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NEW MOSCOW-MAGADAN AIR ROUTE OPENED;
CIVIL AIR FLEET RENDERS AID TO AGRICULTURE

NEW MOSCOW-MAGADAN AIR ROUTE -- Moscow, Pravda, 31 Mar 54

The Main Administration of the Civil Air Fleet of the USSR announces the opening of a new air route from Moscow to Magadan. Departing from Moscow, the aircraft will stop at Sverdlovsk, Novosibirsk, Krasnoyarsk, Yakutsk, and Magadan.

The aircraft will carry passengers and will deliver to the workers of the north the central newspapers, magazines, and political, agricultural, and fictional literature. Medicine and other cargo will also be flown over the new route.

CIVIL AIR OPERATIONS IN TADZHIK SSR IN 1953 -- Stalinabad, Kommunist Tadjikistana, 26 Jan 54

Men'shikov, Chief of the Hauling Department of the Tadjik Territorial Administration of the Civil Air Fleet, reports that the crews of the subdivisions of the Tadjik [Territorial] Administration of the Civil Air Fleet completed their yearly production plans ahead of time, on 5 December.

In 1954 air-cargo and passenger hauling will significantly increase. Attention is also being given to the equipping of airports and aircraft.

In 1954 the Civil Air Fleet will continue to provide regular air service between Stalinabad and Moscow, Mineral'nyye Vody, Tashkent, and the oblast centers of the republic. Transit service will be maintained through Tashkent and Moscow with all the airports of the USSR.

Work in the struggle against agricultural pests in orchards and cotton fields and the supplemental fertilization of cotton [i.e., the dropping of fertilizer on growing cotton] will be done in Leninabadskaya Oblast and other regions of the republic by specially equipped aircraft. The work undertaken by the Civil Air Fleet in treating orchards and cotton fields encompasses considerably more area than similar work performed in 1953.

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OPERATIONS OF AZERBAIDZHAN CIVIL AIR FLEET ADMINISTRATION -- Baku, Bakinskiy Rabochiy, 14 Nov 53

The Azerbaydzhan Administration of the Civil Air Fleet has completed the general 11-month hauling plan for 1953 ahead of schedule. Recently the flow of freight for industrial enterprises producing consumer goods increased greatly.

Three hundred tons of salt-water fish from the fishing enterprises of the Caspian Sea have been delivered to the canning factories of the Dagestanskaya ASSR.

A great quantity of raw silk has been hauled from the enterprises of Azerbaydzhan to Moscow, Vil'nyus, the Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

Quantities of sturgeon and high-quality caviar are flown from Azerbaydzhan to the workers of the Turkmen SSR.

In November the inhabitants of Moscow received about 20,000 flowers grown in Azerbaydzhan.

A large quantity of the ball bearings produced at the Baku plant were delivered to the industrial enterprises of Moscow and Sverdlovsk.

Baku, Bakinskiy Rabochiy, 12 Dec 53

The Azerbaydzhan Administration of the Civil Air Fleet has delivered nearly 100 tons of ball bearings to the industrial centers of the USSR. It has hauled tons of raw silk to Kaunas, Vil'nyus, Riga, and Kiev, engines to enterprises which produce road machines, more than 300,000 kilograms of fresh fish from remote fisheries of the Caspian Sea to the canneries of Dagestan, and fresh caviar for the workers of Ashkhabad.

The Civil Air Fleet has rendered a great service to the agriculture of Azerbaydzhan. In 1953 the pilots dusted thousands of hectares of crops.

Personnel of the Azerbaydzhan Administration of the Civil Air Fleet, by competing with the aviators of the Georgian and Armenian SSRs, fulfilled ahead of schedule the yearly plan for ton-kilometers flown by 101.3 percent and the plan for specialized operations by 133 percent.

In 1953 a great amount of fuel was saved. This made possible an additional 35 pairs of flights over the Baku-Moscow route.

1953 OPERATIONS OF UKRAINIAN CIVIL AIR FLEET ADMINISTRATION -- Kiev, Pravda Ukrainy, 4 Dec 53

The Ukrainian Administration of the Civil Air Fleet completed in November the yearly plan for crop dusting kolkhoz and sovkhoz fields.

In socialist competition with the North Caucasus and Georgian Administrations of the Civil Air Fleet, the Ukrainian airmen completed ahead of time on 1 December the yearly flight plan for ton-kilometers and for hauling passengers, cargo, and mail.

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INCREASE IN AIR-CARGO HAULING IN 1953 OVER 1952 -- Riga, Sovetskaya Latvya,
23 Dec 53

USSR cargo planes, hauling consumer goods produced by local enterprises,
are dispatched daily from Riga and other cities of the USSR. Cargo hauling
in 1953 increased over that of 1952 by 20 percent.

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