



## **The News**

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Bruno Retailleau will be visiting the Tunisian Embassy this morning. The Minister of the Interior wants to “express France's solidarity with Tunisians” after the racist crime that took place in the Var region this weekend. A Tunisian man was shot dead in Puget-sur-Argens and another man of Turkish nationality was injured to the hand on Saturday. A suspect was arrested and weapons were found in his vehicle. The investigation has been referred to the national anti-terrorist prosecutor's office.

Bruno Retailleau may be leaving the government. Last night, after a meeting at Matignon with the Prime Minister, the Minister left the question open. He said he did not want to “support” the reform of proportional representation in legislative elections, as he said to do so “could unbalance the institutions of the Fifth Republic”. As for a departure from government, Bruno Retailleau says that “all options are open”. Meanwhile, François Bayrou is continuing his consultations on the matter. Today he is meeting with the Ecologist Party.

Teddy Riner will be the patron of the grande cause nationale 2025! The 5-time Olympic judoka champion has been chosen by the government to be spokesperson for a campaign on mental health that launches today. The aim, according to the government, is “to recognise the importance of mental health in all walks of life”. Teddy Riner has said that “It's my duty to speak up for those who need it”.

And finally, Météo France has forecast violent thunderstorms for later today in parts of the country. Five départements in the centre-east have been placed under “vigilance orange” for thunderstorms from mid-afternoon onwards: Jura, Ain, Loire, Rhône and Saône-et-Loire. Hail is also expected.