



The News

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The UN Security Council will convene for an emergency meeting this afternoon as Israel continued to send airstrikes over Rafah this morning. Spain, Ireland and Norway will officially recognize the State of Palestine today. On Sunday evening, 45 people were killed and 250 injured in Israeli airstrikes over a camp for displaced persons in Rafah. Israeli prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, has admitted to a “tragic mistake”. Last night in Paris, nearly 10,000 people gathered at the Israeli embassy to protest the bombings, as part of a wave of condemnation worldwide.

In New Caledonia, the state of emergency was lifted at dawn today after a calm night. The nighttime curfew will remain in force. The main pro-independence groups have called on activists to relinquish the roadblocks that had been set up in protest at new voting rules in the island territory. An extra 480 gendarmes across seven mobile force units, have been deployed to New Caledonia.

The man dubbed the “HR killer”, will learn of his fate in the next few hours. Gabriel Fortin’s appeal trial has come to an end before the Isère Assize Court. He has refused to appear in court for any of the proceedings. Fortin had been laid off from work as an engineer in 2009 and was sentenced to 22 years behind bars in 2023 for killing three women, two of whom were HR professionals.

And finally, to tennis and the start of day three at Roland Garros, Alizé Cornet and Arthur Cazaux are among the French players up today, before the night session will see Novak Djokovic against Pierre-Hugues Herbert. Yesterday, Gael Monfils qualified for the second round.