



## The News

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Emmanuel Macron has publicly spoken about the question marks around Morocco not yet accepting France's offer of aid after the devastating earthquake last weekend. He stated that they "have no reason to exist." The President of the Republic published a video last night on his social networks to remind us that Morocco could count on help from France and declared that Paris was ready to send humanitarian aid. In the meantime, the death toll continues to rise. So far, it has been confirmed that 2,900 people have died and another 5,500 are injured.

France is also standing by to help Libya with the Elysée announcing the dispatch of a field hospital within the coming 24 to 48 hours after the country was badly affected this weekend by Storm Daniel. Torrential rain and flooding have claimed the lives of more than 2,300 people and several thousand people are still missing. Around fifty civilian and military personnel will also be sent to Libya to help with the rescue operation.

Also in the news, Gérald Darmanin is expected in Corsica today. Seven months after his last visit, the Minister of the Interior will meet with Gilles Simeoni, the Corsican president, this afternoon. The question of possible autonomy for the island may also be addressed by Gérald Darmanin. Local elected officials are also waiting for further announcements on water, waste and urban planning.

The iPhone 12 is at the heart of the news. The national frequency agency yesterday requested its withdrawal from the market due to the device exceeding radiation limits being emitted and absorbed by the human body. Apple has 15 days to comply. The French Minister for Digital Affairs, Jean-Noel Barrot, said he was ready to order the recall of devices in circulation.

And finally to sports news and the first defeat of the year for the French football team. The team appeared to lack inspiration in the friendly against Germany last night in Dortmund, losing 2 goals to 1.