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719 Days in a State of Emergency – Attempting to draw a Balance of état d'urgence in France

From November 13, 2015 to October 31st, 2017, France went through the longest state of emergency (état d'urgence) in the history of the Fifth Republic. Triggered by terrorist attacks on various locations in the Île de France-Region causing 130 civilian casualties, the following 719 days of state of emergency deeply affected the balance of freedom and security. In the course of the état d'urgence, the new French government under President Macron introduced important changes on security legislation, permitting exceptional provisions to be applied in normal times, too. Therefore, this contribution asks what the new normality in France after the end of the state of emergency looks like – and even more importantly: how we got there.