



## The News

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A large crowd was present for a last tribute to Alexeï Navalny. The funeral of the opponent of Vladimir Putin was organized today in Moscow in the presence of several thousands of people, including the French ambassador to Russia but also the German and American counterparts. The funeral was under close police protection. The Kremlin has warned against any unauthorized demonstration.

France calls for an independent investigation after an Israeli shooting on civilians during a food distribution in Gaza. More than 110 people have died. The Israeli army admitted to having opened fire, but the circumstances remain to be determined. The head of European diplomacy, Josep Borrell, denounces yet "another carnage" and "totally unacceptable" deaths. According to the Hamas Ministry of Health, since the start of the conflict, the military offensive Israeli forces have killed more than 30,000 people.

66 arrests were made in Paris, after a surprise action by the Rural Coordination at Place de l'Etoile, early this morning. The farmers are not letting go of the pressure on the government. They had placed bales of straw all around the place. This afternoon several dozen tractors are positioned around the Palace of Versailles and in front of the prefecture of Yvelines.

The National Assembly votes in favor of minimum stocks to combat shortages of medicine. The text aims to strengthen the obligations imposed on manufacturers to build up stocks. Depending on the type of product, the duration of reserves will go from one week to four months, while the number of medicines in shortage has increased tenfold in ten years.

You will see them in your supermarkets. The volunteers of the *Restos du coeur* are launching their big annual collection today throughout France. Their objective is to collect 9000 tons of donations by the end of the weekend. They are in need of food as well as hygiene products, as the association continues to welcome more and more beneficiaries.