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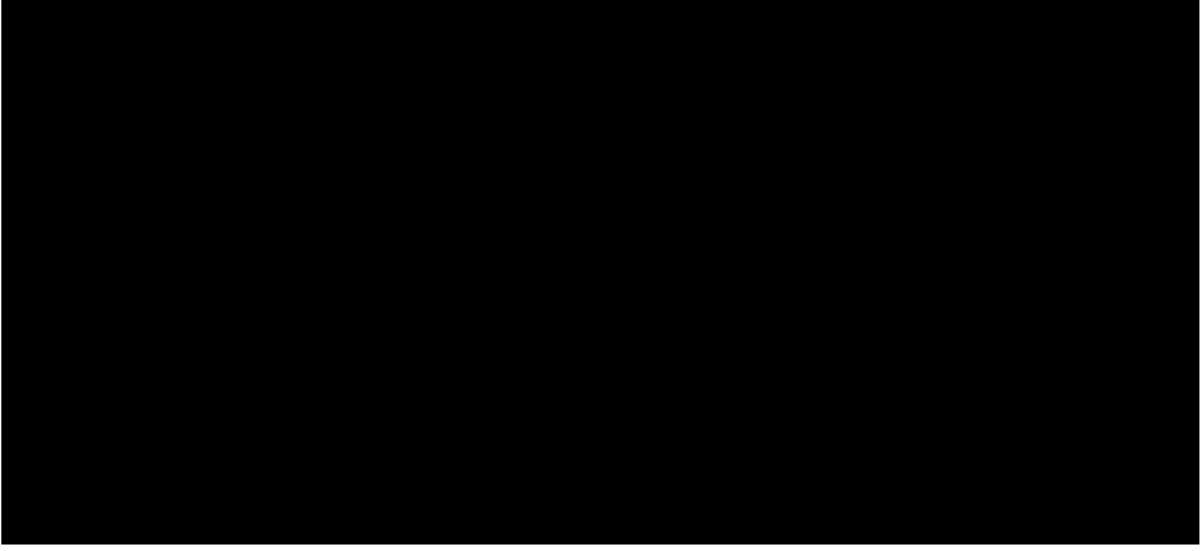
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1. The Cominform issued instructions to Georges Cogniot, editor-in-chief of Humanite, French Communist newspaper, concerning the line to be followed by the French Communist press during the San Francisco conference. Stalin's statement of 17 February 1951 on the subject of Korea was to be repeated and re-emphasized, especially the part which declared that if the Chinese Communists do not get satisfaction, the defeat of the "interventionists" will become a necessity.

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2. The French Communist press did not take up this line. A report identical with the above appeared in the 31 August edition of Franc Tireur and was denied by Humanite on 3 September. [REDACTED] Humanite's failure to conform to instructions was possibly due to the Franc Tireur exposure. He is also of the opinion that this position would have displeased the French Communist Party, many elements of which are dissatisfied with the constant changing of the Communist line.

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