

Speculation on Nixon's China Trip

Tokyo

Diplomatic sources in Washington believe there is a growing possibility that President Nixon will fly to Peking in a week, immediately after his meeting in Alaska next Sunday with Japan's Emperor Hirohito, the newspaper Asahi Shimbun reported yesterday.

The paper said his plane could easily fly nonstop to Peking from Anchorage.

In a dispatch from Washington, correspondent Ken-saku Shirai said the sources believe Mr. Nixon will stay

in the Chinese capital September 28-October 1.

The United States and Peking announced simultaneously July 15 that President Nixon had accepted a Chinese invitation to visit Peking sometime before next May.

Mr. Nixon plans to confer for 20 minutes with Emperor Hirohito at Elmendorf Air Force Base near Anchorage, where the Japanese monarch and his wife make a short stopover en route to Stockholm for an 18-day European tour.

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