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Calm may be returning nationwide as there was a significant drop in violence last night after six nights of rioting following the death of Nahel M. The Ministry of the Interior has reported that 78 arrests were made across the country last night and that there were no major incidents.

Emmanuel Macron will be meeting with the speakers of the Assemblée Nationale and the Senate, Yaël Braun-Pivet and Gérard Larcher today to discuss how to restore calm across the country. Then tomorrow the President will meet the mayors of more than 200 municipalities which have been badly affected by the rioting.

Demonstrations against the rioters are expected from noon today outside of town halls across the country. The calls for a display of solidarity and unity follow the attack that targeted the home of Vincent Jeanbrun, the Mayor of Hay Les Roses over the weekend, that was organised by a group of rioters.

The son of Michel Fourniret has been taken into police custody for the attempted rape of a minor. The son of the serial killer and Monique Olivier was arrested yesterday in Nice after allegedly sexually assaulting a 16-year-old girl.

The counter offensive continues in eastern Ukraine, with “relentless” fighting between Russian and Ukrainian troops. The statement comes from the Deputy Defense Minister of Ukraine.

To sport now and a surprise French victory in the second stage of the Tour de France. Victor Lafay won the final sprint to the finish in San Sebastián. He becomes the overall best performing French rider, 12 seconds behind the yellow jersey which remains on the shoulders of Britain's Adam Yates.

And finally to football and it was a big disappointment for France's under-21s team last night. France lost against Ukraine in the quarter-finals of the qualifiers for the Euro championships. The 3-1 defeat spells the end of the line for France's hopes in the European tournament.

