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There are questions over whether actor Pierre Palmade will remain in custody. The Melun prosecutor's office appealed against his house arrest at the Paul-Brousse hospital in Villejuif, and this decision will be reviewed on Friday morning. Mr Palmade is accused of homicide and involuntary injury after causing a road accident on February the 10th in the Seine-et-Marne in which three members of the same family were seriously injured, including a pregnant woman who lost her baby.

Mr Palmade has been targeted by another investigation – this time for "possession of child pornography". A new search took place yesterday afternoon at his home in Cély-en-Bière in the Seine-et-Marne.

Emmanuel Macron is at the Rungis market this morning – the largest fresh produce market in the world. The President of the Republic wishes to meet French citizens who get up early to work at such markets. This is an opportunity for the Head of State to return to being in the public eye after several quiet weeks since the controversial launch of the government's pension reforms.

"Freedom is priceless" were the words of Joe Biden yesterday, who tweeted just after his surprise visit to Kiev. The American president visited Ukraine to highlight the support of the United States almost one year since the start of the Russian invasion. Biden, who is in Poland today, has promised the delivery of weapons to Ukrainian forces. Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky said that Joe Biden's visit to Kiev is the most important in the history of Ukraine.

Turkey has once again been hit by earthquakes just two weeks after a massive tremor killed nearly 45,000 people across Turkey and Syria. These latest earthquakes of magnitudes 6.4 and 5.8 hit the south of the country yesterday, killing at least three people and injuring hundreds.

And finally, the weather alert in Réunion has been lifted after Cyclone Freddy moved away from the island. There have been no casualties reported as a result of this storm.

