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FRANCE IS IN LEVEL 3 WITH 4500 CASES OF COVID-19 91 DEATH & 300 INTENSIVE CARE

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USPA NEWS - The Director of the Ministry of Health, Jerome Salomon announced that France has moved into stage 3 on March 14, 2020, while the country is in the midst of the epidemic of Covid-19 disease, while following the same exponential rhythm of the curve evolution of the COVID-19 outbreak, with the difference that France counts at this stage 91 dead, versus Italy which exceeded the number of 1000 deaths since last Thursday. The Italian civil protection reported Thursday at the end of the day, a total of 1016 deaths for more than 15'000 registered cases. The number of additional deaths (189) is roughly the same as that announced on Wednesday (196). As France slowly moves towards quarantine, Italy continues to count its deaths. It seems that France is worried about heading towards the same progression curve as Italy and Spain. While the American President, Donald Trump has his side, declared a state of emergency in the United States, two days after having prohibited flights from European countries to the USA (and now also those coming from UK). [Updated on Friday March 14 at 22:01 pm]

WHAT WILL CHANGE FROM LEVEL 2 TO LEVEL 3-----

So far, stages 1 and 2 consist above all in slowing the propagation as much as possible, in a preventive way, in order to give the authorities time to prepare. The longer it takes for the virus to spread, the more prepared the health system is to deal with an increase in contamination. It also helps to let go of the seasonal flu epidemic that runs parallel to Covid-19. Stage 3 is triggered when we enter the epidemic wave: from then on, there is no longer any question of isolated cases or small outbreaks, the epidemic concerns the whole territory, the virus is actively circulating. There is a number criterion in this phase: there must be a sudden increase in the number of infections, causing a risk of saturation of the health system, which implies its necessary overall adaptation. This is exactly what has just happened, since the number of cases doubled in 72 hours before this third phase was started.

FRANCE IS IN LEVEL 3 OF THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK FROM MARCH 14, 2020-----

Faced with Covid-19, the disease triggered by the coronavirus, France moved to stage 2 on Friday, February 28. She reached stage 3 on March 14, 2020, according to the Director General of Health, Jerome Salomon (even if the Prime Minister, Edouard Philippe did not pronounce "Stage 3" during his speech last night, March 14, 2020). But hardly had the second stage entered into force than the idea of "a stage 3 was already causing an influx of articles and concerns. Government spokeswoman Sibeth Ndiaye said it was "unlikely" that we would escape it during the debrief following the Council of Ministers on Wednesday, March 11. The sad reality of the exponential evolution of the figures of new infected cases (currently 1441) confirmed this intuition. The Minister of Education, Jean Michel Blanquer said today that at least 50% of the population in France will be infected "" As you know, since the beginning, the strategy is not to prevent the virus from passing - we know that it will probably pass through more than half of us - but that is to make it pass in the most spread out possible over time," said M Blanquer. In a context where the epidemic is a source of anxiety, this stage 3 resonates in the minds like the sword of Damocles of the passage to a higher level of danger. In practice this is not really the case. In reality, these phases represent above all an evolution in the management of the epidemic, according to its diffusion more than its virulence as well as the management of patients to confine at home or to treat in hospitals already overloaded in France, because as underlined it the President of the Republic Emmanuel Macron "We are only at the beginning of the epidemic, the biggest health crisis that the country experienced during this century"

THIRTY NEW CASES OF COVID-19 OUT OF THE 127 POSITIVE TESTED IN NORMANDIE-----

Thirty new cases of Coronavirus were announced by the Regional Health Agency, in its last official statement, this Saturday March 14 at 8 p.m. 127 people are now infected with the virus in Normandy. With 50 cases, Calvados is the most affected department The first case of Calvados was identified on March 5. The person had been hospitalized at the CHU de Caen. A second case was confirmed three days later, on Sunday, with a resident of Biéville-Beuville. ARS investigations had made it possible to identify five infected people in this municipality. Their common point: they had all participated in the same gym class. Since March 11, the town has been described as a "cluster". To date, 3 people are hospitalized in the department. This Saturday March 14, at the end of the day, the Regional Health Agency indicates that 12 people are hospitalized (3 in Calvados, 1 in Manche, 3 in Seine-Maritime, 4 in Eure and 1 in

Orne). 114 people are cared for at home, 1 person died on March 6. Source : France Bleu, Ministry fo Health

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