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As the investigation into the death of Quentin Deranque continues, this evening the Lyon public prosecutor's office announced that it has requested that seven suspects be charged with murder and placed in pre-trial detention. The suspects, who are aged between 20 and 26, some of whom with criminal records, are due to appear before an investigating judge. Three of the individuals have said that they are "close to the far-left movement". The parliamentary assistant to the member of parliament Raphaël Arnault is among the seven suspects.

In the wake of Storm Pedro hitting France, a fifth département has now been placed on red weather alert for flooding. Loire Atlantique has been added to the list with Maine et Loire, Charente Maritime, Gironde, and Lot et Garonne. Water levels are continuing to rise as the heavy rain last night kept on into today. The weather is expected to calm down by the weekend, with slightly drier forecasts for tomorrow.

Cédric Jubillar, who was convicted last year by the Tarn Assize court for the murder of his wife, will return to court on September 21st. His appeal trial is due to take place in Toulouse. Last Autumn, he was sentenced to 30 years in prison for the murder of Delphine Jubillar, who was initially reported missing in December 2020.

The year 2025 saw a rise in the amount of cocaine seized in France. Customs authorities made the announcement today, specifying that the findings represented a 49% increase on 2024. The total 109 tonnes of every type of drug seized in 2025 had an estimated value of €2.2 billion.

And finally, with the school holidays getting underway for Zone C tomorrow, traffic website the Bison Futé is forecasting congested roads in the Ile de France and the east of the country. Traffic is expected to stay at red levels well into Saturday.