Explain why compound C is the minor product of this reaction.

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C has the new C=C bond with fewer substituents. This is an example of Zeitsev's rule: the more substituted alkene is more thermodynamically stable.

Propose a mechanism for the formation of **C** from **D** under the conditions shown. Use curly arrows and draw the structures of any intermediates.

Compound C is the major product formed from D under these conditions. What would be the major product if the enantiomer of D were exposed to the same reaction conditions?

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