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President Macron is continuing to speak to all parties represented in Parliament in search of gaining a majority. His objective is to try to build common legislative texts despite the different priorities on each side. The left wants to address the theme of pension reform, back to school and purchasing power. And on the right and far-right side, there are calls for referendums on immigration.

In Gabon, soldiers have claimed to put an end to the Ali Bongo regime as the official results of the last elections came out this morning. A few minutes after the re-election of the outgoing president, a group of around a dozen soldiers read a press release on the Gabon 24 television channel and announced the cancellation of the elections and the dissolution of all the institutions of the Republic. Shots were heard in Libreville.

And staying with news abroad, President Biden is worried about Hurricane Idalia, as evacuations continue to take place in Florida. The storm is expected to intensify rapidly before hitting the coast today according to the latest weather reports. The American president has approved a declaration of a state of emergency earlier this week and released federal aid. According to the media, some 8,000 people have left their homes in anticipation of the hurricane.

Back in France, the three occupants of a car which hit several people in the Vosges have been placed in pre-trial detention. The incident left one person dead and six others injured. They have been indicted for murder and attempted murder. Among them is the driver, a 25-year-old man. According to initial reports from the investigation, an argument during an evening in a nightclub was the cause of the tragedy.

And finally, fans of celestial activity will be looking up at the sky tonight to observe the Super Blue Moon. The star will appear 14% larger and 30% brighter than usual. The combination of both a blue moon and a super moon together in one night only occurs every 10 years, according to NASA. The next one won't happen until 2037. For better viewing, it is advisable to move away from any light pollution generated by cities.