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The man suspected of yesterday's knife attack in the Lyon metro is due to be admitted to a psychiatric unit. The suspect's police custody was lifted yesterday as he was considered to not be in a fit medical state. The 27-year-old from Morocco had been issued an obligation to leave French territory. Yesterday, he injured four people, two of whom seriously.

A 15-year-old has died in Alpes Maritimes after he was shot in the head in the middle of the street in Grasse on Friday. The two suspected shooters fled the scene on a scooter that was later found set alight. The suspects remain at large and are wanted by police.

The situation is returning to normal in New Caledonia as the state of emergency that was decreed two weeks ago due to rioting will be lifted at dawn tomorrow. Roadblocks put in place by separatists are being dismantled by law enforcement. Once the roadblocks are gone, negotiations can resume with the government on electoral reform. Seven new mobile force units will also be deployed, amounting to nearly 500 additional gendarmes.

Emmanuel Macron is continuing with his state visit on the other side of the Rhine today. Macron is the first French president to visit East Germany since François Mitterrand in 1989. The president will address a group of young people today, from Germany as well as from the neighbouring countries of the Czech Republic and Poland.

With sixty days to go until the Paris Olympic Games begin, the test of the opening ceremony on the Seine was postponed this morning due to heavy rain over the past few days. The Seine is currently flowing at too high a rate for the rehearsal to take place. Sailing conditions today are very different to those forecast on July 26th. The test carried out last summer seems to have provided enough information for the ceremony to go ahead.