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Security is reinforced in the surroundings of the Constitutional Council. Demonstrations will be prohibited within the perimeter of the places where the text on the pension reform will be examined tomorrow. A decree will be issued by the prefecture in the afternoon. This morning demonstrators organized a blockade of the site, with garbage cans piled up at the entrance to the building. They then left the scene a few minutes later.

At the same time, new demonstrations are announced throughout the country. Up to 600,000 demonstrators are expected in the streets according to a note from territorial intelligence. They also anticipate the presence of several hundred troublemakers among the Parisian gathering. Important security measures will be put in place, with 11,500 police officers and gendarmes, of which 4,200 in the capital.

And a Norman high school closed for a few hours after threats of attacks. This happened at the Lycée Flaubert in Rouen. A message was posted last night on a private group in the digital workspace for the last-year class, says the prefecture. As a precaution, classes were cancelled all morning. A security visit was carried out by police and bomb-disposal experts. The school is reopening this afternoon.

Australia is preparing for a tropical cyclone. Weather services announce violent winds which raise fears of significant human and material damage. Forecasters predict gusts of wind that could reach up to 315 kilometers per hour, which would make it one of the most powerful cyclones to hit the country in ten years. Authorities in Western Australia have issued a "red alert" and ordered evacuations.

And to finish, we now know the list of films selected at Cannes! 19 films are in official competition, including the latest productions by Wim Wenders, Ken Loach, Catherine Breillat and Koré Eda. At the opening of this festival we will discover Maïwenn's latest film "Jeanne du Barry" with Johnny Depp. The Cannes Film Festival is from May 16 to the 27.