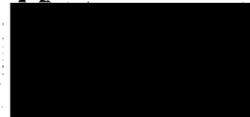


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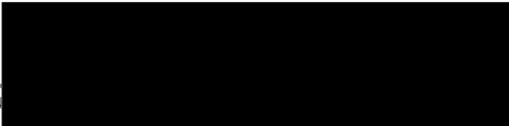
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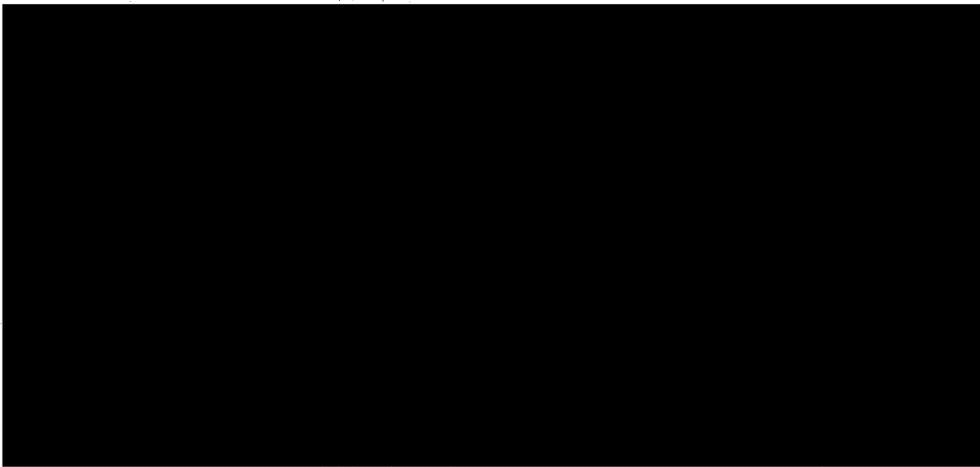
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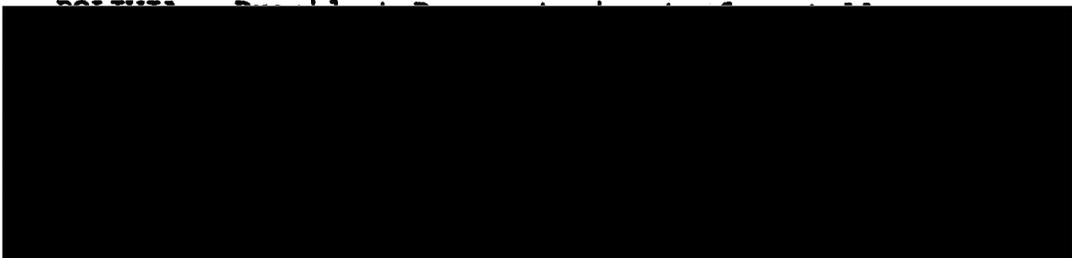
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SPAIN: The general atmosphere has become more normal following the funeral of Prime Minister Carrero Blanco on December 21.

Generalissimo Franco, who did not attend the funeral, was present at a memorial service on Saturday. He is expected to name a new prime minister within the ten-day period specified by the constitution.

The police have identified six Basque terrorists as the assassins and are taking steps to apprehend them. All reportedly are members of an outlawed separatist organization known as Basque Fatherland and Liberty (ETA). The ETA has been involved in a number of bombings, kidnappings, and bank robberies in northern Spain to dramatize demands for a separate state and to raise funds to continue its struggle.

Meanwhile, the trial of the "Carabanchel Ten" dissident labor leaders concluded Saturday with a demand by the prosecution for sentences of 12 to 20 years for "illegal association." A verdict of guilty is expected before the end of the year. The Spanish Communist Party, of which most of the defendants reportedly are members, and other antiregime elements had expected to use the trial to publicize the absence of human rights and free trade unions in Spain. Their hopes were dimmed by the greater publicity accorded to the assassination, but a number of foreign observers who were present did hold a press conference in Madrid. They issued a statement attacking the government for the conduct of the trial and for restrictions on political rights. [REDACTED]

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