



## The News

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The constitution will be revised for New Caledonia at the beginning of 2024. Emmanuel Macron announced this during a speech in Nouméa. He pleads for a new status for the archipelago, after three unsuccessful referendums on independence.

Emmanuel Macron calls on all parties to have "the greatness to accept" the results. He wants to be the president of a new project, that of "New Caledonia within the Republic".

As Emmanuel Macron is 16,000 kilometers away from Paris, the last Council of Ministers before the holidays was held this morning by videoconference. The opportunity for the Head of State to remind his new governmental team of the issues to be addressed in September. For these holidays, the ministers are instructed not to go more than two hours away from Paris, remain reachable, and follow up with their current projects.

Nearly 200 hectares were destroyed by flames in Haute-Corse. After the intervention of 200 firefighters and dozens of fire-fighting machines, the fire is not yet under control, but it is no longer progressing. Last night the inhabitants of several villages left their homes as a preventive measure and were sheltered in a gymnasium in Ile-Rousse. The vast fire was caused by two outbreaks of fire, one of which could be of human origin, according to firefighters.

And forest fires continue to devour the Greek landscapes. A state of emergency has been declared throughout the island of Rhodes, where more than 15,000 hectares have gone up in smoke. Greece has been suffering scorching temperatures for more than ten days, with peaks today expected at 45 degrees.

And the Paris Olympics will begin in exactly one year. The opening ceremony will take place on July 26, 2024 on the Seine where about 500,000 people are expected. The President of the International Olympic Committee, Thomas Bach, is currently in Paris to launch this home stretch.