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Emmanuel Macron says he is "favorable" to a revision of the treaties of the European Union. He thus wishes to make the decision-making of the 27 more effective. The Head of State spoke this afternoon at Strasbourg, in front of the European Parliament. He once again recalled EU's support for Ukraine and paid tribute to the "Ukrainian people who are fighting for freedom". Emmanuel Macron repeated once again that this war must end as quickly as possible and that everything must be done so that Ukraine can hold out and Russia never wins."

The President of the European Council, Charles Michel, had to take shelter in Odessa because of missile strikes during his visit to Ukraine. He was not injured. The Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky, thanked him for his courage.

François Fillon is appealing. The former Prime Minister has just been sentenced to one year in prison and three years of a suspended sentence in the case of the fictitious employment of his wife Pénélope. The sentence is lighter than in first instance. Pénélope Fillon was given a two-year suspended sentence. The couple, who were not present at the hearing this afternoon, have always claimed their innocence.

He could benefit from a dismissal; in any case this is what the Court of Justice of the Republic requested. The former budget minister Eric Woerth was indicted for having granted a tax boost to Bernard Tapie. It is now up to the CJR's investigation committee to decide.

And one Lassalle can hide another. While Jean Lassalle has decided not to run for the legislative elections, his brother is. Julien Lassalle announced today his candidacy in the 4th constituency of Pyrenees-Atlantiques.

And then the funeral of Régine was celebrated this morning at the crematorium of the Père-Lachaise cemetery. Icon of the 60s, singer, actress and owner of nightclubs, Régine passed away on May 1 at the age of 92. Among the personalities present at her funeral were Carla Bruni, Jane Birkin and Marc Lavoine.