PASSENGER ATTACKS CO-PILOT ON KLM FLIGHT TO BEIJING

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A passenger on KLM Royal Dutch Airlines "slightly wounded" the co-pilot on a flight from Amsterdam to Beijing on Sunday.

Flight 897 was en route to Beijing when "a confused passenger locked himself in the toilets and inflicted slight wounds on himself," the airline said in a statement. "He then slightly wounded the co-pilot in one of the kitchens in the cabin."

Other passengers subdued the passenger, who had stabbed the co-pilot with either a small knife or piece of glass, witnesses told De Telegraaf.

"It was a frightening situation," a Dutch passenger told the newspaper.

The man was restrained to a seat until the end of the flight.

The airline said that staff intervened and that the safety of the flight was not compromised: "The aircraft landed without problems in Beijing."

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