



## The News

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After 24 hours of discussion and a lot of tension, an agreement was reached this evening by the joint committee on the immigration bill. The debates are now over. Minister Gérald Darmanin, at the origin of the text, reacted immediately expressing his satisfaction. He mentioned measures which will protect the French. As for the head of the *Republicains* Eric Ciotti, he speaks of a real turning point. The bill will be submitted this evening to the Senate for a vote at 7 p.m., then to the National Assembly at 9:30. The leader of the MPs of the *Rassemblement National*, Marine Le Pen has already announced that she will vote in favor of this text.

In the opposition, the MP of the *Insoumis* from the Bouches du Rhône, Manuel Bompard, evokes a complete shipwreck. For the leader of the socialist MPs Boris Vallaud, it is a moment of dishonor for the presidential majority.

In the rest of the news, the verdict of the trial of Monique Olivier is expected this evening. The ex-wife of the serial killer Michel Fourniret has been on trial for three weeks for complicity in the kidnappings and murders of Marie-Angèle Domèce, Joanna Parrish and Estelle Mouzin. The prosecution requested yesterday life imprisonment, with a 22-year security sentence, which is the maximum sentence.

The orange alert is maintained in Charente maritime at least until tomorrow. Several towns are still under water - this is especially the case for the town of Saintes where 150 people had to be evacuated. The decline in water levels continues but it could still last several days. According to authorities, river levels will remain high until the end of the week.