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A new bill on asylum and immigration will be introduced in the coming months according to an announcement last night by President Macron. The Head of State has explained that he wanted to put an end to such an outdated policy. The new bill is due to be presented at the beginning of 2023. Mr Macron considers it necessary to "integrate people much faster and much better, even those who only have a provisional title through language or work".

The President has also announced his intention to speed up pension reforms. "If we wait, we won't do it next quarter," he said during a meeting with his party chiefs. He did not however, specify whether this reform will be included in the Social Security financing bill.

There will be considerable disruption today in air transport. Air traffic controllers have filed a strike notice to demand salary increases and an acceleration in recruiting new employees. Around 1000 flights have already been canceled both for departures and arrivals.

A mass grave has been discovered in the city of Izium in Ukraine according to a statement given by President Volodymyr Zelensky last night. This area in the Kharkiv region was recently taken back from Russian troops. Mr Zelensky did not give details of the number of people buried or the cause of death and an investigation has been opened. He added: "We should be able to verify the information this Friday."

Guadeloupe is under amber warnings for heavy rain and thunderstorms. Storm Fiona is approaching the coast of the archipelago and is expected this evening in northern areas. Schools will close their doors at midday and air and maritime transport may also be disrupted.

And finally, it is game, set and match for Roger Federer as he announces his retirement. One of the greatest tennis players in history has explained that, at 41 and struggling with injuries, he is ending his career after a final tournament next week in London.