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Freight increased by 18%, passenger traffic by 17% and mail by 14%. Over all sectors of the Swissair network, 1,941,088 passengers were carried (1963: 1,801,599) or almost twice as many as in 1957. Over the North Atlantic alone, 136,845 (1963: 103,222) passengers travelled by

Total kilometres flown rose from 40.2 to over 44 million. The 129,112 km. network serves 59 cities in 41 countries.

TWICE WEEKLY SWISSAIR SERVICE TO LAGOS AND ACCRA

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