

LAST GOODBYE

## Tribute and slow march in memory of the young 21-year-old motorcyclist

A hundred people pay tribute to 'Patoloko' with an offering and a start of engines

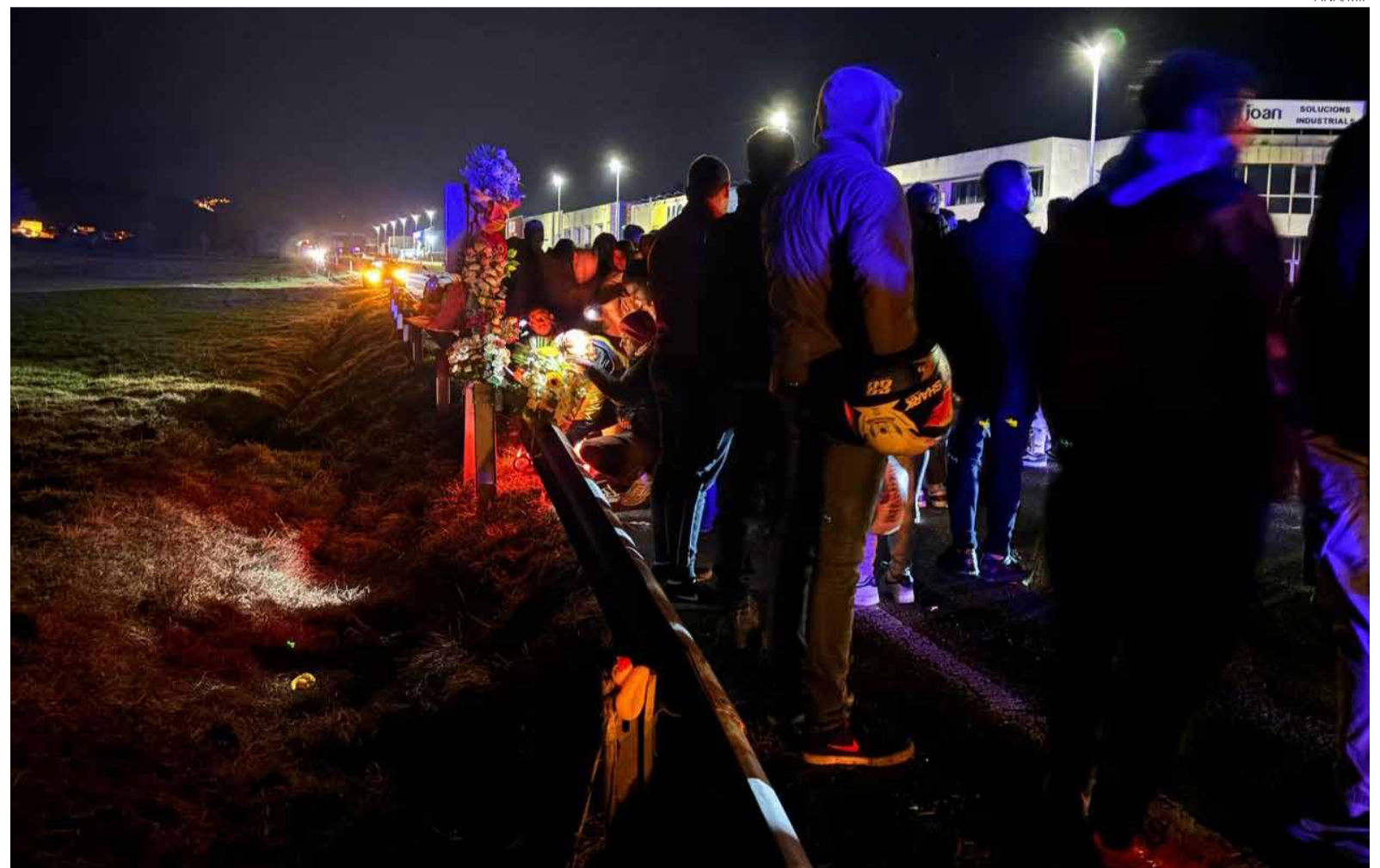
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This Monday evening, the country's biker community gathered to pay tribute to the 21-year-old victim who lost his life yesterday in a motorcycle accident on the N-260, in Montferrer i Castellbò. The emotional and solemn event was attended by family, friends and acquaintances of the young man – who was commonly known by the nickname 'Patoloko' –, as well as hundreds of attendees, many of them with their own motorcycles and others in cars.

The meeting began at the Viena restaurant on Carretera General 1, in Santa Coloma, where at 7:30 p.m. the biker community was convened via a WhatsApp group. Once they had gathered, they began a march towards the Montferrer industrial estate, where they gathered again to hang objects in memory of the victim. During the ceremony, a symbolic bouquet of flowers was given to the deceased's family, in a moment of great emotion. Then, an engine start-up took place, with attendees making their engines and exhaust pipes resonate in tribute to the young motorcyclist.

### AN ACCIDENT RATE THAT IS INCREASING //

In recent months, the accident rate among Andorran motorcyclists has recorded several accidents with tragic consequences. The first of the accidents occurred on August 12th, 2024 on the



Family, friends and members of the biker community pay tribute to 'Patoloko' with an offering and a start of engines in Montferrer i Castellbò.

C-14, near Vilanova de l'Aguda. A 37-year-old man, a resident of Andorra, lost control of his motorcycle and died as a result of the impact. Emergency services quickly arrived at the scene, but

were unable to save her life.

That same day, in Castelldefels, a 19-year-old Andorran woman lost her life in another motorcycle accident. The victim was riding as a passenger on a

motorcycle that collided with another vehicle on Avenida Constitució. Despite the efforts of the medical services, the girl died from her serious injuries.

The latest fatal accident was recorded this Sunday on the N-260, in Montferrer i Castellbò. According to initial investigations, the vehicle involved, which was traveling in the direction of Lleida, made a change of direction at a time when the motorcycle, which was traveling in the direction of Andorra, was unable to avoid the impact. ●

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# 71-year-old driver involved in fatal accident arrested

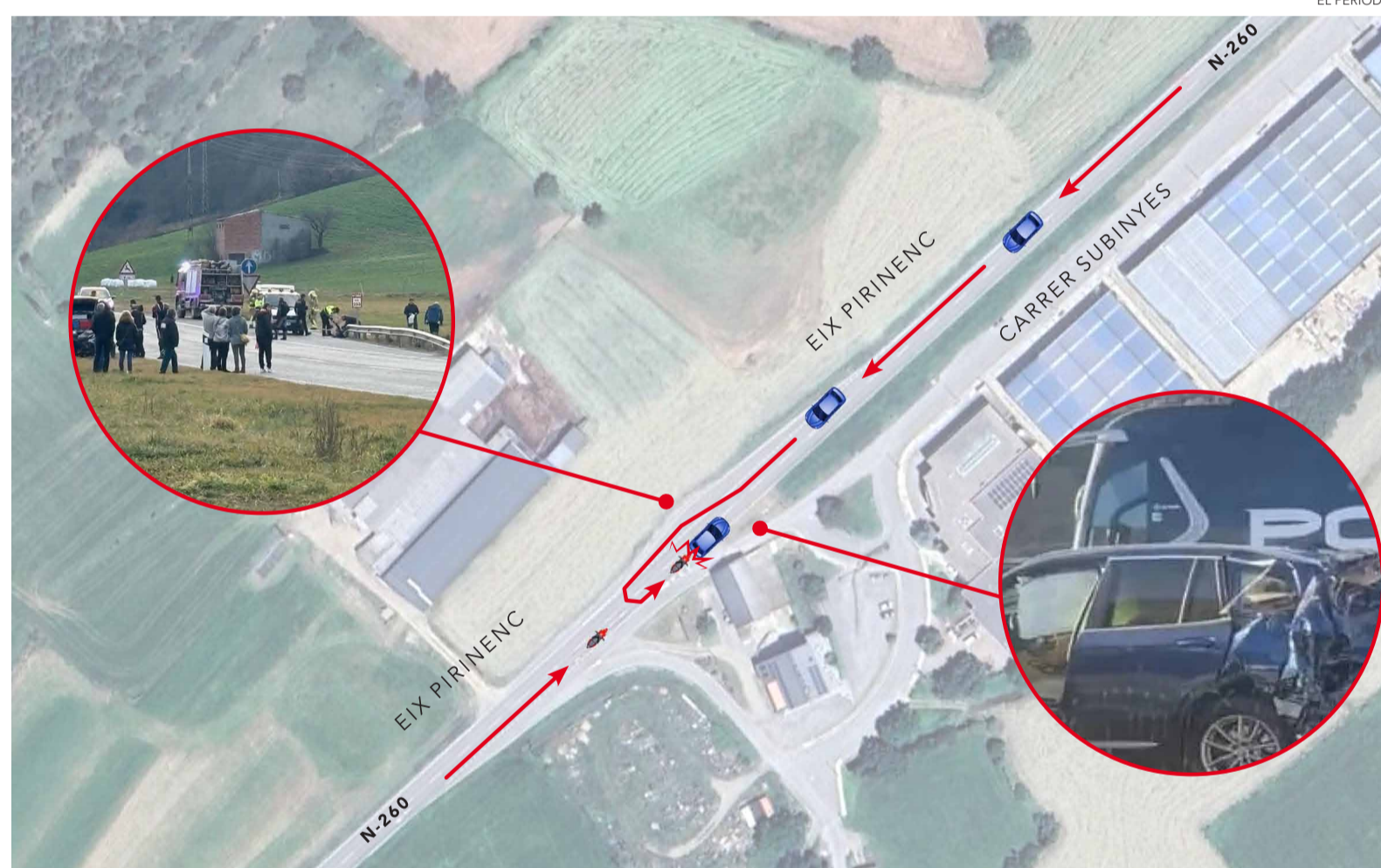
The driver would have been brought to justice today, according to the TSJ

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The Mossos d'Esquadra arrested the 71-year-old man on Monday as the alleged perpetrator of a crime. The Mossos d'Esquadra arrested a 71-year-old man on Monday as the alleged perpetrator of a crime of serious reckless homicide after the traffic accident that caused the death of a 21-year-old Andorran motorcyclist on Sunday.

The accident occurred on the N-260 road, in the town of Montferrer i Castellbò, at around 5:00 p.m. According to initial investigations, the vehicle involved, which was traveling in the direction of Lleida, changed direction at a time when the motorcycle, which was traveling in the direction of Andorra, was on the road and could not avoid the collision. As a result of the impact, the motorcyclist suffered serious injuries that led to his death.

After the accident, traffic officers from the Mossos d'Esquadra went to the scene and began an investigation to determine



Illustrative graphic of the incident on the N-260, in the municipality of Montferrer i Castellbò.

the circumstances of the accident. Once the maneuver carried out by the driver of the vehicle had been analyzed, they proceeded to arrest him for his alleged responsibility for the ac-

cident.

The man was arrested this Monday and, after spending the night in police custody, has been brought before the courts. As confirmed to this same media

outlet by the Superior Court of Justice, this procedure has already been carried out. The authorities are continuing the investigation to clarify all the details of the case. ●

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