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PATROL REPORT OF: PINDIU, KABWUM, KALALO

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1964/1965

PINDIU, KABWUM, KALALO

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PATROL REPORT

District of **MOROBE** Report No. **1 - 61/65 P148:V**

Patrol Conducted by **S. Gibson C.P.O.**

Area Patrolled **Mindik area of the Hube Census Division (part only)**

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans **Nil**

Natives **One member of R.P. & N.G.C.**

Duration—From **22/ 2 /19 65** to **25/ 2 /19 65**

Number of Days **4**

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? **No**

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services **July** /19 **64**

Medical **Dec** /19 **64** (T.B. Survey)

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol **To conduct Land Investigation**

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund £.....

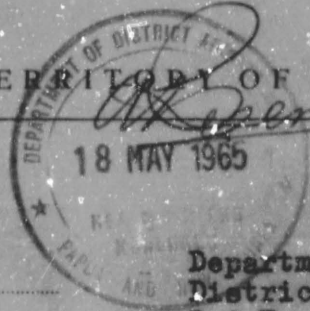
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M. Ashton/jgr

Department of District Administration,
District Office,
L A E.
14th May, 1965.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONKOCBU

PINDIU PATROL REPORTS NO. 1 to 2 of 1964/65

The above brief reports submitted by Mr. S. Gibson, Cadet Patrol Officer together with covering memoranda from Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen are forwarded for your information, please.

I will inform the Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen that there is no necessity for a junior officer to provide a full patrol report when he spends a brief period away from the station on a special investigation such as a Lands Purchase Investigation. I consider that the Memoranda of Patrol together with a covering memorandum is adequate for this purpose. I trust you agree.

A.T. Timperley
(A.T. TIMPERLEY)
District Commissioner

- c.c. Mr. S. Gibson, Base Camp, Boana.
- c.c. Officer-in-Charge, Pindiu.
- c.c. Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen.

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Will keep your views in mind, but I note in that volume that Mr G. has a head observed certain other matters of interest which has added to his experience & provided first hand. A better meeting for days in the field almost certainly leads to the office

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disputes will still therefore require a hearing before a Commissioner, as they will involve questions of responsibility. It is probably in this way that the Deputy Registrar is assigned limited aspects of the work of a Deputy Commissioner.

Please refer to Department of District Admin., Sub-District Office, PINDIE, Morobe District.

22nd March, 1965.

The Officer-in-Charge,
Patrol Post,
PINDIE.

PINDIE PATROL REPORTS 1-3. 6/65

Your 67-1-1 of 13th instant, and 67-1-1 of 14th instant, refers. None of these reports call for detailed comment, the patrols being as they were for specific purposes, and Mr. GIBSON's patrol being necessarily terminated by transfer.

My own opinion is that there is little value in the submission of a full Patrol Report in circumstances such as these, and amounts in fact to an unnecessary duplication of the matters in question, which have already been dealt with in specific correspondence. The standing instructions are however clear, and I have referred the matter to the District Commissioner as a possible case for review.

The establishment of both NAMASU and F.M.D.S. coffee buying points at MINDIK is to be definitely encouraged. For your information, the possibility of a PINDIE-OLIGIDU road has already been investigated by a number of officers and discarded as impractical.

Despite the recent appointment of Deputy Commissioners for the purposes of the Land Titles Commission Ordinance (Messrs. SINCLAIR and LANG for the MOROBE District), the whole question of settlement of land disputes is still most unsatisfactory. The jurisdiction conferred on Deputy Commissioners is limited to the determination of disputes as to the "right to remove produce from native land... of a cash value of less than One hundred pounds". The practical implications of this provision would seem to limit the jurisdiction, in say the case of coffee bushes, to the berries only (provided they are not worth more than £100), and excludes it from the bushes, and the land on which they stand. It is my opinion that native people will quickly lose interest in a Deputy Commissioner as soon as they realize the limited nature of his jurisdiction. The Director eventually hopes to have the powers of Deputy Commissioners widened to that of Commissioners for only in this way can the multiplicity of land disputes be cleared up.

Under the existing set-up, claims are to be registered with the Deputy Registrar RABAU, who numbers and registers each claim and assigns it to a Deputy Commissioner for hearing. The Deputy Commissioner's decision is then reviewed by a Commissioner. The vast majority of your

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Please submit a revised patrol programme now that Mr. GIBSON has been transferred. It should be possible for Mr. KELLY to continue the MONGE river patrol.

c.c. District Commissioner, LAE.

Patrol conducted by: S. Gibson C.P.O.

Area patrolled: Sandik area of the Hahaione District (part of

Personal notes: M. LANG Assistant District Commissioner

Duration of patrol: 22/7/55 to 25/8/55

Last patrol to the area: S.A. July 1954
S.A. 11/11/54
S.A. 11/11/54 (V.L. Survey)

Objects of patrol: To conduct land investigation for Native Marketing and Supply Ltd. concerning village

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District Patrol Officer



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No. 67-1-1

Patrol Post,
PINDIU
9th March, 1965

Assistant District Officer,
Patrol Post,
PINDIU

PINDIU PATROL No. 1/64-65

Patrol conducted by: S. Gibson C.P.O.

Area patrolled: Mindik area of the Hube Census Division
(part only)

Personel accompanying patrol: 8971 Constable Buga

Duration of patrol: 22/2/65 to 25/2/65

Last patrol to the area: D.D.A. July 1964
D.A.S.F. November 1964
P.H.D. December 1964 (W.B. Survey)

Objects of patrol: To conduct Land Investigation for
Native Marketing and Supply Ltd. -
Tumnang village

S. Gibson
(S. Gibson)
Cadet Patrol Officer

INTRODUCTION

The object of this brief patrol to the Mindik area of the Hube Census Division was to carry out a land investigation. This pertained to an Application lodged by Native Marketing and Supply Ltd. for an Out of Town Business Lease at a site adjacent to the new Mindik Lutheran Mission airstrip.

Because of the brevity of the patrol, the relatively small area covered and the few people contacted, this report does not follow the set patrol report pattern. General discussion brought forward some interesting opinions and ideas, and it is with these that this report will be concerned.

The Mindik area is some five miles west of the Pindiu Government Station and located on the western side of the Kua river valley. The area includes the villages of TUMNANG, MINDIK, SATNENG and SUEWITNE. The Lutheran Mission Station is approximately a quarter of a mile east of Tumnang village. The airstrip was officially opened to commercial operations on 9th December, 1964 - it is not yet complete but 1800 ft is available for aircraft. The block of land which interests NAMASU is on the north side of the airstrip, set back some twenty yards, and fronting the parking bay.

PATROL DIARY

- 22.2.65 - 10.15am leave Pindiu and arrive TUMNANG 3.15pm
3.30pm discussions with Rev. and Mrs. Jacobsen at the L.W. Station, MINDIK.
5.00pm with Councillor OKAVIONG and Committeeman WONGEYONG - inspected the airstrip and NAMASU land - general discussions. Overnight.
- 23.2.65 - 8.0am Chain and compass survey of the NAMASU block.
3.00pm conducted investigation
Overnight.
- 24.2.65 - 1.00am resumed investigation
1.00pm leave TUMNANG and arrive HAMARONONG 3.15pm
3.45pm typed investigation while waiting village officials
8.00pm with Councillor ZIWANG and other village leaders - discussed the proposed Pindiu-Oligidu road.
Overnight.
- 25.2.65 - 9.15am leave HAMARONONG and, via KWEK WANGZENG and KWEKWENDANGU No.2, arrived Pindiu 2.45pm.

OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS1. Land Investigation

This was compiled at the site of the proposed block. The people appear anxious to have NAMASU established in the area and showed no hesitation in agreeing to lease the land. For Land Investigation Report and accompanying memorandum to the A.D.C. Pindiu, refer Pindiu file 35-1-4, Tumnang Mission Lease.

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2. The new Lutheran Mission Airstrip - a centre for trade and commerce

NAMASU supporters have already built a native materials building near the airstrip. This is being used as a coffee store until a permanent building is constructed. The NAMASU storeman from Pindia journeys to Mindik once a month to buy coffee and sell trade goods. An inspection of the store revealed that during his last visit, the storeman did considerable business. The present system whereby Crowley Airways backload NAMASU coffee (usually only three or four bags at a time) having delivered Mission cargo, is definitely insufficient. Approximately 90 bags were in the store awaiting shipment.

The writer was approached by a strong delegation of Mindik and Tumang Finschhafen Marketing and Development Society supporters. The group was headed by WALEWONG (an F.M.D.S. Director) Local Government Councillor OKAVIONG and the Tumang Committeeman, WONGEYONG. It is obvious that the Mindik people want F.M.D.S. to adopt a procedure similar to NAMASU'S, whereby some of the Mindik coffee may be sold to F.M.D.S. at Tumang, instead of being carried to Pindia and sold there. The people are anxious that F.M.D.S. apply for a lease, and set up a trade store/ buying point, similar to what NAMASU have in mind. Refer to the A.D.O Pindia's 38-1-3 of 8th March, 1965 to the Co-operative Officer, Finschhafen.

With respect to the building of a temporary F.M.D.S. store, it is interesting to note an opinion that was strongly expressed by the group. The Mindik people feel that because they built the NAMASU temporary store, another group, for example, people from the ERABANG, TORAU or OGERAMNANG areas should contribute materials and arrange for workers to construct the F.M.D.S. store. The Mindik people also feel that because of their proximity to the airstrip, they more than anyone else were responsible for it's construction - hence this feeling of having done enough work for everyone else and the accompanying desire to relax and wait for the other groups to do their share.

3. The Lutheran Mission Station, Mindik

The writer had numerous dealings with Rev. Jacobsen and his wife who have established a Station east of the Tumang village. They have been resident in the area for 12 months, during which time they have established a small Station and done much towards the completion of their airstrip. Indeed the amount of progress that has been made on both airstrip and Station construction is worthy of commendation.

During discussion with Rev. Jacobsen two interesting topics were borne out. Having just returned from a patrol to the Bulum area of the Hube Census Division, Rev. Jacobsen reports that the cargo cult movement which was discovered by a D.D.A. patrol to that area in May, 1964 has now subsided. He insists that the peculiar beliefs which were held by the people have now been abandoned, and that they are applying themselves more and more to worthwhile activities - for example coffee growing. The next patrol to the Bulum area could well thoroughly investigate this matter.

Rev. Jacobsen expressed concern over the number of Hube men absent at work in Territory centres. He was particularly concerned about the number of women with

young children whose husbands had left them to fend for themselves while they were absent, often for long periods, at work in Lae and Wau.

Mr. Jacobsen appeared interested in the Pindiu Local Government Council's activities for 1965. When told that three wire foot suspension bridges were already being built and that it was expected the Dolmar Saw would soon be operational, he showed particular interest. The writer is of the opinion that should the Council require more assistance, of a supervisory nature, for projects in the Mindik area, Rev. Jacobsen would be willing and keen to assist.

4. Council Projects

During the walk from Pindiu to Tumnang, the writer inspected work on the Kua river wire foot suspension bridge. The four cement upright posts (supports for the hand rail and foundation for the four floor cables) had been completed. Further work is being held up while more equipment is awaited from Lae.

En route Pindiu from Hamaronong, a site for another such bridge was selected. This is to bridge the Kua river on the road from Hamaronong - Ebabang - Zalimpa to Kwenzenzeng - Pindiu.

Between Tumnang and Hamaronong some extensive stands of timber were observed. The writer will suggest to the Council that when the Dolmar Saw becomes operational, this area be concentrated on when obtaining timber for the Ebabang Aid Post (1965 Estimates) and the Mindik Aid Post and Agricultural Assistant's house (1965-66 Estimates).

5. Proposed road from Pindiu to Oligidu (Bukaua Census Div.)

The patrol stayed overnight at HAMARONONG on the way back to Pindiu. Discussions were held with Councillor ZIWANG and other leading Hamaronong men concerning a vehicular road from Pindiu along the floor of the Mongi river valley to Oligidu on the Huon Gulf coast. This would link with the proposed Lae-Finschhafen road. The A.D.C. Finschhafen during his recent Station inspection, suggested this as an alternative to the originally intended Pindiu road from Finschhafen via Sattelberg, Yungzain and Sihimang. Refer to his memorandum 10-11 of 17th February, 1965 to the District Commissioner, Morobe District.

The Hamaronong people are familiar with the uninhabited country between the Hube villages and the coast, as they have regular dealings with the coastal people, and often make the trip to sell coffee and buy trade goods. The route favoured is one which would go from Pindiu to WAMUKI (including a bridge over the Kua river), thence across the Bulum river and from there, along the top of the Mongi river flood plain to the coast. It was claimed that the terrain between the coast and the Bulum river would not afford any great road building problems. However, from the writer's own experience it is suggested that these problems would become numerous along the route between the Bulum river and Pindiu.

It is claimed that surfacing material is plentiful.

When asked what system of labour would be acceptable, the Hamaronong people appeared willing to work from road camps, with one or perhaps a group of villages working together for a week and then another group taking over for a week and so on. This system was used when building the Mindik airstrip. The Hamaronong people were quick to suggest that a branch road from the Pindiu - Oligidu road be built along the ridge from WAMUKI via EBABANG to TUMNANG and the Mission airstrip. This ridge offers very good road possibilities.

The people are unquestionably keen on this idea. They realise the value such a road would be to them. It is obvious, however, that they don't realise that when a road is completed, problems have only just begun. In this country, which is largely uninhabited, maintenance would be a "back breaking" task.

The matter of a Pindiu-Oligidu road is to be discussed at the March meeting of the Pindiu Local Government Council. The above are only the views of one group. It is anticipated that when the whole Council discusses it, some worthwhile suggestions will be made from which further investigations will probably eventuate. A patrol to the Kua river area in April 1965 could well look into this matter, and survey the land in question.

S. Gibson
(S. Gibson)
Cadet Patrol Officer
PINDIU Patrol Post

9/3/65



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PATROL REPORT

District of.....MOROBE..... Report No.....PINDIU 2-64/65 ~~PINDIU~~

Patrol Conducted by.....S. Gibson C.P.O.....

Area Patrolled.....Besibong village area of the Hube Census Division.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... Nil

Natives..... Nil

Duration—From 27/...2/1965 to 28/...2/1965..

Number of Days..... 2

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... April/1965...

Medical Jan...../1965.

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol..... To settle land dispute - GENA hamlet - HUBE C/D

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....

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Department of District Admin.,
Sub-District Office,
PINDRIHARKE,
Korcha District.

22nd March, 1965,

The Officer-in-Charge,
Patrol Post,
PINDRIH.

PINDRIH PATROL REPORTS 1-3, 6/65

Your 67-1-1 of 13th instant, and 67-1-1 of 14th instant, refers. None of these reports call for detailed comment, the patrols being as they were for specific purposes, and Mr. GIBSON's patrol being necessarily terminated by transfer.

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c.c. District Commissioner, AE,

M. LANG
Assistant District Commissioner



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No. 67-1-1

Patrol Post,
PINDIU
11th March, 1965

Assistant District Officer,
Patrol Post,
PINDIU

PINDIU PATROL No. 2-64/65

Patrol conducted by: S. Gibson C.P.O.

Area patrolled: Besibong village area of the Hube
Census Division.

Personel accompanying the patrol: Nil

Duration of patrol: 27/2/65 to 28/2/65

Last patrol to the area: D.D.B. April 1964
D.A.S.F. November 1964
P.H.D. January 1965 (T.B. Survey)

Objects of the patrol: To settle land dispute - GENA
hamlet.

S. Gibson
(S. Gibson)
Cadet Patrol Officer



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PATROL REPORT

Patrol Diary

27.2.65 - 8.45am leave Pindiu and arrive
GENA 12.30.
1.00pm inspected the ground in
question.
3.00pm with all interested persons
discussed the dispute.
4.15pm leave GENA and arrive
BESIBONG 5.30pm.
Overnight

28.2.65 - 8.00am leave Besibong and arrive
Pindiu 10.30am.

End of Patrol

Details of Patrol

This patrol aimed merely at finding a solution to an inter clan dispute over land near the hamlet of Gena - Besibong village - in the Hube Census Division. The matter had been brought to the Office at Pindiu on numerous occasions, and it seemed that the only way to settle it was to make a special trip to Gena and actually walk the boundaries of the land with the disputing parties.

The patrol lasted two days, passed through only one village and a hamlet and did little in the way of routine patrolling work. This report does not follow the set "Form of Patrol Report", which is to be found in the Departmental Standing Instructions, Vol.1, pages 30 to 46, for this reason.

This dispute was first brought to the writer's notice in August 1964 when a Gena man employed in Wau enquired through the A.D.O. Wau why his relations were planting coffee



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on land at Gena without his permission - he being a part owner of the land in question. The matter was investigated. Coffee had been planted. Disputes then arose concerning rights to the land. However the people involved could not agree on a course that was acceptable to all, and the quest for an urgent solution was not pursued any further. The enquiring member (Kambusanga/Donga of GUBU village, Hube Census Division) in Wau was told of the position, and no further enquiries or complaints were made.

During January, 1965 another part owner, Police Sgt. JEI SIMONI of Besibong returned to his village. After a long absence he discovered that recent village and clan events had deprived his side of the clan of some land which they were entitled to. The matter was again brought to Pindiu. The writer then decided to visit the scene and attempt to assist in the search for a suitable solution.

The writer proceeded to Gena on 27.2.65 and inspected the land. At a meeting of all concerned, it was decided that until the people involved could themselves arrive at an acceptable compromise, as to who in fact did own the land and exactly what rights were held by what individuals, the land should remain unattended and "out of bounds" to all the disputing parties. As this course was decided on by the village officials, and as it was accepted by those concerned, the writer did not take the matter any further.

Similar disputes are becoming more and more numerous in the Pindiu area. The people realise that coffee is their only worthwhile means of obtaining cash, and they are naturally seeking more and more land for their gardens.



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The over anxious planter, who neglects clan custom or is not familiar with some distant relation's rights, could easily kindle a similar dispute. This, plus the fact that so many Hube men are away working in other centres, and who are therefore somewhat divorced from day to day village trends and individual intentions, makes the problem a real and highly likely one.

Hube people still rely heavily on the Patrol Officer when solving small everyday problems. It is desirable that they gain more confidence in their own ability and at least attempt to solve their own problems. This minor land dispute is an example of how the people can quickly come to a compromise if an Administration Officer is on hand. The Officer does not have to make suggestions, his presence is enough to "start the ball rolling". It is encouraging to note, however, that the Local Government Councillors and village committeemen are playing an increasing roll in the solving of minor village disputes.

The patrol stayed overnight at Besibong village, and the writer was able to have valuable discussions with the Pindiu Local Government Council President SIMONGI. The new N.G. Ordinance was discussed, as were other questions directly pertaining to the Pindiu Council. The writer was also able to assist Simongi understand and then answer some correspondence he had received from the Highland Farmer's and Settlers Association, of which he is a member.

S. Gibson
(S. Gibson)
Cadet Patrol Officer
10.3.65



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PATROL REPORT

District of..... MOROBE..... Report No. PINDIU 2-64/65.....

Patrol Conducted by..... S. Gibson C.P.O.....

Area Patrolled..... KOTTE Census Division - Pindiu Council Area only.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... Nil.....

Natives..... 2 members of R.P. & N.G.C.....

Duration—From 10./3./1965 to 12./3./1965.....

Number of Days..... Three.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... No.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... April/1964.....

Medical Jan...../1965 (T.B. Survey)

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol..... 1) Census 2) Council Projects 3) General Administration.....

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....

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Department of District Administration,
 District Office,
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 14th May, 1965.

The Director,
 Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU

PINDIU PATROL REPORTS NO. # 3 of 1964/65

The above brief reports submitted by Mr. S. Gibson, Cadet Patrol Officer together with covering memoranda from Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen are forwarded for your information, please.

I will inform the Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen that there is no necessity for a junior officer to provide a full patrol report when he spends a brief period away from the station on a special investigation such as a Lands Purchase Investigation. I consider that the Memoranda of Patrol together with a covering memorandum is adequate for this purpose. I trust you agree.

A.T. Timperley
 (A.T. TIMPERLEY)
 District Commissioner

- c.c. Mr. S. Gibson, Base Camp, Boana.
- c.c. Officer-in-Charge, Pindiu.
- c.c. Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen.

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67-1-4

Department of District Admin.,
Sub-District Office,
P. H. S. H. A. F. E. N.,
Morobe District.

22nd March, 1965.

The Officer-in-Charge,
Patrol Post,
P. H. S. H. A. F. E. N.

PATROL REPORTS 1-1, 6/65

Your 67-1-1 of 13th instant, and 67-1-1 of 14th instant, refers. None of these reports call for detailed comment, the patrols being as they were for specific purposes, and Mr. GIBSON's patrol being necessarily terminated by transfer.

My own opinion is that there is little value in the submission of a full Patrol Report in circumstances such as those, and amounts in fact to an unnecessary duplication of the matter in question, which have already been dealt with in specific correspondence. The Standing Instructions are however clear, and I have referred the matter to the District Commissioner as a possible case for review.

The establishment of both SAMBU and P. H. S. H. A. F. E. N. coffee buying points at MINDIK is to be definitely encouraged. For your information, the possibility of a P. H. S. H. A. F. E. N. road has already been investigated by a number of officers and discarded as impractical.

Despite the recent appointment of Deputy Commissioners for the purposes of the Land Titles Commission (Messrs. SIKILIA and LAMB for the Morobe District), the whole question of settlement of land disputes is still most unsatisfactory. The jurisdiction conferred on Deputy Commissioners is limited to the determination of disputes as to the right to remove produce from native lands of a cash value of less than one hundred pounds. The practical implications of this provision would seem to limit the jurisdiction, in any case of coffee bushes, to the berries only (provided they are not worth more than \$100), and exclude it from the bushes, and the land on which they stand. It is my opinion that native people will quickly lose interest in a Deputy Commissioner as soon as they realize the limited nature of his jurisdiction. The Director eventually hopes to have the powers of Deputy Commissioners widened to that of Commissioners for only in this way can the multiplicity of land disputes be cleared up.

Under the existing sub-pp. claims are to be registered with the Registrar SAMBU, who numbers and registers each claim and assigns it to a Deputy Commissioner for hearing. The Deputy Commissioner's decision is then reviewed by a Commissioner. The usual majority of your

disputes will still therefore require a hearing before a Commissioner, as they will involve questions of jurisdiction, although presumably it is within the discretion of the Deputy Registrar to assign limited aspects of the dispute to a Deputy Commissioner.

Please submit a revised patrol programme now that Mr. GIBSON has been transferred. It should be possible for Mr. KELLY to continue the MUDGE river patrol.

c.c. District Commissioner, L.A.M.

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H. LANG
Assistant District Commissioner

67-2-1

Patrol Post
PINDIU

8th March, 1963

Mr. S. Gibson
Cadet Patrol Officer
PINDIU

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

PINDIU PATROL No. 3-62/63

Please prepare to depart on patrol to the Hongi River area of the Hube Census Division on Wednesday, 10th March, 1963.

You will be accompanied by two members of the Pindiu Detachment R.P. & H.G.C. Arrange with the clerk to draw rations for them.

The main objects of the Patrol will be :-

1. Census Revision

The Hube Division Census is now due for revision, as the first stage in this task, please revise the census in each village of the Hongi River area.

2. Council Projects

The people at Seicng, Gaba, Tiren and Beibung have been advised to send carriers into Pindiu to pick up cement for the construction of water tank pads at their respective Aid Posts. This should be available at each place when you reach it. Please supervise the construction of these pads during the patrol.

3. General Administration

In addition, refer to Pp. 30-45 of the Departmental Standing Instructions Vol. 1 and compile information at each village to enable you to submit an informative report in accordance with the Form of Report set out in this Volume.

Should any disputes be brought forward, attempt to settle them by arbitration, however, if any difficulty arises, or if they are of a serious nature, refer them to this office. Also refer to me any offenses against the Laws of the Territory which come to your notice.

Maintain a constant stream of propaganda on the activities of the Council. For this purpose, encourage the members of the Executive Committee residing in the area to address each village after the census. Also try to do it in as much informal discussion with individuals or groups as possible.

Ask the Aid Post Orderlies in the area to check on the health of the people and their hygiene. Offences against Council Rules should be referred to me. Remind the people of the necessity to maintain as high a standard of sanitation as possible.

The patrol should take approximately two weeks, but on no account is it to be hurried. At least one night should be spent in each Rest House. Please don't hesitate to contact me at any time for any purpose.

*Copy sent to ...
F. H. ...*



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply
Please Quote

No. 67-1-1

Patrol Post,
PINDIU
12th March, 1965

Assistant District Officer,
Patrol Post,
PINDIU

PINDIU PATROL REPORT No. 3/64/65

Patrol Conducted by: S. Gibson C.P.O.

Area Patrolled: KOTTE Census Division - Pindiu
Council area.

Personel accompanying patrol: Two members of R.P. & N.G.C.
Constable Buga 8971
Constable Buglar Bobihinal 11188

Duration of Patrol: 10.3.65 to 12.3.65

Last Patrol to the Area: April 1964. - D.D.A.
Jan. 1965 - P.H.D.

Objects of the Patrol: 1. To revise the census
2. To commence work on Council
Projects
3. General Administration
(refer Patrol Instructions)

S. Gibson
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(S. Gibson)
Cadet Patrol Officer

INTRODUCTION

It was intended that this patrol should include the two KOTTE villages in the Pindiu Local Government Council area, as well as all the HUBE villages in the Mongi river valley area. However, on receipt of the Assistant District District Officer's memorandum 67-1-1/87-1-1 of 11th March, 1965, from Pindiu Patrol Post, the patrol was terminated after having visited the two Kotte villages only.

The patrol lasted three days, and failed to complete any of the instructed objectives. The Report does not therefore follow the set "Form of Patrol Report" as is to be found in the Departmental Instructions Vol.1.

The Kotte villages of SAFIFI and EMBENGWANING were visited and inspected. Safifi is situated on the eastern side of the Mongi valley- opposite Pindiu Patrol Post, while EMBENGWANING lies at the head of the Mape river complex some five miles east of Pindiu. When the Pindiu Local Government Council was established in 1962, it was decided to include these villages. Previously they belonged to the Finschhafen Kotte-Yabim Council. The villages are closer to Pindiu and for this reason they were included in the Pindiu Council. The people now treat Pindiu as "their" Station, and only on the odd occasions do they make the journey to Finschhafen. They do, however, prefer to carry their coffee to the buying point at Butala on the Huon Gulf coast, rather than carry it to Pindiu.

PATROL DIARY

- 10.3.65 - 8.25am Leave Pindiu and arrive SAFIFI 11.30am
 12.00 General discussions with Councillor BARAI and Committeemen ETING and WIWISU.
 2.00pm Lined villagers (as per old village book)
 3.00pm Inspected village - instructed people on housing and sanitation
 8.00pm Further discussions with Councillor and Committeemen, which included the L.G.Council tax and the proposed Pindiu Olidigu road. Minor village disputes were also mentioned
 Stayed Overnight.
- 11.3.65 - 8.30am Leave Safifi and arrive EMBENGWANING 11.00am
 1.00pm Lined villagers (as per old village book)
 3.00pm Inspected village and Aid Post
 4.00pm Discussed village activities with Aid Post Orderly KWEATINA and Committeeman DOING.
 Stayed overnight.
- 12.3.65 - 8.25am Assembled villagers and gave brief talk on village cleanliness and instructed various people to rennovate/demolish present houses.
 9.00am Leave Embengwaning
 9.30am Met messenger from Pindiu on road, made arrangements with patrol Police and carriers and proceeded Pindiu, arrived 12.30

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OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS

The patrol was received quietly in both villages. The two villages were inspected - housing and sanitation was satisfactory, but it was suggested that some repairs be made. No complaints were brought forward, but general discussions were held from which several interesting points and opinions were discovered - see Embengwaning Aid Post and Pindiu Olidigu road comments below.

Both villages are concerned with coffee growing. Some gardens were inspected and coffee of a fair standard was observed. People from this area take their coffee to the Finschhafen Marketing and Development Society's buying point on the Huon Gulf coast at Butala - they appear to receive only small cash incomes from coffee, but the individual amounts do increase each year as more and more coffee is maturing and being processed.

Health in the area was also satisfactory. The Aid Post at Embengwaning is attended by people from Safifi, Bokasu, Beding and Gunazaking (all Kotte villages) - people from the Hube village of BONGGANKO also sometimes attend this Aid Post. A.P.O. KWEATINA appears a competent type. He complained about his medicine supplies and was particularly concerned about the small stocks of anti malarial medicine that he receives. The Aid Post itself was filthy. The people were instructed to build new shelves for the store room, and the A.P.O. was instructed to be more particular with the Aid Post's cleanliness. Reports that leprosy cases were resident in the two villages was investigated. No lepers are at present in the area, although several villagers have been sent to the leperousy centre at Ulu, for treatment.

Roads and bridges along the way were all of a reasonable standard. The road between Safifi and Embengwaning traverses steep sections, but the road is well graded.

Census Revision

As these villages are in the Kotte Consus Division, Tax-Census Sheets are held in the Sub-District Office at Finschhafen. Villagers were lined as per the old village books, but census figures were not compiled.

Council Projects

The patrol did not reach the villages (hube villages) where work on Council projects was to be commenced.

Councillor Barai mentioned that the Council should build a wire suspension bridge over the Mongi river on the road between Pindiu and Safifi. He pointed out that this road is used by a lot of people, and that a good site is available. The writer advised Barai to mention this at the Council meeting when the 1965-66 Estimates are discussed. Barai also asked that the mission school teacher at Safifi be included in the Councils intention to give pressure lamps to certain mission school teachers in the Council area. He was again advised to put this proposal before the Council.

EMBENGWANING Aid Post

The people from this area are keen to have an Aid Post of permanent materials built at Embengwaning. The present Post is used by people in both the Finschhafen and Pindiu Council areas. The idea is that both Councils should contribute to the construction of a new Aid Post.

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The Pindiu Council made provision for this combined project in its 1965 Estimates, and Finschhafen Council have also set aside money for the project. The writer advised Councillor Barai and others, to meet with the Finschhafen Councillor from a nearby Kotte village, and to decide when they wished to go ahead with the Aid Post's construction. It was suggested that both Councillors ask their respective Councils to commence work as soon as possible after the 1965-66 tax collection.

Proposed road - Pindiu to Oligidu (Bukaua Census Division)

During his recent Station inspection, A.D.C. Finschhafen suggested this route as an alternative to the originally intended route from Finschhafen via Sattelberg, Yungzain and Silimana. The Safifi people were made aware of his suggestion and showed interest in its practicability. They were aware of the intention to build a vehicular road along the coast from Lae to Finschhafen. Councillor Barai and other village leaders said that a route on the Safifi side of the Mongi river, which followed that river closely and eventually to the coast at Oligidu, would be a worthwhile one and one which would require only ~~in~~ one bridge, that being one over the Mongi river below the Pindiu Government Station. The writer reminded the people that the area between the Hube villages (on the Pindiu side of the Mongi) and Safifi (on the Finschhafen or eastern side) was largely uninhabited, and that labourers would have to come from the Pindiu area. The people didn't appear keen on having to establish temporary villages or road camps from which to work ~~from~~. This matter is to be discussed at greater lengths by the Pindiu L.G. Council at the March meeting. An Officer should inspect this area and assess the road building possibilities. From discussions with people on both sides of the Mongi river, it is obvious that people want the road. Without exception, they are anxious that an Officer investigates the area - many people offered their services as guides, carriers and so on.

S. Gibson

(S. Gibson)

Cadet Patrol Officer

Pindiu Patrol Post

12/3/65



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MOROBE Report No. PINDIU 4 of 64/65

Patrol Conducted by B. J. Kelly C. P. O.

Area Patrolled HUBE CENSUS DIVISION (in part only)

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives 2 Members R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration—From 22/3/1965 to 4/4/1965

Number of Days 14

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 4/1965

Medical/...../19.....

Map Reference 2milinch

Objects of Patrol Census Revision (first part of HUBE C. D.)

Council Projects, and General Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

14/5/65

Attapaby
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund £.....

67-2-26

June 9th, 1965.

The District Commissioner,
Marebe District,
LAE.

PINDIE PATROL REPORT No. 4/64-65

Receipt of the above report forwarded by your memorandum 67-2-10 of 13th May, 1965, is acknowledged.

2. This report has been read with interest and it is noted that matters of concern to other Departments have been referred to them. Mr. Kelly should have gained good experience on the patrol. He has demonstrated quite good powers of observation. Covering comments from the various officers concerned deal with the report quite adequately.

T.G. Aitchison
(T.G. AITCHISON)
A/Director

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M/GR

67-6-26 (17)



DEPARTMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION
18 MAY 1965
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams
Telephone
Our Reference 67-2-10
If calling ask for
Mr. Ashton/jgr

Department of District Administration,
District Office,
L A E.
13th May, 1965.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU

PINDIU PATROL REPORT NO. 4 of 1964/65

The above report submitted by Mr. B. Kelly,
Cadet Patrol Officer is forwarded for your information,
please.

Copies of covering memorandum from the
Officer-in-Charge, Pindiu and the Assistant District
Commissioner, Finschhafen adequately cover Mr. Kelly's
report.

Relevant extracts have been forwarded to
the Departments of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries,
Education and Public Health.

A.T. Timperley
(A.T. TIMPERLEY)
District Commissioner

- c.c. Officer-in-Charge, Pindiu
- c.c. Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen.

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Mr. K should have paid food expenses. He can
demand quite good amount of subsistence. Current
commute and other matters are adequate

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67-1-1

Patrol Post
PINDIU

8th April, 1965

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office
EINSCHAFEN

PATROL REPORT - PINDIU No. 4/64-65

The abovementioned Patrol Report submitted by Mr. B.J. Kelly CPO is forwarded in quadruplicate for your perusal, comment and forwarding to the District Commissioner.

This patrol was mounted to complete No. 3/64-65, which was interrupted by the transfer of Mr. Gibson CPO (ref. my 67-1-1 of 29th March and your 67-1-4 of 22nd March).

The report indicates that the objects of the patrol were accomplished and the information contained in it has been noted.

The census sheets are being held here until the rest of the Division is completed (ref. my 67-1-1 of 9th March and your 67-1-4 of 17th March).

Claims for camping allowance are attached.

F. B. Davlin
F. B. Davlin
Officer-in-Charge

GJH/LH

67-1-4

Dept. District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
PINDI,
Moroba District.

12th April, 1965.

The Officer-in-Charge,
Patrol Post,
PINDI.

PATROL REPORT - PINDI NO. 4/6-65

Receipt of the above report is acknowledged. The speedy submission of this report is appreciated, and your instructions to the patrolling officer are commendably clear and comprehensive.

There are, however, certain weaknesses in the report which I would like to see corrected in futures.

1. The preamble is poorly laid out and difficult to read. Show Mr. Kelly the correct presentation and underlining of headings.
2. A margin of 1 1/2" - 1 3/4" should be allowed.
3. The diary appears to be unnecessarily brief.
4. I feel that some sections of the report could have been more informative. For example, under the section on livestock it would be useful to know the reporting officer's view on developing the cattle industry. Under the 'Forests' section, I would like to know what types of timber are available, and whether the proposed Council sawmill will be in a position to supply local station requirements. Also whether there will be any limitations on the sizes of timber cut.

It would also be useful to know the actual percentage of the work force absent from the area visited.

5. The report on police personnel is usually presented as an appendix, a copy of which should be sent to the Commissioner of Police.

Mr. Kelly mentions in his section on agriculture that coffee production is not increasing greatly due to the difficulty of cartage to marketing points. In view of this, do you think it would be feasible to establish more localised coffee processing points manned by trained entrepreneurs? If the small producer can take his beans to a local processor who would be responsible for shipment to the main buyers, the transport problem may be eased somewhat.

Mr. B. KELLY
c.c. Patrol Reports

Mr. D. PATTI

Assistant District Commissioner

J.S. HOBB

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GJH/LH

67-1-4

Dept. District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
PINSCHAFEN,
Morobe District.

Mr. B. Kelly
Supt. Patrol Officer
PINDIU

12th April, 1965.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
L.A.E.

PATROL REPORT : PINDIU NO. 4/64-65

Please find attached the original and two copies of the above report submitted by Mr. B. Kelly, together with claims for camping allowance.

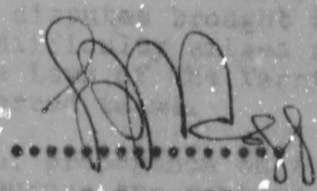
Copies of my comments to the O.I.C., Pindiu are attached to each report.

It would appear that economic development in this area relies largely on the establishment of basic development works such as roads. The allocation of £1500 by the Pindiu Council for roads construction indicates that an enthusiastic response to this work may be anticipated - at least initially. I am not yet aware of the extent of detailed roads survey work which has been done in the area, but intend to familiarise myself with this aspect when I visit the station in May.

In the last year F.M.D.S. alone purchased processed coffee to the value of £6060 at Pindiu. This is three times the amount purchased in the preceding twelve months. If a roads system will significantly encourage production, then its establishment is definitely a worthwhile economic proposition.

Apparently, the census of the Hube Census Division will not be completed until late June. The final figures will become available then.

For your information, comments, and forwarding please.



G.J. HOGG
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. Officer-in-Charge,
PINDIU



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply
Please Quote

No. 67-1-1

Patrol Post
PINDIU

18th March, 1965

Mr. B. Kelly
Cadet Patrol Officer
PINDIU

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

PINDIU PATROL No. 4-64/65

Please prepare to depart on patrol to the Mongi River area of the Hube Census Division on Monday 22nd March, 1965.

You will be accompanied by two members of the Pindiu Detachment R.P. & N.G.C. Arrange with the Clerk to draw rations for them.

This patrol will be a continuation of Pindiu No. 3-64/65 which was cancelled owing to the transfer of Mr. Gibson C.P.O. to Lae. The objects of the patrol will be :-

1. Census Revision

As the first step in the revision of census of the Hube Census Division, please revise the census in each village of the Mongi River area.

2. Council Projects

Projects in the area to be patrolled, include the construction of water tanks at Galeng, Gabu, Tiren and Besibung. Cement for the construction of pads for these tanks is now available. When the patrol reaches these places, send carriers to Pindiu to pick up the cement for their respective villages. Please supervise the construction of these pads. I will discuss the details of these projects with you prior to your departure.

3. General Administration

In addition, refer to Pp. 20-46 of the Departmental Standing Instructions Vol. 1 and compile sufficient information at each village to enable you to submit an informative report as set out in this volume.

Attempt to settle any minor disputes brought to your attention by arbitration, however, if any difficulty arises refer them to this office. Any offences against the Laws of the Territory or against Council Rules should also be referred to me.

Maintain a constant stream of propaganda on the activities of the Pindiu Council. To do this, encourage the members of the Executive Committee resident in the area to address each village after the census. Council Tax Patrols will be setting out after the Council Meeting on the 26th March. Ensure that this is well advertised. Make full use of any opportunity for informal discussions with individuals or groups of people to become familiar with the area and its problems.

In checking the health of the area, make use of the Aid Post Orderlies resident there. Remind the people of the necessity to

maintain as high a standard of sanitation as possible, any breaches of the Council Rules in this regard should be referred to me, however, insanitary latrines should be replaced during your visit.

The patrol should take approximately two weeks, however, on no account is it to be hurried. At least one night should be spent in each Rest House. I will probably join you after the Council Meeting on the 26th March, if it is convenient, you may return to the station for this meeting. Please don't hesitate to contact me at any time for any reason.

Good luck and a pleasant trip.

F. E. Haviland
(F. E. Haviland)
Officer-in-Charge

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DIARY OF ...

- 22-3-65. Arrived ...
- 23-3-65. Departed ...
- 24-3-65. Arrived ...
- 25-3-65. Departed ...
- 26-3-65. Arrived ...
- 27-3-65. Departed ...
- 28-3-65. Arrived ...
- 29-3-65. Departed ...
- 30-3-65. Arrived ...
- 31-3-65. Departed ...

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INTRODUCTION.

As stated, the objects of the patrol were Census revision, Council Projects and General Administration. The census of the Mongi River area of the HUBE Census Division was revised. This is the first of four patrols to be conducted by Mr. A.D.O. Haviland and myself for the revision of the complete HUBE Census Division. For this reason, the census figures are not contained in this report, as they will be forwarded when the census of the whole division is completed.

The Council projects referred to, were the construction of four concrete tank pads in the villages of GAIENG, BESIBONG, TIREK and GUBU. All four of the pads have been constructed, very little of the work being done by myself as the local inhabitants have a good knowledge of concreting procedures.

General Administration: There were a few minor complaints heard, but all were settled in the villages. Talks were given at all villages on the need for adequate sanitation as a safeguard to health, the work the Local Government Council has completed in the previous year, and its proposed programme for this year. The people were also urged to harvest all their coffee, and sell it to either NAMASU or F.M.D.S. The economic development of this area is not very great, due to the fact that only approximately one third of their coffee is harvested, which does not amount to a great deal. Their main reason for this is the long arduous walks they have to undertake to bring it to Pindiu, which is quite understandable. The Council, however, is attempting to alleviate this situation by laying aside almost £1500 for roads to be built through the area to the air-strip, and this was explained to the people, who were very enthusiastic about the idea.

The area patrolled is reascrably mountainous, with lush vegetation which is promoted by the fair amount of rain that falls in the area.

DIARY OF THE PATROL.

- 22-3-65. Departed PINDIU 0845 hrs.
Arrived BONGGANKO 1145 hrs.
Censused villagers, inspected village and gave talk on sanitation, Council work, and the need for greater economic development.
- 23-3-65 Departed BONGGANKO 0800 hrs.
Arrived HOMONENG 1000 hrs.
Census revised, and talk given as above.
- 24-3-65 Departed HOMONENG 0800 hrs.
Arrived SILIMANA (JOANGENG) 0930 hrs.
Raining too heavily for census to be done.
- 25-3-65 Censused SILIMANA and APONG and talk given as above.
Departed SILIMANA 1500 hrs.
Arrived KORBAU 1400 hrs.
- 26-3-65 Censused KORBAU and talk given as above.
Departed KORBAU 1400 hrs.
Arrived Gaieng 1530 hrs.
- 27-3-65 Censused GAIENG and talk given as above.
Constructed concrete tank stand.
Observed at GAIENG.
- 28-3-65 Departed GAIENG 0800 hrs.
Arrived Besibong 0915 hrs.
Censused BESIBONG and KOBIA and gave talks as above.
- 30-3-65 Constructed concrete tank stand.
31-3-65 Departed BESIBONG 0915 hrs.
Arrived BULU 1030 hrs.
Censused BULU and gave talks as above.
Departed BULU 1300 hrs.
Arrived GUBU 1400 hrs.
Constructed tank stand.

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DIARY OF THE PATROL (contd.)

- 1-4-65. Censused GUBU and talks given as above
Departed GUBU 1230 hrs.
Arrived TIREN 1330 hrs.
Constructed tank stand.
- 2-4-65 Censused TIREN and talks given as above
Departed TIREN 1200 hrs.
Arrived MAGEDZETZU 1300 hrs.
Census MAGEDZETZU and talk given as above.
- 3-4-65 Departed MAGEDZETZU 0800 hrs.
Arrived GEMAHENG 0900 hrs.
Censused GEMAHENG and talk given as above.
- 4-4-65 Departed GEMAHENG 0800 hrs.
Arrived WAGEZALING 0950 hrs.
Censused BANTAN and talk given as above.
Departed WAGEZALING 1130 hrs.
Arrived BWAKUGU 1135 hrs.
Censused BWAKUGU and talk given as above.
Departed BWAKUGU 1130 hrs.
Arrived PINDU 1530 hrs.

END OF DIARY.

GENERAL COMMENTS

On the whole, the people here are friendly and helpful. They are well dressed and clean. The houses are built on stilts. The people here are very friendly and helpful. They are well dressed and clean. The houses are built on stilts. The people here are very friendly and helpful. They are well dressed and clean. The houses are built on stilts.

GENERAL COMMENTS (contd.)

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This lack of transport, however, should be overcome. The roads are very poor. The people here are very friendly and helpful. They are well dressed and clean. The houses are built on stilts.

RECEPTION OF PATROL.

Without exception, the patrol was received with great enthusiasm at all villages. The patrol would be welcomed at the entrance to each village by a high fence of bamboo stretched across the track. As soon as the fence was reached, the patrol would stop and the village Pastor, standing behind the fence, would say some prayers, the fence would be torn down, and the patrol would be led to the rest house by a band of men, adorned and "sing-singing". A sing-sing would be held at night, and some of the older women would present me with a string-bag or other small present.

This great enthusiasm would, to some extent, I think, be due to the fact that there is not more than one patrol a year to most of these places.

VILLAGES.

The standard and type of village housing is dealt with in Appendix "A".

All villages are situated on top of a mountain, or on top of a ridge. They are extremely cold at night, but are situated close to the gardens, and also to a permanent supply of water. The sanitation and hygiene is of quite a high standard although in some places, pig excreta was noticed, even though there was no sign of the pigs. These people were told that all pigs should be fenced off from the village as they can be a danger to health. Most latrines were fly-proofed, and those whose were not, were told to do so.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

On the whole, the committee members encountered from the villages were quite keen on their jobs, although some of the older ones perhaps lacked a little energy but nevertheless were quite efficient. A list of them is attached as Appendix "B". Unfortunately, all the Councillors were absent at a meeting, and later on the tax collection patrols, so I did not have a chance of meeting any of them.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

The KUBE peoples main problem seems to be a reasonably poor economy. This is due to the fact that they are not prepared to carry any great amount of coffee to FINDIU or to the beach to sell to the various buyers. This attitude seems quite understandable when you consider some of the country over which some of them have to walk to bring the coffee to these places. The result of this is that they sell only enough to cater for their immediate needs, while continuing with the same standard of living. For this reason, there have been some previous outbreaks of cargo cults in the area, but this does not seem to have occurred in the area patrolled, and is certainly not now evident.

This lack of transport, however, should be overcome by the Councils decision to establish roads in the area, and once there is some means of transportation available to them, their economy should certainly develop rapidly.

The Mission is represented in each village by a Pastor, there is quite a substantial village church and the natives treat their religion very seriously. Prayer sessions are held each evening and twice on Sunday. There was one query raised, though, as to why the Administration schools were free whereas

the students at Mission schools had to buy their books and pencils, and why the Mission did not help the people in various other ways such as agriculture, like the Administration did. There was also a complaint that the Mission did nothing materially for the people, but made them pay for things like Baptisms.

There is quite a high percentage of adult males absent at work in the various centres. But not so many that their families and the elderly people are not well looked after.

AGRICULTURE.

There is an ample supply of the subsistence crops, Taro, Sweet Potato, and Yams, which are also sold on the station, but not in any great quantity. There was a point raised, however, that if a market was started at PINDIU, they would be quite prepared to bring the food in, but there are not enough personnel on the station to warrant the opening of a market.

There are also potatoes, beans, cabbages, onions, oranges, passionfruit, pumpkin, and cucumbers grown, but these do not contribute greatly to the general meals. The people would however be prepared to cultivate these crops more if there was anyone willing to purchase them.

The main cash crop is coffee which is not grown or harvested to any large degree for the reason mentioned before.

LIVESTOCK.

There is a small amount of cattle and some goats in the area, but they do not figure prominently in either the cash or subsistence economy.

FORESTS.

There is a large amount of timber in the area and the council has bought a large saw and a sawmill is being set up for the purpose of cutting this timber.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

Each village has a small trade store run by one of the Councillors, Namasu or F.M.D.S.

The only other commercial activity undertaken by the people is a small amount of hand milling of timber for use in constructions at PINDIU or on Council projects.

COMPLAINTS.

There were several minor complaints brought to my notice during the patrol, which were settled in the villages.

REST HOUSES.

These are dealt with in Appendix "C".

CARRIERS.

No difficulty arose in obtaining carriers, although it was noticeable that the men did not seem too anxious to carry and left as much as possible to the women. Carrying is on a village to village basis.

HEALTH.

The general health of the area is quite good. Pneumonia would be the most common sickness, where the Lutheran Medical Assistant at the WAGEZALING hospital has most of his beds taken up by these patients. There is very little malaria in the area and the only other thing encountered was a couple of cases of bad tropical ulcers which were immediately dispatched to the hospital for treatment.

There are Administration Aid Posts at SILIMANA (JOANGENG), GAIENG, BULU and MAGADZETZU and BULU which cater for the area, the A.P.O.'s being quite conscientious and doing a good job.

There is a Lutheran Mission Hospital at WAGEZALING containing ninety beds, which caters for a large area, and appears to be doing so quite efficiently. Any serious cases are sent by plane to Lae.

EDUCATION.

There are several Mission schools meeting the needs of the area. These are dealt with in Appendix "D". They are quite well attended. There is also an Administration school at PINDIU which is attended by children from the area.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

There are no vehicular roads at Pindiu yet, all travelling being done on foot. During the patrol, much heavy rain fell, as a result of which many of the tracks were a quagmire. On the whole though, the tracks were of a good standard even though some of them were situated in quite difficult country. There was only one bridge encountered, this being across the MONGI River between PINDIU and BONGGANKO. This bridge was put in several years by the Council, and is still in good order.

MISSIONS.

The only Mission establishment in the area is at WAGEZALING where they have established a Hospital. This Hospital contains ninety beds. The patients are treated for all types of illnesses, although the more serious cases are sent to Lae or Madang by plane.

LABOUR.

The employers of labour are the Administration and the Mission, but the number employed is small. Most young men are employed in the larger towns like Lae, Rabaul, Madang, and Wau.

PERSONAL TAX.

During the patrol, the Council tax patrol was also in progress. The amount of tax paid was £1 for male adults and 1/- for females, which will carry the Council through until the end of the financial year.

This is not a large amount for the people of this area to pay, and when told of the Council projects for this year, they were quite happy to pay it.

CENSUS.

As this patrol was to census only a part of the HUBE Census Division, and there will be more patrols to complete the Division, the census figures are being held over until the whole Division has been censused.

PERSONNEL.

Two members of the R.P. & N.G.C. accompanied the patrol. Const. BOBIHINAL Reg. No. 11188, a young policeman, keen and efficient. Const. BUGA Reg. No. 8971, also keen but lacks a certain amount of intelligence, however a great help.

Appendix "A".

VILLAGE HOUSING.

PLACE	TYPE OF HOUSING.	STANDARD.
BONGGANKO	Native Material	Clean, housing good, sanitation adequate.
HOMONENG	" "	Clean, sanitation adequate.
SILIMANA (JOANGENG)	" "	Housing good, sanitation adequate.
KORBAU	" "	Housing good, sanitation adequate.
GAIENG	" "	Clean, housing good, sanitation adequate.
Besibong	" "	HOUSING fair, sanitation fair.
BULU	" "	Housing good, sanitation adequate.
GUBU	" "	Housing fair, sanitation adequate.
TIREN	" "	Housing good, sanitation fair.
MAGEDZETZU	" "	Housing good, sanitation good.
CEMAHENG	" "	Housing fair, sanitation adequate.
BWAKUGU	" "	Housing good, sanitation good.

Appendix "B".

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

PLACE	DESIGNATION	NAME	COMMENTS
BONGGANKO	Councillor	BARAI	From Safifi village. Absent at Council meeting.
	Committee	DIWASONG	Quite keen and efficient.
HOMCNENG	Councillor	BARAI	
	Committee	DIUMBA	Lacks authority, otherwise tries to be helpful
SILIMANA (JOANGENG)	Councillor	YAMBIA	From Gaieng village. Absent at Council meeting.
	Committee	ULANDINGA GONZA	Conscientious and efficient Efficient, with influence.
AFONG	Council Committee	YAMBAIA HAINAU	Loyal and efficient.
KORBAU	Council Committee	YAMBAIA FOIYE YONGE MANDUSA	Interested and helpful Efficient Lacks authority, but tries hard.
GAIENG	COUNCILLOR Committee	YAMBAIA GIANGI WENES	Loyal and efficient. Absent at Goroka.
BESIBONG	Councillor Committee	SIMONGI MAGUA SIMBALA SOMETI KUMBOS	President of the Council Keen, but not too intelligent Quite efficient. Of NEGUBA hamlet. Keen and efficient. Of BSIANDA hamlet. Interested and tries hard.
KOPIA	Councillor Committee	TIMULA SIMONGI GENCA KUVING	Of GENAN hamlet. Absent Loyal and efficient. Lacks authority,
BULU	Councillor Committee	LELE WALIONG	From TIREN village. absent at Council meeting. Efficient with influence

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GUBU	Councillor Committee	LEKE MUNDJAI	Absent at Wau.
TIREN	Councillor Committee	LEKE GEFONG	Loyal and efficient.

Appendix "C"

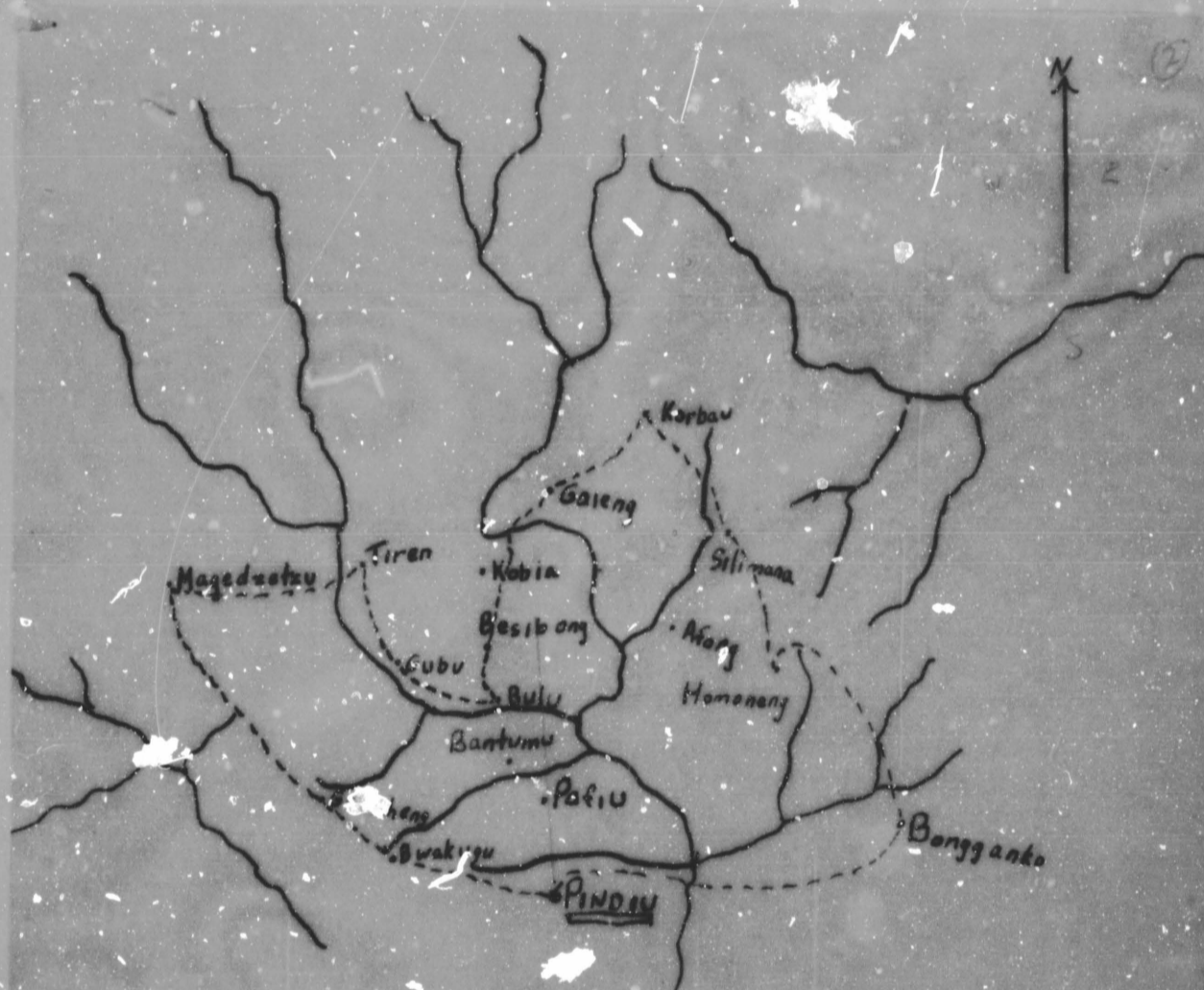
REST HOUSES.

PLACE	CONDITION	DISTANCES.
BONGGANKO	Good	3 hrs. from PINDIU 2 hrs. from HOMONENG
HOMONENG	Good	2 hrs. from BONGGANKO 2 hrs. from SILIMANA (JOANGENG)
SILIMANA (JOANGENG)	Good	2 hrs from HOMONENG 2 hrs. from KORBAU
KORBAU	Good	2 hrs. from SILIMANA 2 hrs. from GAIENG
GAIENG	Good	2 hrs. from KORBAU 2 hrs. from BESIBONG
BESIBONG	Good	2 hrs. from GAIENG $\frac{1}{2}$ hr. from BULU
BULU	Fair	$\frac{1}{2}$ hr. from BESIBONG $1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. from GUBU
GUBU	Good	$1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. from BULU 1 hr. from TIREN.
TIREN	Good	1 hr. from GUBU 1 hr. from MAGEDZETZU
MAGEDZETZU	Good	1 hr. from TIREN 1 hr. from GEMAHENG
GEMAHENG	Good	1 hr. from MAGEDZETZU $1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. from PWANGGU.

Appendix "D"

VILLAGE SCHOOLS.

PLACE	TYPE	No. of children attending	Language taught	Classes taught
JOANGENG	MISSION	50 (approx.)	ENGLISH	STANDARDS 1 and 2
KORBAU	MISSION	35	KOTTE	STANDARD 1
GAIENG	MISSION	37	KOTTE	STANDARD 1
BESIBONG	MISSION	33	ENGLISH	PREP.
GUBU	MISSION	38	KOTTE	STANDARD 1
TIREN	MISSION	30	ENGLISH	STANDARD 2



LEGEND

1 INCH = 2 MILES

--- AIR ROUTE

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MOROBE Report No. PINDIU No 7 64/65

Patrol Conducted by B. J. KELLY C.P.O.

Area Patrolled DEDUA CENSUS DIVISION (in part only)

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans A.D.O. F.E. HAVILAND (1 1/2 days)

Natives 1 Member R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration—From 4/5/1965 to 14/5/1965

Number of Days 11

Did Medical Assistant Accompany NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 1/2/1964

Medical/...../19.....

Map Reference 2 Mil inch

Objects of Patrol CENSUS REVISION.....GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

27/6/65

At the [Signature]
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund £.....

67-6-31

6th July, 1965.

District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.

PINDIV PATROL REPORT NO. 7/64-65

Receipt is acknowledged of a patrol report by Mr. Kelly covered by your memorandum 67-2-19 of 22nd June, 1965.

2. Your comments and those of Mr. Hogg have been noted and I agree with the remarks about road work.

3. These informal discussions held with the people will definitely help them to understand more about the House of Assembly and other aspects of Government.

4. A good patrol.

F. G. Aitchison,
A/DIRECTOR.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference: 67-2-19

If calling ask for

Mr. Ashton/jgr

Department of District Administration,
District Office,
L A E ... Morobe District.
22nd June, 1965.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDORU

PINDIU PATROL NO. 7 of 1964/65

The above patrol report submitted by Mr. B.J. Kelly, Cadet Patrol Officer of a section of the Dedua Census Division is forwarded herewith. The remainder of the Dedua area was patrolled by Mr. F.A. Haviland, Officer-in-Charge of Patrol Post, Pindiu. Mr. Kelly's patrol was of an uncomplicated nature and calls for little comment.

I firmly agree with the Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen, Mr. G. Hogg, that the people should not be encouraged to build roads unless a thorough survey has been carried out beforehand.

I note under the heading of Education that Mr. Kelly advised all parents to send their children to school. I am wondering whether this information may, in fact, have been in the best interests as it is more than likely that the schools have their full quota of students. It is quite possible that teachers are, as elsewhere, in short supply.

Extracts from the report have been forwarded to the District Agricultural Officer and the Department of Public Health.

c.c. Assistant District
Commissioner,
Finschhafen.

A.T. Timperley
(A.T. TIMPERLEY)
District Commissioner

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Patrol Post
PINDIU

22nd May, 1965

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office
FINSCHAFEN

PINDIU PATROL REPORT no. 7-64/65

DEDUA CENSUS DIVISION

Four copies of the abovementioned patrol report submitted by Mr. B.J. Kelly G.P.O. are attached for your perusal, comment and forwarding please.

Copies of Mr. Kelly's instructions (ny 67-1-1 of 29.4.65) which explain why this patrol was mounted are also attached. This report should be read in conjunction with the Native Situation report accompanying Pindiu P/R 6-64/65 (ny 67-1-1 of 14.5.65).

The census figures obtained with considerable difficulty by both patrols have been consolidated and submitted with Mr. Kelly's report (ny 14-1-1 of 14.5.65 refers). These figures, of course, relate only to those villages included in the Pindiu Local Government Council area and do not include the Dedua Division villages in the Finschhafen Council area.

The points raised in the report have been noted. Contingencies for Camping Allowance are attached.

P. H. Daviland
P. H. Daviland
Officer-in-Charge

GJH/LH

67-1-4

Dept. District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
PINSCHAFEN,
Morobe District.

4th June, 1965.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
L.A.S.

PINDIU PATROL NO. 7 - 6/65
MR. B. KELLY, C.P.O.

Please find enclosed a report on the above-mentioned patrol conducted by Mr. B. Kelly, C.P.O..

The patrol was of a routine nature and requires little further comment.

However, the question of a road from SIWEA to the coast raises certain problems. I am personally against any road construction unless it can be continuously supervised, and have no wish to see the people commence construction until a road feasibility survey has been conducted. If the proposed road site is found to be satisfactory, then the route should be surveyed and pegged before work commences. I consider that the Administration can involve itself in basic developmental works to this extent without necessarily committing itself to financial aid or assuming responsibility for the completion of the road.

Little enough work has been initiated by the people of the area, and it would be a pity to let them go ahead on a project which could be a waste of effort.

I will therefore instruct the O.I.C. Pindiu to try to have the people hold off on this project until a proper road feasibility survey can be conducted. With proper preliminary advice and instruction, Mr. Kelly should be able to do this job in August/September when he returns from Pt. Moresby. Alternatively, Mr. Hughes could handle this project after the Pindiu Council elections. Do you have any comments?

The census revision in the Dedua has been complicated by the disappearance of one of the Tax-Census Registers. I will see Mr. Matheson about this when he returns from patrol.

Mr. Kelly is to be congratulated on the obvious effort put into this patrol, and on the standard of reporting.

Claims for camping allowance are attached.

For your attention, please.

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U.S. BOGG

Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. O.I.C., PINDIU.
Mr. B. Kelly, C.P.O., PINDIU.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply
Please Quote

No. 67-1-1

Patrol Post
PINDIU

29th April, 1965

Mr. B. Kelly,
Cadet Patrol Officer
PINDIU

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

PINDIU PATROL No. 7-64/65

As you are aware, it has been decided that an Adult Education course will be held at Pindiu from the 10th May. As a result of this I will now be unable to complete the revision of the Dedua Division census as planned in the patrol program. In an attempt to salvage this program and complete the census revision of the Pindiu area this financial year, I have decided to call upon your assistance to complete the Dedua Division census as soon as possible.

Therefore, please prepare to depart on patrol on Monday, 3rd May. You will accompany me to Masa village, the point reached by my present patrol when we returned to Pindiu for the visit of the Acting Director. I will then proceed in a clockwise direction around the Dedua via Faseu, Morago and Yamanzako. You will take one of my patrol Policemen and proceed in an anticlockwise direction via Kingfaringau, Zagahemi and Longafifi. The objects of your patrol will be:-

1. Census Revision

Complete the census revision of all villages visited. If the Tax/Census sheets have not been returned from Finschhafen by the time we depart, make out new ones, using the old village Registers which are still held in these villages. In this case the census revision will have to be based on the 1961 census, the last one done with the old books. I will show you the procedure when we get to Masa.

2. General Administration

Attempt to settle any minor disputes brought forward. Anything of a serious or contentious nature should be referred to me. Maintain a constant stream of propoganda on the activities of the Council and the Administration. In particular, publicise this Adult Education course. If anyone is interested (apparently married couples are required) arrange for them to come in to Pindiu about Saturday or Sunday 8th or 9th May. Include in your report a summary of the types and conditions of all tracks traversed by your patrol for the information of this office.

Should any problems or difficulties arise dont hesitate to contact me by runner.

Please note the comments of the A.D.C. Finschhafen on the presentation of your last report and keep them in mind when writing this one.

I will be returning to the station on Saturday, 3th May to prepare for the Adult Education course. We may not have finished the Census revision by then, in which case, carry on until it is complete.

F. E. Haviland
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(F. E. Haviland)

PINDIU PATROL POST
FINSCHHAFEN SUB DISTRICT
MOROBE DISTRICT.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
FINSCHHAFEN.

PATROL REPORT PINDIU No. 7 of 64/65.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

B. J. KELLY C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED

DEDUA CENSUS DIVISION
(in part only)

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING
THE PATROL.

A.D.O. F.E. HAVILAND. (1 1/2 days)
CONST I/C ZANZA (1 1/2 days)
CONST MIUAT Reg. No. 9526

DURATION OF PATROL

4-5-65 to 14-5-65
11 Days.

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA

D.D.A. February 1964
D.A.S.F.
P.H.D.

OBJECTS OF THE PATROL

- 1. CENSUS REVISION.
- 2. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Brian J. Kelly
BRIAN J. KELLY
CADET PATROL OFFICER.

INTRODUCTION

This patrol was a continuation of Pindiu Patrol No. 6 of 64/65 mounted by Mr. F.E. Haviland A.D.O. Pindiu, which was cut short by the Adult Education Course held at Pindiu from 10-5-65 to 15-5-65.

The area visited was part of the area of the Dedua Census Division under the control of the Pindiu Native Local Government Council.

The objects of the patrol were; a) Census Revision, and b) General Administration. The census was revised for all villages visited, although the task was made harder by the fact that the Dedua Tax/Census Register, which is normally held at Pindiu but was forwarded to the Supervising Officer of the Pinschhafen Local Government Council for use in Council elections there (part of the Dedua being under this Council) and was not returned by him despite requests to do so, thus necessitating the compilation of a new Tax/Census register based on the 1961 census in the old Village Registers.

This area comprises coastal ranges and two valleys formed by the MASAWING and TEMAI rivers. For the most part, the main type of vegetation is rain forest, although there are areas of ^{Kunai} grasslands.

PATROL DIARY

- 4-4-65 Departed PINDIU 0815 hrs.
Arrived SILIMANA 1045 hrs.
Departed SILIMANA 1100 hrs.
Arrived GUNAROSING 1500 hrs.
Raining heavily, and no carriers available so stayed overnight.
- 5-5-65 Departed GUNAROSING 0630 hrs.
Arrived MASA 0830 hrs.
Censused MASA and Mr. Haviland spoke of the Adult Education Course to be held at Pindiu.
Departed MASA 1130 hrs. - myself for KINGFARINAU, Mr. Haviland for MOPAGO.
Arrived KINGFARINAU 1330 hrs. and held informal discussions with some of the villagers.
Overnight.
- 6-5-65 Censused KINGFARINAU and HOMPUA and gave them talks on Council works and the Adult Education Course.
Departed KINGFARINAU 1230 hrs.
Arrived ZAGAHEMI 1430 hrs.
Informal discussions with some of the villagers.
Overnight.
- 7-5-65 Censused ZAGAHEMI and gave talks on Council works and the Adult Education course.
Departed ZAGAHEMI 1300 hrs.
Arrived ZONGAFIFI 1400 hrs.
Informal talks with some of the villagers.

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PATROL DIARY (contd.)

- 8-5-65 Censused ZONGAFIFI and gave them talks on Council works and the Adult Education course. Departed ZONGAFIFI 1200 hrs. Arrived YAMANZAKO 1330 hrs. Informal talks with some of the villagers
- 9-5-65 Censused YAMANZAKO and ZOROGO and gave talks on Council works. Overnight.
- 10-5-65 Heard two minor complaints. Departed YAMANZAKO 0950 hrs. Arrived ZUNZUMAU 1030 hrs. Heard land dispute between ZUNZUMAU and SIWEA. Overnight.
- 11-5-65 Censused ZUNZUMAU and gave talk on Council works. Departed ZUNZUMAU 1300 hrs. and inspected land in question en route to SIWEA. Arrived SIWEA 1600 hrs. Told parties from ZUNZUMAU and SIWEA of previous discussions on the dispute recorded in the old Village Register and discussed the matter further with them. An agreement was reached by all parties concerned. Overnight.
- 12-5-65 Censused REBAFU and ORARAKO and gave talk on Council works. Overnight.
- 13-5-65 Censused SIWEA. Departed SIWEA 1000 hrs. Arrived KOROMANA (a hamlet of ZUNZUMAU) 1100 hrs. Departed KOROMANA 1115 hrs. Arrived MORAGO 1345 hrs. Heavy rain commenced and no carriers available so stayed overnight.
- 14-5-65 Departed MORAGO 0800 hrs. Arrived GAIENG 1000 hrs. Departed GAIENG 1115 hrs. Arrived PINDIU 1500 hrs.

END OF DIARY.

RECEPTION OF PATROL

The patrol received a most enthusiastic welcome at all villages visited. Similar to the reception at Hube villages, the patrol was met at the entrance to each village by a large crowd adorned with the regalia of a singsing, a prayer was said by the village pastor and then the patrol was escorted to the rest house by the singsing. String bags were also presented at each village.

VILLAGES.

All villages visited had quite a high standard of housing. There are various types of materials used in the construction of these houses, the main ones being a roofing material of kunai, pitpit, sago leaves, bamboo leaves or pandanus leaves. Walls are constructed of hand sawn planks, bark or woven bamboo, and floors of sawn planks, bark or strips of bamboo.

Like houses in the coastal villages, houses here are raised off the ground on stilts varying in height from a foot or so to about three feet. During the cold nights, the houses are heated by fires situated on the floor in the middle of the house, most houses having only one room.

The majority of houses are situated on ridges or mountain peaks necessitating long walks to the nearest water supply. To some extent this situation has been helped by the Pindiu Council putting in thousand gallon water tanks in some of the higher villages, and there are a further 23 to be put in this year in some villages of the Hube and Dedua.

The hygiene and sanitation of the area is quite satisfactory. All villages were clean and tidy and gave the appearance of always being well looked after. Some villages have areas of grass planted in them, which looks most attractive.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

All villages officials met, both the Councillors and their Committees, were keen and conscientious about their jobs and are eager for their area to develop economically.

All councillors seem to have quite a deal of influence in their respective wards.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

There is a tendency among the Councillors and village committees to settle all disputes themselves rather than bring them to the proper authorities. It was explained to all that this is not a satisfactory solution to troubles that arise. The people were told that any minor troubles that come up can be settled among themselves, but any breaches of the law must be brought before the A.D.O. Pindiu.

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There was also a great deal of enthusiasm among the people for a proposed road to be built from SIWEA to the coast between WANDOKAI, where there is an F.M.D.S. bulk store and coffee buying point, and WALINAI, where there is a Namasu bulk store and coffee buying point.

It is not known where this idea originated, but it has been encouraged by Namasu, who, the natives claim, have promised them a "car", whether this be jeep, truck or what, is not known, when the road is completed. However the people are talking about extending the road along the coast as far as SIALUM, which is what Namasu wishes, and the people have not been told whether the "car" will be forthcoming when the road reaches the coast, or SIALUM.

The main driving force behind the people are Councillors Hovi and Yembanga who seem to be doing all the organizing. As yet, the road has not been started, and certainly no one with any knowledge of road-building has surveyed or marked the route.

As far as I was concerned, I told the people that they could go right ahead and build the road, but they must be careful of the pitfalls which they will encounter.

The main difficulty which will arise of course is labour. There is a large percentage of adult males absent at work both inside and outside the district. Also, a large area of the coast between WANDOKAI and SIALUM is unpopulated and this will pose a problem, both when building the road, and also when maintaining it. The labourers, also, will receive no pay, and there will be an acute shortage of tools and equipment, unless, of course, Namasu ~~is~~ intends to come forward with some.

My own idea, is that if they wish to build the road, they can do so, providing they do not neglect their existing duties in their village and gardens, and providing they are careful that when building it, they take care that it will be suitable for a car, if and when they get one.

AGRICULTURE

The usual subsistence crops are cultivated, taro and taro kongkong being the main one, also sweet potato and yam are grown in lesser quantities.

There is also quite a large amount of European vegetables grown, potatoes, onions, cabbages, corn, beans, and also passionfruit, pineapple, bananas, and oranges. These are not, however, used

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to any great extent in the general subsistence pattern.

The only cash crop grown is coffee. There are approximately 26,000 trees of varying stages of growth in the area. A breakup on village basis is shown in Appendix "A". On the whole, the planting of coffee is done on a communal basis, but there are also a few individual plantings.

All coffee is carried to the coast, where it is sold to either F.M.D.S. at WANDOKAI, or Namasu at WALINGAI. This involves a rather arduous walk for some, with the result that only a small percentage of the beans are harvested. This, however, is being overcome to some extent by the entrepreneur system which has been introduced by the Agricultural Officer, Pindiu, and so far has shown pleasing results.

LIVESTOCK.

There is a quantity of livestock in the area. Mainly cattle, but there are also a few goats, and some sheep.

There are approximately 60 to 65 cattle in the area, 35 of these being at ZONGAFIFI. There is not a great deal of natural food available, mainly Lunai, but the Agricultural Officer, Pindiu has introduced Guinea grass, Para grass and Centrocema and is now developing Molasses grass at Pindiu, the seeds of which will be distributed shortly.

There appear to be great possibilities for the cattle industry here but the people do not seem to be too keen to develop it more, mainly due to money. Formerly, they paid £25 a head for cattle but they say that they have now been told by the Agricultural Officer, Finschhafen that the price has risen to £38 a head. This they feel to be too expensive and beyond their means. However, they were encouraged to club together if they wished to buy more.

At ZONGAFIFI there does not seem to be a need to purchase any more cattle as the number already there, 35, is a good basis to establish a large herd.

So far, the cattle play very little part in the subsistence pattern, being reserved for ceremonial occasions only.

The ZONGAFIFI natives, however, have the intention of building up their herd, so that they can kill regularly, and this idea was encouraged everywhere by the patrol.

FORESTS.

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EXCERPTS.FORESTS.

There were no stands of timber sighted which would warrant the setting up of a sawmill. There was some talk in 1961 of setting up a mill at the mouth of the MASAWENG RIVER, and cutting timber higher up, and floating it down, but this idea was abandoned with the realization that this would not be an economic proposition due to the small amount of timber in the area.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

Trade Stores were sighted in almost every village. There are, however, very few items available for sale and it is doubtful if very much profit is made from them.

No other commercial activity is undertaken by the people.

COMPLAINTS.

Due to the tendency of the people to have all their complaints settled by the village committees, there were only two minor complaints brought before the patrol. One was a small debt, the other a dispute between husband and wife. Both were settled amicably.

There was also a land dispute between SIWEA and ZUNZUMAU, which had been heard before in 1956, by a Patrol Officer from FINSCHHAFEN. The disputants were told that if they wished to have this case heard before a court, it would have to go before the Land Commission in Lee, and this might not be heard for several years. Discussions were held, and it was decided that the decision made in 1956, that the land was owned jointly by both villages, was a satisfactory arrangement, and they would plant Taro Kongkong together on the land.

There were no courts serious enough to be brought into Pindiu.

HEALTH.

Health in this area seems quite good. There were several cases of pneumonia sighted and one or two tropical ulcers, but these were being looked after by the Aid Post Orderlies, who do a keen and conscientious job in the area.

There is also a hospital in the area situated at SALIAU, midway between SIWEA, REBAFU and ORARAKO, which has been constructed by the people of these villages. The hospital is staffed by

two medical orderlies, who were trained at Buangi Mission Hospital for several years and an Infant Welfare Nurse who runs a clinic there and who was trained at Buangi for four years after obtaining Standard 6 at Dregerhafen Girls School. This Hospital is well run, and receives money from the local congregation and medical supplies from Wagezaling Mission Hospital.

EDUCATION.

The area is served by one Administration Primary "T" School at YUNGZAIN, staffed by three teachers with an enrollment of over 100 pupils.

There are also Mission schools at almost every village teaching Prep and Standard I or Class I with a total enrollment of about 300 pupils.

It would be pleasing to see more children attending these schools, and parents were asked, in the interests of their children, to send as many as possible to school regularly. I think these schools could absorb more pupils without much strain being put on accommodation or the teachers.

There are also a number of students from the Dodua attending Dregerhafen Boys and Girls Schools.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The standard of walking tracks varied from place to place. Some were of a good standard while others were definitely of a very poor standard. A full summary of them appears in Appendix "B".

It would not appear very difficult to construct a vehicular road from Pindia to NASA via SILIMANA and GUNABOSING where it would follow a ridge most of the way. Also the proposed road from SIWEA to the coast does not seem to be too difficult. There are however, some places, like KINGFARINAU to HOMPUA, ZONGAFI'I to YAMANZAK, to ZUNZUMAU where many difficulties would arise, in fact it would be almost impossible to build to these places.

MISSIONS.

The Lutheran Mission has spread its influence throughout this area, its headquarters being at Sattelberg, with two main centres at GUNABOSING and ZUNZUMAU. There is a church situated in each village, which is regularly attended by the majority of the people.

Meetings of the congregation are held regularly at GUNABOSING, ZUNZUMAU or SILIMANA.

AIRFIELDS.

In 1963, a patrol conducted by Agricultural Officers encouraged the people to look for possible air/sites in the area. Two sites were found, one at TURU, a hamlet of NASA, the other at between RIBAFU and ORARAKO. It was explained to them in a later D.N.A. patrol that no assistance could be expected from the Administration in the construction of these strips as improvements are needed on existing strips, and no extra money would be available. The people seem to have accepted this explanation and have now given up this idea in favour of the new road to the coast.

CENSUS.

The census figures for the Dedua are enclosed with this report.

All figures quoted, apart from GUNABOSING Village, are based on the 1961 figures available in the old Village Registers. The reason for this, as stated before, is that the census books for last year had not been returned by the Supervising Officer of the Finschhafen Local Government Council.

The overall percentage of the male workforce absent at work in the various centres is approximately 37.4%, although in some places it is much higher than this.

There has been a total of 370 births since 1961, as against 137 deaths, and the total population of the whole area has risen to 4,132.

APPENDIX "A"

DEDUA COFFEE TREES

VILLAGE	IMMATURE 1003	MATURE	TOTAL
YUNGZAIN		12,432	13,426
GUNABOSING	174	3519	3693
PASEU	163	9496	9659
MORAGO	2401	10,207	12608
WASA	303	15,802	16,105
KINGPARINAU	NIL	9,896	9,896
HOMPUA	80	2,303	2,383
ZAGAHEMI	7391	8,239	15,630
ZONGAFIFI	NIL	5,599	5,599
ZOROGO	NIL	2123	2,123
YAMANZ/KO	NIL	7,927	7,927
ZUNZUMAU	NIL	6,693	6,693
SIWEA	204	9,750	9,954
REBAFU	NIL	2,837	2,837
ORARAKO	2,811	5,514	8,325
TOTALS	14,650	112,333	126,983

SIWEA to MORAGO
quite good, but a steep descent.

MORAGO to GAINING
more again fairly rough - steep ascent followed by a steep descent.

GAINING to PINDIU
is extremely rough track - very hard walking all the way.

APPENDIX "B"

REMARKS

The patrol was accompanied by Const. HARRY BROWN, who is a keen and experienced collector, although very quiet and does not speak his thoughts as they occur.

A copy of these comments has been sent to the Commissioner of Police, Singapore.

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APPENDIX "B"

WALKING TRACKS

PIEDIU to SILIMANA

Track good - suitable for building vehicular roads.

SILIMANA to GUNABOSING

Track good, although a mass of roots in parts - suitable for building vehicular road.

GUNABOSING to MASA

Track quite good, although hilly - suitable for building vehicular road.

MASA to KINGFARINAU

Track good - uneasy walk - suitable for building vehicular road.

KINGFARINAU to ZAGAHEMI

Track good - suitable for building vehicular road.

ZAGAHEMI to ZONGAFIFI

Track good - suitable for building vehicular roads.

ZONGAFIFI to YAMANZAKO

A real bush track - hard walking all the way - not suitable for building vehicular road.

YAMANZAKO to ZUNZUMAU

Fairly rough track - not suitable for building vehicular road.

ZUNZUMAU to SIWEA

Fairly rough in parts, otherwise quite reasonable - not really suitable for building vehicular road.

SIWEA to MORAGO

quite good, but a steep descent.

MORAGO to GAYENG

Once again fairly rough - steep ascent followed by a steep descent.

GAYENG to PINDIU

An extremely rough bush track - very hard walking all the way.

APPENDIX "C"

PERSONNEL

The patrol was accompanied by Const MIUAT Reg. No. 9526, who is a keen and conscientious policeman, although very quiet and does not assert his authority to any great extent.

A copy of these comments has been sent to the Commissioner of Police, Honedobu.



LEGEND
 1 INCH = 2 MILES.

 WALKER'S
 TASK



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of **MOLBOBE** Report No. **PTADIU No. 8 of 64/65**

Patrol Conducted by **B. J. KELLY C.P.C.**

Area Patrolled **HUAB CENSUS DIVISION KUA RIVER VALLEY**

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans **NIL**

Natives **I MEMBER R.P.A.N.S.V.**

Duration—From **24/5/1965** to **4/6/1965**

Number of Days **12**

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? **NO**

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services **23/12/1963**

Medical/...../19.....

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....**1. Census Revision 2. General Administration 3. MINDIK Road Survey 4. TUMANG LAND INVESTIGATION 5. LOCAL GOVT. WELFARE RUA SURVEY.**

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

20/9/1965

[Signature]
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....
Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund
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Horobe District,

L.A.H.

30th September, 1965.

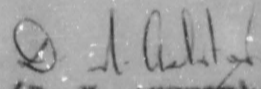
The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KORORUA, Papua.

PATROL REPORT - PINDIU NO.3 GP
1964/65

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The section of the report dealing with education has been referred to the District Inspector, for information.


(D. N. ASHTON)
A/District Commissioner

encl:

c.c. Mr. B.J. Kelly,
WAU.

Officer-in-Charge, Patrol Post, PINDIU.
Assistant District Commissioner, PIESCHHAFFEN.

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Dept. of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
PINSCHHAPEK,
Morobe District.

17th September, 1965.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
L.A.E.

Pindia Patrol No. 8 of 1964/65
Mr. B.J. Kelly, C.P.O.

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Mr. Kelly clearly worked solidly on this patrol and is to be commended.

Camping allowance claims are attached.

For your information and further action, please.



G.J. HOGG
Assistant District Commissioner

Encls.

c.c. Mr. B.J. Kelly, MAH.
Officer-in-Charge, PINDIU.

67-6-37

5th November, 1965.

District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
L.A.B.

PIEDIU PATROL REPORT NO. 8/1964-65:

Receipt is acknowledged with thanks of a Patrol Report by Mr. Kelly covered by your memorandum 67-2-10 of 30th September, 1965.

2. The comments of Messrs. Haviland, Hogg and yourself have been noted. I agree with you that a delay in submitting a report reduces the value of the report.
3. A good patrol was accomplished by Mr. Kelly and he seems to have spent quite some time preparing the report.
4. It is a pity to read that the locals are harvesting only a small quantity of the coffee grown. They must learn to work hard and pick up every shilling they could possibly make from their cash crops. They must be shown the error of their ways by vivid comparisons to what is happening to villagers living in India and Asia generally.
5. The extension of the Mindix airstrip by the Mission will definitely help open up this area.

(T.G. Aitchison)
A. DIRECTOR



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67-6-37, (2)

Telegrams DISADM
Telephone

Our Reference 67.2.10
If calling ask for
Mr. Walters/cmog.



Department of District Administration,

Morebe District,

L A E.

30th September, 1965.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOEU. Papua.

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District Commissioner

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c.c. Mr. B.J. Kelly,
WAU.

Officer-in-Charge, Patrol Post, PINDIU.
Assistant District Commissioner, FINSCHHAFFEN.

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67-1-4

Dept. of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
PINDIU,
Morobe District.

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The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
L.A.E.

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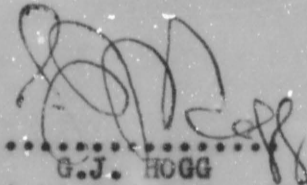
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G.J. HOGG
Assistant District Commissioner

Encls.

c.c. Mr. B.J. Kelly, WAU,
Officer-in-Charge, PINDIU.

67-1-1

Patrol Post
PINDIU

8th September, 1965

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office
FINSCHAFEN

PINDIU PATROL no.8 of 1964/65

Four copies of the above report are attached for your perusal, comment and onwarding please.

The delay in submission was occasioned by Mr. Kelly's absence in Moresby attending a training course.

The comments made have been noted.

Contingencies for camping allowance are attached. When processed, could the cheque be sent to Mr. Kelly at Wau.

F. E. Daviland
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(F. E. Daviland)
Officer-in-Charge



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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21 JUN 1965

In Reply
Please Quote

No. 67-1-1

Patrol Post
PINDIU

22nd May, 1965

Mr. B. Kelly,
Cadet Patrol Officer
PINDIU

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

PINDIU PATROL No. 8-64/65

Please prepare to depart on patrol for the Kua River area of the Hube Census Division on Monday, 24th May. You will be accompanied by one member of the Pindiu Police Detachment. The objects of the patrol will be:-

1. Census Revision

Revise the census in each village in the area visited.

2. Roads

Include in your report comments on all tracks traversed by the patrol. In addition, if time permits, check on the road work being done from the Mindik airstrip. Advise the people on the best route towards Mindik village. In particular, check the grades between the Ko'onong and Manditongtong creeks; the approaches to the bridge site over the Siri creek; and mark a route up Zuebogong Mt. to Mindik village - if possible try and utilise as much of the present walking track as possible. Ensure that the grades do not exceed the following:-

- 8% (4 deg. 35') - long slopes and as a general maximum;
- 10% (5 deg. 45') - for short distances up to 500';
- 12% (6 deg. 50') - for shorter distances up to 200'.

3. Land Investigation

Refer to file 38-1-4 and complete an investigation into the block of land near Mindik airstrip applied for by FMLS (LP.65/620). Take with you the booklet Notes For The Guidance of Administration Officers in the Investigation of Rights to Native Land and use it for reference.

4. Survey into need for a Council Welfare Rule

Refer to file 42-1-1 and conduct a survey in conjunction with the census in each village visited, as required by the Director's 44-4-8 of 21st April - as set out in the District Commissioner's 42-3-1 (undated). The information should be submitted separately to your report.

5. General Administration

Attend to any disputes which may be brought to your notice, if possible arbitrate, if not refer them to me.

The patrol will of necessity be more hurried than usual. You will have to return in time to go to Moresby for a training course starting on 16th June. Write your report as you go. If the portable typewriter will be of any use, send in for it.

Don't hesitate to contact me for any reason. Good luck and a pleasant trip.

F. E. HAVES
(F. E. HAVES)
D-1-C



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply
Please Quote

No.

PINDIU PATROL POST,
FINSCHHAFEN SUB DISTRICT,
MOROBE DISTRICT.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
FINSCHHAFEN.

PATROL REPORT PINDIU No. 8 of 64/65.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

B. J. KELLY C.P.O.

AREA PATROLLED

HUBE CENSUS DIVISION
KUA RIVER VALLEY AREA.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING
THE PATROL

Const. KJLIGA Reg. No. 6340

DURATION OF PATROL

24-5-65 to 4-6-65 12 Days

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA

D.D.A. 13/23-12-63
D.A.S.F. May 1965
P.H.D.

OBJECTS OF THE PATROL

1. Census Revision
2. General Administration
3. Mindik Road Survey
4. Tannang Land Investigation
5. Local Government Council
Welfare Rule Survey.

INTRODUCTION

Unfortunately, of necessity this patrol had to be hurried so that it could be completed in time for me to depart for Pt. Moresby to attend a ~~in~~ training course. Due to this rush, there was little time for me to hold discussions with the village people, although all available time was used, so there was not a great deal of knowledge as to their attitudes towards the Administration etc. ~~was~~ gained.

The proposed road from the MINDIK Airstrip to MINDIK Village, a distance of about two miles, was surveyed and the route pegged. There was little difficulty encountered as a preliminary route had been ~~surveyed~~ marked by Rev. Jacobsen, and there was not much variation after the survey had been completed.

The land investigation for the Finschhafen Marketing and Development Society at TUMNANG was also completed, and an investigation report has been forwarded.

The survey for the need for a welfare rule of the Local Government Council was also conducted. See my 42-1-1 of the 8th June, 1965 to the Assistant District Officer, Pindiu.

PATROL DIARY

24-5-65 Departed Pindiu 1015 hrs
 Arrived Zenguru 1115 hrs
 Censused Zenguru and Kwenzengzeng and held
 short talks
 Departed Zenguru 1530 hrs
 Arrived Ungsesu 1615 hrs
 Held discussions with people at night

25-5-65 Censused Ungsesu and departed 1045 hrs
 Arrived Berakwaiyu 1115 hrs
 Censused Berakwaiyu and had talk with the people
 Departed Berakwaiyu 1430 hrs
 Arrived Yapang 1600 hrs
 Held discussions with people at night

26-5-65

PATROL DIARY (contd.)

26-5-65 Censused Yapang and departed 1045 hrs
 Arrived Nengit 1115 hrs
 Censused Nengit and held short talks with the people
 Departed Nengit 1530 hrs
 Arrived Lalang 1630 hrs
 Held discussions with the people at night

27-5-65 Censused Lalang and departed 1130 hrs
 Arrived Podzerong 1230 hrs
 Censused Podzerong and had talks with the people
 Departed Podzerong 1615 hrs
 Arrived Siu 1715 hrs
 Held discussions with the people at night

28-5-65 Censused Siu and departed 1030 hrs
 Arrived Avenggu 1200 hrs
 Censused Avenggu and had talks with the people
 Departed Avenggu 1500 hrs
 Arrived Lengbati 1645 hrs
 Had discussions with the people at night

29-5-65 Censused Lengbati and departed 1215 hrs
 Arrived Korumba 1430 hrs
 Held talks with the villagers.

30-5-65 Censused Korumba and departed 1115 hrs
 Arrived Hendeneng 1145 hrs
 Censused Hendeneng and had talks with the people
 Departed Hendeneng 1615 hrs
 Arrived Suetitne 1650 hrs
 Held talks with the people at night

31-5-65 Censused Suetitne and Satneng and departed 1330 hrs
 Arrived Mindik 1430 hrs
 Held talks with the people

1-6-65 Censused Mindik and marked the road from the airstrip while the cargo proceeded to Tumnang
 Arrived Tumnang 1815 hrs

2-6-65 Censused Tumnang and held discussions with the people. Heard several complaints. Overnighgt

3-6-65 Departed Tumnang 0800 hrs
 Surveyed block of land for F.M.D.S.
 Arrived Hamaronong 1600 hrs
 Held discussions with people at night

4-6-65 Censused Hamaronong and departed 1000 hrs
 Arrived Ebabang 1100 hrs
 Departed Ebabang 1130 hrs
 Arrived Kua River 1300 hrs
 Departed Kua River 1345 hrs
 Arrived Pindiu 1715 hrs

RECEPTION OF PATROL

As with other parts of the Hube and Dedua, the reception of the patrol at all villages was extremely friendly. The usual "sing-sings" were held and presents of string bags were made. This seems to be the custom of all the people of the area and is gratifying to see such enthusiasm shown to the patrol. It is rather a pity that such a continued enthusiasm cannot be shown as regards their work.

VILLAGES

The standard of housing was quite high. Only in two villages were there houses that needed replacing. The materials used are those employed in most parts of the Pindiu area. A roofing of kunai, pitpit, sago leaves, bamboo leaves or pandanus leaves. Walls are constructed of hand sawn planks, bark or woven bamboo, and the floors of sawn planks, bark or strips of bamboo.

Houses are raised off the ground, usually containing only the one room, the centre of which is occupied by a piece of iron on which a fire is built to cook the food and heat the place up on the cold nights.

Villages are situated on the ridges or tops of mountains, often some distance from their water supply, but in close proximity to their gardens. Even though in some cases people have to walk some distance for their ^{water}, they are always assured of a constant supply from the numerous mountain streams in their area.

The hygiene and sanitation of the villages is quite satisfactory in all cases, with adequate rubbish pits and fly-proofed latrines. No pigs or any sign of them were seen in the village areas, and are mostly kept in an enclosure some distance from the villages.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

All Councillors met by the patrol were most helpful, and seem keen and conscientious on their jobs. Each Councillor has at least two villages in his ward, and is helped in his work by village committees who are chosen by the villagers themselves.



OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION

One thing interesting to note was the attitude of the HENDENENG people towards their Councillor, ULEVING, whom they regard as an outsider and do not wish him to represent them in the council. ULEVING'S story is that the people do not take any notice of him, but prefer to take their problems to MAMES, Councillor of SUEWITNE. The people of HENDENENG claim they do this because ULEVING has taken no notice of them, does not visit their village, and does not represent their interests at Council meetings.

I told the people that the electoral boundaries could be changed only by the Administrator, but that their complaint would be brought to the notice of the A.D.O. Pindiu, who would take what action he thought fit.

It would appear that this change would be desirable as the villages of SUEWITNE and SATNENG, MAMES' ward, were more closely related to the HENDENENG people as regards lineage, and they also speak a dialect different from ULEVING'S ward of YAPANG KORUMBA and NENGIE.

There were no cults or other similar activities come across at all during the patrol and the people, at the moment, seem to be quite happy with their lot.

The mission, which has been in this area for some time now has quite a deal of influence over the natives, but once again, the question of having to buy stationery etc. for children attending their schools arose. The people feel that they should have an Administration school catering for their area, as not many parents are inclined to send their children to Pindiu. They say that the ideal place to put a school would be near the Mindik airstrip.

AGRICULTURE

There is ample supply of subsistence crops in the area - taro, taro kongkong and some sweet potato and yams.

Some introduced crops are also grown - potatoes, cabbage, beans, tomatoes, corn and also oranges, pineapples etc. but these do not figure to any great extent in the subsistence pattern.

AGRICULTURE (contd)

The only cash crop grown is coffee. Planting is done mainly on a communal basis but there are also some individual holdings. Most coffee is carried to Mindik Mission airstrip, but a few villages carry it to Pindiu, which is closer for them. The coffee is bought by either F.M.D.S. or Namasu, who have buying points at Mindik and Pindiu, and the Agricultural Officer, Pindiu also has an entrepreneur system working quite successfully.

Unfortunately, even still, there is only a minor percentage of coffee harvested, the rest being left to drop on the ground and rot. The harvesting has improved since the strip was built at Mindik, but even so the people are still not willing to carry their coffee any distance.

LIVESTOCK

There is very little livestock to speak of. *had!* ~~Councilor~~ OKNAVIONG of Mindik has a bull and several cows with which he hopes to breed, and later to kill and have a regular supply of fresh meat. Other than this there was no other livestock sighted.

LAND

While at Tunnang, an area of 0.25 acres was surveyed and an investigation was carried out for the purpose of reporting on an application made by F.M.D.S. for lease of this area to build a store and coffee buying point. This report has been treated separately in the form required by the Lands Department.

COMPLAINTS.

Many minor complaints were brought before the patrol, mainly concerning the trespass of pigs. All complaints were settled amicably.

REST HOUSES.

There was a rest house at every village visited, so there was never much more than

REST HOUSES (contd)

a couple of hours walk between each one. All were in good condition, many looking as though they had just been renovated for the visit of the patrol.

CARRIERS

There was some difficulty in obtaining some men to carry cargo in a few places, they preferring to leave as much as possible to the women. However, at most places the patrol departed immediately after the ~~present~~ census revision when all the people were present, and it took only a few minutes to obtain sufficient carriers.

HEALTH

The general health of the area is good. No malaria was encountered, mainly due to the high altitude. There were, however, several cases of goitre/sighted, and various tropical ulcers, the latter being sent to the hospital or aid post.

There are adequate aid posts catering for the area, the orderlies seem to be doing a good job.

There is also a hospital at Wagezaling staffed by a Lutheran male nurse who cares for the cases beyond the capabilities of the Aid Post Orderlies. The more serious cases are sent to Lae by aircraft.

EDUCATION

There are numerous Mission schools scattered throughout the area teaching between Standard 1 and 2 and Class 1 in the Kotte language. The people wish, however, for their children to be taught in the English language, and want the Administration to build a Primary "T" school for them on a site near the Mindik airstrip.

ROADS

Considering the terrain, the roads throughout the area are in quite good condition. They are dealt with in detail in Appendix "A".

AIRFIELDS

The airstrip at Mindix is now at a stage where it can take Cessna and Piper aircraft. The strip however is still being extended to about 2000 feet. The labourers are being employed on a casual basis by the Rev. Jacobsen.

CENSUS

The census that was revised was the second of three parts for the Hube Census Division. The final figures for the whole Division will be included when Mr. Haviland returns from his patrol in the Bulum Valley.

PERSONNEL

A copy of the comments made on the member of the R.P. & N.G.C. accompanying the patrol has been sent to the Commissioner of Police, Konedobu.

B. J. Kelly

APPENDIX "A".

WALKING TRACKS

FINDIU to ZENGURU

Quite a good track- stands up well to wet weather.

ZENGURU to UNGSESU

Flat road all the way- in good condition

UNGSESU to BERAKWAIYU

Also a flat road and in good condition

BERAKWAIYU - YAPANG - NENGIT to LAIANG

Another reasonably flat road but tends to get muddy in wet weather.

LALANG to PODZERONG

Steep track going down to Kua River and coming up steeply the other side - not a very good track approaching PODZERONG.

PODZERONG - AVENGGU to LENGATI

Reasonably steep track but in good condition

LENGATI - KORUMBA - HENDENENG to SJEWITNE

Fairly good track but does not stand up to wet weather very well

SUEWYNE to MINDIK

A good flat road

MINDIK to MISSION AIRSTRIP

Vehicular road being constructed

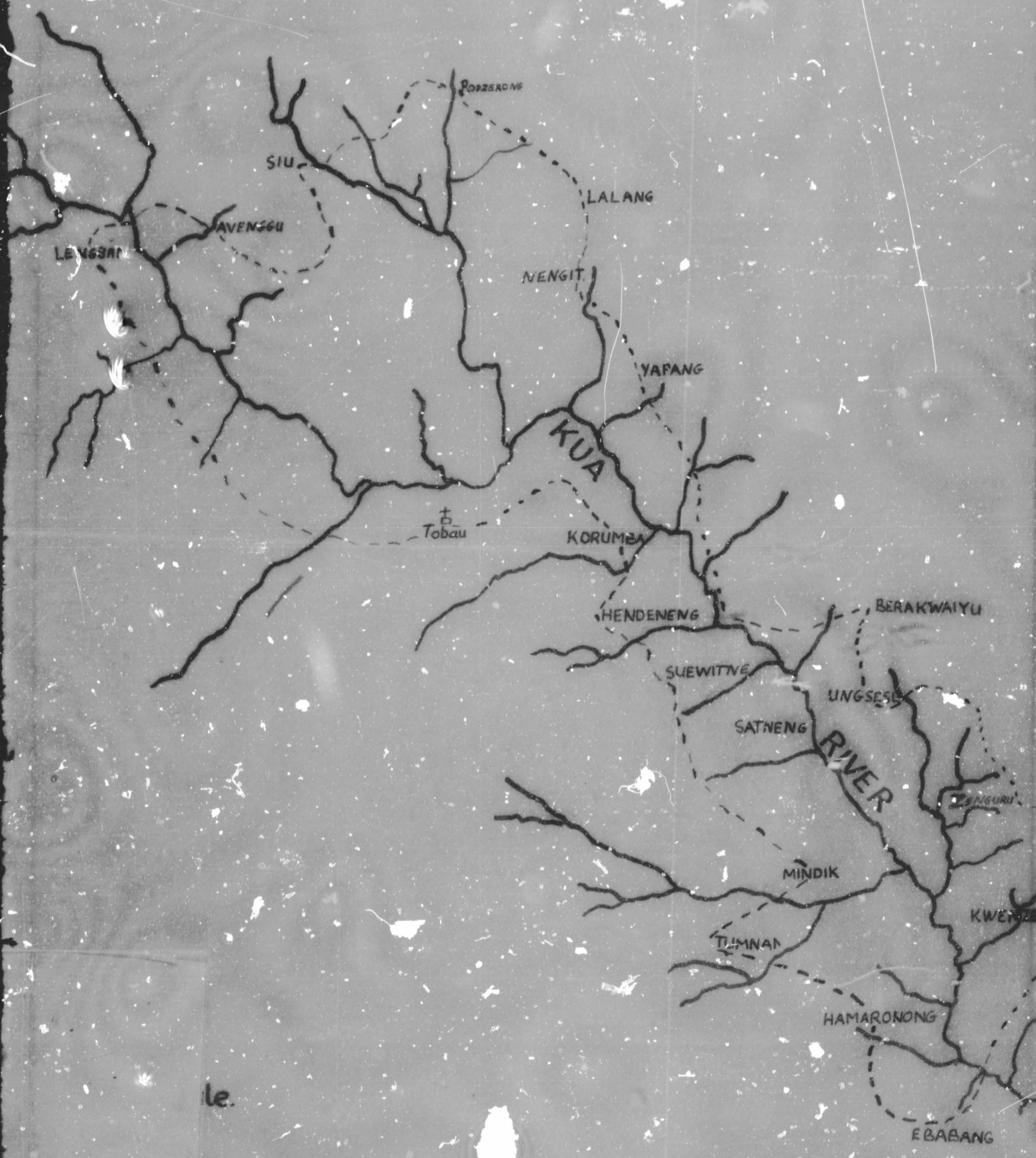
TUMNANG to HAMARONONG

Steep muddy track

HAMARONONG to FINDIU via FEIPANG and KUA RIVER

Track fairly steep in parts - crossing KUA RIVER by means of kunda bridge. Very muddy just above KUA RIVER.

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KUA VALLEY
PATROL ROUTE MAP

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