noises, killing all in his path. Nian was afraid of loud
year when he comes out of his cave, scaring and
named Nian lives in a cave until the end of the
are several legends surrounding the celebra-
entire month — which, according to the lunar
China, the traditional celebration would last an
calendar. In the agricultural society of ancient
China, the traditional celebration would last an
nized a dinner of traditional food, performances
beast of a celebration for it.
Tru
any elaborate parties.
of celebration, just some smaller parties and
ville we usually don't have very elaborate forms
Pham said.
held for the celebration in the weekend before or after
China now celebrates a three-day national holi-
Nian stays away.
do this at the end of every year to make sure
Nian back to his cave the people would make a
lot of noise and set off
Nian back to his cave the people would make a
fire and bright lights, so in order to scare
fire crackers. Today, they
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