# PM JEAN CASTEX HARDENS THE MEASURES FACING THE COVID-19 HOSPITALIZATIONS RISING

#### **EXTENSION OF CURFEW TO 38 DEPARTMENTS**

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**USPA NEWS** - The COVID-19 epidemic in France is going from record to record with still, in the balance sheet for this Friday, October 23, 42,000 additional cases and nearly 300 deaths, including deaths in nursing homes. France is also passing the symbolic milestone of one million cases recorded since the start of the epidemic. France is facing an increasing circulation of the COVID-19 virus, increasingly strong, and a worrying increase in hospitalizations of COVID-19 patients. Hospitals in France have 5,100 beds, (Team of ventilators) and its amounted to 5,800 during the period of the first wave of the COVID-19 epidemic in the spring.

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The government is preparing to update its travel restriction system. And this even before being able to measure the effects of new measures, expected within two weeks. Prime Minister Jean Castex planned to speak Thursday afternoon at 5 p.m. This therefore means an extension of the curfew from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. in other cities.

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#### THE RESTRICTIONS WILL BE EXTENDED UNTIL APRIL 1, 2021 OVER STATE OF HEALTH EMERGENCY

The French government plans to extend the state of health emergency until February 16, 2021 inclusive, according to a bill presented to the Council of Ministers on Wednesday October 21, to deal with the increase in COVID-19 cases infected, but most worrying is the start of saturation of intensive care services for COVID-19 patients. There are more than 90 departments which are overseen "vulnerables" by the Ministry of Health. On the other hand, many health personnel (40%) wish to leave their profession of doctor, caregiver, nurses, due to physical fatigue and mental tension and lack of financial recognition.

The French government also intends to be able to apply measures to restrict movement, gatherings or the opening of establishments at least until April 1, 2021, on all or part of the territory and depending on the epidemic situation, according to the same text.

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