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The union CGT has filed strike notices on behalf of the civil service during the Olympic Games. The notices run from April 15 to September 15, with the union demanding better compensation for public service workers during the games and complaining of the effect on long-term recruitment and holiday rights.

The Minister of Health Catherine Vautrin has defended the bill presented to the conseil des ministres this morning. She praised the “French model” on the question of the end of life detailed in the bill, with strict supervision of assisted suicide for patients suffering from incurable diseases. The bill will be discussed in the assemblée nationale on May 27th.

Jonathann Daval, who killed his wife Alexia in 2017, is back before the criminal court in Besançon today for slanderous denunciation. Daval had previously accused his brother-in-law of Alexia’s murder before admitting to the crime himself. Daval’s former in-laws are seeking compensation and 60,000 euros in damages. Daval is currently serving a 25 year sentence for the murder.

Two minors have been placed in pre-trial detention for their suspected involvement in the murder of a 15-year-old last Thursday in Viry-Châtillon. In total, four young men, including two brothers, are facing murder charges. The initial information in the investigation shows that the assailants had accused the victim of talking to their sister.

An investigation has been opened in Marne for pre-meditated murder after a couple were found shot dead in their home. The couple’s child was found alive and healthy.

And finally, around a thousand or so police have been deployed to Paris’ Parc des Princes this evening for the quarter final match of the Champions League between PSG and Barcelona.