



## The News

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Former American President, Donald Trump, has welcomed the "extraordinary" numbers of Republican voters in the mid-term elections in the United States. The Republican Party is well on the way to winning the majority in the House of Representatives, with more than 180 elected members, against around 150 for the Democrats. The results are, however, much tighter in the Senate. Among the governors, a 20th of Republicans were elected including Ron DeSantis in Florida, who is tipped to run in the next presidential election.

In France, there has been a resumption of demonstrations over the disputed site of Sainte Soline in the Deux Sèvres almost 10 days after violent clashes between gendarmes and environmental activists. Between 400 and 500 police officers are still mobilized around the site. Environmental activists say they are preparing for a new demonstration.

Emmanuel Macron has put forward a proposal to French industries – which are some of the countries biggest polluters – to decarbonise the economy. While COP 27 was ongoing, the Head of State spoke yesterday at the Elysée to leaders of the 50 most polluting French companies in industry. The President of the Republic offered them a doubling of public aid – to €10 billion – in exchange for a doubling of their efforts to fight against greenhouse gas emissions.

Three and a half weeks after Lola's death, a march in her memory will be organized next week in Paris to pay tribute to this 12-year-old girl whose body was discovered in a trunk at the foot the building where she lived. The location and exact date of this march will be given by the end of the week.

Parisian transport will be badly disrupted tomorrow. Black Thursday has been announced by the RATP with strike action to demand higher wages and better working conditions. Half of all metro lines in Paris will be closed, and RER traffic will be seriously affected.

And finally, with just 11 days before the start of the FIFA World Cup in Qatar, Didier Deschamps will unveil his team list tonight, a list of 23 to 25 players. The team will be announced this evening on TF1 at 8 o'clock.