

From the French Association ACHED
Contre l'Heure d'Été Double
Pour la réduction des avancements de
l'heure légale
Against double DST / Summer Time
For the reduction of advances of legal

## Press release of October 20, 2019 <sup>1</sup>

ACHED asks the French government to denounce publicly the consultation about time changes of last February

Press release <sup>2</sup> and other translations <sup>3</sup>

The French Association ACHED - Association Against the Double Summer Time - For the reduction of time advances - denounces the lack of professionalism of the French consultation about time changes and choices concluded at the beginning of March 2019.

ACHED had requested the annulment of that consultation even before its end. The results were nonetheless published and today they are mentioned and disseminated as if they were exploitable. We find a recent mention on the pages of service-public.fr dated October 11th <sup>4</sup> despite our warning to Mr Djebbari (new Secretary for Transport) on October 10th through twitter. Mr Djebarri's chief of staff also referred to it in a letter he sent us on October 7th. ACHED replies: "It is FALSE to say that the French prefer hour A or B, especially on the basis of this consultation"

The ACHED asks the Cabinets of the Ministry of Transport and the Prime Minister, otherwise the Ministers, or the President of the Republic himself to immediately and publicly denounce the results of this consultation as null and void.

Already the French are not aware of the health, economic and climatic misdeeds of the time advances. Already most of them are unaware that the advance of 1976 adds up to a permanent advance from 1945. **This escalation into misinformation is unacceptable.** We continue to waste time instead of facing the truth and solving this harmful health, economic and environmental situation. Our climate future will be affected.

At this date, only the Consumer Association "UFC Que Choisir" seems lucid and concerned about the public interest (see our Press Release of 19 October 2019 "ZAB Hours" ). We hope others will join it.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This press release in other languages <a href="https://www.heure-ete.net/CP20191020LIST.pdf">https://www.heure-ete.net/CP20191020LIST.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Service-public.fr on October 11th 2019 "Change to winter time" <a href="https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/actualites/A13602">https://www.service-public.fr/particuliers/actualites/A13602</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Press release October 19, 2019 in English <a href="https://www.heure-ete.net/CP20191019EN.pdf">https://www.heure-ete.net/CP20191019EN.pdf</a>