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There are again water distribution problems in the Pyrénées Orientales. 4 municipalities west of Perpignan have been deprived of drinking water since Saturday after a technical incident on the new drilling launched last week. This concerns 3000 inhabitants, who had already had to do without tap water for 10 days last April. After the distribution of bottles yesterday, repairs began today.

Delay in the hearing this morning before the Court of Drome. Nicknamed the HRD killer, Gabriel Fortin, tried for 1 week in Valence for 3 murders and 1 attempted murder did not want to leave his cell. He finally agreed to avoid a forced appearance. This 5th day of hearing is the last during which the events committed in Alsace in January 2021 will be examined, with new testimonies from the families of the victims. The rest of the week will be devoted to the murders committed in Valence and Guilherand Grange.

The Italian Prime Minister is expected in France tomorrow. Giorgia Meloni will be received at the Elysée Palace by Emmanuel Macron. A visit which comes as tensions are high between the two countries concerning illegal immigration at the Franco-Italian border. At the beginning of May, Gerald Darmanin's very critical remarks regarding the Italian management of the migration issue had almost created a diplomatic incident between Rome and Paris.

The police launched a call for witnesses in the Var this morning to try to find Jasmine. The 16-year-old teenager has been missing since last night in La Seyne-sur-Mer where she was on vacation. Originally from the region of Lyon, the young girl has curly black hair and at the time of her disappearance, she was wearing a pink dress.

And then watch out for thunderstorms. 15 departments in the northern half of the country are placed under orange alert. The alert runs from Charente Maritime to the Marne via the Côte d'Or and Vienne. The first thunderclaps are expected late this afternoon or early in the evening. They will be accompanied by heavy rain with up to 40mm in a few hours and also a risk of hail warns Météo France.