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Emmanuel Macron has warned that New Caledonia must not become the “Wild West” and that the Republic had to regain authority “across the board”. The president gave an interview just as he was leaving the archipelago where there have been violent tensions over the past ten days. Emmanuel Macron had a series of meetings there during his visit that came in at just under 24 hours. He said he ruled out forcing through the recent change on voting rights.

A man died last night during a football training session in Courrières in Pas-de-Calais after he was hit by lightning. Two other people were injured, one of whom is in a serious condition.

With just over two weeks to go until the European elections, last night Prime Minister Gabriel Attal and Jordan Bardella, the head of the list for the Rassemblement National, went head-to-head in a debate on France 2. The RN is well ahead in the latest polls.

The road safety association, Prévention Routière has set out to reduce speeds in urban areas to 30km/h with a new petition. The association claims that the measure, which is already in place in certain cities, is the only effective solution for all users to share the roads.

For the first time, Russia has acknowledged that the Afghan branch of the Islamic State may have been involved in the Moscow attack. The terrorist attack on Russia’s capital on March 22nd of this year left at least 144 dead and nearly 200 injured.

And finally to sport, French striker Olivier Giroud will be hanging up his boots and retiring from international football after this summer’s Euros. Giroud announced his decision to the sports paper l’Equipe, saying that he wanted to make room for younger players. He will continue to play on the other side of the Atlantic for Los Angeles FC.