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The Assemblée Nationale is set to debate two no confidence votes this morning after the government used article 49-3 of the constitution to pass parts of the budget without a vote. These latest votes of no confidence have been tabled by the left wing party La France Insoumise and the far-right party Rassemblement National, though they are not expected to be adopted. The Socialist Party and Les Républicains have already announced that they will not vote for them.

Parts of Britanny are on amber weather alert for strong winds, rain and flooding as Storm Ingrid is set to hit France. Winds of 110 km/h have been recorded off the coast, with wind speeds expected to reach 130 km/h inland.

The appeal trial of filmmaker Christophe Ruggia resumes today. He is standing trial for the alleged sexual assault of actress Adèle Haenel between the ages of 12 and 14, in a case that has become emblematic of the #MeToo movement in French cinema. In the first instance, he was sentenced in February to four years in prison, two of which were to be served while wearing an electronic tag.

The Marseille public prosecutor's office is opening an investigation after intercepting a Russian oil tanker. Yesterday morning, the French Navy boarded the ship in the Mediterranean Sea on suspicion of sailing under a false flag. The vessel is believed to belong to the Russian ghost fleet, accused of contributing to 'the financing of the war against Ukraine'.

To tennis now and it's all over for French players at the Australian Open. Corentin Moutet was soundly defeated last night in the third round by world number one, Carlos Alcaraz.