



1978 to May, 1984 Sikh leaders in India and abroad start talking about separatism. They are led in Punjab by the charismatic Jarnail Singh Bhindranwale, who begins to amass arms and supporters in the Golden Temple complex, Sikhism's holiest shrine, in

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Amritsar. **1978** In Vancouver, suspected Air-India mastermind Talwinder Singh Parmar, right, starts the militant separatist group Babbar Khalsa. **June 5, 1984** Indian government troops storm Amritsar's Golden Temple. **July, 1984** — Talwinder Parmar addresses supporters at a Calgary Sikh temple, saying Air-India planes will

fall from the sky in retaliation for the Golden Temple attack. **Oct. 30, 1984** Indian prime minister Indira Gandhi is assassinated by her Sikh bodyguard in retaliation for the Golden Temple raid. **June 4, 1985** — Agents of the fledgling Canadian Security Intelligence Service follow Parmar to Mr. Duncan on Vancouver Island. Accompanied by Inderjit Singh Reyat and an unidentified man dubbed Mr. X, the trio sets off explosives in the woods.