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More than two weeks after the results of the legislative election, the status quo remains unchanged as negotiations continue to try and secure a majority government in the Assemblée Nationale. Head of the Droit Républicain, Laurent Wauquiez spoke this afternoon to present plans for a legislative pact and a series of measures that representatives from his party could be willing to support alongside the presidential party. Ousted party leader Eric Ciotti says he will be organising a vote so that Républicains party members can decide on the lines currently dividing the party.

Emmanuel Macron will be giving an interview on France 2 and Radio France tomorrow evening, his first since the election result. The president is expected to address the ongoing political uncertainty as well as the Olympics.

A judicial investigation has been opened in Nice, five days after the fire that killed seven people. At a press conference today, the public prosecutor provided an update - one of the two suspects arrested yesterday has admitted to his involvement in the arson. Three other people are actively sought by the police.

A nice surprise could be on its way to your bank account in the next few days, as the tax authorities will be reimbursing the excess tax collected. Last year, 10 million French people received an automatic transfer.

And finally to sport and with mere days to go until the Olympic Games get underway, French athletics has been dealt a severe blow. Pole vaulter Margot Chevrier and the 400m runner Ludvy Vaillant will not be taking part in the games. The French Athletics Federation has confirmed the decision to drop the pair due to both athletes suffering serious injuries earlier this year.