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Elisabeth Borne spoke this evening at the assembly about Ukraine. "France and Europe must be up to the challenge", she said. "This war is a fight for our values and a lesson in solidarity". Elisabeth Borne also indicated that France will not recognize the annexation by Russia of 4 Ukrainian regions after the disputed referendum.

Just after this debate without a vote in the assembly, MPs will work on the reform of unemployment insurance. An explosive reform which will certainly give rise to a showdown between the majority and the opposition.

At the Elysée, the secretary general of the presidential palace Alexis Kohler is indicted for illegal conflict of interests. He has also been placed under the status of assisted witness for influence peddling. The case broke out two years ago after a complaint filed by the AntiCOR association. The complaint denounces contracts signed in 2010 and 2011 with the Italian-Swiss shipowner MSC - a company founded and managed by cousins of the mother of Alexis Kohler who did not report the existence of these family ties at the time.

And Eric Dupond-Moretti will also be judged for illegal conflict of interests, which is a first for a Minister of Justice still in office. The Keeper of the Seals is accused of having taken advantage of his position to settle accounts with magistrates with whom he was in conflict in the past. After this decision, the lawyers of Eric Dupond-Moretti indicated that he was going to appeal.

In Brazil, there will be a second round in the presidential election on October 30. This second round will oppose the left-wing candidate Lula, who came first with 48% of votes and the outgoing president, Jair Bolsonaro, who is credited with 43%.

And then Marseille joins a growing list. After Bordeaux, Strasbourg and Lille, the city of Marseille will not broadcast the soccer world cup matches in Qatar on giant screens. The municipality is talking about a competition that turned into a human and environmental disaster.