



The News

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Around three quarters of the country will be affected by high temperatures today, with between 34 and 37 degrees expected in the southwest and southeast, with peaks of 38. Seven départements in Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes have been placed on amber weather alert for the heat, Ain, Isère, Loire, Haute-Loire, Rhône, Haute-Savoie and Savoie. Only the northwest of the country will be spared the high temperatures.

In Canada, nearly 170,000 people have been evacuated in the northwest of the country as several hundred fires have broken out since the beginning of the summer. More than 10 million hectares have already gone up in smoke.

Spain is also currently plagued by fires. Since yesterday, 200 firefighters have been mobilized on the Canary island of Tenerife as local authorities say a fire has got out of control and destroyed more than 1,600 hectares.

Three weeks after the Coup d'Etat in Niger, ECOWAS is meeting again today and tomorrow in Ghana. The Chiefs of Staff of the Community of West African Countries will discuss possible military intervention in Niger in order to reinstate ousted President Mohamed Bazoum.

In France, the death of a college principal in Lisieux remains a mystery. Stéphane Vitel was found unresponsive on Friday in the college grounds, right before he was due to leave on holiday. Two young people, aged 17 and 19, have admitted to breaking into the establishment that same day. However, the public prosecutor has clarified that the two of them had seemingly left before Mr Vitel arrived. A judicial investigation has been opened.

Four people have been charged with manslaughter after the sinking of a migrant boat in the English Channel. Six Afghan nationals died off the Pas-de-Calais in the boat that was trying to reach England. The Paris prosecutor's office has requested the provisional detention of the people smugglers.

And finally the French women's volleyball team had an easy first win in the Euro championships last night. France won against host country Estonia in three sets. France's

second match is tomorrow and it is against Spain.