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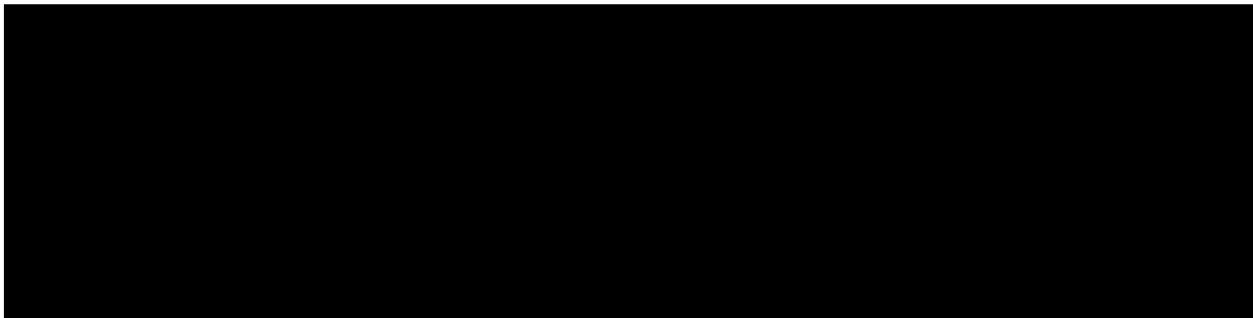
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1. On 30 January 1949 a China National Air Corporation (CNAC) plane left Shanghai for Tsingtao but did not reach its destination.
2. Among the 14 passengers on the plane were CHOU Chia-chung, Director of C.U.S.A. and assistant manager of the Tsingtao Branch of the Central Bank of China, and Commodore CHEN, director of the Chinese Naval Dockyards in Tsingtao. CHOU was believed to have been carrying a large amount of money for the Central Bank of China.
3. Chinese reconnaissance aircraft were able to spot the plane at Tsinan in spite of attempts at camouflage. The belief in Tsingtao was that Chinese Communists had boarded the plane and forced it to land at Tsinan.

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