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*Les Républicains* will remain independent. Christian Jacob rejected any idea of alliance with the presidential majority in view of the legislative elections. A position adopted after a strategic council this morning in Paris. And the members of *es Républicains* who will enter the government will be excluded from the party, warned Christian Jacob. He postponed the discussions within his party until after the legislative elections at the end of June.

Meanwhile on the left, negotiations continue. A delegation from the Socialist Party will go tomorrow morning to the headquarters of *La France insoumise* in hope of finding an agreement on a common program to present to the legislative elections. The question of nominations will not be on the agenda.

The *Rassemblement National* is holding its investiture committee today. The 577 candidates of the party in the 1st round of the legislative elections will be known by the end of the week. There seems to be no agreement to form a common list with the party of Eric Zemmour, despite the extended hand of the former journalist.

In the newspaper *Le Monde*, Laurent Berger asks Emmanuel Macron to organize a major social conference. The secretary general of the CFDT wants to repair and bring the country together by setting a clear course with more social progress, more justice, and more respect for the environment.

In the rest of the news, the police custody is prolonged for the police officer who fired a fatal shot on Sunday evening in Paris. The driver of a car and his passenger were killed on Pont Neuf as their vehicle rushed towards the police. The investigation entrusted to the police force must determine if the official was in a state of self-defense when firing about a dozen shots.

And then in tennis, Novak Djokovic will be able to defend his title at Wimbledon. AntiCovid vaccination will not be compulsory to participate in the British Grand Slam. The tournament will also return to a classic operation with no sanitary bubble and stands fully open to the public. The tournament will take place from June 27th to July 10th.