Head of State will take stock of the coronavirus epidemic, and is expected to speak more about the vaccination campaign. One possibility is that a 3rd dose will become compulsory for the elderly and frail. Economic recovery and the pension reform will also be discussed.

Jean Castex is in Colombey-les-deux-Églises, in Haute-Marne. The Prime Minister joins the tribute to former President of the Republic General Charles de Gaulle, on today, the 51st anniversary of his death. A wreath laying ceremony and a minute of silence will be observed.

Also in the news, three men were arrested and placed in custody last night near the site of the knife attack on a police officer in Cannes yesterday. The police officer was unharmed, but the attacker was shot by police and is currently in Nice hospital.

The search has resumed in Mayenne to try to find a 17-year-old teenager who went missing after going for a jog. Her father tried to pick her up on the usual path of her route, and found her cell phone and headphones, on which there were traces of blood; 120 gendarmes have been mobilized in the search.

After 6 months in space, Thomas Pesquet has returned to Earth. The SpaceX Dragon capsule with Crew-2 astronauts landed in the sea off the coast of Florida at 4.33 am, after more than 8 hours of travel. Thomas Pesquet is expected in Cologne, Germany, where he will begin an intense rehabilitation program lasting several weeks.