

French police evict 1,000 migrants as Macron welcomes Malian “Spiderman” rescuer to Élysée Palace



Paris, May 31 (RHC)-- In France, police have begun evacuating hundreds of migrants from makeshift camps around Paris, forcing them onto buses bound for so-called temporary accommodation centers. The sweep came as France added new restrictions for migrants applying for asylum.

Meanwhile, a 22-year-old migrant from Mali named Mamoudou Gassama became a national hero this week after he risked his life to scale the side of an apartment high-rise in order to rescue a four-year-old boy who was dangling from a fourth-floor balcony. Video of the rescue went viral, earning Gassama the nickname “Spiderman.”

The Malian migrant, who was in France without papers, was welcomed at Élysée Palace by President Macron Monday and offered French citizenship and a job as a firefighter.

In other immigration news from Europe, Hungary’s government has proposed new laws and a

constitutional amendment that would crack down on anyone offering aid to migrants seeking asylum. Under the legislation, offering food, water or legal advice to migrants would be outlawed. Even printing leaflets with information for asylum seekers would become a criminal offense.

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