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1. Shortly after 1 January 1968, VC raiders entered [redacted] and abducted Source despite his unwillingness to join them and despite the pleas of his family. (Field Comment: Source claimed that he cried.) He was held in a forested area with a few score other youths and received training in how to fire weapons and political indoctrination. He practiced firing an AK-50 submachine gun for four days, using one round per session.
2. On the night of 30 January two unknown persons escorted Source to Road 8, one kilometer from a base where 20 other youths, a female cell member used for "liaison with other cells," and three cadres, all unknown to Source, boarded three white Tri-Lambrettas. The unit cadre advised the team that it was on its way to attack Saigon. The team members were armed, but had no mortars or other heavy equipment. They received no weapons or supplies in addition to what they carried. Source's cell sat parked in its vehicle in an alley throughout the entire day. (Field Comment: Source could not identify the location.) The cell leader left the group for approximately one hour, possibly to contact someone. At 0200 hours 31 January the team started to move out by Tri-Lambretta. The vehicle arrived at Independence Palace at 0230 hours; the team members got out and took position to begin the attack immediately from the park in front of the palace. During this time other cell members attacked the GVN police and troops guarding the area. Near dawn, the deputy cell leader signalled the team to withdraw to a vacant, unlocked house near the palace. The cell continued their gun battle with GVN forces from this building and refused repeated GVN calls to surrender. However, the following night (31 January) six members of the cell [redacted] surrendered. The interrogator found Source to be highly uncooperative and concluded that he was probably lying. He constantly claimed to have no knowledge of information to which he should have had access.)

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