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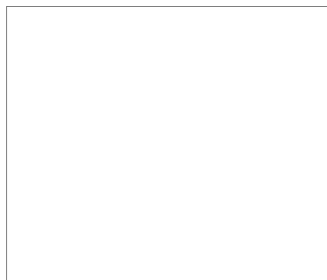
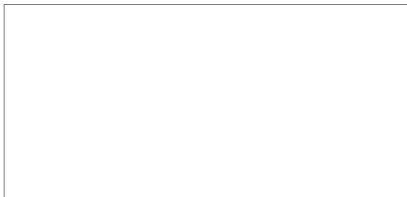
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1. A deposit of amianthus (fine, silky asbestos) has been found, immediately adjoining the town of **Momchilgrad**, in the Rhodope basin. Work on the development of this mine is in the hands of specialists, engineers from the USSR.
2. Exploitation will be in the hands of a Bulgarian-Soviet company called "GORUPSO". This stands for Company for the Exploitation of the Subsoil Resources of Bulgaria.

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