Bramah I, North-Northeast Ridge. Our expedition was made up of Christian Galli, Dominique Julien, Roland Stieger and me as leader. We approached Base Camp at 10,500 feet in the Nanth Nala from Kishtwar on September 13 and 16. From September 19 to 23 we established Advanced Base Camp at the foot of the north-northeast ridge at 14,450 feet. On the 26th we moved up steep mixed ground to bivouac at 17,400 feet. We climbed from there to 18,700 feet on the 27th, making slow progress because of deep snow and loose rock. The second bivouac was above the main difficulties. On the 28th we set out shortly after midnight with little equipment. At 9:30 A.M. we decided to stop immediately below the summit because of great avalanche danger. We descended in deep snow to the second bivouac and then made 30 rappels to Advanced Base Camp, arriving at 10:30 P.M. Galli had to leave us on September 15 because of an appendix crisis and had to return to France for an operation.

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Peaks above Kiar Nala, 1979. A four-man party from Warsaw made two first ascents above the Kiar Nala. After an acclimatization climb of P 5135 (16,848 feet), they ascended two peaks on the north side of the valley on June 20, 1979. Marek Harisimiuk and Piotr Rachtan climbed P 5817 (19,085 feet) via the south spur, while Dariusz Naszyński and Jacek Krukowski scaled P 5600 (18,373 feet) via the west ridge. Both mountains were done from an ice plateau of 17,000 feet.

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Kijai Nala, Kishtwar Himal, 1979. A Polish expedition, led by Krzysztof Łoziński, in 1979 visited the Kijai Nala. After a difficult approach, Base Camp was set up on September 6, 1979 at 10,825 feet, and Camps I and II at 13,800 and 17,725 feet on September 7 and 13. P 6013 (19,728 feet) on the western side of the valley was climbed on September 14 over two intermediate peaks, P 5450 (17,881 feet) and P 5800 (19,029 feet) by Łoziński, Stanisław Gorgoń, Jan Marczak, Józef Makinia and Stanisław Pelczarski. At the beginning of the expedition three members, Jacek Szczpański, Jan Oficjalski and his wife Barbara, left the main group and established a separate Base Camp to attempt Arjuna. Despite a heavy snowfall, on September 20 the two men made a two-day reconnaissance and did not return. (The main group had already left the valley.) After four days Barbara tried in vain to look for them. After eight days she began the long and dangerous descent, first in the high mountains and lower in the jungle. She walked for ten days and several times slipped and fell. Injured and ill, she was finally rescued by a