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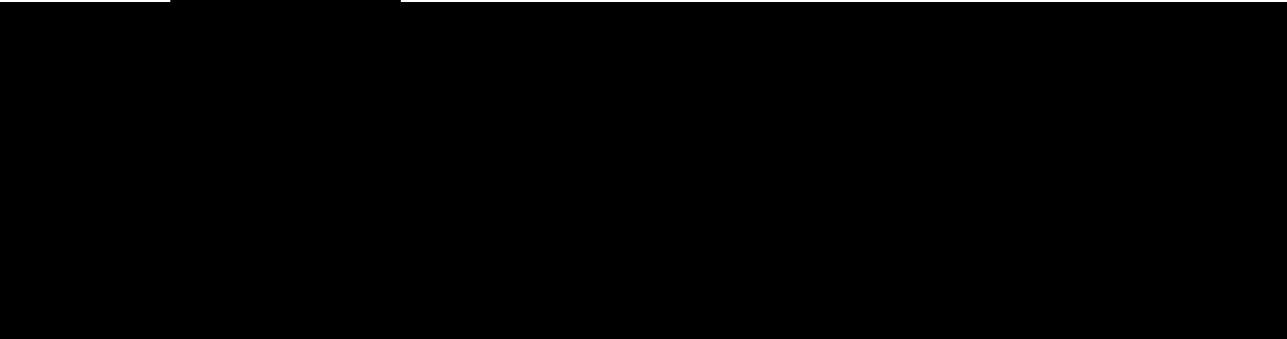
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1. Anti-aircraft searchlights have been observed in operation over Budapest skies on rare occasions.
2. On 22 May 1951 at 9:00 p.m., three separate beams of powerful searchlights played into a heavily overcast sky. All beams were from a single searchlight station on top of Harmas hatarhegy in the northwest corner of Buda, also known to be the site of a glider school. There was some dispute as to whether plane motors could be heard at this time.
3. On 12 June between 9:00 and 10:00 p.m. searchlights were seen beamed from the same hilltop. Source had previously seen orders for an air-raid test to take place very shortly in Budapest.

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