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TO: All Employees
FROM: Vice President - Public Relations

Flight 14 of the 21st out of Los Angeles, carrying 52 passengers and a crew of 5 lost an engine early today 15 minutes west of Denver. One person died of a heart attack. Five passengers and a stewardess were slightly injured. The injured were treated at Denver General Hospital, released and are continuing by air to Chicago.

The flight originated in Los Angeles at 10:02 P.M. PST enroute to Chicago nonstop by way of Denver. The aircraft was flying at 21,000 feet when number 3 engine (right inboard) broke loose. A hole was torn in the top of the fuselage in the vicinity of the first four rows of seats.

Captain R. W. (Bob) Baker made a landing without incident at Denver at 3:01 A. M. MST. The coroner at Denver issued a verdict of heart attack in the case of the dead man.

The CAB, CAA and company officials have started a three-way investigation of the accident. Weather conditions were good at the time of the mishap.

Crew members in addition to Captain Baker are First Officer R. Reinicke, Flight Engineer D. J. Niemiec and Stewardesses Margie Peterson and Joan Robinson, who was slightly injured.

Rex Smith

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