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1. The construction of an airfield was begun in September 1951, three kilometers from Nguyen Binh(105-55,22-38). The work is the responsibility of the Lien Quan Bien Canh, 82 Division, 61 Regiment, and is under the direction of two Soviet engineers from Lungchou(106-56,22-22). The dimensions of the field are 1,100 meters by 800 meters.
2. The labor is supplied by soldiers of the 61 Regiment of Lien Quan Bien Canh and by 1,500 coolies brought from Lungchou(106-56,22-22). No Vietnamese or Tho(sic) coolies are being used.
3. The work consists of excavating the field to a depth of three meters, and then filling the excavation with four layers: large rocks, crushed rock, sand mixed with small stones, dirt and crushed coal(sic).
4. The work is done at night with the laborers divided into two shifts. One shift works from 6 P.M. to midnight, and the other shift works from 12:30 A.M. to 6:30 A.M.
5. The work zone is closely watched. There is one main post every 200 meters, and a secondary post every 100 meters. Anti-aircraft defenses have been installed to protect the personnel.

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- On 30 December 1951, a convoy of thirty two GMC trucks from Long Chau¹ passed through Cao Bang on the way to Thai Nguyen over the new road constructed through the forest.
- These trucks were loaded as follows:
 - 10 with gasoline
 - 2 with land cultivating machines
 - 5 with truck tires
 - 4 with electrical equipment
 - 3 with medical supplies
 - 8 with munitions of Soviet origin, which were originally intended for the Soviet army.
- This convoy arrived at Thai Nguyen on 3 January 1952 for the occasion of the public inauguration of the Thai Nguyen-Cao Bang road², which was partially constructed by prisoners of war who are now working on a new road from Thai Nguyen to Lang Son.

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