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### SOUTH AFRICA: Valley of Waves to close

The Valley of Waves at Sun City Resort is expected close for annual maintenance from this month, according to *Travel News*.

The popular water park will close from May 13-June 21.

### FRANCE: Air traffic controller strike cancelled

Strikes by air traffic controllers in France from May 9-11 have been cancelled, according to *The Connexion.* 

However, some disruption is still expected as workers from two airlines have announced strikes.

French staff at Spanish airline, Vueling, will strike from May 8-12. Flights to and from France will be cancelled.

Workers at Air Austral, which flies between France and Réunion, will strike from May 10-15.

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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Flights cancelled, delayed in Denver

Severe storms across parts of the US have caused flight cancellations and delays at Denver Airport since last night (May 6), reports *Daily Mail.* 

More than 1 100 flights have been delayed or cancelled since last night. Tornados have also touched down in Oklahoma, causing power outages and destroying several houses.

A tornado watch was issued for parts of southern Kansas, western and central Oklahoma, and western north Texas.

Flight delays and cancellations and more tornadoes are likely as weather conditions are expected to continue today (May 7).

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**MOROCCO: Heatwave continues** 

A heatwave will continue across most of Morocco until at least May 10, according to Crisis 24.

Orange warnings for heatwave and wind have been issued across the south, with yellow warnings over most of central area.

Temperatures of up to 40-44C are expected.

### **BRAZIL: Severe weather, flooding**

Heavy rain since April 29 has resulted in widespread flooding, telecommunication disruption, and landslides in southern Brazil, including Parana, Rio Grande do Sul, and Santa Catarina states, reports *Crisis 24*.

The severe weather has killed more than 75 people, with over 100 people still missing across Rio Grande do Sul. A state of calamity has been declared for 180 days.

Operations at Salgado Filho International Airport in Porto Alegre have been suspended until further notice.

Red and orange warnings for heavy rain and storms have been issued, along with yellow warnings for storms.

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### SOUTH AFRICA: Weather warnings issued

Several warnings for damaging winds, waves, and fires have been issued for parts of South Africa from the beginning of this week, reports *News24*.

A yellow level 2 warning for damaging winds, has been issued over southern and southeastern parts of the Northern Cape.

A yellow level 1 warning for waves is in place between Cape Columbine and Cape Agulhas.

Extremely high fire danger conditions are expected over the parts of the Central and Little Karoo, central and southern parts of the Northern Cape, and western and central parts of the Eastern Cape.

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## UNITED KINGDOM: Update – Heathrow strikes cancelled

Passenger services workers at Heathrow Airport have cancelled strikes from tomorrow (May 7) until May 8 in order for negotiation talks to take place, reports *Travel Weekly*.

The remaining days of strikes from May 9-13 will still go ahead if an agreement is not reached.

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### **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Wind, fire, winter weather warnings**

Warnings for strong winds, fires, and winter weather have been issued for Denver and parts of Colorado, according to *Fox 31.* 

Warnings for high wind have been issued for parts of Denver from today (May 6) until tomorrow morning.

A winter weather advisory has been issued for today for elevations above 2 740 metres. The strong winds and snow could lead to difficult travel conditions.

Fire weather warnings and watches are also in place for southern and eastern Colorado.

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# FRANCE: Picnic at Champs-Élysées

Champs-Élysées is expected to close from the Arc de Triomphe to the intersection of Avenue George V for a massive picnic on May 26, according to *Euronews Travel*.

The avenue will transform into an enormous picnic site, with a 216-metre-long picnic rug laid out.

Entry to the event is by ballot and 4 000 people will be able to attend. Each attendee will receive a free picnic basket packed with delicacies from the Avenue's eateries.