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Will there be more people on the streets today than on January 19th? This is the challenge of this second day of mobilization against the pension reform. 200 gathering points are planned throughout France. Marches have already set off in several cities, including Grenoble, Toulouse and Nice. The Parisian demonstration will start at 2 p.m. at Place d'Italie.

A day of strike is synonymous with major disruptions in transportation. At the SNCF, an average of 1 in 3 TGV and Ouigo will be circulating and 2 in 10 TER and the RATP traffic is very disrupted, especially in the metro. Except for lines 1 and 14, which are automated. Finally, in the air, 20% of flights are cancelled at the Orly airport.

According to the CGT, there are between 75 and 100% of strikers in the refineries and depots of TotalEnergies. Whether in the Rhône, in Loire-Atlantique or in the North. Moreover, in the education sector, the first elementary school union announces 50% of strikers.

Also in the news, delinquency is on the rise in France. Almost all crimes and misdemeanours have increased last year, according to the Ministry of the Interior. Especially domestic violence which has increased by 17%, and sexual violence by 11%. Burglaries and vehicle thefts, as well as arrests for drug trafficking have increased as well.

The Ukrainian Minister of the Defence will be at the Elysée, where he will meet with Emmanuel Macron at the end of the afternoon as well as with his French counterpart, the Minister of the Army Sébastien Lecornu. According to the Elysée, the purpose of this meeting is to reiterate France's support for Ukraine, and help them meet their needs as far as armed forces go. They will discuss the equipment that France is likely to cede to Ukraine, in particular fighter planes.

And then in soccer, today is the last day of the winter transfer window. Clubs have until midnight to recruit or sell players, after which it will be too late. This is the ultimate opportunity to reshape the teams for the second half of the season.