



## **The News**

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Several countries, including France, Turkey and the United States are calling on the ceasefire to be respected between Israel and Iran. Earlier today, US President Donald Trump lost his temper and swore while talking to the media about how both countries had violated the ceasefire he had tried to broker, accusing Israel and Iran of not knowing what they were doing. This afternoon, local media in Tehran reported explosions yet despite this, Donald Trump took to social media to declare that the “ceasefire is in effect”.

Meanwhile, speaking from Norway, Emmanuel Macron said that the situation between Israel and Iran remained “unstable and volatile”. The President will be in the Netherlands this evening for a NATO summit, during which member states are due to reach an agreement on a considerable increase in the Alliance’s security spending.

The employer’s organisation Medef met with the Prime Minister’s bureau at Matignon today to address how talks had broken down in the consultation on pensions dubbed the “pensions conclave”. In the last few days, François Bayrou has also met with the three unions that had taken part in the negotiations. This morning, the Prime Minister said that he wanted to “find a way forward” despite no agreement being reached after four months of talks between social partners.

To tennis now and Loïs Boisson had to kiss goodbye to any dreams of Wimbledon glory earlier today. The French player, who shot up the ranks to be the country’s number one after reaching the semi-finals this year at Roland Garros, lost her first round qualifying match in three sets against Canadian Carson Branstine. Meanwhile, nine other French women’s players are still battling it out on the iconic green lawns this afternoon in a bid to reach the main draw.

And finally, parts of mountain ranges near the Mediterranean are currently at risk of forest fires due to the heat. The départements of Rhône and Isère remain on amber alert for the heatwave with temperatures expected to reach 35c near Lyon and Grenoble.