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Bruno Retailleau is looking to clamp down on immigration. This afternoon, the minister of the interior sent a document to Prefects across the country, urging them to exercise more vigilance when it comes to allowing undocumented migrants to become legally present in France. Bruno Retailleau is seeking to ramp up the conditions that such individuals need to meet in order to be authorised to stay in the country. Additional requirements include living in France for at least seven years, higher language level requirements in French and no record of causing any problems to public order. In this afternoon's document, the minister has also requested when Prefects refuse the right to remain in France to undocumented immigrants, that they also issue an OQTF, a formal order for that individual to leave the French territory.

The mother of Amandine, the 13-year-old girl who died of starvation on August 6th 2020, was today sentenced to life in prison. The public prosecutor said that Sandrine Pissara had reduced her teenage daughter to "nothing", both physically and psychologically by subjecting her to torture. Amandine only weighed 28 kilograms at the time of her death. Earlier in the day, her mother had finally admitted to acts of torture and barbarity. Amandine's stepfather was sentenced to 20 years, with the judge commenting that by pretending to have not seen or heard anything, that he was a "coward".

Emmanuel Macron will be visiting the Louvre on Tuesday afternoon, as the director of the museum has expressed concern over the condition of the building. Laurence des Cars is calling for renovation work to be carried out amid concerns from the Louvre's Board of Directors that renovations may result in variations in temperature that could damage the works of art inside the museum.

And finally, to football and tonight sees the start of day 19 of the Ligue 1. Auxerre is playing at home to Saint-Etienne at 8.45pm, while other matches on the line-up include Monaco vs Rennes, PSG vs Reims and Nice vs Marseille.