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Emmanuel Macron has called the resumption of Israeli strikes over Gaza a “dramatic step backwards”. The president has called for “an immediate end to hostilities” and for negotiations to resume as the latest death toll in Gaza nears 1,000. Israel’s bombing of Gaza this week is the deadliest since the ceasefire in the area began in January.

Donald Trump and Volodymyr Zelenskyy are due to talk again today just as Russia resumed its bombing of Ukraine again last night only hours after a halt was called on attacks on energy infrastructures. Russia says that the halt in hostilities concerned the energy sector only. Meanwhile, Russia has claimed that Vladimir Putin and Donald Trump understand one another and is calling for a “normalisation” of ties between Russia and the US.

The union CFDT will be taking part in the special consultation that has been dubbed the “conclave” on pensions taking place tomorrow. The general secretary of the union, Marylise Léon, has said that the CFDT will be seeking to redefine the purpose of the conclave with new rules and new topics to address. This comes after earlier this week François Bayrou firmly refused the possibility of a return to a retirement age of 62. In the meantime, the union CGT is still debating on whether to return to the negotiations.

And finally, the spring offer at cinemas will be running from Sunday until Tuesday of next week. In a bid to boost audience numbers in theatres, 2,500 cinemas across the country will be taking part in the deal where film tickets are just five euros each.