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Prosecutors are giving their indictment today against the Rassemblement National party and the 27 people accused of misappropriating public funds in the case of the fake European parliamentary assistants. One prosecutor spoke this morning, stating that the case is “unprecedented in terms of its scale, duration and organized, systemic nature”. The defendants, including Marine Le Pen, face up to 10 years' imprisonment, a million euro fine and being struck off from standing for public office.

Farming unions FNSEA and Jeunes agriculteurs are calling for demonstrations starting from Monday against the free-trade agreement between the European Union and Mercosur. More details about the demonstrations are due this afternoon. The unions Coordination rurale and the Confédération paysanne are also planning actions in the near future.

The President of the French Football Federation, Philippe Diallo has defended the decision to hold tomorrow's France-Israel match at the Stade de France. Mr Diallo told newspaper *Le Parisien* that that changing the match venue was “never an option”. Tomorrow, 4,000 police officers and 1,600 security guards will be mobilised during the match that comes a week after the clashes in Amsterdam. The “Israel is Forever” gala in Paris this evening is also being closely monitored.

A 45-year-old woman is actively sought by police in Haute-Savoie as she is suspected of killing her three children. The father of the children found the bodies yesterday. The murder suspect is a schoolteacher who has shown signs of extreme depression.

And finally, Emmanuel Macron has confirmed that he will be giving a speech on December 7th just outside of Notre Dame to mark the reopening of the cathedral, more than five years after it caught alight. The site will then be open for the following week until 10pm. Visits will be free of charge but must be booked in advance.