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No one is injured or missing in the Alpes-Maritimes after the passage of storm Aline. The department was under red alert until the end of the morning. It has since been downgraded to orange. Two bridges gave way in Saint-Martin-Vésubie in the face of flood pressure. Nearly 250 people were evacuated preventively, and 4,000 homes are still without electricity, the vast majority in the Alpes-Maritimes, but also in the Var. Six departments in the South-East are still under orange alert.

Around twenty investigations underway after the false bomb threats of these past days. Especially for those concerning airports and high schools. Eric Dupond-Moretti calls for accountability. The Minister of Justice says that there have already been several arrests. Minors are often at the origin of these false alerts. The Minister of Justice asks parents to monitor their children.

And Francis Heaulme is once again indicted. The serial killer, already sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of eleven people, is this time targeted for a murder case dating back to 1989, when a repairer of agricultural machinery was beaten to death near Avignon. This case was dismissed in 2002, but new elements were discovered.

At the Egyptian border, humanitarian aid convoys are still waiting to enter the Gaza Strip on the 13th day of a deadly war between Israel and Hamas. The UN High Commissioner for Refugees warns against a military escalation which would be catastrophic for civilians.

There will definitely be foie gras on French tables for Christmas. Production increased by 20% this year, after a catastrophic 2022 due to the avian flu. Millions of ducks had to be slaughtered. Producers can now count on the vaccination of their poultry. On the other hand, we must expect a rise in prices of foie gras of around 5%.

And then the All Saints holidays begin this evening. There will be traffic on the roads. *Bison futé* classifies the day as orange in Ile-de-France in the direction of departures. Watch out for traffic jams when leaving towns. For the rest of the weekend traffic will be green throughout the country. Be cautious on the roads!