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PATROL REPORTS SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT 1960/61

ERAVE

<u>Report No.</u>	<u>Patrol Conducted by</u>	<u>Area Patrolled</u>
ERAVE 1-60/61	Q.P. Anthony	KERABI, PUPITAU and IREI Valleys
" 3-60/61	R.J. Foreman	KOIARI Village (FORE/TSIMBERIGI Census Division)
" 4-60/61	R.T. Fairhall	Western SUGU, AMIA Creek, KARI and TIBURU Valleys
" 5-60/61	R.T. Fairhall	Portion FORE-TSIMBERIGI Census Division
" 6-60/61	R.T. Neville	Eastern SUGU
" 7-60/61	R.J. Foreman	Station - TSIMBERIGI road
" 8-60/61	F.E. Haviland	SAMBERIGI, IANGURI and FORE/TSIMBERIGI Census Divisions
" 9-60/61	F.E. Haviland	KERABI Census Division



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. ERAVE No. 1 of 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by G.P. Anthony Patrol Officer Gr. 2

Area Patrolled KERABI, PUPITAU, and IREI Valleys

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans R.T. Fairhall P.O. Gr. 1 and F.O. Ridland E.M.A.  
 Interpreter - 1  
 Natives R.P. & N.G.C. - 9  
N.M.O.s - 2

Duration—From 10/8/1960 to 25/8/1960

Number of Days 20 (40 Patrol days)

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? Yes

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 5/1953

Medical 10/1959

Map Reference Sketch map attached

Objects of Patrol 1. Census revision 2. Routine Administration  
3. Anti-Yaws Campaign 4. To investigate reports of continuing warfare in PUPITAU & IREI areas

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

23/9/1960

[Signature]  
 District Commissioner [Signature]

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... £.....  
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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

15th March, 1961.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

SPECIAL PATROL - MT. MURRAY.

10th March, 1961.

Thank you for your memorandum 67-1-1 dated

Brave Patrol No. 1 of 1960/61 visited an area to the South East of Mt. Murray proceeding as far South as the EREI River (MOSA Village). I presume the area to be visited by the Assistant District Officer, KIKORI, is to the South West of this.

A meeting of patrols from the Brave and Kikori Sub-Districts in the SIRIGI area has been proposed by me, Memorandum 67-1-1 dated 3rd October, 1960, from District Officer, KEREMA, and your 67-15-12 dated 14th October, 1960, refers.

Should the KIKORI patrol be coming as far North as SIRIGI I would certainly favour a link up with an Brave patrol. In considering this matter further it would assist me greatly if I could have a copy of the map accompanying the report of Mr. Cooper's visit to the area in October 1960 which I presume would show the locations of the villages mentioned by the District Officer in his memorandum to you. This would enable me to determine more precisely where Mr. MacArthur intends to go and where this is in relation to Brave. It would also assist if more definite information as to the departure date of the KIKORI patrol could be advised to me as soon as it is known.

*K.W. Dyer*  
(K.W. Dyer)  
District Officer.



67-15-12

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



In Reply  
Please Quote  
No. 67/3/7

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

28th November, 1960.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

GRAVE PATROL No. 1 of 1960/61

refers.

Your memorandum 67-15-12 dated 14th October, 1960,

I attach hereto a copy of my memorandum 30/1-451 dated 23rd September, 1960, to the District Officer, Kerema and a copy of his reply for your information.

(K.W. Dyer)  
District Officer.

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30/1-451

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI District,  
KEREMA.

23rd September, 1960.

2nd October, 1960.

District Officer,  
Gulf District,  
KEREMA.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

ERAVE PATROL No. 1 of 1960/61.

I attach hereto for your information copy of a report covering a portion of the Gulf District visited from ERAVE.

As you will see the last patrol to this area was in 1952/53 and with all the one former visit conditions could not be expected to be otherwise than reported. District Officer, Kikori in 1959 and in 1960 these patrols succeeded in preventing several murders. I believe that FUPITAU could well be administered from ERAVE - particularly as it is (2) two days walk to the nearest village towards the coast. Possibly the BORO River could be convenient working boundary. As for the area further South I am concerned with this only to the extent that scrapping and tribal warfare continues and upsets the native groups further to the North administered from ERAVE.

I will certainly see that a follow up patrol is sent to the area within (6) six months and I would like to propose for your consideration that a patrol from your District also visit the area moving in from the South and aiming to meet the Erave Patrol in the vicinity of SERIGE. Your comments on the above and the report together with advice as to your plans for this area would be very much appreciated.

Sgd. (K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

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67-1-1.

Administration  
Press Statement  
No. 80.

District Office,  
Gulf District,  
KEREMA.

3rd October, 1960.

NATIVE AFFAIRS PATROL SOUTH EAST OF ERAVE

(Statement by Director of Native Affairs, Mr. J.E. McCarthy)

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

The Native Affairs patrol through country south-east of Erave in the Southern Highlands recently visited several small feuding tribes and arranged a peace settlement between some of the groups.

ERAVE PATROL No. 1 of 1960/61.

The Southern Highlands District is a part of the Territory of Papua and New Guinea, and its people have been coming under Government administration since 1951. Patrol stations were established at Erave in 1951 and at Mendi in 1952.

Your 30/1-451 of 23rd September, 1960 refers.

The area you have brought to attention forms part of the KIKORI Sub-District. The area further east towards LAKE TEBERA was patrolled by Mr. Jeffries, Assistant District Officer, Kikori in 1959 and in March last. These patrols succeeded in arresting several murderers and these were duly convicted. This is reported to have had a most salutary effect in the areas covered.

The area patrolling extended to the area

leave shortly. I will fix a date in order that the patrol may be in your place.

When the staff position improves however you will be duly advised of my plans. In the event of such difficulties setting back patrolling activities in this District I agree it would be expedient for you to arrange a patrol to the area from your District.

The area is one of the most fertile in the Southern Highlands and is well served by the Health and Agricultural Extension Officers as well as Native Affairs staff. It is one of the best means of hastening development in such areas.

Sgd (A.K.Jackson.)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

Crossing mountain ranges beyond this area the patrol moved into valleys where the total population of the scattered hamlets does not exceed around 900. A previous patrol had been into this region but regular patrolling was deferred until government influence was established along the route to their area.

The Pupitau and Sirigi people are the strongest and most aggressive tribes in this particular region, and make periodic raids on their neighbours. It is probable that cannibalism is still practised by some of the tribes. A few people dry the hands or feet of a dead relative, and wear these hung around their necks in memory of the deceased.

As an essential preliminary for termination of inter-tribal feuding, the patrol brought representatives of the Pupitau and Sirigi people together to discuss peace terms, and following tribal custom, the Sirigi leaders agreed to pay several pigs to the Pupitau in settlement for outstanding grievances. Pigs are an important form of native wealth in primitive communities. The patrol leader then gave both groups a long talk, explaining

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Administration  
Press Statement  
No. 80.

Port Moresby,  
November 24, 1960.

NATIVE AFFAIRS PATROL SOUTH EAST OF ERAVE

(Statement by Director of Native Affairs, Mr. J.K. McCarthy)

A Native Affairs patrol through country south-east of Erave Station in the Southern Highlands recently visited several small feuding tribes and arranged a peace settlement between some of the groups.

The Southern Highlands District is roughly in the centre of the Territory of Papua and New Guinea, and its people have been coming under government influence since 1951. Two main stations were established at Mendi and Tari in that year, and subsequently patrol posts were set up to administer the outlying areas. All government stations in the district are connected by air services with the district administrative centre at Mendi, and local administration from the patrol posts is done overland on foot until jeep roads can be constructed to the main villages.

This patrol from Erave was led by Patrol Officer G.F. Anthony, with Patrol Officer R.T. Fairhall, Medical Assistant P.O. Ridland, and a detachment of nine Native Police. The specific objects of the patrol were to make a census revision in villages within the administered area, and then to enter outlying country not yet under administrative influence where it was reported that intermittent small-scale fighting had occurred between the Pupitau and Sirigi clans.

The patrol found that in the area nearest to Erave Station good progress was being made by the villagers. Tribal feuding had ceased and the people were doing excellent work in constructing a road to Erave. These communities although still very primitive are co-operating with the government and appreciate that by building a road they will be able to benefit by more frequent visits to the Station, and that Health and Agricultural Extension officers as well as Native Affairs staff can make many more patrols into their area. Roads are one of the best means of hastening development in such areas.

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that fighting must cease, and disputes be settled by negotiation. After this the Sirigi men all rushed off and armed themselves in what was obviously a show of strength for the benefit of the Pupitau warriors. However, they were finally persuaded to calm down, and then left the patrol camp to fetch the peace settlement pigs. As a precaution against any trouble developing between the two groups, the patrol officer posted double night guards. However, just before midnight the guards reported that the entire Sirigi population had abandoned their village and disappeared into the bush, probably intending to stay with a nearby friendly tribe.

At daybreak the patrol discovered that the Pupitau men had entered the deserted Sirigi village and looted it, taking weapons, cooking utensils and personal possessions of the owners. Tracks showed that they had then fled over the ranges towards their own village. Police located them, and some were found heavily loaded with loot. The stolen property was returned to the Sirigi houses, and as it was known that Sirigi scouts were in the bush watching the patrol's movements, calls were repeatedly given through the interpreter, stating that the government was very angry with the Pupitau for the trouble they had caused, and they would be punished. The looters' axes were left at Sirigi as partial compensation for that part of the stolen property which was not recovered.

Soon after first entering the Pupitau-Sirigi country the patrol was told that recently several people of the Nosa tribe had been killed by a Sirigi raiding party. The alleged murderers were named in the report, but as only two of the suspects appeared at the peace talks with the Pupitau, it had been decided to delay questioning them until the next day when the Native interpreter with the patrol thought it was likely more Sirigis would come to the camp, and the other wanted men would probably be with them. Any direct approach at the early talks would have immediately scared off the others. However, the overnight evacuation of Sirigi village upset these plans. A second patrol will be made to investigate the report of the killings.

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67-15-12

14th October, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

PATROL REPORT - GRAVE NO. 1 of 1960/61

Thank you for Mr. Anthony's report of his patrol to the Kerabi, Papitau and Irai areas and for your covering memorandum.

2. Messrs. Anthony and Fairhall did well under somewhat adverse conditions and the report is informative and well-presented. However, I would again stress that it is most undesirable to send Police out on duties such as are described in the Diary for the 23rd August, 1960. Please instruct all your officers that Police are not to be used, except under the direct supervision of a European officer, on such duties in future.

3. Please keep me informed of the progress of arrangements between yourself and the District Officer, Kerema; no copy of your letter to the District Officer, Kerema, was enclosed - for a meeting of patrols in the Sirigi area to take place.

(J.K. McCarthy) RS  
ACTING DIRECTOR

67-15-12 ✓

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Future patrols however should only be conducted by experienced officers and should exercise full care.

The patrol was not an enviable one and conditions were very difficult. Messrs Anthony and Fairhall have done well and submitted a well presented and informative report. Mr. Anthony's claim for camping allowances will be paid by cheque to his leave address and Mr. Fairhall's claim is returned herewith for payment.



*K. W. Dyer*  
(K. W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

cc.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

For your information please.

Copy of Patrol Report, Assistant District Officer's covering comments and copy of a letter to the District Officer, KEREMA, are attached hereto.

*K. W. Dyer*  
(K. W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No. 30/1-452.

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

22nd September, 1960.

Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.

ERAVE PATROL No. 1 of 1960/61.

Thank you for Mr. Anthony's report on his patrol to the KERABI, PUPITAU and IREI Valley areas and your covering comments thereto.

The patrol obviously was not a pleasant one due to weather conditions, the nature of the country and inhospitability of the people in the Southern portion of the area visited.

The state of affairs in the KERABI area seem to be reasonably good and improving. For the rest there were not many contacts made and the incident at SIRIGI was most unfortunate. Had the PUPITAU natives not been taken along such better contacts most likely would have been made at SIRIGI and beyond. It is easy to be wise after the event however generally speaking it is not usually sound to take a party of natives with a patrol to a new area (and SIRIGI should be considered as such) when definite hostilities are known to exist. It would seem also that events on the 23rd August were rather risky when police were despatched after the absconders whilst another party went Eastwards trying to locate the SIRIGI. It was fortunate that (7) seven of the offenders were captured but I would be interested to know how many PUPITAU natives came with the patrol to SIRIGI.

I agree that the results of the patrol are difficult to determine at this stage and that a follow up patrol within (6) six months is essential. I will suggest to the District Officer, Gulf District, that consideration be given to a patrol into the area from his District and for such a patrol to be timed with one from ERAVE so that the patrols could possibly meet in the Sirigi area.

There seems to be considerable disagreement over the potential land available in the SIMBERIGI area. Mr. Anthony seems to have based his remarks on a thoughtful assessment of the area as he sees it after (5) five visits. I might also point out that a former Agricultural Officer and a former District Commissioner had similar views. My own views from a look at the country from the air are that, at best, there is not a great deal of land available. I think that many European planters who abandoned large areas of coffee after Dr. Gott's first visit to the Territory will agree with me that coffee is not virtually a weed, and that considerable attention has to be given to soils in which it is to be grown. The only way to resolve this land alienation question is to conduct the patrol you plan in the near future and make specific submissions to me for forwarding to the Land Development Board who will, if they approve, request the Department of Agriculture to make any soil or other surveys considered necessary. I agree that any land available for development should be fully investigated and projects pushed - however we must also ensure that native people have adequate land for their present and future requirements.

Mr. Anthony's remarks concerning the possible restriction of the "de-restricted" area underlines the fact that law and order are not brought about merely by the stroke of a pen. However, in this case, the population is relatively light and it seems unlikely that anyone could or would enter the area without yourself or officers in the Gulf District knowing and I therefore propose no changes.

67-3-1(88)

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

14th September, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 1 OF 1960/61 - ERAVE.

Please find enclosed four copies of the above report of a patrol conducted by Messrs Anthony and Fairhall. One copy is for forwarding to the District Officer, Gulf District. Camping allowance and boot allowance claims for both Officers are also forwarded herewith for signature.

Because of the varying degrees of contact of the people visited in the two sections of the patrol, the native situation must be considered in two parts KERABI, and virtually that belonging to the Gulf District. In the former, the Native Situation is quite satisfactory as evidenced in their general disposition to please i.e. census attendance and road making. In fact, many of the people in the KERABI Valley have been frequently coming into the ERAVE Station of recent months to report on progress of roads, villages etc and to have domestic disputes aired before Government Officers. Their attitude is quite pleasing and will improve with further patrolling.

The Native Situation in the second stage of the patrol leaves much to be desired. Mr. Anthony is correct in saying that this section, which is virtually in the Gulf District though geographically closer to us, has been neglected. Correspondence with the District Office KIKORI confirms that they are quite happy for us to visit and exercise influence in this area. Partly for this reason the patrol went into this section, another reason being that people in the Lower KERABI are somewhat terrified of their southern neighbours and we wished to establish peaceful relations.

Notwithstanding the incident reported in the diary of the 23rd August, the patrol would have done much to establish more friendly relations even if merely giving the SIRIGI men food for thought. After the absconding of the PUPITAU carriers, the people was fortunate in recapturing some of the offenders and correct in leaving some of their ~~assets~~ as payment for damage done. I am confident that there will be no repercussions.

This patrol, though Mr. Hogg visited some of the area in 1958, can be regarded as initial contact and as such, little concrete evidence can be gained as to the possible good results. In as far as contact, which was not openly hostile, was made, the patrol was a success. Consolidation and furtherment of Government influence will come about only by follow up patrols. A patrol will again be mounted to the area within six months.

Some interesting side lights of the customs of these primitive people have been noted by Mr. Anthony and should make interesting reading in United Nations to those member countries who consider that this country is ready for self Government.

With regard to land and possible alienation, I do agree



with Mr. Anthony's general comments. I have passed through the area between the Government Station and SIMBERIGI on two occasions and was impressed by both its vastness and absence of habitation. I think that the area to which Mr. Anthony refers is the open grassland at SIMBERIGI itself. I paid more attention to the country in between which is both closer to the station and bushland of moderate undulation. Certainly clearing costs would be more expensive but it would have compensations in availability of timber for any intended planter's individual needs. The ground is more fertile and any road could originate from the station gradually alienating available ground in excess to native requirements.

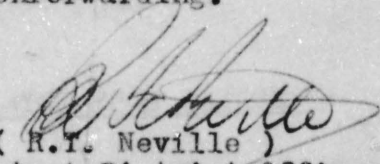
I estimate that the available land would be approximately 10 miles long by an average 2 miles wide. It is my intention, after completing the SIMBERIGI patrol, to personally investigate this area with a view to possible European alienation which this District badly needs. Again with regard to the possible four (4) available blocks of grassland at SIMBERIGI itself these would not be contemplated until much later. I may be wrong, but my impression is that coffee is virtually a weed and will grow anywhere, and provided a certain amount of fertilization is carried out, successful results would be obtained. In this case (which would be much later in this Sub-District's development) such available land may preclude Europeans who have not sufficient capital with which to develop. On the other hand, it may be the means of supplying us with the best of settler because of these necessary monetary qualifications. In this case, not four (i.e. 4x400 acre blocks) but six to seven blocks would be available at SIMBERIGI. There is a small established coffee block at SIMBERIGI which, though not startling, is doing reasonably well. Certainly if owned and managed by a industrious European employing technology, results would compare with other plantations in the highlands established on former grassland.

I understand from the natives, that there is a very suitable site for a DC3 strip in the area somewhat south east of MAROROGO village in the SIMBERIGI. Reports would be reasonably reliable for the informants have all worked in Moresby and ERAVE and know the requirements of a category A strip. There are also alleged to be large tracts of unused land adjacent the strip site. This will be also investigated during the forthcoming patrol. Should the area prove suitable, it would have the advantage of being another 20 miles closer to the BAIMURU airstrip and sea port and be admirably suitable.

Messrs Anthony and Fairhall are to be congratulated on a good patrol which has been well presented.

Please make arrangements for Mr. Anthony's claims to be paid by cheque to him at his leave address.

For your information and onforwarding.

  
( R. I. Neville )  
Assistant District Officer.

Encl:

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File:67-3-1

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

5th September, 1960.

The Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

ERAVE PATROL REPORT NO. 1 OF 1960/61.

Patrol Conducted By: Q.P. ANTHONY, Patrol Officer, Gr.2.

Accompanied By: Europeans - R.F. FAIRHALL, P/O, Gr.1.  
F.O. RIDLAND, E.M.A., Gr.1.

Natives - R.P.&N.G.C. - 9.  
Interpreter - 1.  
N.M.O's - 2.  
D.A.S.F. - 1.  
V.C's - 4.  
Carriers - 60.

Area Patrolled: KERABI, PUPITAU and IREI Valleys.

Duration of Patrol: 10/8/60 - 29/8/60.

No. of Days: 20.


Did E.M.A. Accompany: Yes.

Last Patrol to Area: D.N.A. - May, 1953 & August, 1959 (part).  
P.H.D. - October, 1959 (part).

Map Reference: Sketch Map Attached.

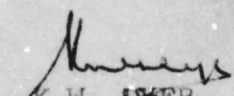
Objects of Patrol:

1. Census Revision.
2. Routine Administration.
3. Anti-Yaws Campaign.
4. To investigate reports of Continuing warfare in PUPITAU & IERI areas.

  
Q.P. ANTHONY,  
Patrol Officer.

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM PATROL.

I certify that all necessary local administration action has been or is being taken on matters arising out of this patrol.

  
K.W. LYSTER,  
District Officer.

PATROL DIARY:

Wednesday, 10th August, 1960:

Patrol party departed BRAVE at 1015 hrs, passed through KOIARI village and arrived at SIMBIRIGI Rest House after 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  hours walking. Established camp. Purchased food. E.M.A. carried out medical check of villagers.

Thursday, 11th August, 1960:

Passed through WORU, good walking for 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  hours to KERABI Rest House situated at 4,650 feet A.S.L. Checked census in afternoon. Medical inspection. Bad tropical Ulcers. Had several disputes. Very cold at night.

Friday, 12th August, 1960:

Descended 1000 feet into the gorge of the KEA River. Followed river then climbed 300 feet to hamlet of YAIWI (BARAWOI). Continued on excellent road to FOREREGI Rest House which was reached after a 3 hour walk. Checked census. Purchased food. Medical inspection. Several disputes.

Saturday, 13th August, 1960:

A steep descent then climb to TAGIBU village in 55 minutes. Inspected village. Poor condition 5 minutes to Rest house. Census check in afternoon. Medical inspection. Disputes. 10 minute walk to inspect TIRI village. Returned to Rest House. Talks with Village Officials.

Sunday, 14th August, 1960:

2 hours hard going over jagged limestone country to IANGUREGI (WARAGA) Rest house. Writer nearly struck by limestone boulder dislodged from mountainside above. Good work has been done on roads here. Made camp. Drizzling rain. Miserable, cold, windy day. Checked census and inspected village. Housing bad. ~~Number of deaths due to influenza and pneumonia.~~

Monday, 15th August, 1960:

Day spent resting at WARAGA. Weather cold, wet and miserable. Obtained some information from locals about PUPITAU, MOSA and SOPISI areas.

Tuesday, 16th August, 1960:

Departed WARAGA. Half hour walk on good road to TONO in steady rain. Passed through and inspected village. Continued through rain forest and broken limestone. Crossed the CRUMMER Peaks over the shoulder of Mt. KOTABARI. Nothing seen of the surrounding country from this normally good vantage point because of rain and mist. A steep descent of 1500 feet into the PUPITAU Valley. Passed through old garden areas and climbed a long ridge to the PUPITAU dubus. Small groups of men stood watching us with silent suspicion as we continued along the ridge and finally pitched our tents in a small grass patch between the villages of PUPITAU and KARAMUDOU. The day's walk from WARAGA was 4 $\frac{1}{2}$  hours.

In the afternoon I visited PUPITAU 300 yards away with a party of police and an interpreter in an attempt to gain the peoples' confidence. No women and children were seen. Word was passed for everyone to assemble in the morning to have their names recorded, but I was told that most of the men were away hunting. This I did not believe. After talking to those men present for some time I returned to camp to await developments. A small amount of food was brought in by the PUPITAU men and purchased for salt, face paint and beads. Posted night guards.

Altitude here is about 3,200' A.S.L.

Wednesday, 17th August, 1960:

Weather still bad. Visited KARAMUDOU village 400 yards up the ridge where a number of nervous men, women and children were silently gathered. A talk was given on the aims of the Administration etc., and a further request was made for everyone to assemble for census in the afternoon. Returned to camp.

In the afternoon a large crowd assembled for census and 256 names were recorded, mostly men who claimed that their wives and children were dead. They had obviously been hidden in the bush, but the point was not pressed. Judging by the size of the two villages, the population of this group would be 400-500.

Slowly the crowd became more confident and the E.M.A. was able to do a medical inspection and give anti-yaws injections after the Corporal had gallantly offered to have an exhibition injection. Many large tropical ulcers were treated. The incidence was the highest either the E.M.A. or I had ever seen.

After the census, negotiations were started with the PUPITAU to make compensation for the latest killing at WARAGA. A large number of WARAGA men had accompanied the patrol for this purpose, however at first the PUPITAU did not seem enthusiastic. An attempt was also made to organise the peace-making ceremony between WARAGA and PUPITAU as described by Mr. Johnston in his KIKORI patrol report No. 6 of 1952/53. Both parties agreed to the performance tomorrow. (See "Native Affairs").

A large number of men remained near the camp until late afternoon watching every movement and examining our equipment in wonderment.

A large quantity of native food was brought in and purchased, mainly with salt, an item for which these people are avidly hungry. Posted night guards.

Thursday, 18th August, 1960:

Further talks given, mainly against the advisability of further fighting. A small pig was purchased and shot with a rifle, accompanied by gasps of horror from the assembled crowd.

Presently some PUPITAU men arrived with three pigs which were handed over to the WARAGA as compensation for the recent killing of a WARAGA youth. The WARAGA expressed their satisfaction with the payment and finally the peace ceremony was carried out by both sides.

Later a discussion was held with the PUPITAU with reference to their current war with the SIRIGI group to the south.

Permission was given for a group of PUPITAU men to accompany the patrol to SIRIGI in an effort to put an end to the fighting. Strict instructions were given to them regarding their conduct whilst with the patrol. Heavy rain during the night. Night guards posted.

Friday, 19th August, 1960:

Patrol departed for the BORO River at 0800 hrs. Extremely rough going through forest and jagged limestone on a bad track. After 3½ hours walking we reached the BORO River which was found to be 20 yards wide, quite deep and flowing at 7 knots. The police and carriers took 1½ hours to construct a bridge which was safely negotiated and after a further half hours walk a reasonable camp site was found and camp established in the bush.

Saturday, 20th August, 1960:

Patrol remained here to enable the carriers to make sago as they are out of food. Permission was obtained from the PUPITAU owners who were paid in salt. Hunting parties sent out. Weather fine.

Sunday, 21st August, 1960:

Departed for SIRIGI over very rough limestone and forest. Track shocking. Torrential rain fell all day. Arrived at SIRIGI after 4½ hours hard going.

Myself and police approached within 20 yards of the first dubu before being spotted by a small girl who raised the alarm by screaming loudly. There was a stampede of feet inside the dubu and men armed with bows, spears and shields poured out of the far end, thinking they had been attacked. The interpreters shouted reassurances of our peaceful intentions and after a few moments of indecision by the SIRIGI men we climbed the ridge to the dubu. Shortly friendly exchanges were being made although our hosts were still very suspicious and watchful. Whilst waiting for the carriers to arrive I started a propaganda conversation with the leaders and presently they began to appear more at ease.

The rain continued unabated and I decided to make camp on the only possible site, a tiny flat area in front of the dubu. The SIRIGI men offered to vacate the dubu for the carriers. The offer was accepted, although I imagine they were motivated by their uneasiness of our proximity rather than any thoughts of natural hospitality.

The PUPITAU men were again instructed as to their behaviour whilst at SIRIGI and warned that any trouble makers would be severely treated.

A small amount of food was purchased and a most uncomfortable and miserable camp was made on this narrow ridge.

No women or children were seen and the only men gathered at the main dubu 200 yards further along the ridge, and would not approach the camp after selling us food. They were reassured that the PUPITAU men with the patrol were unarmed and that no nonsense would be countenanced. The presence of their PUPITAU enemies was obviously the cause of their uneasiness, so I instructed a guard hut to be constructed on the dubu side of the camp and

posted doubled night guards.

The altitude here would be about 2,200' A.S.L.

Monday, 22nd August, 1960:

Weather fine. More food purchased during the morning. Upon request a few people started to assemble and at 1300 hrs I went up to the main dubu to attempt a census. There were no objections to the E.M.A. making a medical inspection after the reasons had been explained, and anti-yaws injections were given without incident. A total of 128 names were recorded but I feel that there are well over 200 in this group. A large preponderance of males, many of whom claimed their wives and children were dead when obviously they were being hidden in the bush.

After the census, negotiations were started for compensation payments and peacemaking between the PUPITAU and SIRIGI groups. SIRIGI agreed to pay three pigs but were non-committal about a truce. A long talk was given to both groups about fighting. Later the SIRIGI men all rushed off and armed themselves in what was obviously a show of strength for the PUPITAU's benefit, however they were persuaded to calm down again and resume negotiations. Finally the SIRIGI departed, ostensibly to find the pigs, but by nightfall only one pig had arrived.

Double night guards were again posted, and at 2100 hrs the interpreter reported that the villages were completely deserted and that the entire population had quietly stolen away into the bush.

A certain amount of tension in camp during the night.

Tuesday, 23rd August, 1960:

At day break it was reported that all the PUPITAU men had sneaked out of the un-guarded end of the dubu and had detoured around the camp, through the bush and up to the deserted village where they had embarked on an orgy of looting and robbery before fleeing back over the ranges to their own village. Weapons, cooking utensils and personal possessions of the SIRIGI had been stolen or scattered on the ground outside the houses. In a considerable rage, I despatched police parties back along the track in an effort to cut off their flight. The police were successful in catching seven of them, heavily loaded with loot, and discovered making their way back through the bush towards PUPITAU. The stolen property was left in the main dubu and the village tidied up. I then took a party of police eastwards down the valley to attempt to locate some of the SIRIGI people. We were unsuccessful, although the interpreter claimed that there were SIRIGI scouts hiding in the bush watching our movements. The majority of the people had moved over the range to the south and well into the Gulf District where they had allies. From a high vantage point the interpreter called continually that the Government was very angry with the PUPITAU's for the trouble they had caused and that they had been arrested and would be punished. Returned to camp at 1100 hrs.

Decided to break camp immediately as any further delay might indicate to the SIRIGI that the patrol had an ulterior motive. The prisoners axes were left in the village as part compensation for the stolen articles.

Moved off at 1130 hrs. Crossed the SIRIGI River, then followed a small creek down to the 50 yard wide IREI River which was quite shallow. Followed the IREI for 2 hours then climbed a steep hill to a new dubu of the MOSA group. Deserted. Descended in steady rain to a poor camp site in the forest about half an hours walk from the dubu. All the MOSA people have fled. Made an uncomfortable wet camp at 1630 hrs. Day's walk 3½ hours.

Wednesday, 24th August, 1960:

Continued slowly along a long ridge down the centre of the valley. Evidence of a once heavy population, old dubu sites and old gardens. Our guides left us at the old hamlet of BIAGE to return to their village in the Gulf District. No tracks in this deserted country so we continued very slowly cutting our way westward at less than half a mile an hour. After 5 hours of this in the pouring rain we descended to the IREI River and made another uncomfortable camp near a sago swamp. Carriers set to making sago.

Thursday, 25th August, 1960:

Continued cutting our track west for 7½ hours, following the IREI River all day and crossing it many times. Weather fine.

Made camp beside the river not far from the old deserted village of SOPISI. This area is all deserted except for an occasional sago-making family from IANGURI.

Friday, 26th August, 1960:

Followed the IREI over level going then struck across to a small tributary beside which we made camp in the rain after 4½ hours walking.

Carriers weakening on their diet of sago.

Saturday, 27th August, 1960:

Continued over hilly, forested country and after 3 hours of fairly hard going came out into old gardens belonging to the IANGURI people. Continued for another hour, passed through and inspected the hamlets of MUGIRIGI and BESABURU and arrived at Rest House. Purchased some food and talked with village officials.

Sunday, 29th August, 1960:

Heavy rain all day. Resting at IANGURI. E.M.A. carried out medical examination of village people.

Monday, 29th August, 1960:

Departed IANGURI 0940 hrs in pouring rain 35 minutes to MAROROGO. Short spell. Inspected Aid Post. 50 minutes to SIMBIRIGI. 2 hours 40 minutes to ERAVE. Total walking time 4 hours 5 minutes.

END OF DIARY.

ERAVE PATROL NO. 1 OF 1960/61.

INTRODUCTION:

The patrol was divided into two sections, firstly the routine administration and census revision from ERAVE as far as WARAGA at the end of the KERABI Valley, and secondly, that section from PUPITAU to IANGURI. The first area is well controlled and has had fairly regular attention for some four years, however the second section has been visited only once before (by Mr. W.J. JOHNSTON from KIKORI in May, 1953. KIKORI Patrol Report No. 6 of 1952/53 refers). The people are extremely primitive and warlike, and murder and cannibalism are the order of the day.

Census and medical work were carried out successfully in the administered area and a certain amount of consolidation of the previous patrols' work was achieved, however time alone will tell whether or not the patrol was successful in engineering a successful cessation of hostilities between the groups to the east. Personally I think hostilities will continue in the form of isolated and spasmodic raids.

The patrol was dogged by bad weather throughout and almost every body went down with a cold, cough or influenza. We were fortunate in having Mr. Ridland to minister to our ailments.

NATIVE AFFAIRS:

A slight improvement was noted in the general native situation since the last patrol into the KERABI Valley in August, 1959. ~~It was not necessary to prosecute any body for non-attendance at census, and I feel that very few new names will be added in the future.~~

Work has proceeded well on the roads, the WARAGA people in particular although they are isolated and still rather primitive, have done a sterling job in bad mountainous limestone country.

With the exception of short stretches totalling perhaps three hours walking, the road now extends from ERAVE to WARAGA a distance of thirteen hours walking.

The area from WARAGA onwards presents a different picture. The people are as primitive and backward as any in the Territory, and apart from Mr. Johnstons' visit in 1953 have had no Administration or European contact whatever. They live in the inhospitable valley systems which run eastward from Mt. MURRAY and are difficult to get to from any existing Administration centre. Their numbers are few, perhaps 800 or 900, but they must still be visited and brought under control.

Mr. Johnston mentions a possible DC3 site in the DIDI Valley which is about 1½ days east of PUPITAU. Geographically, a Patrol Post in this valley would be well situated to administer quite a large area containing perhaps 2000-3000 people. Coupled with the good European land development potential in the DIDI Valley which Mr. Johnston also mentions, it appears that the site would be worthy of further investigation.



In any event, some firm decision should be made regarding the future of the SIRIGI and IREI Valley people and who should administer them. Both KIKORI and ERAVE have left it to each other, with the result that neither station has done anything and the people have been neglected. According to the map, PUPITAU, SIRIGI and all the IREI Valley are in the Gulf District, however it is my opinion that ERAVE should control PUPITAU which is more accessible from ERAVE, and is two days walk from the next village in the Gulf District.

The patrol was able to arrange a peace-making ceremony and compensation payment between WARAGA and PUPITAU and it is hoped that this will bring the fighting to an end, at least for a considerable time. It is, however, essential that another patrol proceed there in the near future to prove to the people that this visit was not a flash in the pan.

The PUPITAU is a name that strikes fear into the hearts of many of the surrounding peoples who have been the victims on many occasions of this fierce groups blood lust. In 1953 a particularly shocking massacre took place of the DIDIBOWIN, a group towards Lake TEBERA, when a large number of people, mainly women and children, were killed, raped, mutilated and eaten. Cannibalism is still actively practiced in this area.

The PUPITAU, because of their numerical superiority, have dominated the surrounding country, from KEBA in the north, to Lake TEBERA in the east and SIRIGI to the south. The establishment of Government influence in the KERABI Valley has halted their depredations to the west.

A number of people were seen with the dried hands or feet of dead relatives hanging from their necks. This custom was widespread throughout the ERAVE area but is gradually disappearing. In some areas, parts of the body are eaten before the hands or feet are severed and dried by smoking over a fire.

One man was noticed wearing the dried vagina of his dead wife around his neck, a particularly repulsive habit.

Efforts to bring about a truce between PUPITAU and SIRIGI were less successful, due to the incident mentioned in the diary of 23rd August. However the sudden arrival of a large patrol may have given them food for thought, and may dissuade them from going to war for a period.

It was reported that recently two women and six children from the MOSA area were killed by a SIRIGI raiding party of the IREI River in the Gulf District. The names of twelve murderers were obtained, of whom only two presented themselves for census. Rather than seize these two immediately and scare off the other ten it was decided to wait until the next day, when the interpreters believed that a lot more people would come into camp, including most of the murderers. It should then have been possible to seize most if not all of the wanted men. However, the nocturnal evacuation of the entire population upset our plans. The SIRIGI had fled over the ranges to the south where they have friends some distance away into the Gulf District. The names of the murderers will be sent to KIKORI which is considerably closer and it should be possible for their next patrol to pick them up.

The people of this area in general are of poor physique and are more akin to the swamp dwellers of the Gulf.

Their villages consist of one or more long mens' houses or dubus, planked on both sides by small women's houses. The villages are invariably built on steep ridges for fear of attack and without exception are filthy dirty, untidy and depressing. The staple diet is sweet potato, supplimented by taro, bananas, yams and the usual less important food items. The altitude of the valley floors is between 2000 and 3000 feet, the soil in the valleys appears rich and fertile and the rainfall would be between 150 and 200 inches a year.

LAND:

On both occasions when the patrol passed through the SIMBIRIGI area, particular note was taken of the grasslands there to determine how much land is available for European development. Even disregarding the fact that an area may be required by the native people, the potential appears rather poor. Because of the broken nature of the country, I would consider that a minimum of 400 acres would be required to cultivate 100 acres of tree crops. There would be no more than four of these 400 acre blocks available as there is not a very large area of open country here. There is not a suitable airstrip in the vicinity and to construct a reasonable vehicular road from ERAVE would take at least three years with the very limited labour available. The natives state that the soil in the grasslands is poor and in fact I saw no gardens on it. I have now passed through the SIMBIRIGI area five times, each time spending a while on various vantage points trying to calculate the potential, and have found no reason to alter my original opinion.

The best area seen by the patrol was that to the east of IANGURI and into the IREI Valley. Although the country for the most part is heavily forested, it is relatively level or undulating, the soil appears good, there is practically no population and it should not be too difficult to construct a vehicular road to SAU in the SAMBERIGI Valley where the U.F. Mission is constructing a Cessna strip which has Category A potential.

All of the smaller valleys seen contained areas of good land, but unfortunately were quite in-accessible.

Should European development prove impracticable there are several areas here which would be eminently suitable for native resettlement. These valleys are sparsely populated, heavily forested and almost entirely devoid of population.

HEALTH:

The patrol was accompanied by Mr. F.O. RIDLAND, E.M.A. and two Native Medical Orderlies. Anti-Yaws injections were given at all villages not previously covered. General health appears rather poor, with a very high incidence of tropical ulcers at PUPITAU. Mr. Ridland is submitting a full and comprehensive medical report.

ROADS:

The constructed road finishes at TONO, just past WARARGA and is 80% completed from there to ERAVE Station. When the PUPITAU people are brought under control it should be possible to start them on regular roadwork.

A considerable amount of roadwork has been done in the KERABI Valley since my last visit there a year ago.

CONCLUSION:

I believe that this isolated and primitive pocket of people live in what is classified as a Destricted area of the Gulf District. If this is the case then the position is somewhat ridiculous as they are certainly the most backward people I have ever seen and probably the most bloodthirsty. The fact that anyone who wants to can walk into this area where cannibalism, murder, rape and other mayhem are regularly practiced seems incongruous, especially if, as in the past, no patrol enters the area for another seven years. It seems that steps should be taken to restrict this pocket until it is brought under control.

In conclusion, I suggest that to gain a clearer picture of this and adjacent areas, this report should be read in conjunction with Mr. W.J. JOHNSTON's KIKORI Patrol Report No. 6 of 1952/53.

*Q.P. Anthony*

( Q.P. ANTHONY )  
Patrol Officer.

REPORT ON R.P.&.N.G.C. DETACHMENT.

Reg. No. 1391: Sen/Const. BOROHU:

A clear-headed N.C.O., much experienced, who remains cool in a crisis. A good worker.

Reg. No. 3695. Const. 1/C NIRIBU:

Very quiet, with not much drive or initiative. Works well without supervision. Experienced with primitive people.

Reg. No. 7642 Const/Bugler GUM:

Lazy, surly and irresponsible. Resents being a bugler. Not entirely trustworthy.

Reg. No. 7917. Const. ANDEMBO:

Loyal and a good worker, especially under difficult or unpleasant conditions. Not enough drive to make an N.C.O.

Reg. No. 8972 Const. KAUKA:

An average policeman. Not much intelligence, but carried out his duties satisfactorily.

Reg. No. 9274. Const. WIRIONG:

Getting on in years. Cheerful and willing provided he has his pipe. The morale booster of the detachment.

Reg. No. 9472. Const. MAURI:

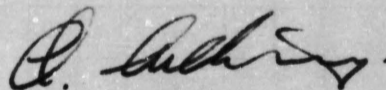
Another good worker who would improve if he threw his weight around a little more.

Reg. No. 10627. Const. MAKILAI:

A new constable on his first patrol. Shaped well and learns quickly.

Reg. No. 10511. Const. MABE:

New from the depot. A local man on his first patrol. Rather quiet, but appears dependable. The best of the local police I have seen.



( Q.P. ANTHONY )  
Officer of the Royal Papuan and  
New Guinea Constabulary.



# VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER

YEAR AUGUST 1960

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VILLAGE	DATE OF CENSUS	BIRTHS		DEATHS										MIGRATIONS				ABSENT FROM VILLAGE AT WORK				LABOUR POTENTIAL				FEMALES			TOTALS (excluding absentee)				GRAND TOTAL								
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# MAP b ACCOMPANY GRAVE PATROL REPORT

No 1 1960/61

Scale - 4 miles - 1 inch

- Legend
- - - - District Boundary
  - ~ ~ ~ Rivers Systems
  - Spot or Place Names
  - Patrol Route
- Compiled & Drawn A.T. FORTNALL 5/1/61





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. ERAVE No. 3 of 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by R.J. FOREMAN, C.P.O.

Area Patrolled KOIARI VILLAGE (FORE/TSIMBERIGI CENSUS DIVISION)

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NONE

Natives 2 Members of the R.P.&.N.G.C.  
15 Carriers.

Duration—From 16 / 11 / 1960 to 30 / 11 / 1960

Number of Days 12 Days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 30 / 9 / 1960

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

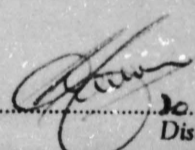
Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol To survey and mark the section of the Tsimberigi road between Erave and KOIARI village. Also to hear any complaints brought to the notice of the patrol.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

22 / 12 / 1960

  
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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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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

DEPT. NATIVE AFFAIRS  
20 DEC 1960  
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SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref. 67-15-27

Department of Native Affairs,  
Headquarters.  
KONIGDOBU.

9th January, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

PATROL NO. 3 of 1960/61 - ERAVE

I acknowledge with thanks, receipt of :-

- \* Memorandum of Patrol No.
- \* Patrol Report No. 3 of 1960-61 - ERAVE.

covering patrol by R.J. Foreman, C.P.O......

I agree that some information on the length of road surveyed  
and the amount of road formation or clearing would have improved  
the report.

A fair effort for a first solo patrol.

(J.K. McCarthy)

~~A.A. Roberts~~  
Director. *RB*

\* Delete as necessary.

67-15-27. ✓

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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

22nd December, 1960.

The Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.

ERAVE PATROL NO. 1 OF 1960/61.

Thank you for the Report on this Patrol carried out by Mr. R.T. Foreman and your covering memorandum 67/3/1(160) of the 13th December, 1960.

Mr. Foreman has accomplished his first patrol quite well; the report is well presented, but would be improved by including information on the length of road surveyed and the amount of road formation or clearing accomplished by the patrol.

Camping allowance claim is returned herewith.


  
(W.W. Crellin)  
s/District Officer.

cc

// The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded for your information, please.

A routine road patrol. Copy of covering memorandum by Assistant District Officer, ERAVE enclosed.

  
(W.W. Crellin)  
s/District Officer.



RTN/AV

67-3-1(160)

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

13th December, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1960/61 - ERAVE.

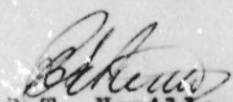
Please find enclosed three copies of the above mentioned patrol.

The patrol was concerned with the specific task of marking out a vehicular road between ERAVE Government station and the first village to the East ( KOIARI ). It will be later continued past KOIARI in the endeavour to open more unoccupied land for alienation and bring about development to this area.

To date we have been primarily concerned with the building of the station and more particularly in the P.W.D. line, the lengthening of the airstrip to accommodate DC3 aircraft. Now we hope to get about putting in properly graded roads to allow for easier access. Unfortunately our available work force is very limited because of scarcity of population in and around the station. Providing the potential is there, which I feel it is, namely relatively large tracts of ground suitable for coffee growing, we could well do with and use suitable road building machinery. If well graded roads are built, and land is available within ready access to the DC3 strip at ERAVE, Europeans may well be interested in coming into this area to develop. The soil has already been proved to be suitable and labour could be walked down from the virtually untapped sources of NIPA, WAGE and possibly TARI, and thus provide an economic venue for our own Southern Highland labour.

The object of the patrol to mark out the road was very successfully accomplished. Already two miles of well graded road has been completed and could accommodate vehicles of all types. A further object was to get Mr. C.P.O. Foreman familiar with his police and local people amongst whom he is going to work and I feel that he now has a better appreciation of our work duties and functions.

A claim for Camping Allowance is enclosed for your approval.

  
( R.T. Neville )  
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

RTN/AV

In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 67-1-1(128)

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

14th November, 1960.

Mr. R. Foreman,  
Cadet Patrol Officer,  
ERAVE.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - NO. 3 OF 1960/61.

Please prepare to depart on a patrol to the KOIARI area. The area to which you are to go in close proximity to the station and the specific purpose of the patrol is to mark out the road through to SIMBERIGI using an Ambney Level. At no stage is the gradient of the road to get down below 1 in 20.

Set up your camp adjacent to KOIARI village and in the initial stage work back towards the station, completing this section first.

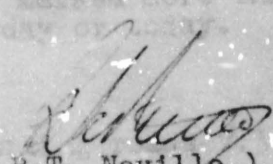
Take with you one Interpreter and No. 1391 Cpl. BORCHO and Constable 7043 KAMAN who will assist you at all times.

The patrol should take approximately two weeks however, it will be quite in order for you to come back to the station over the weekend.

Please remember that this is to be a main road and will it is hoped eventually lead to the opening up of the Eastern end of the ERAVE Valley to alienation and development. As such, try to do your best to find the most reasonable route so that the eventual road can be transversed by heavy trucks.

If in doubt over any matter feel free to come and consult me. Use this opportunity to get to know your police (Cpl. BORCHO can be relied upon in all circumstances) and the people amongst whom you are going to work.

Good luck.

  
( R.T. Neville )  
Assistant District Officer.

*Re Clement*

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

8th December, 1960.

PATROL NO. 3 OF 1960/61 - ERAVE.

Wednesday 16th November, 1960.

Departed station 8.15 A.M.  
Arrived KOIARI 9 A.M. 15 carriers used. Camp set up 11.50 A.M.  
Started marking road 1.20 P.M. (15 workers) Rain mid-afternoon.  
Two Police accompanying patrol and also one Interpreter YAMA.

Thursday 17th November, 1960.

Left for road 7.45 A.M. Went to  
station to discuss problem with Mr. Neville (A.D.O) checked  
ABNEY LEVEL 12, workers. Brought small amount of sweet  
potato.

Friday 18th November, 1960.

Departed for road 7.30 A.M.  
Supervised labour all day. First bridge crossing finished.  
Heavy clearing work started. Rain mid-afternoon slowed  
progress. Returned to camp 5.40 P.M.

Saturday 19th November, 1960.

Left for road 8.10 A.M. Heavy  
rain for majority of morning almost stopped work. Ordered  
KOIARI V/C to replace dangerous logs on bridge nearest  
village. Returned to station for week-end 12.50 P.M.

Monday 21st November, 1960.

Returned to camp 7.30 A.M. took  
labour check of WARO and MAROROGO Groups. Changed Police  
due to R.T. Fairhall (P/O.1) accompanying patrol. Now only  
have one policeman No.3695 and original interpreter YAMA.

Tuesday 22nd November, 1960.

Departed 7.35 A.M. - marking of  
road continuing. Government road now marked more than half  
way to KOIARI village. No rain yesterday or today.

Wednesday 23rd November, 1960.

Started marking roads 7.35 A.M.  
(17 workers) - road almost finished. No rain - very hot.  
Noticed bridge repaired as ordered. Small amount sweet  
potato brought in.

Thursday 24th November, 1960.

Departed for road 7.35 A.M.  
Supervised labour. Returned to camp at 4 P.M. Not feeling  
well. Sent to station for anti-malarial tablets.

Friday 25th November, 1960.

Departed 6 A.M. for station due  
illness of writer. Police in-charge of camp.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Monday 28th November, 1960.

Checked labour line, return to road and finished marking, to KOIARI. Sent Cpl to break camp and return tents to the store - equipment checked on return - all accounted for. Afternoon, had culvert deepend. Supervised labour. Returned to station 4.15 P.M.

Tuesday 29th November, 1960.

Labour check of KOIARI, KOPERI and IAMAROBİ groups - finding all present. Supervised work on road - returned to station for lunch 12.00 noon. Supervised labour on road, afternoon, return to station 5.20 P.M.

Wednesday 30th November, 1960.

Returned to road to supervise work 7.30 A.M. All working well and road coming along nicely. Everyone has now got the idea of correct grading and supervision can now be given by frequent visits from the station. Returned to station at 4.38 P.M. *After unsupervised experienced in road work.*

-----END OF DIARY-----

REG. NO. 76431 CONST. KAMAR.

Reasonably reliable, but inclined to be lax at times.

*R. J. Foreman*  
R. J. Foreman,  
OFFICER OF ROAD & BRIDGE SUPERVISORY.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

REPORT ON R.P.&N.G.C. DETACHMENT.

PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1960/61 = ERAVE.

REG. NO. 1391: SEN. CONST. BOROHO. An experienced man who can be relied upon. A very good worker.

REG. 3695: CONST. 1st CLASS. NIRIBO. Quiet type of man, inclined to repel too much supervision. Works better unsupervised. Experienced in road work.

REG. NO. 7643: CONST. KAMAN.

Reasonably reliable, but inclined to be lax at times.

*R. J. Foreman*  
R. J. Foreman,  
Officer of R.P.&N.G. Constabulary.



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Register TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1960/61 - ERAVE.

The main aim of this patrol was to survey and mark, the section between KOIARI Village and ERAVE of the proposed TSIMBERIGI road; by means of an Abney Level.

This aim was carried out very successfully, and the gradient did not at any stage go below 1 foot in 18 feet (3° 11').

However due to the extremely broken lay of the land, I anticipate that there will need to be considerable "bench cutting" carried out, to enable the road to travel down some of the steeper slopes.

Also I expect the progress on this road to be reasonably slow due to the above mentioned, "bench cutting", and also because of the heavily timbered area the road will travel through. The vegetation is very lush, and vines and trees are inter-woven into fantastic meshes most of the distance. The occasional Pine tree was seen but we were too high for the main stands that exist in the lower portions of the Erave valley.

As my camp was situated on the far-side of Koiari Village from where I was working, I had ample time to observe the cleanliness and general run of this village. It seemed to me to be a fairly quiet and orderly village; definitely clean, at least on the outside. The men of the village were helpfull and co-operative in every way which I needed to use them.

A bridge on the old road which crossed the PUGI river was dangerous, due to decayed and rotten planking, so I had it repaired.

The first River crossing was bridged successfully.

In conclusion the patrol went very smoothly and I anticipate the road when finished will be able to carry two (2) vechiles side by side quite comfortably.

There were no incidents brought to the notice of the patrol.

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R.J.Foreman. C.P.O.

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DEPT. NATIVE AFFAIRS  
 13 FEB. 1961  
 MENDI  
 SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. GRAVE 4 of 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by R.T. Fairhall Patrol Officer Gr. 1

Area Patrolled Western Sugu, Amia Ck, Kari and Tiburu Vallies.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil.

R.P.&N.G.C.	- 6	N.M.O.	- 1
Natives-Interpreter	- 4	Carriers	- 35

Duration—From 24/11/1960 to 16/12/1960  
 then from 19/12/60 to 22/12/60  
 then from 5/1/61 to 17/1/61 Number of Days 40 days.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 8/19/58 (Kari-Tiburu only)

Medical —/—/19—

Map Reference Sketch map attached.

Objects of Patrol 1: Census Revision 2: General Administration

3: Accompany Kagua Patrol No. 7 of 1960/61.

DIRECTOR OF DISTRICT SERVICES  
 AND NATIVE AFFAIRS,  
 PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

15/2/1961

*[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 .... £.....

*Duplicate Report  
 + Map held.*

67-15-19

Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu, Papua.

17th March, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 4  
of 1960/61, ERAVE -  
SUN PRINTS

...  
Forwarded herewith are 19 copies of the  
map which accompanied the abovementioned report.

J. K. McCarthy  
(J.K. McCarthy) *llh*  
DIRECTOR.

67-15-39

Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu, Papua.

6th March, 1961.

The Director,  
Dept. Lands, Surveys & Mines,  
KOROROA.

PATROL REPORT NO. 4-1960/61.  
ERAVE

... I would be grateful if you would have  
20 copies of the attached sketch map made and returned  
to me please.

*J. K. McCor...*  
(J. K. McCor...)  
DIRECTOR.

67-15-39

Konedobu, Papua.

6th March, 1961.

District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEPDI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 4-1960/61  
EEAVK

Receipt of the above mentioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

The accompanying memo and a adequately cover the contents of the patrol.

I am particularly impressed with the work being done in land investigation.

The fact that two patrols met up, worked together and then again split must have impressed the local people, particularly as patrols came from different bases.

In the diary at Tuesday 10th January, 1961, the following is recorded:

"However, would advise next patrol to make out a separate census book for this group".

I feel that action should be taken by this patrol.

The attitude of the people revealed from the contents of the report is pretty normal and it is only continuous contact which overcomes their deficiencies.

I feel that the patrol should have remained at EBAPINI overnight.

Under heading "Native Affairs" at paragraph 5, record is made of an unknown native who spread false reports concerning jailing of people because they did not bring pigs to Christmas ceremonies. The person concerned should be arrested and given a jail sentence.

I all a very good Patrol Report of work which has involved lots of patience and the use of common sense.

J. K. McCarthy  
(J. K. McCarthy) *RM*  
DIRECTOR

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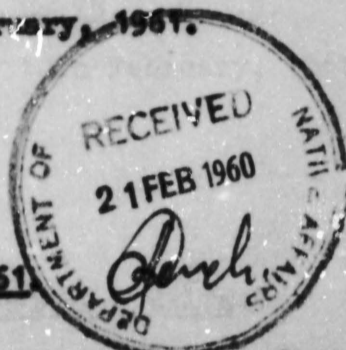
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No. 67-3-7

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

14th February, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.



ERAVE PATROL No.4 OF 1960/61

Thank you for the report on this patrol conducted by Mr. R. T. Fairhall, Patrol Officer and your covering Memorandum 67-3-1 (226) of 10th February, 1961.

The patrol was of routine nature and should help reinforce Administration influence in the area.

*See W.W. Crellin!!!*

Would you please stress to your less experienced Officers the importance of spending plenty of time with each group of people during patrols of this nature. Time spent in talking to the people, even on relatively unimportant matters, is not wasted, as often they will wander through a labyrinth of small talk before airing some issue of consequence. The diary entry of 12th January is an instance of an opportunity missed; the patrol did not stay at Ebapink despite the fact some effort had been exerted to prepare for it.

The patrol on the whole appears to have been well conducted and reported, a creditable effort for Mr. Fairhall's first solo patrol.

Your request for an additional Medical Orderly has been passed to the District Medical Officer.

Camping Allowance claim has been forwarded direct to Mr. Fairhall.

cc.  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

*(Signature)*  
(W.W. Crellin.)  
A/District Officer.

Copy for your information, Please.

*(Signature)*  
(W.W. Crellin.)  
A/District Officer.

Erave but because of our lack of labour and a limestone (soft) range which has to be crossed, would require a heavier bull dozer than we at present possess.

Our medical staff at Erave is practically non-existent. Our compliment is one Medical Orderly Grade 1 at Erave and one Aid Post Orderly at MAROROGO. During the former part of the patrol I was able to recall the Aid Post Orderly and have him accompany the patrol. During the latter section this was not possible nor was it possible to send our one Orderly who has his time cut out giving treatments on the station. I contacted Kagua for the loan of one N.M.O. they were unable to supply, I then contacted Mendi who did supply but arrived somewhat late for this patrol.



RTW/AV

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 67-3-1(226)

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

10th February, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 4 OF 1960/61 - ERAVE.

Please find enclosed three copies of the above report. The report is somewhat late but Mr. Fairhall has carried out another short patrol since the completion of this one. Nevertheless Mr. Fairhall has been informed that this should have been in earlier.

The general situation is quite satisfactory. The incident outlined in para 5 under Native Affairs was unfortunate indeed but such rumours do occur amongst these primitive peoples and probably indicates a guilty conscience that they allowed other people to be in pigs for Xmas. No form of reprimand been contemplated or intended. The incident is not of major consequence and will readily be repaired upon our next patrol into the area which will be in the not too distant future.

Obviously the people are becoming more pro-Government as indicated by the increase in census attendance. The area is also very quiet and incidents of violence are becoming very infrequent. Many of the people make their way freely to the Government station here at Erave for adjudication into all manner of disputes. This patrol should have done much to further increase their confidence in the beneficial working of the Administration. The latter part of the patrol was somewhat hurried (ref diary of 12th January) and Mr. Fairhall has been instructed that this should never be done and to refer to his patrol instructions. In his defence I would like to add that he was to be on transfer on or about the 20th January and this would have undoubtedly influenced him to hurry.

The question of economic development for this area has always been foremost my mind and I estimate that there are at least 8-10 blocks of 250 acres each which could be obtained in this area. Our major problem would be access. There is, I feel, a possible DC3 airstrip in this valley but would probably not warrant the building of it because of its close proximity to Erave. It would be possible to put a road into the area from Erave but because of our lack of labour and a limestone (soft) range which has to be crossed, would require a heavier bull dozer than we at present possess.

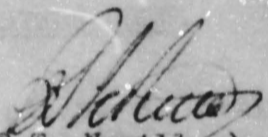
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La Sen Bann  
EIO (Hds) //

With our present Medical Staff, it is virtually impossible to send an orderly with a patrol. I would be grateful if you would request an additional member to be posted here in order to allow one to accompany patrols. Also I consider that an aid post should be established in the KOIA/KARANDA or TEBI area. Mr. J. Birkin E.M.A. who was stationed at Kagua had intended to establish an aid post but since his transfer nothing further has been heard of this move.

Relivent documents for appointments and dismissals of Village Constables have already been forwarded.

A Camping Claim for your approval is enclosed, would you have Mr. Fairhall paid direct from your office please.

  
( R.T. Neville )  
Assistant District Officer.

c.c. to: Mr. Fairhall,  
NIPA.



COPY:

67-3-1

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

23rd November, 1960.

Mr. R.T. Fairhall,  
Patrol Officer,  
ERAVE.

Mr. J. Jensen-Muir,  
Patrol Officer,  
KAGUA.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS PATROL NO. 4 of 1960/61-

ERAVE - WESTERN SUGU.

Please prepare to depart on patrol to the Western SUGU. You will accompany Mr. J. Jensen-Muir Officer-in-Charge, KAGUA through this uncontrolled area. You are to rendezvous with Mr. Muir at SUMBURA village tomorrow afternoon.

Move through the Western SUGU steadily spending as much time as possible in each of the villages. You will both rendezvous with Mr. Gordon Smith the Assistant District Officer Mendi at the western end of the Western SUGU at a time to be fixed by radio contact with his patrol.

A census will be carried out and particular attention is to be paid to the following:-

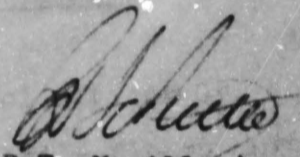
1. Village hygiene and sanitation.
2. Village housing.
3. Roads. At this stage merely that they be made into reasonable walking tracks to connect villages and provide ready access to one another.
4. Hear and settle any disputes brought to the attention of the patrol.
5. Health. Take A.P.O. PAGARI with you and have him treat the sick. Those whom you think warrant further attention should be sent back to the hospital at KAGUA.
6. Observe the work of all Village Officials. Any who are not doing their job should be recommended for dismissal and care should be taken in finding suitable replacements.

No opportunity should be lost in talking informally to the people on the aims and methods of Administration and a steady flow of favourable propaganda should be kept up.

You will take with you six of our most experienced police who are au fait with this area and know the people well. These police will be Reg. No.3352 Sgt. JOJOGA, Senior Const. No.1391 BOROHO, Const. 1st Class No.6130 AUWA, Const. No.9274 WIRIONG, No. Const. 7643 KAMAN, No.9473 Const. MAURI. You will find these men all excellent at this type of work and due weight should be taken of all information passed on to you by any of these members. Our most experienced interpreter PAGLIPARI who is also familiar with this area will also accompany you.

The patrol should take you approximately three to four weeks. Mr. Fairhall will return with Mr. Muir via KAGUA thence by road to ERAVE. If time permits Mr. Fairhall will carry out a census of the KARI/TIBURU census division. However I want Mr. Fairhall back here by 23rd December and no later. It may be that the KARI/TIBURU group could be commenced and if time will not permit, the patrol could be completed after the Xmas break. The KARI/TIBURU group are up for de restriction and I anticipate no trouble from any of their numbers as they are very frequent visitors to the station and quite law abiding. Nevertheless Mr. Fairhall should exercise caution and judgement as indeed is necessary with most peoples of this district.

Good luck.



(Sgd) ( R.T. Neville )  
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 67-3-1

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D

18th January, 1961

The Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE, S.H.D

ERAVE PATROL REPORT No. 4 of 1960/61.

Patrol Conducted By: R.T.Fairhall, Patrol Officer Gr. 1

Accompanied By: Europeans - nil (Kari - Tiburu only)

Natives - R.P. & N.G.C - 6  
 Interpreter - 1  
 N.M.O - 1  
 Carriers - 30

Area Patrolled: Western Sugu, Emia Creek Area, Kari & Tiburu Vallies, Iaro River (part)

Duration of Patrol: 24/11/60 - 16/12/60 ; thence  
 19/12/60 - 22/12/60 ; thence  
 5/1/61 - 17/1/61

No. of Days: 40

Did E.M.A. Accompany: No.

Last Patrol to Area: D.N.A - Western Sugu - May, 1960  
 Emia Creek - June, 1960  
 Kari-Tiburu-Iaro - August, 1958

Map Reference: P.H.D - Nil  
 Sketch Map Attached.

Objects of Patrol: 1. Accompany Kagua Patrol No. 7, 1960/61  
 2. Census Revision.  
 3. General Administration.

*R.T. Fairhall*  
R.T.Fairhall  
Patrol Officer.

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM PATROL.

I certify that all necessary local administration action has been or is being taken on matters arising out of this patrol

W.W.Crellin  
Acting District Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

The main purpose of the patrol was two-fold; firstly to meet up with Mr. G.P. Jensen-Muir, Patrol Officer, Kagua, and to accompany him throughout the Western Sugu Census Division. A rendezvous with the joint Mendi/Nipa Patrol (Mendi Report No. 10 of 1960/61) was accomplished in the uncontrolled Ema Creek area. Upon completion of this section of the patrol it was envisaged, time permitting before Christmas, that the writer should census the Kari-Tiburu Vallies. However much of this part of the patrol was made after the Christmas break. It has been over two years since a census check has been made in this area.

The people of this latter area have been working at Erave since shortly after the inception of the station and were, found on the whole, to be most co-operative, but slightly wary of the patrol.

The region visited, was, in the main, of precipitous limestone and provided rough walking. The grasslands of the valley floors proved most pleasant walking in comparison.

DIARY:

Thursday, 24th November, 1960:

Departed Erave station 1040. After following the left hand bank for an hour we dropped steeply to the Erave River. All personnel safely across the recently strengthened cane bridge by 1225.

Half an hours walk over a made road brought us to the now deserted AIYAGO Village. Heavy death losses caused by the 'flu outbreak last year have forced the remainder of this group to migrate out of the valley. Crossed the Mubi creek, an Erave River tributary at 1320. A slow hard climb followed to the summit of the DIBAGE range at approx. 5200 ft as l. A panoramic view to the north was noted.

Descended to TIRIBI, where the last of the carriers arrived at 1650. Unfortunately the carriers were too spent after an arduous climb to continue on to SUMBURU where the Kagua patrol waited. Most of the TIRIBI people in working at Erave and food in short supply. Half rations in rice was issued.

Light rain during night. Carriers 6 $\frac{1}{4}$  hrs.

Friday, 25th November, 1960:

Left TIRIBI 0815 for SUMBURA, arriving, after crossing the BORAGO range, at 0940. Met and joined patrol led by Mr. G.P. Jensen-Muir of Kagua. Remained for an hour then the joint patrol proceeded on to IALA where a census check held. One case C.N.M. for census evasion. Adequate food bought. Guard mounted.

Carriers time to IALA - 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  hrs.

Saturday, 26th November, 1960:

Broke camp at 0800. Moved on to TONGKA situated on the rim of the valley, arriving at 0913. Patrol stores of joint patrol repacked and surplus containers returned to respective station. Census check and talks given to people. Site selected for a rest house.

Sunday, 27th November, 1960:

Moved on to ABOUMA some 38 mins walk along the ridge from TONGKA. Camp set up and the census revised. Small number of absentees. Talks given on roadwork and hygiene.

Monday, 28th November, 1960:

Departed ABOUMA for SUGIRI at 0815 and arrived after difficult walking over short, sharp limestone ridges at 1045. Census check held and large number of absentees noted. Believed to be hiding in GORU area. Recommended the dismissal of V.C. AME who is proving unsatisfactory. Guard mounted.

Tuesday, 29th November, 1960:

Broke camp at 0748 and immediately dropped to the SUGU River some 800 feet below us. Forded the shallow river where a short break was taken. Climbed steadily alternatively through forest and grasslands and arrived at SARI perched on a ridge 1½ hours later. Camp made and census revision completed. Small payment in salt made for the swift construction of the resthouse and barracks. General talks given.

Wednesday, 30th November, 1960:

Left SARI 0810 for SUI'AIBU in an easterly direction back along the ridge. Arrived 1115 and camped at old ceremonial ground. People very slow in appearing. Attempt made at census but a storm at 1550 disrupted all possibilities for the afternoon. Guard mounted.

Thursday, 1st December, 1960:

Remained at SUI'AIBU. Census check held. General talks given and people requested to build a resthouse. Sufficient food bought. Guard mounted.

Friday, 2nd December, 1960:

Broke camp at 0920 and returned to SARI where a rest was taken until all the carriers had arrived. We then moved on to TWALAMARA resthouse which could be seen on a low ridge one hours walk to the north. Talks given to Village headmen. FAITI people have disappeared during the day. No reasons given for their departure. Days walk - four hours.

Saturday, 3rd December, 1960:

Census check at TWALAMARA. FAITI people have not appeared. Headmen sent to village to bring them down for census without avail. Told they would be censused upon our return the following week. Resthouse site selected. Guard mounted.

Sunday, 4th December, 1960:

Broke camp at 0850 and walked to ASUMAWI arriving 1030. Country generally forested limestone ridges. Census revision of ASUMAWI and WANDIRI. Attendance good. Talks given.

Monday, 5th December, 1960:

Departed 0800 for TAGURE arriving some 45 mins later. Census revision held - few absentees. Permanent carrier line taken on for the patrol into Mendi Sub-District. Talks given. Guard mounted.

Tuesday, 6th December, 1960:

Left TAGURE for IAPI at 0747. Moved slowly up over the high ridge and descended rapidly to the IAPI gardens and grasslands in a shallow basin. Made camp. Very few people seen until ~~ixix~~ afternoocn. Reports that the Mendi/Nipa patrol have camped across the ERAVE river at TOI'UWARO. Note sent across to effect we would be over the following day. Census held mid-afternoon. Large number of evaders. Guard mounted. Large quantity of food purchased.

Wednesday, 7th December, 1960:

Broke camp at IAPI at 0750 and walked over the flats to the sharp, steep ERAVE River gorge some 40 mins walk from the camp. Remained one hour to allow all equipment to be brought across the cane bridge. Another 30 mins easy walk through pit-pit and gardens brought us to the awaiting patrol. After a short rest the combined Erave/Kagua/Mendi/Nipa patrol climbed steeply for 1 hour 20 mins to TIGA where camp was erected and contact with the local people made. Guards mounted.

Thursday, 8th December, 1960:

Left TIGA accompanying Mendi Patrol gradually descending in a south-westerly direction to MANDUMAP after 1.40 mins walk. Camp made and good contact with the people made. Fig bought and a firearm demonstration given. Guards mounted.

Friday, 9th December, 1960:

Broke camp and continued on up the valley for 3½ hours through KIBOUL and IOROMAN to PUMBUREL where camp was erected in light rain. Good reception. Large number of women and children seen. Guards mounted.

Saturday, 10th December, 1960:

Accompanied Mendi Patrol to TIBERAM. Many of the PUMBUREL people accompanied us as far as KOMBURU. Generally followed the Amia Creek downstream through KABEI to TIBERAM situated in limestone country. Reception only fair. Camp made on a shallow saddle between two limestone peaks. Guards mounted. Many men watching us from high vantage points along the valley.

Sunday, 11th December, 1960:

Two Patrols broke - Mendi patrol northerly to KUSA. Mr. Jensen-Muir and self easterly down the Amia creek Valley and up to NENJA situated among limestone peaks half-way up the valley wall. 1.45 mins walk. Made camp at the ceremonial grounds. Sufficient food purchased. Good reception. Guards mounted.

Monday, 12th December, 1960:

Departed NENJA at 0850 and passed through the small AWOREI hamlet down the Amia creek to the ERAVE River where a southerly course was taken through TOI'UWARU thence easterly following the ERAVE River, to KANDE hamlet. After a short rest continued on to URIDA where camp was erected at 1420. Quite a large number of people seen.

Monday 12th-cont.

Initial census compiled. Although it lies in the Erave Administrative area, URIDA can be far easily reached from Kagua while doing the Western Sugu. V.C. elected. Guards mounted.

Tuesday, 13th December, 1960:

Departed URIDA 0900 and immediately descended to the ERAVE River some 500ft below us. Dangerously steep track slowed carriers considerably. The cane bridge was found to be in poor condition and much time was lost in renewing the cane and generally strengthening it. All safely across by 1225. Crossed undulating kunai flats and ascended gradually to ASUMAWI arriving at 1,00, in light rain. Camp made. Guards mounted.

Wednesday, 14th December, 1960:

Remained day at ASUMAWI primarily to recapture escaped prisoner. Miserable, wet, day. Large quantity of food bought. Escapes brought in at dusk. Guards Mounted.

Thursday, 15th December, 1960:

Broke camp 0725 and retraced our steps passing through TWALAMARA and KOI'IA up to FAITI ceremonial ground at 1030. Camp made. Census revision. Heavy rain 1600.

Friday, 16th December, 1960:

Departed FAITI 0800 and arrived at the unmanned TIEURU Lutheran Mission Station. Continued on to PORANI, where we met Kagua Patrol No. 8, led by Mr. R.Kelly. Remained short time and continued on to Kagua Station, arriving 1245.

Saturday, 17th December, 1960:

Remained at Kagua.

Sunday, 18th December, 1960:

Day observed.

Monday, 19th December, 1960:

Departed Kagua 1000 for MUNGIRI. Arrived 1134 and census revised. Sufficient food purchased.

Tuesday, 20th December, 1960:

Broke camp at 0830 and walked over recently cleared track to arrive IANGO at 0930. Commenced census revision. At 1240 Kagua patrol departed, returning to the Station while self continued across the Sugu Valley and over the Sugu River per cantilever bridge. Arrived SUMBURA 1413 and waited 20 mins for the carriers to arrive. Proceeded on to TIRIBI where we were met by the V.C. Instructed to line for census on the morrow. Word also sent to GORU that a census revision will be carried out tomorrow afternoon.

Insufficient food bought and rice issued.

Wednesday, 21st December, 1960:

Commenced census revision of TIRIBI at 0830, when everyone had arrived. 34% increase. Departed for GORU, half an hour's walk to the west over a reasonable track, arriving at 1152. People were lined and the census was started immediately. 127 new names recorded. Completed by 1530 and returned to TIRIBI Rest House, arriving shortly after 1600.

Adequate food purchased.

Thursday, 22nd December, 1960:

MARRO group started 0815. Completed 1030. Broke camp and departed for ERAVE Station. Climbed the DIBAGE range and descended to the Erave River at 1314. Continued on to Erave, arriving at 1420. Carriers all in by 1547 and patrol stood down.

First Section Diary.

Friday, 22nd December, 1960 to 4th January, 1961 spent at Erave Station.

Thursday, 5th January, 1961:

Resumed patrol. Departed Erave 1134, passing through the small hamlet of HANARI and instructed the people to clean the village which was in a filthy state. Left 1215 and commenced the slow, tortuous, steep, 900 ft descent to the Erave River which was in flood. Carriers safely across by 1346. Commenced the gradual ascent over the KOMAMI range, striking the decayed and slippery corduroy track. Struck a made road and continued on for 35 mins over un-  
stable ground to BATRI Rest house, arriving at 1735.

Very few people present and word sent out for firewood and food. Heavy rain during night.

Friday, 6th January, 1961:

Census started 0935. V.C. KANA who is quite aged, has no authority. The people took a completely casual attitude towards census which was eventually completed by 1518. Light rain at 1315 did not help matters.

Portable radio transmitter from Erave 1835. Sufficient food bought.

Saturday, 7th January, 1961:

Away from BATRI at 0813 and walked south along the main road for 20 mins until we struck the WORU track which follows a low east-west ridge. Passed through KAMORE hamlet. After crossing the FORE River at 1015 we arrived at WORU and erected camp on the TEBI - KOI'IA road junction, at 1105.

People lined and census commenced at 1240. 20 new names recorded. Light rain from midday. Sched. with ERAVE at 1600. Adequate food purchased.



Sunday, 8th January, 1961:

Remained at WORU - day observed.

Monday, 9th January, 1961:

Departed WORU 0900 after marking out suitable Rest-house site. Left the kunai grasslands and climbed easterly into the mountain range, following the KAGAGORI ridge to TIEROU hamlet where the V.C. resides, at 1116. Remained 30mins for carriers. Continued on to TEBI where camp was made at 1312. Although people advised two days previously, no one had appeared and the V.C. was despatched to hurry them up. The population hereabouts is extremely scattered and it was 1612 before all had arrived in and an initial census was recorded. 132 names compiled. A short talk re. census and hygiene was given and people dismissed at 1335.

Copious quantities of food bought.

Tuesday, 10th January, 1961:

Broke camp and walked N-W through jagged limestone country for 1 1/2 hrs to TIDI hamlet, situated in a narrow valley. Extensive garden areas show a population of 50 - 60. Inhabitants claim to line for census at both TEBI and KARANDA. However, would advise next patrol to make out separate census book for this group. Remained for 45 mins talking with people then moved on following the MUPI range for an hour and came upon a small deserted settlement consisting of two houses. TIDI men say they are hiding from the patrol. Three families live here, belonging to KABOREI. Remained 24 mins. Started off, and, after 1/2 hours walk, ascended the WANAMOGO range for 1200 ft and descended gradually to cross the INGIBITU creek where many tracks of men, women and children were seen following the creek downstream. A long gradual rise brought us into the open swampy KABOREI plateau. No people seen. Camp erected near village at 1635.

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this  
patrol*

V.C. appeared and informed me the majority of his group had gone into hiding south east of the INGIBITU Creek. Apparently unknown natives had spread talk the patrol was out to gool those groups who had not brought pigs to ERAVE for the Christmas ceremonies. Hence the exodus of these people. He was reassured that this was not the case and instructed to have as many people as possible in on the morrow for census.

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Insufficient food bought and rice issued. Carriers time - 6 1/2 hours.

Wednesday, 11th January, 1961:

By 0910 all had arrived in, and census commenced. In all 114 persons present and 28 new names recorded. Confusion reigned and it was 1150 before the census was completed. Two minor domestic disputes brought forward for arbitration.

Broke camp 1326 and immediately climbed a 500 ft ridge and descended through kunai and gardens to KOGA Creek. After a short rise we came out of the forest overlooking the southern PORUBERI gardens, at 1534. Short halt made for sched with ERAVE. Descended through unkempt limestone studded gardens to KOIYA creek. Rose steeply for 800 ft to the camp site at WARAWIA hamlet.

Sufficient food purchased. Carriers time - 3 1/4 hours.

Thursday, 12th January, 1961:

Census PORUBERI commenced 0845. 60% increase. Completed by 1135. Moved on to EBAPINI, a separate group 15 mins further.

up the valley, at 1210. Carriers and three police sent on to KALAWIDA to set up camp while census held. 108 names recorded initially. AWOI, group headman, was provisionally appointed Village Constable.

People keen to have us remain here, and although they were informed yesterday we would not have time, a camp site, food and firewood had been prepared to induce us to remain the night.

Moved on at 1355 over the track which generally runs parallel to the IARO River some 1200 ft below. Arrived KALAWIDA 1505 and met by V.C. ARUPIA and three V.C.s from the nearby KUARE Valley. Talks with people on matters of local interest. Adequate food bought.

Friday, 13th January, 1961:

Census revision of KALAWIDA completed at 1135. 87 names recorded. Broke camp and headed south over a track which ran through kunai and pit-pit but soon entered rain forest. Climbed the short TARA range and descended into the TIBURU Valley after 1:55 mins. Met by some 50-55 men and boys who accompanied us across the valley floor to KARANDA, which is situated on a small rise. Camp made 1415.

Huge quantities of food bought.

One C.N.M. for stealing. Heavy rain mid afternoon dispersed people for afternoon.

Saturday, 14th January, 1961:

Census started 0836. Carriers and equipment sent on to KOI'IA, 1½ hrs down the valley. Village Constable still somewhat at sea in his position. Census finished in heavy downpour.

Moved on at 1300. The track follows the southern edge of the valley over low limestone ridges. Many gardens are interspersed amongst the broken limestone. Crossed the TIBURU River and up to where the camp had been made. Arrived 1417. Intermittent rain throughout the afternoon. Again mountains of food purchased.

Sunday, 15th January, 1961:

At KOI'IA. Commenced census 0845 and finished at 1158. Rest of day observed.

Monday, 16th January, 1961:

Left KOI'IA 0800 this morning and descended into a small valley. We walked for an hour and a sharp climb brought us over into the KARI Valley. We followed the TIBURU River which reappears from ~~the~~ underground. Arrived WORU Rest house which was completed and remained for an hour. At 1215 we continued on to BATRI, arriving 1435. Camp made. Carriers time - 5½ hours.

Tuesday, 17th January, 1961:

Broke camp 0816. Crossed the KOMAMI range and descended to the ERAVE River at 1040. Continued on to ERAVE station arriving 1215. Patrol stood down.

- End of Patrol Diary -

NATIVE AFFAIRS:

The Native Situation throughout the area visited during the latter part of the patrol could be considered quite satisfactory. Although the area has not been censused since mid 1958 the census attendance and relatively large number of new names recorded was quite pleasing. The whole Division appears to be settling down and, with the exception of the BARI people, being most co-operative. ||

There is still much migratory movement within the Division. Old animosities being forgotten, the weaker groups are returning to their original hunting grounds. The entire LABUGA group at present in the Kagua KUARE Valley advise they are returning to their old grounds west of KOI'IA in the TIBURU Valley. A deputation informed me that gardens and houses were being prepared and constructed and that the group of approximately 150 persons is to move in en masse within a year. The TIBURU Valley people are pleased to have them back and no land troubles should follow. ✓

Salt remains the main trade item for purchasing native foods ; but the people are becoming more solicitous for beads, matches and the like. Family groups occasionally ask for a small mirror for a large quantity of food.

Very few disputes were brought to the patrol for arbitration which was surprising considering the contact these people, as a whole, have had.

The most unfortunate incident at KABOREI has, I feel, put us back a few years with this particular group. The unknown native who spread the false report that the Government was gaoing these clans which had not brought pigs in for the Christmas ceremonies has destroyed what confidence and goodwill that has grown from previous patrols. The patrol arrived in the area to find it almost deserted - the only people seen were two sick men. However the Village Constable soon appeared and informed us of the situation. More than two-thirds of his large group had gone 'bush' to an area some three hours walk to the south of KABOREI where many had small garden plots. The area is situated in extremely rough limestone country. After a lengthy talk with the V.C. he went off to bring in the rest of his group. Census followed the next day but no appreciable increase was noted. The next patrol should get a good reception and full attendance.

The TIDI people who would number about 50 persons inhabit a relatively flat area amongst the limestone peaks 1½ hours to the north of TEBI. This group who had not been visited before consist of two sub-clans of TEBI and KARANDA. They are evenly divided between these two places but census at their respective mother villages. The group as a whole are strongly affiliated with the TEBI clan. The nearest people to the east of the group are the KERAs, two days walk, over rough limestone country,

There were no resthouses in either the TIBURU or IARO Valleys, although the people were requested to build them. An example of the type of house required was constructed at WORU by a constable and the villagers. WORU is on the main track used by all northern villages in coming into ERAVE and is where the type of house required would best be seen by these people. They were requested to have the houses built before the next patrol to their areas.

*Find out whom this person is.*

*Patrol houses have remained*

The apathy shown towards the last patrol in the KARI Valley appears to be increasing. Whilst the people at GORU and TIRIBI to the west were quite helpful, the situation to the east was converse. The large BATRI group acted as if we were not in the area. The V.C. had no visible control over his clan and no previous preparation had been made for the patrol's visit. The people appeared to be in a hurry to get the census over and done with so they could be off about their business. Much difficulty was encountered in purchasing sufficient food for our small patrol and in finding enough carriers to carry us to the next village.

In the TIBURU and IARO Valleys the situation was quite different. Although it had been a considerable time since the last visit, tent poles and mountains of food awaited us on cleared sites and many of the men, as is the Kagua custom, remained in the camp until dusk chatting.

The general reception afforded throughout the division was good and de-restriction of the KARI - TIBURU Valleys, and the increased contact it would bring to the people, would make the situation even better.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Of the area seen, the KARI Valley and its large tracts of uninhabited grasslands and future road access from Kagua would make it eminently suitable for coffee. The loam-clay soil is reasonably fertile.

The remainder of the Division is, however, unsuitable due to the stoney and mountainous nature of the terrain or is quite inaccessible.

#### ROADS & BRIDGES:

Made roads in the area were practically non-existent. The road at TIRIBI, about  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a mile long, consisted of a number of impossible grades and shall have to be entirely rerouted. No work has been done on the road since police at road camps were recalled in mid 1959. At BATRI there is about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles of road, much of it overgrown, over undulating grasslands. Again, work halted when the policeman returned to ERAVE. Both groups were instructed to continue the roads to their respective boundaries.

Native pads were in very poor condition throughout the Division and razor sharp limestone cut the feet of many a carrier. PORUBERI and KALAWIDA made slight attempts to clear really bad sections of the road before we arrived.

All villages were issued with instructions to construct inter-village roads of regulation width.

#### HEALTH:

Although A.P.O. PAGARI accompanied the patrol during the former part of the Western Sugu section, he was unavailable for the latter section into the KARI - TIBURU Valleys. N.M.O. WAKAI-UMBO from Kagua accompanied us for only three days and was recalled to Kagua leaving us without any medical help for the remainder of the patrol.

More and more people are attending the Aid Posts at Erave Station and at Kagua's KUARE Valley. However the people are not at all healthy and Malaria is rife - particularly in the TEBI, KABOREI and PORUBERI areas. Quite a number of T.U.s were seen and the usual crop of cuts and abrasions were treated. 6 bad cases of Yaws were seen at KABOREI.

The belief in magico/religious remedies for the worser type of sickness is strong. Rather than carry a dying person to an aidpost, the people will slaughter a number of pigs in an effort to effect recovery. Only when this fails do they reluctantly have the long suffering person given medical aid.

Although we were greatly hampered by not having a Medical Orderly to treat a two years accumulation of sicknesses, during the last nine days, we managed to treat everyone who required medical assistance or send them to the nearest aidpost.

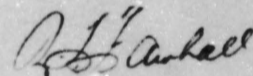
#### CENSUS & STATISTICS:

This patrol made the first full census revision of the KARI - TIBURJ Census Division. Total population is 2456. However I would estimate that there are still some 200 evaders in the census division. Two groups - EBAPINI and TEBI were initially censused during this patrol.

#### VILLAGE OFFICIALS:

With the exception of a few, the Village Constables appear to be doing a reasonable job. Every V.C. was carefully instructed in the jurisdiction and duties of his office.

AWOI-IEBIA of EBAPINI was provisionally appointed, as was LEWE-KANDI of PORUBERI. EGOMA-KANDI resigned in his favour. Due to infected feet he could not effectively carry out his duties. It is recommended that V.C. KANA-WARIO of BATRI be dismissed due to old age and that AGORE-KUPERI be appointed in his stead.



(R.T. Fairhall)  
Patrol Officer Gr. 1

APPENDIX "A"

Report on members of the R.P. & N.G.C. accompanying patrol :-

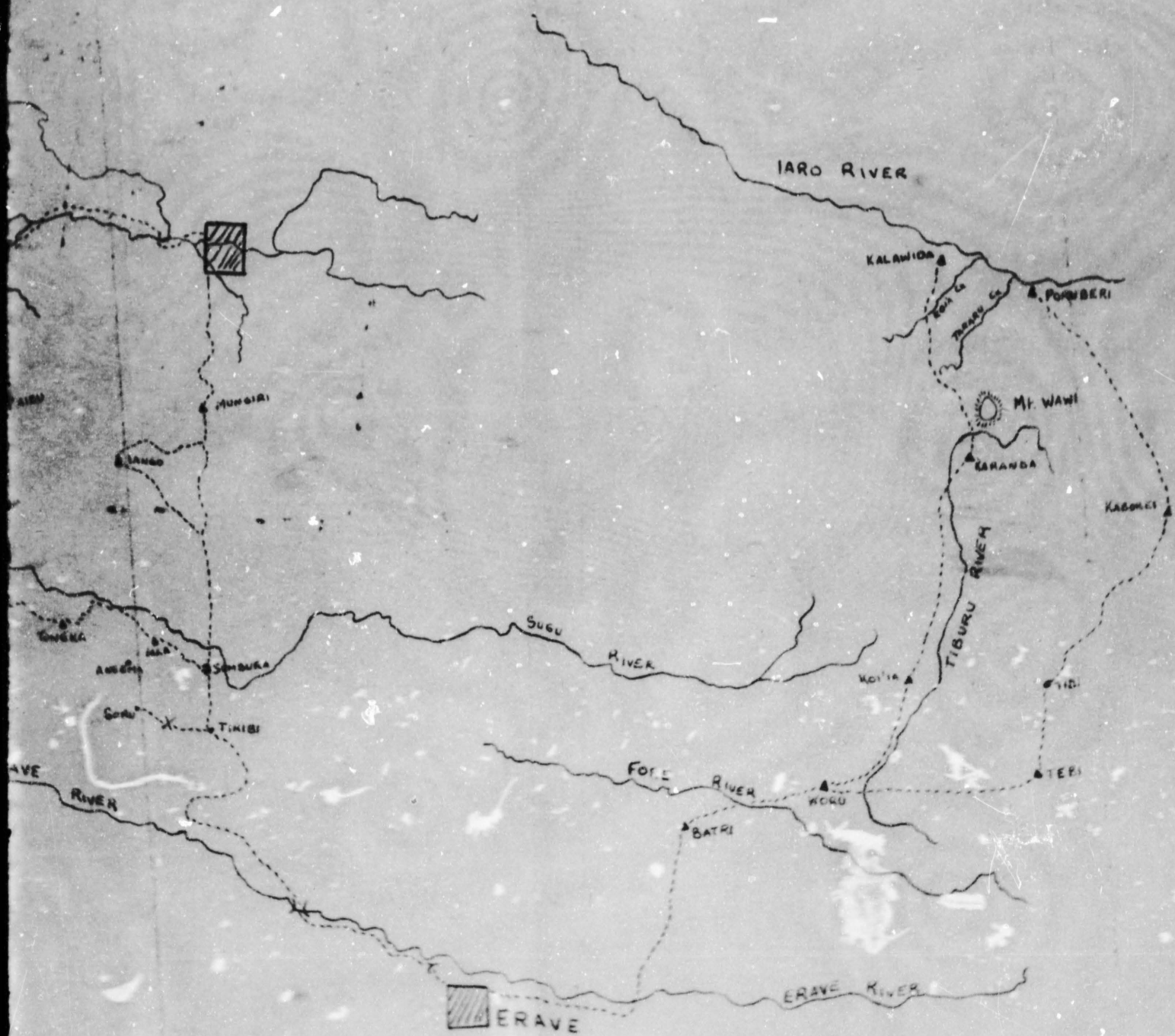
<u>No. 3352 Sgt JOJOGA;</u>	An excellent bush N.C.O. His knowledge of the area and peoples was invaluable.
<u>No. 1391 S/Const. BOBORO;</u>	A much experienced N.C.O. However he is getting too old for hard bush walking. A good worker.
<u>No. 6130 1/c Const. AUWA;</u>	Very quiet but a good worker.
<u>No. 9473 Const MAURI;</u>	Good solid worker. Dependable.
<u>No. 9274 Const WIRIONG;</u>	An average policeman. Cheerful and willing.
<u>No. 7643 Const KAMAN;</u>	Average.
<u>No. 7642 Const/Bugler GUM;</u>	This member accompanied patrol for last two days only. Lazy. Most undependable.

*R.T. Fairhall*

( R.T. FAIRHALL )  
Officer of the Royal Papuan and  
New Guinea Constabulary.



MAP TO ACCOMANY PATROL REPORT No. 4 OF 1960/61









TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of..... SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS ..... Report No..... ERAVE 5 OF 1960/61 .....

Patrol Conducted by..... R.T. FAIRHALL, PATROL OFFICER Gr. 1. ....

Area Patrolled..... PORTION FORE-SIMBERIGI CENSUS DIVISION. ....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... R.J. FOREMAN, C.P.O. ....

Natives..... R.P.&N.G.C. - 6 N.M.O. - 1  
INTERPRETER - 1.

Duration—From..... 20 / 1 / 19 61 ..... to 24 / 1 / 19 61 .....

Number of Days..... 5 .....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... NO. ....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... / 9 / 19 60 .....

Medical .... / 7 / 18 60 .....

Map Reference..... Sketch Map Attached. ....

Objects of Patrol..... 1. Check on Roadwork & Village Hygiene. ....

2. Medical Check. 3. Routine Administration. 4. Find ERAVE-SAMBERIGI  
Road Route.

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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Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu, Papua.

3rd March, 1961.

District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEKILI.

PATROL REPORT NO.5 - 1960-61  
ERAVE

Receipt of the above mentioned Patrol Report  
is acknowledged with thanks.

Has the dysentery out-break been reported to  
the Medical Officer at Mekele?

The reason for the brevity of the Report is  
acceptable.

I am gratified to note that written instructions  
were provided for the guidance of the Officer conducting  
the Patrol.

Perusal of the diary shows that his work has  
been thorough. The attitude of the people towards the  
enforcement of Law and Order may be considered very satis-  
factory.

*valuable* .. The notes of availability of arable land are  
available and should be kept at the Sub District Office on  
a special file.

Generally speaking a very satisfactory report.

*J. K. McCarthy*  
(J. K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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File No 67-3-7

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

21st February, 1961.

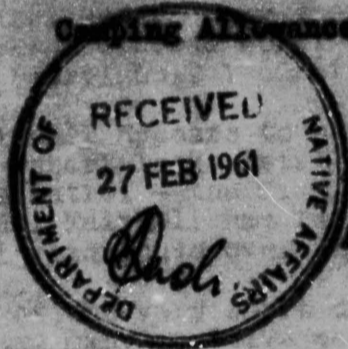
Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.

ERAVE PATROL No.5 of 1960/61

Thank you for the Report covering this patrol conducted by Mr. R.T. Fairhall, Patrol Officer, and your covering memorandum of 14th February.

The patrol was of routine nature. I agree with you that the report is lacking a little in specific information.

Camping Allowance claim is returned.



*W.W. Crellin*  
(W.W. Crellin.)  
A/District Officer.

cc  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

Copy for your information, please.

*W.W. Crellin*  
(W.W. Crellin.)  
A/District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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*In Reply  
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Sub District Office  
ERAVE J.H.D.

14th February, 1961

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District  
MENDI

PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1960/61 - ERAVE

Please find enclosed 3 copies of the above Report.

This Patrol was of very short duration, and was concerned with the checking of road work, Village hygiene, and in general, a follow-up of Patrol No.2 1960/61, in the WARO MAROROGO area.

Mr. Fairhall appears to have carried out his instructions, although his report lacks detail, especially as regards one important aspect of the Patrol - the finding of a road route from Erave to Samberigi. Mr. Fairhall has failed to give any specific details of his potential road route over the RU Range.

Because of the very short duration of the Patrol, little could be done to take many positive measures to correct the dysentery in the area. Mr. Fairhall did, however, take every opportunity to remind the people, and especially all the Village Officials, of their obligations in the field of Village health and sanitation.

The brevity of Mr. Fairhall's report may be attributed to his sudden transfer to Nipa, the report was of necessity hurriedly written to enable him to pack and move out on the first available aircraft.

Contingencies claiming Camping Allowance are attached.

.....  
(R.T. NEVILLE)  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

RTN/AV

In Reply  
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No. 67-3-1(197)

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

19th January, 1961.

Mr. R.T. Fairhall,  
Patrol Officer,  
ERAVE.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS NO.5 OF 1960/61

ERAVE.

Please prepare to depart on a short patrol to the  
WARO MAROROGO area on the morrow.

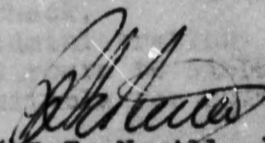
The express purpose of this patrol will be to check  
upon roadwork and village hygiene. Orders were left by a  
recent patrol for these tasks to be carried out and I understand  
that they are not being done, despite the fact that dysentery  
is rife in the area.

These people have been contacted for many years and  
most have worked in Port Moresby. Where you consider it  
necessary arrests will be made for non compliance with these  
orders.

I have selected six good police to take with you  
for this patrol.

Mr. Cadet Foreman will also accompany you and I  
want you to afford him every opportunity to become familiar  
with all facets of Administration and particularly the people,  
their customs and habits.

The patrol should not take you longer than 4-6 days.

  
( R.T. Neville )  
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
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No. 67-3-1

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

1st February, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

ERAVE PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1960/61

Patrol Conducted By: R.T.Fairhall, Patrol Officer Gr. 1

Accompanied By: Europeans - R.J.Foreman,  
Cadet Patrol Officer

Natives - R.P. & N.G.C - 6  
Interpreter - 1  
N.M.O. - 1  
Carriers - 20

Area Patrolled: Portion FORE-SIMBERIGI Census Division

Duration of Patrol: Friday 20 January - 24 January, 1961.

No. of Days: 5

Did E.M.A. Accompany: No

Last Patrol to Area: D.N.A - September, 1960.  
P.H.D - July, 1960

Map Reference: Sketch map attached.

Objects of Patrol: 1. Investigation of MAROROGO and WARO Villages neglect to work on village roads  
2. Medical check.  
3. Routine administration.  
4. Find road route to SAMBERIGI Valley and areas suitable for Coffee.

*R.T. Fairhall*  
(R.T.Fairhall)  
Patrol Officer Gr.1

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM PATROL.

I certify that all necessary local administration action has been or is being taken on matters arising out of this patrol

*[Signature]*  
A/District Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

The main purpose of this short patrol was to check on roadwork and village hygiene. Instructions had been left by Patrol No. 2 1960/61 for these tasks to be attended to. However word had reached the Station that practically nothing had been done. In view of the number of years these people have been contacted and the fact that many have worked at some stage at Kikori or Port Moresby they have no reasonable excuse for not carrying out the orders.

The Patrol was of routine nature and all objects were fulfilled. C.P.O. R.J.Foreman accompanied.

DIARY:

Friday, 20th January, 1961:

Departed Erave Station 1050 and walked over a made road to KOIARI. Continued on over a corrugated track for three hours to SIMBERIGI arriving at 1425. Camp made. New Resthouse badly constructed. Schedule at 1600 with Erave. Adequate food bought.

Saturday, 21st January, 1961:

People in by 0900 and a medical check on SIMBERIGI and WORU groups carried out. Left for MAROROGO at 0948 and passed through WORU en route. Arrived at MAROROGO resthouse at 1100. V.C. instructed all WARO and MAROROGO people to line on the morrow for a medical check-up and to explain why no work had been done. At 1350 Mr. Foreman and self walked through surrounding hamlets checking on work ordered by the previous patrol. Radio sched. with Erave at 1600. Returned to resthouse at 1715. Sufficient food bought.

Sunday, 22nd January, 1961:

Census check and people examined and treated by N.M.O. TABUL. A number of people arrested and charged with having failed to work on village roads under section 118(2) of the Native Regulations Ordinance. Accompanied by their Village Constables, they were sent back to Erave.

Radio sched. with Erave 1100.

During afternoon checked on coffee plots, which were found to be doing very well, and gardens. Talks with the people.

Monday, 23rd January, 1961:

0820 departed for LANGURI village, 50 mins walk, where a village inspection was made. Returned to MAROROGO via WARO and hamlets. Broke camp and carriers and three police sent to SIMBERIGI to set up camp. Self and Mr. Foreman searching for road route over dividing range. Arrived SIMBERIGI 1658. Adequate food bought.

Tuesday, 24th January, 1961:

Broke camp 0845 after holding a C.N.M. for assault. Left SIMBERIGI and descended to the PUGI Creek which we followed for two hours. Four police and carriers continued on to Erave while Mr. Foreman and self looked for a possible road route between SIMBERIGI and Erave. Arrived at Erave 1715. Patrol stood down.

-END OF DIARY-



NATIVE AFFAIRS:

The Native Situation in the area visited is very satisfactory. The groups in the FORE/TSIMBERIGI census division have been contacted for the past thirty years and fully realise the aims of the Administration.

The people reacted well to the patrol appearing in their midst to gaoi those who had refused to do village roadwork allotted to them. All gaoled realised they had broken the law and went, accompanied only by their Village Constables to Erave.

Other groups visited however, had satisfactory completed the work as ordered by the last patrol here during last September.

HEALTH:

A medical inspection was carried out in every village by N.M.O. TABUL. Many T.U.s and sores were treated - particularly on children. This is inexcusable as from this area an aid post is no further than 2 hours walk. The aid post at MAROBOGO is in a shocking condition. A.P.O. PAGARI reported that the people were slack in health matters and very little help was given by the people in construction of necessary aid post buildings. The V/C's were informed that they were to ensure the aid post was to be kept clean and tidy.

LAND:

A check on available land for cash crops was made. The maximum amount land available in the SIMBERIGI area would be approximately 800 acres. However the soil is poor and would require considerable building up.

Some 1500 fertile acres are available in the SALABADEMI Valley allowing for future native needs and population increases.

Unlimited acreage is available in the upper SAMBERIGI Valley and on the slopes of Mt. Murray. The forested land extends over many square miles and is reasonably undulating river flats.

The future road from ERAVE is to go be cut through the middle SAMBERIGI opening up this area.

ROADS & BRIDGES:

Much of the main track throughout the area is now regular 9' width. Only the ERAVE - SAMBERIGI link has yet to be constructed.

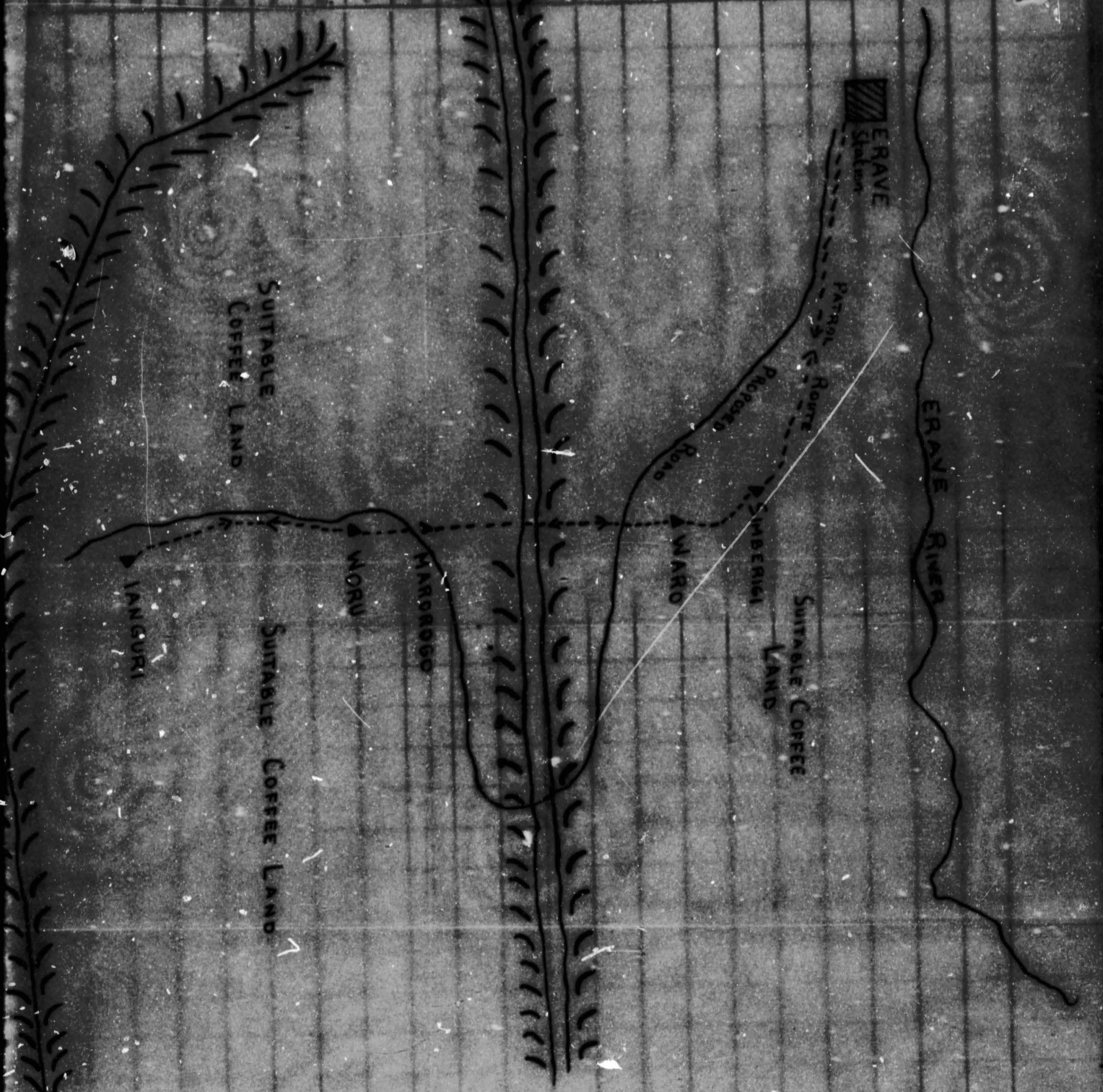
A potential road route was sighted only over the RU Range. However considerable benching and blasting will be necessary.

*R.T. Fairhall*  
.....  
R.T. Fairhall,  
Patrol Officer Gr. 1.

# tion Register

Area Patrolled.....

Date	ABSENT FROM VILLAGE						LABOUR POTENTIAL		FEMALES		Age Group	TOTALS (Including Absentees)				Remarks
	Outside District		Govt.		Mission		Males	Females	Present	Absent		Child		Adult		
	M	F	M	F	M	F						M	F	M	F	



Area Patrolled Report No. 5 of 1954/55

HEADQUARTERS



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. ERAVE 6 of 1960/61.

Patrol Conducted by R.T.Neville, Assistant District Officer.

Area Patrolled EASTERN SUGU

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr. R.J.FOREMAN C.P.O.

Natives B.P. & N.G.C. 7 N.M.O. 1  
Duration—From 14/3/1961 to 20/3/1961 INTERPRETER 2  
CARRIERS 30

Number of Days 7 Field Days 14.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services ...../...../19.....

Medical ... .. /...../18.....

Map Reference SKETCH MAP ATTACHED

Objects of Patrol 1. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION 2. CENSUS REVISION  
3. MEDICAL CHECK 4. ROAD LOCATION.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

*Duplicates held.*

Forwarded, please.

22/4/1961

*Murray*  
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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67-15-56

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
22nd Nov, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
NSW.

PATROL REPORT NO. 6 1960-61 - BRAVE

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

There appears to be a most satisfactory development in the peoples' attitude towards our concepts of law and order. I am gratified that with this acceptance of law and order that the people are moving back on to their traditional land holdings.

Whilst the people are at this stage, you should ensure that tribal or clan boundaries are recorded.

A satisfactory Patrol Report.

*J.K. McCarthy*  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR

67. 15. 56 ✓

KWD:AL

67-3-7

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

22nd April, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE.

ERAVE PATROL NO.6 OF 1960/1961.

Thank you for the report on your patrol to the Eastern  
Sugu.

Through Restricted the area is well settled and has been  
recommended for de-restriction.

Your general comments confirm what I believe to be a  
marked improvement in affairs generally in this and also other  
KAGUA areas as a result of the patrolling and enthusiasm of  
Messrs Jensen-Muir and Kelly.

Re diary (5th March, 1961, Page 3 - I would like you to  
remin your officers that land disputes as to ownership cannot be  
determined by our officers and direct your attention to my memo  
34/1 -122 dated 25th July, 1960 dealing with native land matters.  
When necessary please ensure Form 2 "Claim for Registration of  
Native Land" is completed in respect of disputing parties and  
forwarded to me. There is not one land dispute recorded at Mendi  
in respect of your Sub-District at the present time.

Claims for camping allowance is returned herewith for  
payment.



*K.W. Dyer*  
(K.W. Dyer)  
District Officer.

→ The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

For your information, please.

Copy of the report is attached hereto.

*K.W. Dyer*  
(K.W. Dyer)  
District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

RTN.

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE. S.H.D.

29th March, 1961.

PATROL No. 6 of 1960/61 - ERAVE.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY. R.T. Neville. A.D.O. Gr.1.

AREA PATROLLED. Eastern Sugu ( Restricted.)

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY:

Mr. R.J. Foreman. C.P.O.

7 members of the R.P. & N.G.C.

1 N.M.O.

35 Carriers.

LAST PATROL TO AREA:

June, 1960

DURATION OF PATROL:

14/3/61 - 20/3/61.

7 days Actual - Patrol days 14 (20officers)

OBJECTS OF PATROL:

1. Routine Administration and Census check.
2. Health Inspection.
3. Extension Administration influence.
4. Familiarise myself with the area.
5. Give Mr. R.J. Foreman experience in patrolling ( though area restricted - it is up for de-restriction.

MAP REFERENCE.

Sketch map attached.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

RTN.

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE. S.H.D.

5th April, 1961.

PATROL REPORT No. 6 of 1960/61. - ERAVE.

DIARY.

Friday 10th March, 1961.

Departed Erave for Kagua by cesna aircraft to carry out a station inspection. Arrived Kagua 1.30 pm. Met the O.I.C. - Patrol Officer Mr. R.J. Kelly at ent on patrol. Carried out an inspection of the station.

Saturday 11th March, 1961.

Continued station inspection including police etc. Did Visiting Justice's inspection. Convened the Coroners Court and enquired into the death of one ARUBIA.

Sunday 12th March, 1961.

O.I.C. and self discussed various aspects of Administration and visited station works etc.

Monday 13th March, 1961.

Reopened the Coroners Court and examination of witnesses continued - finding given and three committed for trial - court closed. Equipment for patrol readied. Talks held with natives on the station.

Tuesday 14th March, 1961.

After further talks etc. self and Mr. Foreman departed for Erave via the Eastern Sugu. Used station land rover for the first few miles along the main road towards Ialibu. Departed road by foot and commenced to climb immediately. After an hour and a half fairly stiff walking, made camp at the KARA Dubu. Many people gathered to meet the patrol and bring in food etc. During the ensuing talks a request was made for carriers for the morrow. Mosquitos very bad and an uncomfortable night spent.

WEDNESDAY 15th March, 1961.

Carriers a little late in arriving - departed KARA at 8.2 am and walked through scattered population till 9.10 am when a short spell was taken while the wrater shot a pigeon - broke-out into gardens overlooking TAGU in the Eastern Sugu, at 9.25 am. Moved on to the Rest House at WABIA which establishment is new and very good. People all gathered waiting for the patrol. Census revised and a new book made out for TAGU.

A drop of 5.1% on last year's census at TAGU due mainly to migrations out of people to their own areas now that fighting has stopped.

An increase of 1.3% at WABIA which was an increase of births over deaths. As is usual with relatively new people it is suspected that quite a number have not yet presented themselves for census. Two cases of

census evasion were heard and the people again reminded of their obligation to attend.

Word and intended itinerary again sent out to all.

Talks held with the people who are a very friendly and pleasant lot. One land dispute was referred back to the O.I.C. at Kagua. It transpired that it was an old dispute and a decision was previously given by an Officer of that station. No doubt and as it turned out, the aggrieved were trying to have the decision reversed - a common endeavour.

Thursday 16th March, 1961.

Completed census of WABIA by 9.45 am - departed 9.55am and proceeded east to WAGIAPUNTA by way of PURI and TOMBORO. Census conducted en route of these two small places.

Came across a cluster of newly erected spirit house and out houses. Sat down and talked to the people about these and had general discussions - again people very friendly and willing to talk about their folk lore. A very pleasant swim was had by all patrol personnel in the Sugu River.

A little work has been done on the walking tracks which are, on the whole, not too bad. There is still a lot of work to do but the people have been somewhat busy of late erecting new Rest Houses and working on the Kagua airstrip. Previous instructions re roads etc. were reaffirmed. Arrived at TOMBORO at 4.05 pm. then on to WAGIAPUNTA R.H. which is another 40 minutes walk. Ample food purchased.

V.C. KANGU requested to be relieved from office because of age - request granted and a new man of likely ability will be recommended. Census commenced by Mr. Foreman.

Had talks with the people who were gathered.

Census of ARABIA up 46.5% due mainly to migrations in. Census of TOMBORO down 6.7% because of migrations out. Census of PURI up 11.8%

Friday 17th March, 1961.

Completed census of TOMBORO and WAGIAPUNTA. Attendance quite good. Had long discussions at the end of the census - recorded 19 new names here. Sent further patients back to the hospital at Kagua.

Left WAGIAPUNTA at 11.10 am and walked over an undulating partially made road when the Sugu river was again crossed at 12 noon. Continued on to the Rest House at KATILOMA inspecting gardens en route. Arrived at the barracks at 2.30 pm. Met here by the new V.C. of WAGIAPUNTA with two people who had evaded census.

People all gathered and census commenced - 100% attendance of all those recorded. V.C. absent at Kagua repeated requests failed to bring him forth to meet the patrol. All people quite settled and no disputes - in fact all this area now take their troubles to Kagua for adjudication - most heartening.

Census of WAGIAPUNTA up 9.3% due to new names being recorded. KATILOMA down 2.8% caused by migrations out.

Saturday 18th March, 1961.

After talks and the hearing of C.N.M. cases



departed KATILOMA at 11.10 am. Struck the Sugu river at 11.25 and all crossed with caution over a not too safe bridge. Proceeded over pretty ground towards the west through quite extensive cultivations. Judging from the amount of cultivation and the numbers attending, I am quite sure that now all of the people of this area have presented themselves for census. Efforts brought forth only a few extra names. Arrived at the new Rest house set in very picturesque surroundings at SUMBURA at 12.25 pm.

Census partially completed when it threatened to rain - census called off so that children would not be soaked. Remainder of the afternoon spent on compilation of census statistics. Plagued by hords of blow flies brought around by the natives.

Sunday 19th March, 1961.

Revision of census resumed and completed. Discussions held with the people - quite a number of people from the Western Sugu in to say hello to the patrol. Several C.N.M. cases heard.

A note in from Kagua which took the messenger only two hours five minutes.

At the end of discussions a request was made for carriers to turn up early on the morrow.

A swim had in the late afternoon.

Monday 20th March, 1961.

Patrol rose at 4.30 am. drizzle falling. Was not able to set out until 7.5 am in light rain. Proceeded over an undulating road arriving at the latter hamlet ( TIRIBI ) at 8am. Moved on to the Rest house at KARO arriving at 8.20 am. A little road work had been done as a result of a recent patrol No. 4 of 1960/61. Villages and roads in the area quite dirty and untidy. Left TIRIBI at 9am after inspecting further roads and bridges. Climbed up a very bad track till reaching the top of the range separating the KARI Valley from Erave, at 10 am. Rested until 10.15 am. Proceeded down a very steep grade till resting at 11.25 am. When the carriers had caught up, moven on again at 11.45 AIOGUE ( now deserted ) arriving 12.15 pm. Had lunch and left at 1 pm. Reached the Erave River at 1.30 pm. Slow crossing over a long cane suspension bridge - departed 2.30 pm and proceeded over a very wet track arriving at the station at 3.45 pm. Patrol stood down.

END OF DIARY.

NATIVE AFFAIRS:

Our relations with the people of the Sugu have improved to the extent where the general situation is very good indeed. The Administration is still regarded with a small amount of reservation - however this is to be expected in such a relatively new area such as this. Patrolling is the answer and will, in time, break down the few reservations that are left. Reading through previous reports on this area a general pattern of steady improvement can be readily ascertained.

The patrol was invariably met by numbers of happy people of both sexes. Food and other requisits

for the overnight stay of the patrol were always in willing readiness. Conditions for camping were excellent. In three places WABIA, WAGIAPUNTA and SUMBURA new Rest Houses of good proportions and ancillary buildings had been constructed. At only one place KATILOMA was a Rest House in need of rebuilding.

There have been no further outbreaks of tribal fighting since the last patrol. The whole of the area covered is very quiet at present and the groups are settling down very well under Administration influence, nor is it anticipated that any organized fighting will break out in the future. A sign of the times is indicated by the fact that everywhere, people are moving back into their traditional land holdings, making gardens and building up. On the one hand quite a number of people have moved back into the KUARE census division and others have moved back to their traditional site at TAGU. The fact that they can now safely return and settle down peacefully is a good omen and an indirect expression of their faith and confidence in the Government.

Noticeably few disputes were brought to the attention of the patrol except those which had occurred in the immediate past. Upon enquiry, it was discovered that any difference which arises is almost immediately taken to the Government Officers at Kagua a pleasing advancement. In all, only nine disputes were settled to the satisfaction of the various participating parties.

All groups within the area are helping at extending the Kagua airstrip and the fact that is frequent visits affords them ample opportunities of ironing out any grievances.

Long talks were had with all groups in which the Administration aims and policy were stated in simple terms. At the conclusion of these talks it often resulted that discussions of quite a thoughtful nature were introduced by the people and talked over at length.

The people visited are undoubtedly under full Administration control and with frequent patrolling it will be a relatively simple matter to bring them along at a rapid rate of advancement. It now remains to get a road into the area from the Kagua side in the first instance so that constant and ready supervision, encouragement and guidance can be given them in all undertakings.

#### VILLAGE OFFICIALS:

The Village officials seen are, on the whole, doing quite a good job in keeping their people happy, bringing unsettled disputes before the Court, attending to their Governmental works duties and in their own personal appearance and willingness.

The Village Constable of KATILOMA was not sighted though he and his people had ample warning of the patrol's arrival requests for his attendance were sent out to him. The patrol was in and quite near his area for four days. I have asked the O.I.C.

Kagua to enquire into the reason of his non-attendance and if necessary, administer a reprimand.

KANGU, Village Constable of WAGIAPUNTA requested that he be relieved from office because of old age. He finds that the rigours required of a Village Constable now not in him and thought it best to step down so that a younger man with more drive could fill the position. This request was accepted and a younger man of strong determination and influence was discovered to fill the position. The recommendation for appointment will be forwarded under separate cover.

No difficulties with regard to 'bossbois' as referred to in Patrol Report No.8 of 1959/60 - Kagua, were encountered. The Officers at Kagua have done a good job in sorting out their position in the community to that of Village Councillor.

#### CENSUS:

A complete revision of the Eastern Sugu was carried out. There was a slight increase of 37 people over the number recorded on the last census patrol to the area.

There is still a slight 'suspicion of our motives' carry over to this aspect of our work. I detected a minor feeling regarding our activities in this venue with sinister interpretations. Several reasons leap to my mind, probably the most prominent is that they dislike having their names recorded in the event that they do some wrong or absent themselves from their statutory duties. In either of these events we would, as it were 'have the wood' on them and would make detection and possible punishment that much easier. The patrol prior to this one did much to bring their numbers up but undoubtedly there are still more to be encountered.

Again this patrol took quite a strong stand on this question and many previously not recorded persons were brought to light. Their numbers were unfortunately offset by the number of migrations out previously mentioned.

In all, sixteen charges were laid for failure to appear for census. At the same time reasons for requiring them to appear etc. were carefully outlined once again to all and sundry.

Three able bodied males from the area are away working under the Highland Labour Scheme. More will offer and upon their return will infuse some of the workings of Law and Order and practical administration which they will have observed during their contract. This should give rise to eventual uplift in concept of the Administration and its workings.

ROADS AND BRIDGES:

Native pads exist between all villages. Some attempt has been made to widen these tracks and grade them. Instructions and advice were given towards this end but due recognition was taken of the fact that the people have been assisting with the extension of the Kagua airstrip and the erection of Rest Houses and ancillary buildings.

The worst encountered was between KARA in the Kagua valley and TAGU in the Eastern Sugu. The track travels through relatively light population but could nevertheless be improved.

At other centres reasonable attempts, under the circumstances, had been made to improve their roads.

The question of putting through a light vehicular road to the Sugu Valley was discussed with the O.I.C. Kagua. The road, from observations made, will be quite feasible. Concentrated effort will be made on this project within the near future. No where in the Eastern Sugu will vehicular roads be a difficult proposition.

Cane suspension bridges across the Sugu River itself were all in good order.

AGRICULTURE:

Everywhere the patrol had no difficulty in obtaining food. From the gardens visited, it was readily seen that there were no shortages of food. Gardens were generally well kept and contained all the usual crops associated with Native Highland Agriculture. There are very few introduced European type vegetables in the area.

HEALTH:

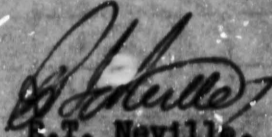
A native Medical Orderly from the Kagua hospital accompanied the patrol throughout and made a medical inspection of all people seen immediately after they had answered their names. Numerous cuts, abrasions, burns and infected sores were seen and treated. A total of thirty seven more serious patients were forwarded to Kagua hospital for prolonged treatment.

The people appeared to be quite aware of the beneficial treatment that could be had at the Kagua hospital and all willingly agreed to proceed there and did in fact all turn up at the hospital. In all, the general health situation was quite good.

CONCLUSION:

The people of the Eastern Sugu are well

settled down and are quite ready for de-restriction which has been recommended. This is the second visit to these people in the last nine months and the pleasing results are readily discernible. Regular patrolling and the building of an access road into their area will be the order of the day in the immediate future.



R.T. Neville.  
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.


APPENDIX " A "

GRAVE PATROL No.6 of 1960/61.

Report on Members of the R.P. & N.G.C. Accompanying.

Reg. No. 1391	Sen. Const. BOROHU.	A willing worker, a little too quiet to exercise control over his police.
Reg. No. 9274.	Constable WIRIONG.	Good worker-cheerful and reliable.
Reg. No. 8324.	Constable KOMBHOE	Efficient and reliable.
Reg. No. 7643.	Constable KAMAN.	Lazy and unreliable.
Reg. No. 7307.	Constable LILIGAU.	Efficient.
Reg. No. 7642.	Constable GUM.	Lazy, unreliable and surly.
Reg. No. 10627.	T/Constable MAKILAI.	Smart and efficient - very willing worker.

Records have been made on the abovementioned Records of Service.

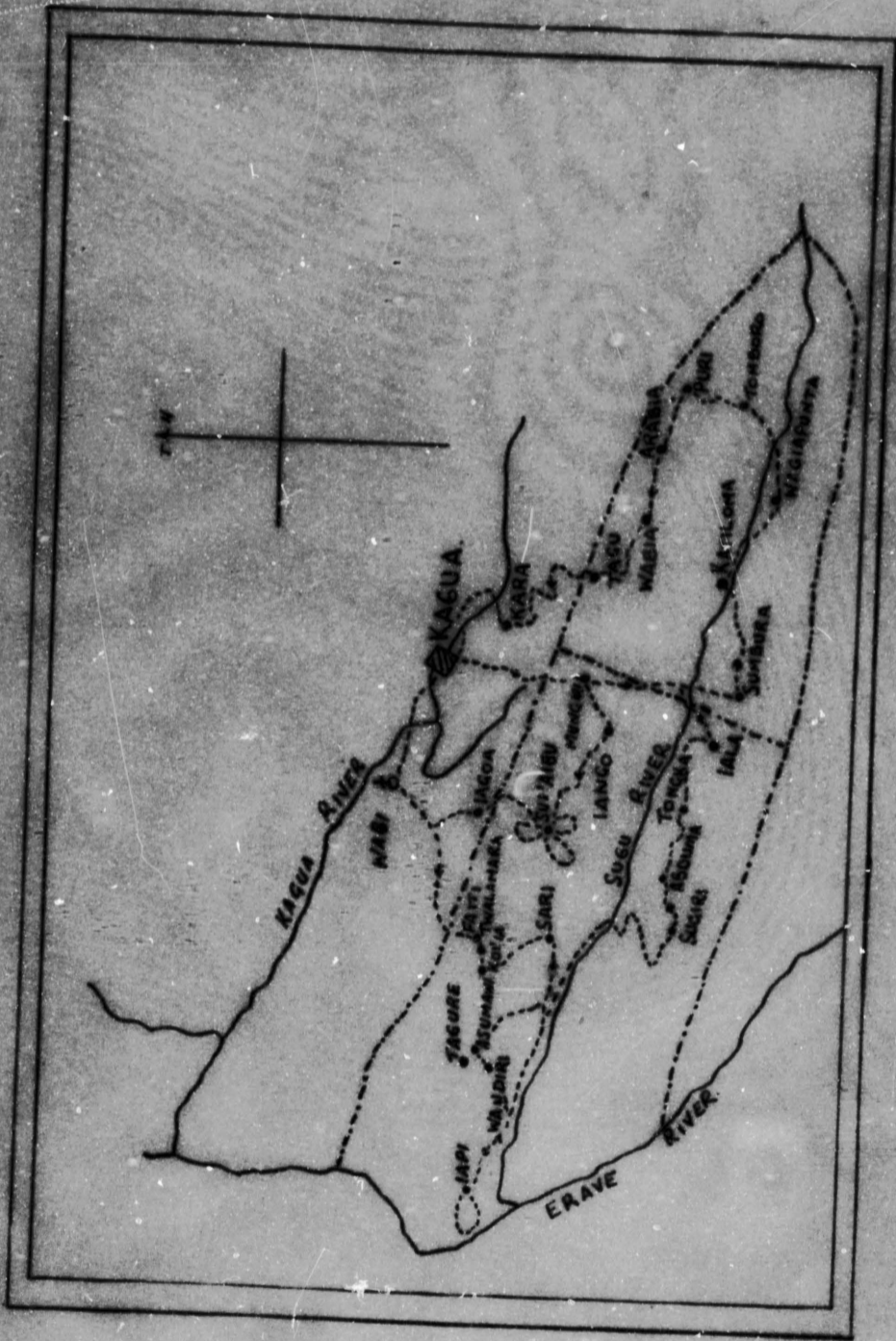
  
R.T. Neville.  
Assistant District Officer.

SKETCH MAP

Scale 1" / 4 miles

Based on Lake Kutubu Fourmile Series 2

ERAVE PATROL No. 6 of 1960/61







TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of...SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No. <sup>ERAVE</sup> 7 of 1960/61.....

Patrol Conducted by... R.J. Foreman C.P.O......

Area Patrolled... Station - Tsimberegí Road......

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

	<u>2</u> Police	Average Labour	<u>15</u>
Natives... <u>4</u>	<u>1</u> Interpreter	Carriers	<u>16</u>

Duration—From...10./4./1961...to...26./4./1961...

Number of Days... Patrol Days 13 Nights Out 14.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 30./11./1960...

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

Map Reference... Sketch Map Attached......

Objects of Patrol... 1. To continue marking a vehicular road in the direction of Tsimberegí Village. 2. Report on the suitability of uninhabited land to the N. and S. of the patrol route with a view to coffee growing......

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

26/5/1961

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner *offici*

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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67-15-60

7th August, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
HENDY.

GRAVE PATROL NO. 7/1960-61

Thank you for this routine report of the  
road and land survey to the TSIMBERIGI area.

I agree that Mr Foreman's written record of  
his work is improving and I note your commendation of his  
practical ability. General conditions in the area patrolled  
do not give cause for excessive satisfaction but we cannot  
expect too much at this early stage of their development  
especially as other Departments have not been as co-operative  
as elsewhere in your District. It is gratifying at least,  
that the people are not obstructive and seem to be willing  
to make surplus land available for settlement.

(J.K. <sup>ex</sup>Carthy)  
Director.

67. 15. 60 ✓

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No. 67/3/7  
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KWD:PE

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

26th May, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.

ERAVE PATROL No. 7 of 1960/61.

Thank you for the above report submitted by Mr. Foreman and your covering comments thereon.

I agree that this report is an improvement on Mr. Foreman's previous effort but I would like you to give him encouragement to further improve and in particular to pay more attention to spelling. I consider Mr. Foreman in his work shows very good promise and it would be a pity for this to be marred by him not presenting what he has done in the best manner possible.

With the scarce population in the area the road you are building is only really warranted if you are successful in finding some alienable blocks. You should as soon as possible indicate what funds you will require to continue this road work next year along the lines already indicated to you.

I am concerned at rather frequent reports of neglect in respect of coffee blocks. Please do everything you possibly can to ensure that these blocks are properly looked after.

Claim for camping allowance is returned herewith for payment.



*K.W. Dyer*  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

cc  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

Copy of Patrol Report No.7 of 1960/61 Forwarded herewith for your information, please.

*K.W. Dyer*  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
Please Quote  
No. 67-2-1

Sub District Office  
KRAVE S.H.D.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District  
MENDI

PATROL REPORT - KRAVE No. 7-60/61

Please find enclosed three copies of the above Report by  
Mr. R.J. Foreman C.P.O./

This is Mr. Foreman's second solo patrol, and a considerable  
improvement is evident in the quality of work he has performed.

Again, Mr. Foreman's task was the marking of the Vehicular  
road which will run from the Krave Government Station, through  
Koiari village and on to the Tsimberigi area.

Work on the construction of this road over the area marked by  
Patrol No. 3-60/61 has been progressing steadily towards Koiari  
Village. This present patrol has continued the marking of this  
road, and has now pegged enough work for the available work force  
for at three months at the present rate of progress. I have  
subsequently inspected the work which was done on the road by this  
patrol, and I can say that this object was very well carried out.

As the construction of the road progresses, similar patrols  
will be sent out to mark further sections, at the same time, they will  
take the opportunity to examine even more fully the area adjacent  
to the road, which was Mr. Foreman's second object, to ascertain  
its potential for development and settlement. In this regard,  
Mr. Foreman concentrated his efforts mainly to the north of the  
proposed road. His findings, although not encouraging, have  
increased our knowledge of this area considerably. One area which  
does appear suitable, will be dealt with according to the District  
Officer's Instruction No.7 of the 27th January 1950 and onforwarded.

It is our intention to endeavour to select suitable blocks of  
land along the road, in this uninhabited area, and recommend their  
alienation for settlement and coffee growing. It is hoped that  
investigations to the South of the road will prove more promising.

Mr. Foreman has fulfilled the objects of his patrol successfully,  
and has shown that he has a good appreciation of our work, duties  
and the people amongst whom he is working.

Claims for Camping Allowances are Attached.

Assistant District Officer  
(R.T. Neville)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
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No.

PATROL REPORT.

ERAVE No.7 of 1960/61.

Conducted by: R.J.Foreman, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Station - Tsimberegí Road.

Patrol Personnel: Europeans:

R.J.Foreman, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Natives:

R.P.& N.G.C. Const. 1st. Class NIRIBI (2695)  
Const. LILIGAU (7307)

D.N.A. Interpreter, HAO.

Duration: 10/4/61 to 15/4/61

17/4/61 to 26/4/61

Number of Days: 16.

Objects:

(1) To continue marking a vehicular road in the direction of Tsimberegí village.

(2) Report on the suitability of uninhabited land to the N and S of the patrol route with a view to coffee growing.

Map Reference:

Sketch map attached.

Attached:

Appendix "A" Report on members of R.P.& N.G.C. accompanying patrol.

*R.J. Foreman*  
R.J.Foreman.  
Cadet Patrol Officer

67-1-1.

Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE. S.H.D.

8th April, 1961.

Mr. R.J. Foreman,  
Cadet Patrol Officer,  
ERAVE.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - No 7 of 1960/61. - ERAVE.

Please prepare to depart on patrol to the KOIARI area on Monday 10th April. The specific purpose of the patrol is to continue the marking out of the vehicular road through to SIMBERIGI using an Abney level, also to check and give a report on the suitability of the uninhabited land between the Station and Simberigi for alienation and possible coffee growing.

In the initial stages set up your camp adjacent to Koiari Village, working back towards the station in the first instance and then continue on towards Simberigi. At this stage an intensive examination of the land for a distance of one mile North and South of the intended road can be made.

Take with you one Interpreter and one Constable 1st Class and one Constable who will assist you at all times.

The patrol should take approximately two to three weeks, you may however return to the station over the weekend periods.

Again bear in mind that this is to be a main road and will, it is hoped, lead to the opening up of the Eastern end of the Erave Valley to alienation and development. As such, do your best to find the most reasonable route so that the eventual road can be used by all types of vehicles both light and heavy.

If in doubt over any matter, feel free to come and consult me. I also would like to hear from you from time to time as to how things are going. Use this opportunity to get to know your police and the people amongst whom you will be working. It should also be used as an opportunity to learn the Police Motu language by having discussions at night etc. with those of your party. You will also find such discussions helpful in getting to know the folk lore, habits and customs of the native peoples and give you a clearer insight into their feelings.

Good luck.

R.T. Neville.  
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No.

PATROL REPORT - ERAVE No.7-60/61

Monday. 10/4/61:

Departed station with 2 police, 1 interpreter and 18 carriers at 1517 hours. Arrived camp site, about 500 yards north of KOI'ARI village, at 1550. Tents roughly erected and land cleared. Carriers returned to station. Misty rain - heavier later in the evening.

Tuesday. 11/4/61:

Morning cloudy - heavy fog clung to ground until about 0900 hours. Villagers arrived at early hour and started fixing camp properly. Sent note into ADO requesting 3 by 2 for markers. Afternoon surveyed latter marking done by Erave patrol No.3-1960/61. Also general track to be taken tomorrow. Noticed many marks put in by the above patrol had been destroyed - replaced important ones. Returned to camp 1640 hours.

Wednesday. 12/4/61:

0725 hours - only 6 men turned up for work, consequently only a small section was marked. Went to road head to check on work being done - while there remarked immediate section of road. Also checked mission road. 1055 hours returned to final mark put in by the last patrol - started marking ahead in an easterly direction. After about 200 yards the road joins the bridal path to continue along this through the village and about 350 yards further on leaves the path for the last time. 1300 hours continued marking in a NEE direction from the path. Marked about 500 yds - crossed one creek where armco will be needed.

Thursday. 13/4/61:

Started work at 0802 hours clearing the bush and marking road. Crossed a creek where small armco will be needed. Estimate that about 1 mile has now been pegged. As no rain much work was accomplished. Received 3 by 2 planks from station.

Friday. 14/4/61:

Started work 0800 hours - by about 1030 had used all 3 by 2 and sent into station for more. The terrain is rough and uneven - surface damp but hard and firm underneath. Another creek crossed today where about 6 foot armco will be needed. The vegetation today was extremely thick and consequently work was slow.

Saturday. 15/4/61:

0800 left camp - 0820 arrived at point where work left yesterday and started marking road. Afternoon made short walk of about 2½ hours duration - 1645 returned to station for weekend. Spasmodic rain late afternoon.

Monday. 17/4/61:

0800 returned to camp and started marking road again. Marked a further 200 - 300 yards - area very difficult and rough - vegetation extremely thick. Returned for lunch at 1135 arriving at camp at about 1200 hours. Worked through afternoon

Monday 17th - continued:

Returned to camp 1700. Seven carriers used to return to camp. No rain - but exceptionally hot.

Tuesday. 18/4/61:

Left camp for road at 0730 hours. Instructed 1st Class Constable Niribo to go back along the road and replace marks with 3 by 2 - also to clear properly around the marks. Finished marking road at 1020 hours.

With Constable Liligau, the interpreter, and three natives walked roughly NNW with the object of finding possible coffee land. Arrived back at camp at 1223 hours.

Afternoon left for a short walk to the south of the camp, returning at about 1530 hours. The land seen was mainly of a swampy nature.

Wednesday. 19/4/61:

0710 departed camp and walked roughly SW for  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours, then W to arrive at the Catholic Mission lease at 1140 hours. The land seen was mainly swampy and marshy - as seen further east by Erave patrol No. 5-60/61.

Afternoon inspected road head and supervised labour - returned to camp 1650 hours. Light rain late afternoon.

Thursday. 20/4/61:

0800 hours broke camp and departed for Tsimberegi village at 1015. Arrived, carriers intact 1410.

Following a request by Erave No. 5-1960/61 these people have completed a satisfactory police barracks.

Ample native food was brought forward and purchased. 16 carriers. Heavy rain late afternoon continuing into the night.

Friday. 21/4/61:

Very heavy early morning mist blanketed the Tsimberegi area until about 0845. 0815 departed for a walk to the N of the rest house, then W and finally S to come onto the patrol route. Saw the first suitable coffee ground so far. Approximately 250 acres with only about 15 - 20 percent waste ground. This ground is situated to the E of the FOATA river. (ref. map) Returned to camp 1140 hours.

Afternoon investigated dispute that was brought forward yesterday but left it to the attention of FO Haviland who is doing a patrol here within the next two or three days. Also investigated native dispute before sending the defendants and witnesses into the station for the attention of the ADO.

1510 went on short walk along the Tsimberegi - Woru route, returning to rest house at 1625 hours.

Saturday. 22/4/61:

0755 walked roughly N on same track as yesterday morning for about half an hour, then continued N for another hour to go to the top of the COATA range (ref map) and to a small hamlet of the Tsimberegi village. Returned along a different track, walking NE, WSW and finally in a southerly direction to arrive back at the rest house at about 1130.

The ground seen was of no great value - mainly poor ground with a hard limestone base very near the surface. Also ground extremely steep.

1340 left rest house for a walk to Woru village. Here we left the track, walking E, then N and finally W to come onto the patrol track. Ground seen not very heartening. Two blocks noticed - one of about 80 acres or so with a ground wastage of about 25 percent. The other at least 100 acres, situated very close to the Woru village, with only a ground loss of about 5 - 10 percent.

Early afternoon - drizzly rain.



Sunday, 23/4/61:

Observed.

Monday, 24/4/61:

0755 left rest house for a walk to the SUMAME range. Walked S then E to arrive at Woru village, then followed patrol track back to the rest house ~~at~~ arrive at 1148.

Majority of land seen was too swampy and steep for suitable coffee land. However good land noticed between the two rivers in this area. (ref map)

1305 received note from ADO advising me to move camp back along the track towards station.

1318 hours walked along the patrol route back towards the station for about 40 minutes. Left the patrol track to walk N, but not right to the base of the range, then E to come back to the patrol track just W of the TIBARE river. (ref. map)

Ground seen very disappointing. Good ground here but only in extremely small sections. Mostly Steep terrain, and no large tracts of ground could be used without wasting about 40 percent of it. 1612 arrived back at rest house.

Tuesday, 25/4/61:

As no one accompanying the patrol were seriously concerned with Angac or as no means of holding any form of "Angac" celebration were available, the morning was taken to shift camp 40 minutes back towards the station.

Departed rest house 0800 and arrived at camp site at about 0840 hours. 16 carriers were used.

1325 hours departed for a walk to the base of the northern range. Arrived back at camp at 1514 hours. The ground seen was as yesterday.

At 1100 hours a break in work was called for 1 minute of silence to remember those that had fallen.

Wednesday, 26/4/61:

0756 left camp for a walk to the west of Trimberegi land. Arrived back at camp at 1143.

The ground seen was of no great value - similar to that seen on the past two days. Almost entirely composed of large limestone outcrops, with limestone shallow based in the soil. Ground could be used but would be about 40 percent waste ground.

1340 departed for a final walk to the N with Donst. Liligau and a native guide. Walked N and then W to come back onto the patrol track - followed this for a distance - then went N again then W to arrive at the top of the range.

Followed the patrol route into the station to arrive at 1802 hours.

The land seen could be used for coffee, but blocks larger than 50 acres would involve a great loss of ground.

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PATROL REPORT - ERAVE No.7-60/61

Introduction:

The main aims of this patrol were to continue marking a vehicular road in the direction of Tsimberegí village from the station. Also to report on the availability of land for coffee growing in the area visited.

The first camp was set up about 500 yards east of KOI'ARI village and from here a further two miles was marked on the road to Tsimberegí.

At all stages time was taken to investigate the land to either side of the road. The land was generally hard and firm and of a good nature.

Every opportunity was taken, particularly in the evenings to discuss mutual matters with the police and others. During this time a start was made in learning the Police Moju language and to accustom myself with native ways.

Native Affairs:

Throughout the patrol the natives showed a willingness to help in every possible manner. This was particularly so in regard to discussions about possible coffee sites and land in general. At no time was a natives statement concerning land proved to be incorrect. They showed no sign of wanting to "hide" land and would willingly guide to any place you wished to go.

One native dispute was brought forward and after a preliminary hearing it was left for the attention of PO Haviland who was doing a patrol in this area and would shortly visit the village concerned.

Also a native complaint was brought to my attention by the Village Constable and after an investigation had been carried out the matter was sent into the station for the attention of the Assistant District Officer.

Both these latter matters were heard at Tsimberegí village.

Roads and Bridges:

For the first week the patrol continued to mark the Erave - Tsimberegí road with the aid of an Abney Level. This was started from the last mark put in by Erave patrol No.3-1960/61 on the station side of KOI'ARI village and continued on in an easterly direction to Tsimberegí.

The average labour force for the week was in the vicinity of fifteen. This labour was used to full benefit to cut and clear the dense bush before the road was actually marked. A small force was used because it can be more readily directed in the direction of the cut and no labour is wasted by senseless cutting of the bush in a direction that the road will not be taking.

Starting from the PHUGU river (ref. map) the road leaves the bridal path and continues up at the rate of 1 foot in 20 and in an easterly direction. About 200 yards to the station side of Koi'ari village the road comes back onto the bridal path and continues through the village for about 350 yards and here it leaves the old bridal path for the last time.

At this point it takes roughly an ENE direction, descending at the rate of 1 - 20' to cross a creek where large armco will be needed.

From this point the road continues in roughly an easterly direction, ascending at the rate of 1 - 20' for the rest of the distance marked. (About 1½ miles) Approximately 75 yards before coming to the above mentioned stream there is a small creek where armco or maybe large stones could be used.

Approximately one mile further on there is another stream to be crossed and here large arms could be used. There are no other streams to be crossed in this section of the road.

Altogether an estimated two miles was marked at the rate of 1' - 20' (2' 52') and at no stage did the gradient become greater than this.

The new road follows roughly in the direction of the old and runs roughly parallel to it. The new road is to the north of the old patrol track and at no place does it cross it.

It was noticed that many of the marks put in by Brave patrol No. 3-60/61 were missing or unrecognisable and I recommend that in future all marks be of a strong nature and the immediate area be cleared properly.

It is estimated that at the present rate of progress it will take at least four months to reach the last peg.

Forrestry: (With respect to road area only)

The new road continually pushes its way through dense tropical rain forest. Pandanus trees and dense scrub populate the lower region while the higher slopes harbour quite a number of large pine trees.

In some places the forest was almost impenetrable and the labour had a full time job cutting a clearing so as the lay of the land could be seen.

Only in two small patches does the road leave this thick scrub and here it runs through tall Kunai grass.

Health:

The general health of the Koi'ari and Tsimberegi people was noticed and seemed to be in a reasonable condition. However the Koi'ari people seem to have a high rate of dysentery and this is backed up by reports received from the two missions in this area and the Government Aid Post.

Also a fair amount of small sores always seem to cover the legs of some natives, and of course malaria is always present.

As no medical staff accompanied the patrol, the sick were sent into the station. However minor accidents were treated by the patrol.

Agriculture:

(a) Coffee:-

The coffee plot at Tsimberegi was inspected and found to be free of weeds. However it was easily noticed that the greater volume of work had only been done recently.

Unfortunately about 35 percent of the trees had died. This is probably due to the fact that the native who is looking after the plot doesn't fully understand the growth and generally has no great knowledge of coffee. Also the trees that have died could have been in poor ground as they are all in the same section of the plot. However it is suspected that the native who looks after the plot is letting weeds "choke" the trees and not fully carrying out his duty.

The rest of the trees are growing very well and are at the moment flowering profusely.

As the earth showed no signs of being turned, the coffee boy was instructed to ensure that the ground was worked lightly thus and not to let the earth pack down hard around the trees.

(b) Land Alienation - Coffee:-

In all about seven days were spent in looking at various sections of ground in the Tsimberegi, Woru and Marorogo area.

The ground seen was mainly very disappointing and only one block of about 200 - 300 acres is worth putting up for alienation. This block is covered by about 70 percent Kunai grass, the rest being of the sub-tropical vegetation nature. It is at an altitude of about 3,800 feet. As soon as full details concerning ownership of this land can be collected, information relating to alienation will be forwarded under separate cover.

From Tsimberegi rest house walks were taken to the north, south, south-east and west. In all directions only small amounts of land were seen with the exception of an area to the north where there is about 200 - 300 acres of good land suitable for alienation. The ground to the far north was of no great value as the land was far too steep and hard limestone was predominant on and near the surface.

The land to the south was not investigated thoroughly. However good ground was noticed, but as only one trip was made in this direction no indication of size can be given.

To the south-east the ground is spoilt by expanses of swampy type ground. In the higher slopes, towards Woru village the ground is firmer but only a small acreage was seen. One very good block was seen here but only of about 100 acres. However a great amount of time was not spent in this area either.

To the west, as far as the Tibare river (ref.map) there is good ground and this is included in the 300 - 500 acres mentioned previously.

Two days were spent in the so called Marorogo land, about half way between the boundary of the Koi'ari land (ref.map) and the Tsimberegi rest house. Only the ground to the north was looked at and this proved very disappointing. Although the ground is quite good no large areas could be used without involving a great loss of ground. There are three main reasons for this; firstly the ground is extremely broken, secondly huge limestone outcrops dot the area and finally small areas of marshy type land almost completely ruin this area.

#### Mapping:

Due to the fact that there is only one reliable compass in the sub-district an accurate map could not be constructed, as Kagua Patrol Post were using it at the time of this patrol. Therefore the map attached is purely sketch and guess work.

*R. J. Foreman*  
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Cadet Patrol Officer.

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APPENDIX "A"

REPORT ON MEMBERS OF R.P. & N.G.C.

ACCOMPANYING PATROL.

3695 Const. 1st. Class NIRIBO - Competent worker arounds roads and light bush work. However this member is too old now for the harder type of patrol work.

7307 Const. LILIGAU - A hard and energetic worker when watched but inclined to be lax when not under supervision. Still a good policeman.

R.J. Foreman.  
Cadet Patrol Officer











TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. 8-60/61

Patrol Conducted by P.E. Haviland Patrol Officer Grade 1

Area Patrolled Tasberigi, Ianguri and Pore/Tainberigi Census Divisions

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans nil

Natives SP/NSC G. Interpreter, Health Ord. trainee.

Duration—From 17/4/1961 to 5/5/1961

Number of Days 19

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services Oct/Nov/1960

Medical July/1860

Map Reference Sketch map attached

Objects of Patrol 1. Check on Village Councils, 2. Medical Inspection, 3. Plant coffee nurseries, 4. General Administration.

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 .... £.....

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3rd August, 1961

District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
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ERAVE PATROL REPORT NO 8 - 60/61

There are many inland people in the same unfortunate economic condition as the Semberigi/Tsinborigi. At least there is no population pressure with which to contend. Even before the War the Fore natives would go out to work but because there was no Post in there at that time it did not take them long to revert to their original savagery. As a matter of fact these semi-sophisticates were no help to Police investigations as they had acquired enough cunning to advise their fellows on methods of avoiding retribution.

It is evident that the establishment of Erave has had a salutary effect on these people. - This report confirms the impression of a very reasonable administrative attitude.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR

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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
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26th May, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.

ERAVE PATROL REPORT No.8 of 1960/61.

Thank you for Mr. Haviland's report on his recent patrol to the Samberigi and adjacent areas and your covering comments thereto.

The report is a very good one being well written, informative and giving a very lucid picture of conditions in the area and their causes. The situation is not altogether encouraging.

The general factors involved were discussed at some length between us on my recent inspection visit to Erave. It would seem time that development of any real consequence is going to be hampered by the extremely low population density and the poor communications. Communications, especially roads, are virtually impossible in many parts because of the lack of people, to build and maintain them.

Your main task is to delineate as soon as possible areas suitable for settlement. In this respect I feel the best approach will be to deal with the area in the TSIMBERIGI nearer to Erave first as good road communication with Erave is possible. I hope to receive submissions in respect of several blocks very soon for on-forwarding to the Land Development Board. You should also make submissions in respect of the SAMBERIGI along the lines I have already laid down. I feel that this area will only progress if we can get a relatively large number of native settlers into the area and if this can be done I am sure that with a road or a D/C3 strip to serve the area would be a possibility. As discussed with you I believe settlers could be obtained but I wish to make it quite clear that what has been said to date has only been in the realm of probing the possibility of what can be done and any action undertaken must be in proper sequence and properly authorised. The first action is of course the assessment of what may be available and a proposal to the Land Development Board. The "sounding out of the native attitude to native settlement" that I have proposed if properly handled could favourably condition the local people to native settlement if this eventuated. What I had in mind primarily was to get them to realise their disadvantages through lack of population, what they thought could be done about it and the suggestion to them that settlers from outside would be to their own ultimate advantage. You must realise no positive action can be taken until any scheme is properly thought out, planned and approved.

In the meantime the people apparently have some coffee and this source of income is to be encouraged. Present development is to be in the form of central nurseries but individual plantings by the people on their individual land.

Please compliment Mr. Haviland on his very commendable effort. Claim for Camping Allowance is returned herewith for payment.

cc  
Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.



(K.W.Dyer.)  
District Officer.

For your information, a copy of the report is forwarded herewith.

(K.W.Dyer.)  
District Officer.

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Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

15th April, 1961.

Mr. F.E. Haviland,  
Patrol Officer,  
ERAVE.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS No. 8 OF 1960/61

SAMBERIGI & FORE/TSIMBERIGI CENSUS DIVISIONS

ERAVE.

Please prepare to depart on patrol to the above mentioned area on Monday the 17th inst.

You will be accompanied by a Constable 1st Class, five Constables and a Medical Orderly.

Move through the area steadily spending as much time as possible in each of the villages.

There will be no need for a census as it is not 12 months since the last revision however, you will pay particular attention to the following:-

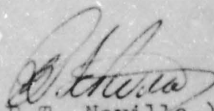
(a) GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:

Orders were left for villages to be improved considerably also because of the high incident of dysentery, latrines were ordered to be built and hygiene observed. Deal with any people who have neglected to carry out this order.

2. Village housing.
3. Roads: Orders were left for these to be cleared and maintained, they were in a very poor condition at the time of the last patrol - check.
4. Hear and settle any dispute brought to your attention and make enquiries as to whether any dispute remains undisclosed.
5. Health: Take H.O. Trainee PAGARI and have him inspect and treat the sick. Those whom you think warrant further attention should be sent to the U.F.M. Mission at SAU.
6. Observe work of all Village Officials. Any who are not doing their job should be recommended for dismissal and care should be taken in finding suitable replacements.
7. Take with you approx 70 lbs of prepared coffee seed and have nurseries established in every village. Should you need more seed send in for it, more should be ready by then.

No opportunity should be lost in talking informally to the people on the aims of methods of the Administration and a steady flow of propoganda should be kept up.

Good luck.

  
( R.T. Neville )  
Assistant District Officer.

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Sub District Office  
ERAVE S.H.D.

16th May, 1961

The Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE

PATROL REPORT NO. ERAVE 8-60/61

Patrol conducted by : F.E. Haviland, Patrol Officer Gd.1  
Accompanied by : Europeans - nil  
Natives - R.F.M.C.C. - 6  
Interpreter - 1  
Health Orderly trainee - 1  
Area Patrolled : Samberigi, Ianguri and Fora/Taimbarigi  
Census Divisions  
Duration of Patrol : 17th April - 5th May 1961  
Number of days : 19  
Last Patrol to area : October-November 1960 - DKA  
July 1960  
Did Medical Assistant  
accompany? : No.  
Map reference : Sketch map attached  
Objects of Patrol : Check on Village Housing, hygiene & roads  
Medical Check  
Planting of coffee nurseries  
Routine Administration

*F.E. Haviland*  
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(F.E. Haviland P.O.)

PATROL No. 8 of 1960/61 - BRAVE

Patrol Diary.

Monday, 17th April, 1961

Departed Brave Station at 1430 for KOPERI Village. Arrived after an hour's walk over quite a good road until the turn-off to Koperi from the main SAWMILLI - BRAVE road. There a bush track was followed and several small, but steep and slippery hills were encountered. Camp was set up adjacent to the village.

Tuesday, 18th April, 1961

Departed KOPERI 0830. Took a quick look at the KOPERI coffee plot, and advised the V.C. to rectify its shocking condition before his village was inspected at the end of the Patrol.

Climbed up a steep and muddy track through fairly thick bush, and reached the top of the RU Range at 0930. Here a half hour rest was taken. After descending fairly rapidly, undulating country was encountered, and at 1030 the beginning of the made road in the SISIKA Valley was reached. After a further Half hour's pleasant walking, the SAWMILLI Rest House was reached at 1100.

The SAWMILLI people were lined in the afternoon, and I was informed that the MAGULEARI group are no longer existant as a group, but are now split between the two other hamlets - HAMOREGI and POGIABO. A medical check was carried out and talks were had covering such topics as roads and their uses, desirability and improvements; cash cropping in general and coffee in particular; as well as the need for improved sanitation and housing.

Four men were given the responsibility for looking after the SAWMILLI coffee blocks.

Heavy rain began to fall just as we were about to start an inspection of POGIABO hamlet and coffee. Decided to wait till tomorrow. Rest of the afternoon spent in talking with Village Officials and others.

Wednesday, 19th April, 1961

At SAWMILLI.

Constructed a coffee nursery near the rest House for use by both hamlets.

Inspected POGIABO coffee block, which was in such a state of neglect that it was there and then cleaned under supervision.

Continued on and inspected both hamlets of POGIABO. One latrine was filled in, and another constructed, instructions were left that a third was to be moved higher up the slope, as it was flooded out. Returned to Rest House for lunch.

Proceeded to HAMOREGI hamlet which is situated on top of a steep ridge about an hour from the Rest house. Inspected their coffee block, which was also cleaned on the spot. The hamlet itself was in very good condition, with ample latrines and all buildings in good order. Informal talks were had with the people of this hamlet, many of which showed some considerable interest in cash cropping.

Returned to Rest House.

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Thursday, 20th April, 1961

Departed SAWMILLI rest house 0745. Travelled over a fairly good road, which showed evidence of considerable, although hurried maintenance. After a long descent, the SISIKA River was crossed at 0850. Arrived PAWARI rest House 0910.

GIRAWA, WABIAMARA, PAWARI and MASIKI hamlets lined and given a medical check. The V.C. and about half the population of HANAHARE village, which have been migrating to PAWARI for some time were also lined and checked. Talks were had with the people, and they were warned that an inspection would be held of their coffee and villages on the Patrol's return from HANAHARE, and that consequently no excuses would be accepted for the failure to carry out previous orders in regard to housing and village hygiene. Two minor disputes settled amicably.

Friday, 21st April, 1961

Departed PAWARI rest House 0740. Turned off main road at PAWARI Village and travelled along a walking track in a sad state of disrepair. A fifteen minute rest was taken near DUMINERE on the YASARI Range at 1000. The top of the AWORU Range was reached at 1215 and at 1250 the steep endless descent to the AWORU river was begun. The bottom of the range was reached after half an hour and the river was followed downstream for a further 40 minutes when the track continued over river flats to HANAHARE hamlet, which was reached at 1420.

Camp was set up, and the V.C. of HANAHARE was sent off to round up his people, which were scattered between HANAHARE and the NUBI river.

Saturday, 22nd April, 1961

At HANAHARE awaiting the arrival of the local population. Eventually, at 1600 the V.C. showed up with 11 people. They were given a medical check, and it was ascertained that these people were awaiting their gardens near PAWARI to grow before they too would migrate to PAWARI.

Sunday, 23rd April, 1961

As it was pointless to remain any longer at HANAHARE, the Patrol departed at 0720, reaching the top of the AWORU range at 0845. PAWARI rest house was eventually reached at 1430.

Monday, 24th April, 1961

Departed rest house 0800. Inspected PAWARI village. One latrine was advised to be moved owing to flooding, and instructions were left to renew the Men's house as it was starting to rot.

MASIKI Village inspected. Arrived here during a mourning session over the death of a man who had been sick at the U.F.M. Mission and died yesterday. One deserted woman's house pulled down.

GIRAWA Village inspected. Four houses in an insanitary condition were removed by the owners.

PAWARI coffee block inspected.

Returned to rest house where Court for Native Matters was held.

Established a coffee nursery for the PAWARI area near the rest house.

Departed PAWARI rest house 1305. Passed through U.F.M. Mission 1345, all the mission staff were absent at Tari. Arrived PABUWAROK Village 1350. Road in good condition.

PABUWAROK inspected, all in order. Inspected coffee, which is planted on the crest of a hill between the village and the rest house.

Inspected SAU coffee and SAU Village where three houses were ordered to be repaired. BISARABA, adjacent to SAU, inspected, all latrines will need renewing in the near future. Inspected HONIBURU, all in order. Looked at OGUMORO coffee and village where two houses were under construction to

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replace two others which were in an advanced state of disrepair.

Returned to Rest House 1545, and inspected the Bisabara coffee adjacent to it.

Selected a site near the rest house for a coffee nursery to serve all the SAU group.

Tuesday, 25th April, 1961

Anzac Day - observed.

A Parade was held at 1100 by the members of the Constabulary accompanying the patrol, together with the local Village Officials, which was well attended by the people of the SAU area. Some five actual, or relatives of exservicemen and Police were also produced, and we were fortunate in having Const. Bugler GUM complete with bugle which added considerably to the effect of the proceedings. In all a very successful commemoration was held.

Wednesday, 26th April, 1961

At SAU.

POBUWAROK, OGORUBO, BISABARA, HONIBURU and SAU Villages lined and checked.

Two men from POBUWAROK appointed to look after this group's coffee and to help the other coffee caretakers of the area in caring for the nursery which was also established near the ~~rest house~~ SAU coffee plot.

Talks held with the people and several minor disputes settled.

Thursday, 27th April, 1961

Departed SAU 0800. 0850 left the good, made road and climbed along a bush track until 0940 when the road started again on the LANGURI side.

1020 arrived at a new village being constructed by the people of SOGORE on their old village site, before they moved to behind Mt. Murray into the Kikori area. Two houses were completed, and a Men's house was being marked out.

1035 arrived BESARABU, inspected the coffee plot shared by this village and MOGULEGI. Inspected both villages which were both in a poor condition.

1115 arrived rest house which was also in a state of advanced decay. MOGULEGI lined and given a medical check. Heavy rain interrupted the proceedings and BESARABU and SOGORE told to come back tomorrow.

Afternoon spent in settling disputes, and talking with Village Officials.

Friday, 28th April, 1961

BESARABU and SOGORE lined and given a medical check. Court for Native Matters held.

Coffee nursery for BESARABU and MOGULEGI established, and instructions given that it was to be fenced.

One man from SOGORE appointed to look after a coffee nursery for that village at LANGURI.

Talks held with the people and the Village Officials.

Heavy rain delayed departure until 1300. 1315 the top of the UMERI Range was reached. Inspected WARO coffee and was surprised to see that the shade trees were being used for that purpose, and not just as a decoration as in the case elsewhere.

Inspected the three hamlets of WARO Village, several deserted houses removed and the inhabitants were advised that in all some thirteen houses would have to be repaired in the near future.

A second WARO coffee area was inspected, this needed weeding.

MAROROGO coffee inspected.

Visited the MAROROGO Aid Post, which is unfortunately closed at



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Inspected MAROROGO Village, which was in a fair condition.

Saturday, 29th April, 1961

Coffee nursery established.

WARO, MAROROGO, and MENIGIRI lined and given medical checks.

Talks held with villagers. Court for Native Matters held.

Heavy rain fell, and the afternoon was spent in a long discussion with the Village Officials.

Sunday, 30th April, 1961

Observed at Marorogo.

Monday, 1st May 1961

Departed MAROROGO rest house 0750. Arrived 0800 at MENIGIRI which was inspected. Climbed at steep and precipitous series of steps for half an hour. Descended and inspected WORU village.

Arrived Tsimberigi rest house 0930.

WORU and WARUMABU villages lined and medically checked. Talks had with the villagers. Court for Native Matters held.

Coffee nursery established for both villages near the TSIMBERIGI rest house.

Several disputes settled amicably.

Tuesday, 2nd May, 1961

Departed TSIMBERIGI 0800. 0800 turned off main road and climbed over Mt. KINI, which is a limestone mass protruding into the FORE Valley. Reached the site of an old village, KANIANGO on the South-west corner of this small range. Camp was established, and an unsuccessful attempt was made to find a vantage point to obtain a view of the area towards Tsimberigi.

Wednesday, 3rd. May, 1961

Cut a path in a general Easterly direction over several hills and steep sided creeks until the IRORO river was reached. This was followed downstream for some distance until a tangled mass of undergrowth and vines marking the perimeter of the AMBILI river proved to be too great an impediment. A track was then cut generally west until the AGU river was struck. Returned to camp 1400.

Set out around the western edge of the range and cut a path parallel to the Erave-TSIMBERIGI road until the BOU River was reached. This was followed downstream until its westerly course turned south. A path was then cut north to the main road, joining it some five minutes walk East of KOIARI VILLAGE. Continued on to Erave, arriving 1730.

Thursday, 4th May, 1961

To KOIARI Village. Lined and medically checked the population. Talks with the people held. One man appointed to look after a coffee nursery which will be established.

Friday, 5th May, 1961

To KOPERI VILLAGE from the Station. Inspected, now in a reasonable condition. People lined and given a medical check, village inspected. A party sent to clean up the track leading to the village from the main Erave-Sawmilli road. Returned to main road and proceeded to IAMORUBI village. Inspected IAMORUBI, lined and checked the people. Built three latrines and returned to Station, inspecting MENAWI village en route.

End of Diary.

### Introduction

This patrol was in the nature of a follow up to Patrol No. Brave 2/60-61. The objects were to check on the work carried out as the result of orders left by that and other patrols in the area, especially in regard to village housing, hygiene, sanitation and road maintenance.

The patrol visited three Census Divisions - the Samberigi, Ianguri and Fore/Tsimberigi - all of which have been subject to fairly regular patrolling in recent years. An unhurried pace was maintained, every opportunity was taken in having informal discussions with individuals and groups, while a good deal of time was spent in giving myself a good look around.

The census was not revised in any of the divisions visited, however, a check was made against each register to see who was where and why. The opportunity was also taken to give every person seen a thorough medical check.

Coffee nurseries were established at isolated villages, and centrally where groups of villages were encountered.

At the end of the patrol, the opportunity was taken to examine an uninhabited area of land in the Tsimberigi and Fore Basins with the possibility of future alienation in mind.

Three villages on the perimeter of the Brave Station were visited from the station at the conclusion of the patrol.

### Native Situation

This topic has received considerable attention in past reports, and I have nothing new to add. The area is by no means heavily populated, and the population cannot be regarded in any way as energetic or even enthusiastic. The fertile land, the relatively easy satisfaction of daily needs, which has resulted in a reluctance to make any unnecessary exertion, together with a fairly long history of contact with the more sophisticated elements of the Territory in Moresby and other places, have given the area an aura of lethargy and indifference.

It was my experience that these people have no active opposition to working for themselves or anyone else while in their own area, but that they rarely seem to get around to it. Whenever possible, uncompleted tasks, or disregarded orders, especially where housing and sanitation were concerned, were completed or carried out on the spot under supervision. No opposition was met in doing this, the general attitude being that it had to happen sometime. The work was undertaken and completed with a will (or the local approximation to it), everybody agreeing that it was for a good cause, if not really worth the effort.

Over the past few years, a marked tendency towards consolidation has been apparent in the area. Small hamlets are disappearing and merging with bigger ones. This was noticeable at Sawmilli, where the Moguleari hamlet has been absorbed by Pogiabo and Hamoregi. Koroba ceased to exist some time ago, and the Harahare people are moving by degrees into the Samberigi basin area - especially to Pawari. The Sogore people have returned from their mountain stronghold near Mt. Murray and are rebuilding their old village 15 minutes from Besarabu in the Ianguri area.

One reason for this is that migration is regarded as the standard remedy for epidemics and a high instance of death in an area. In such cases, a whole village will pack up and move to a new site, or it will dissolve, its members attaching themselves to other villages or hamlets in the vicinity.

This migration is carried out with few disputes, and in fact, villages seem to welcome all new additions, help is given in establishing gardens for immigrants and no difficulty is encountered over land rights, mainly because there is so much land available. In this situation there is no reason why this movement towards consolidation should not be encouraged, as the profusion of small scattered settlements which litter the countryside makes the job of the village official unnecessarily difficult, and does nothing to encourage people to cooperate in improving their living standards.

The people of the Samberigi have now reached a stage of apparent stagnation. They are fully aware of the value of education, medicine and the other facets of development, but apart from the small mission establishment at Mt. Murray, and fairly frequent patrolling, little more in the way of development has been undertaken. Should any plan for community development and the like be envisaged for the Sub District, I would suggest that a start be made with the Samberigi, which is a compact entity with a good agricultural environment together with ample good land available. A great deal of persuasion will have to be used and frustration encountered in overcoming the initial lethargy of the place, but this problem is not insurmountable. That some people are interested in advancement is clearly indicated by the number absent in Moresby and Kikori seeking work. I feel that the population would respond favourably once any success in any scheme for development was achieved, and the development of other areas would certainly be made easier if a local area could be put up as an example of what can be done.

### Roads and Bridges

Where the made walking roads exist, which includes the major part of the Samberigi and the area immediately adjacent to the Brave Station, they were found to be in good condition.

The section from the main Brave - Sawmilli road to Koperi village was badly in need of maintenance, however, as this small group is heavily committed with other tasks owing to its proximity to the station, the people were advised not to make a formed road, but to ensure that the overhanging trees were kept cut back to allow the road such as it is to dry out, a small task, but one which should improve this track considerably.

The section across the Ru Range also leaves much to be desired, however, the small population available for maintenance and the difficult terrain prohibit any improvement for the time being.

A road to Hamoregi village, in the Sawmilli group is under construction. This road will leave the present Sawmilli - Pawari road near the Hamoregi coffee block and will pass through the village, rejoining the old road before Pawari. Instructions were left to have this new section completed within three months.

The road to Hanahare fades out after Pawari village is passed. This track is in a poor condition. However, as most of the Hanahare people have moved to Pawari, and the remainder are contemplating making the move, no instructions were given to have its condition remedied.

Between Sau and Ianguri the made road cuts out for 50 minutes. Apart from the newly re-established Sogore village, this tract of ground is unused and uninhabited, consequently neither group claims it. However, with the Sogore people returning to their old site between Ianguri and Sau, maintenance of this section could well become the responsibility of the Sogore people in the future.

The made road is again broken between ~~Samberigi~~ and Koiari, where a tract of land exists which is said to belong to Marorogo on the other side of the Range. An investigation is being held into who claims what in this area in connection with a land survey carried out over this ground. The completion of the intended vehicular road through this area will do much to improve communications with the eastern end of the Fore Valley.

The only major bridge in the Samberigi area is that over the Ami River near the Marorogo Aid Post. A bearer slipped off its support while several carriers and I were crossing, which caused considerable consternation. However, it is still usable and can be repaired with little difficulty.

Instructions were left to build reasonable tracks to all hamlets and villages as well as to coffee blocks where they sit off the main road.

### Housing and Sanitation

The general standard of housing in the area visited is not high. However, in most villages, some effort had been made to repair or rebuild dilapidated houses when the nature of the patrol became known. Despite evidence of great haste and considerable panic, the village areas were invariably clean. The people of the Ianguri group, particularly, failed to take the hint, and in some cases where flagrant disobedience to previous orders was apparent, resort was had to the Native Regulations Ordinance and its relevant provisions.

Several houses which were in an advanced state of disrepair were removed by the owners during the patrol's visit. Orders were left for the repair of any houses which were in any way substandard.

Particular emphasis was placed on sanitation, owing to the recent dysentery which was prevalent in the area. Every latrine in the three divisions was inspected, and when necessary, those which failed to conform to basic sanitation requirements were filled in and new latrines built under supervision.

The merits of the pit latrine - which aren't many, but there is little alternative - were expounded at every opportunity.

### Health

The Government Aid Post, the U.F.M. and Capuchin Missions at Erave, and the U.F.M. Mission hospital at Sau, provide medical attention for the people in the area patrolled. A Government Aid Post exists at Marorogo, but is unfortunately closed owing to the lack of an orderly to run it.

These people are therefore very well off as regards medical aid. However, there is still a reluctance to make any effort to visit these establishments when any distance has to be covered, until the patient is beyond all hope of recovery, even then it is not unusual for them to decide that it is too late anyway. The virtues of modern medicine were advocated at great length, with emphasis on getting to the Aid Post or Mission in the early stages of any sickness.

A Health Orderly trainee accompanied the Patrol, and treatments for a variety of ailments from sores and Tropical ulcers to headaches and malaria were carried out. Any cases of serious illness, or those needing further treatment were sent to the Aid Post at Erave, as the U.F.M. hospital at Sau and the Marorogo Aid Post were unmanned while the patrol was in the area.

The general health of the people seen appeared to be fair, although a large number of cases of pneumonia and deaths from this sickness were noted. Dysentery now appears to be an occasional complaint only, although several deaths were reported to have resulted from it.

The Aid Post at Marorogo appears to have made a favourable impression on the people of that immediate area, and considerable interest was shown by the village leaders when asking when it would reopen. From all reports, this Aid Post did a good deal to alleviate the dysentery epidemic and consequently it is regarded with considerable esteem.

The reopening of this Post as soon as possible, is, I consider, a matter of considerable importance, not only from the medical point of view, but because it is the only Administration installation in the Samberigi area. Thus it is the only tangible evidence that the Government is interested in more than enforcing Regulations and building roads, the benefits of which are somewhat obscure, and certainly not immediate as far as the people are concerned.

#### Agriculture and Livestock

Sweet Potato is the staple food of the area. It is well supplemented with such things as taro, bananas, sugar cane, pit-pit, pawpaw and pineapple, and in some cases sago where it is available. No difficulty in obtaining food is experienced in any of the villages visited, as the soil and climate combine to give a prolific growth of both foods and vegetation. Little effort is needed to survive, a situation which conforms entirely with these people's conception of living.

Pigs are kept in all villages and are regarded highly, being one of the bases of the local economy. Those seen appeared fairly healthy, although there is considerable room for improvement in them. This is likely to remain so, as the recommendation put forward by Mr. Owers A.O. in July 1960 (Ag. Report 1-59/60) to improve the breeding and numbers of pigs in the area by supplying some stud boars, to serve local sows, to the Erave Station, shows no sign of eventuating.

Dogs are kept in all villages, without exception they were all in a poor condition.

The only cash cropping undertaken in the area patrolled, is a considerable amount of sweet potato which is grown and sold by the villagers near Erave, to the Government, the Missions and the Coecon Syndicate plantation. Other than this, small coffee pilot plots have been established in every village - mainly by Mr. Cottle A.O. some three years ago. There is about 9 coffee trees per head of population in the Samberigi, of these only about 40-50% show any signs of growing. The coffee blocks in the Samberigi were pruned once in July 1960 by the Agricultural Patrol.

All coffee blocks were inspected, and where necessary, cleaning and weeding was undertaken under supervision. Advice was also given where necessary on draining and care of the trees. Mentae, an Agricultural Field worker stationed at Erave joined the Patrol in its latter stages and was of considerable help in this regard.

Coffee nurseries were established in all villages or groups. Where ever possible, sites for these were found in the proximity of rest houses, to facilitate quick inspections by officers who may be passing through to other areas. The responsibility for their care and maintenance was given to the coffee caretakers appointed by previous patrols. I would like to commend the work of Const. 1st Class Kabangio, whose knowledge and experience in the establishment of these nurseries proved invaluable until the arrival of the Agricultural Field Worker.

The Samberigi coffee 'project', is in my opinion doomed to the fate of so many similar attempts in the Territory to do 'something', merely for the sake of doing it. The potential for a native enterprise in cash cropping certainly exists in this area, occasionally, even someone comes forward and shows some interest in it.

However, what is the value of these so called 'pilot plots' which have been scattered throughout the area, when no trained observers to carry out regular checks are available or apparently interested, and the local opinion is that they are merely another obligation to be looked after to satisfy some obscure whim of the Administration's?

The blocks as they are, are too small to be of any economic significance on their own, and the neglect to which they are subjected makes it doubtful if any real indication of the suitability of coffee in the area can be gained.

The coffee pilot blocks in the Samberigi have degenerated into excellent weed nurseries, cleaned when a patrol is imminent - if they get around to it - and looked at as a means to humour visiting Officers by giving them something else to talk about.

The fact that some coffee does in fact survive and bear in the area, despite continued neglect, does indicate that there is a possibility of growing it commercially. With this, there is an occasional soul who is willing to try cash cropping. One such person, Kurubia of Pogiabo, even approached me seeking 'permission' to buy coffee seed from Mr. Corrigan at Erave to start his own block. That same person was very reluctant to be given the job of looking after the Pogiabo pilot block, and agreed to do this only after I assured him that we had no objection to his starting one of his own as well.

I have little doubt that this spark of interest, together with many other similar ones will soon be extinguished when they have to carry the remainder of the population who couldn't care less, in developing these communal blocks.

Assuming that we are interested in developing a cash or semi-cash economy in the Samberigi area, this is the type of problem which must be overcome.



In my opinion, the only way this can be overcome in this particular area is through the active encouragement of individuals or even families, particularly by the Agricultural Department showing some interest and continuing to do so, at least until success with them is ensured. Those that can't raise the energy to indulge in cash cropping should be pointedly ignored in this respect. In this way, the time and energy of our meagre expert staff would not be wasted and more chance of success with those who are interested would be ensured.

I have found elsewhere that the 'can't be bothereds' soon show considerable interest when they feel left out of things, and if success is attained with those willing to try, invariably a desire for similar success grows amongst the others.

This radiating type of development I consider, is a sounder basis for native development when the general attitude is that displayed by the Samberigi, than the rather nebulous 'blanket' system of planting communal plots everywhere and expecting the minority who are interested to carry the load for the vast majority who aren't, with no personal reward to themselves or any incentive to make a good job of it.

As the coffee in the Samberigi has started to bear, the need has arisen to do something about it. Coffee can be moved out from the small strip at Sau from all parts of the Samberigi. If a private trader, a mission, or even the Agricultural Dept. could be encouraged to buy the coffee now coming up, which if taken overall would amount to a reasonable amount now, and will increase, those who are really interested in cash cropping could then be sorted out and encouraged to continue planting on their own.

In any case, as mentioned by Mr. Owers A.O. in his report No.159/60 a follow up Agricultural Patrol "is vital and the sooner the better".

#### Village Officials

The majority of Village Officials seen were doing a reasonable job. This being my first visit to the area, I was hesitant in recommending the dismissal and appointment of anyone on the basis of one or two days' observation. The V.C. of Ogomabu is now becoming quite senile. He indicated that he would be willing to retire when a replacement was found. The advice of the Assistant District Commissioner will be sought before any recommendation is made to replace him.

#### Native Monies Trust Account

Attempts were made to locate Mareti Wadiai and Kpumo Loya both said to belong to Ianguri, to receive payments for NMTA Receipts held at Erave. Neither could be found, although it was ascertained that Kpuma could be a deceased Councillor, Guma-Poia of Waro; and that Mareti could be Const. Maresi-Kiage, supposed to be stationed at Lake Kutubu.

Land Alienation

A report concerning the suitability for alienation of an area to the East of Koiari Village in accordance with the District Officer's Instruction No.7 of the 27th January, 1960, will be forwarded under separate cover.

The Tsimberigi-Fore Basin area is one of sparse population. No settlements or evidence of land use can be seen from Tsimberigi to Koiari, a walk of about three hours. The area is used for hunting and sago gathering by the people of this basin, although the major part of the area is unused. This area is the obvious place for any European settlement in the vicinity of Erave. An investigation into the suitability of the area was carried out at the end of the Patrol, this investigation confined itself to the area to the South of the Erave - Tsimberigi road. The land to the North of this road was looked at by Mr. Foreman CPO prior to the Patrol's arrival and has been reported on by him.

*F. E. Haviland*  
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( F. E. Haviland P.O.)

APPENDIX A.

REPORT ON MEMBERS OF THE SPANISH

<u>Const. 1st Class KARANGIO</u>	Reg. No. 7487 Very efficient and very reliable.
<u>Const. Eugler GLE</u>	Reg. No. 7642 Capable and efficient when it edits him.
<u>Const. FAMAN</u>	Reg. No. 7643 Can work hard and can be efficient, but needs constant supervision.
<u>Const. KAUKA</u>	Reg. No. 8972 Not very bright, but quite willing.
<u>Const. Gial</u>	Reg. No. 7797 A willing worker, but has no initiative.
<u>Const. Manibi</u>	Reg. No. 2 65 A fair worker, and quite capable, needs watching.

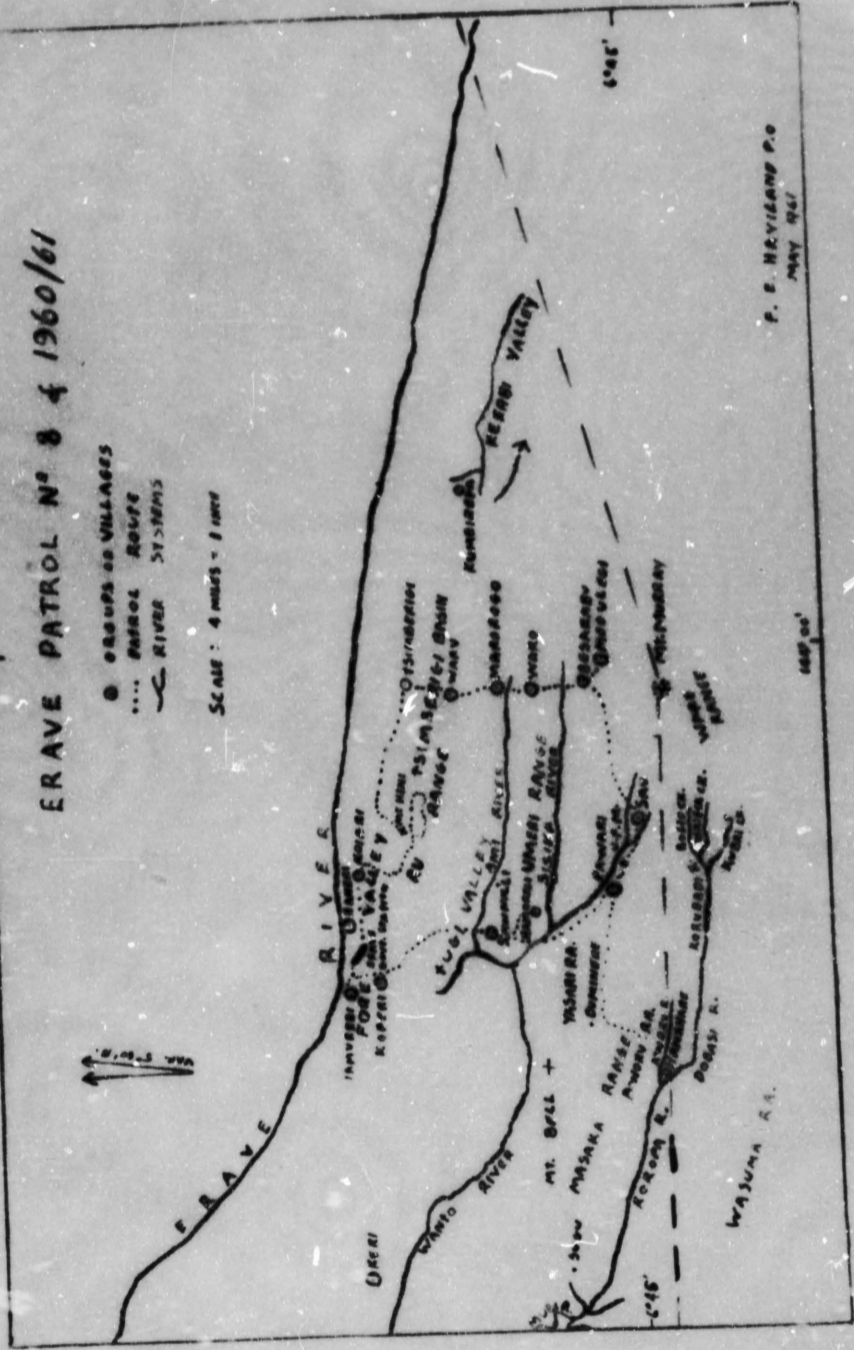
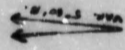
The above comments have been entered on the relevant records of Service.

*J. E. Haviland*  
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(J. E. Haviland P.O.)

ERAVE PATROL N° 8 & 1960/61

- GROUPS OF VILLAGES
- .... PATROL ROUTE
- RIVER SYSTEMS

SCALE : 4 miles = 1 inch



P. S. HEVING P.O.  
MAY 1961

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. Erave 9-60/61

Patrol Conducted by F.E. Haviland Patrol Officer Gr. 1

Area Patrolled Kerabi Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil.

Natives B.P. & N.G.C. 5 Health Orderly 1

Duration—From 30/5/1961 to 8/6/1961 Interpreter 1 Agriculture 1

Number of Days 10

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services AUGUST/1960.

Medical AUGUST/1960.

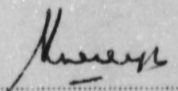
Map Reference Sketch Map Attached

Objects of Patrol 1. Census Revision 2. Medical inspection 3. Check on housing and road maintenance 4. Establish coffee nurseries 5. Routine administration.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

4/7/1961

  
District Commissioner *Office*

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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67-15-66

2nd August, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

ERAVE PATROL NO. 9/1961-61

I am gratified to note that Mr E. Viland is maintaining his standard of efficient patrol work.

The Erave Sub-district is not a particularly salubrious one, and I note that you are endeavouring to have the medical staff position rectified by action at your level.

The report indicates a very satisfactory Administrative situation that would have taken years to achieve by means of spasmodic patrolling. At this stage of their development, it is generally the case that they endeavour to implicate adjacent groups with rumours of killings. I hope the medical organisation gets better. Mortality ratios may improve with the provision of adequate services.

The Officers at Erave will need to exercise considerable patience in training the Village Officials as to their duties and responsibilities. Natives of much greater sophistication have difficulty in appreciating the fact that the Councillors are not Assistants for the Village Policemen.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
Director.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No. 67/2  
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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

28th June, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.

ERAVE PATROL No. 9 of 1960/61.

Thank you for Mr. Haviland's report on his patrol to the KERABI Census Division and your covering comments.

You seem to have done everything possible to combat the epidemic of sickness in the MAROROGO area. The matter of staffing the aid post again was raised in my 67/2 dated 26th May to the District Medical Officer. I have again discussed this matter with the District Medical Officer and he has again emphasised that he regrets he cannot re-staff the MAROROGO Aid Post unless his headquarters provides additional medical staff (European or Native) from outside of this District. You should now have received a copy of the District Medical Officer's letter C1/275-61 dated 20th June reference some Health aspects in the Lake Kutubu Sub-District.

I have written to the District Officer, Gulf District re the PUPITAU area and you should receive a copy of this memorandum. I did expect you to visit this area within the next few months and you should keep this in mind but defer action until a reply is received from the Gulf District.

Mr. Haviland has done a worthy and thorough job. He has also written an informative and detailed report. I would however like to draw your attention to the census figures and map submitted. Please ensure in future that the carbon copies submitted have figures in the correct columns. Also in respect of all census patrols I expect that the names shown on the map will agree absolutely with census units shown in the census figures. I am currently trying to compile a District map on this basis and accuracy is virtually impossible where varying names are used. This is also confusing. Cases in point are (a) diary entry 2nd June census of IANURABEGI and KUBIRREPA with only KERABI shown on the map. From the report I know these are hamlets of KERABI nevertheless I think the two census units should be shown on the map in their approximate location and not the name of some other thing (rest house, piece of land, etc etc.) (b) entry diary 5th June re WARAGA. WARAGA on the map but no census - in this case I presume the census unit is IANGUREGI. I think that either the census unit should be called WARAGA as on the map or the map should be altered to show the name of the census unit IANGUREGI.

payment. **RECEIVED** for Camping Allowance is returned herewith for



(E.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

cc  
The Director  
Department of  
KONEDOBU.

Copies of the report forwarded herewith for your information please. The medical staff position is not good. You have already received a copy of my 67/2 dated 26th May and I attach hereto a copy of a memorandum received from the District Medical Officer reference other Lake Kutubu health matters. The prospect of Tuberculosis in the District is not a happy one.

(E.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

4/7/61

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No. 67/2

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MIRIDI.

28th June, 1961.

District Officer,  
Gulf District,  
KEREMA.

PUPITAU AREA - GULF DISTRICT.

Your memorandum 67-1-1 dated 3rd October, 1960, and other correspondence relating to a patrol link up between our District in the PUPITAU/SIRIGI area of the Gulf District refers.

I now attach hereto comments from a patrol report submitted in respect of an area immediately to the West of PUPITAU:-

"The second concerned the killing of some Pupitau people to the East of the Kerahi area, while they were travelling to a pig killing feast at Tiri. The culprits were supposed to be the Wopasali people on the Erave River, north of Tano.

The third was the killing of 12 Pupitau people by the Sirigi people to the Southwest of Pupitau - again while enroute to the feast at Tiri.

Nothing really substantial could be ascertained regarding either of these two rumours. The Tiri people, who in the past were fellow rogues and brothers in arms of the Pupitau - particularly against Wraga and Tano, were not very clear on the story themselves - despite the fact that it was only two weeks prior to the patrol's visit that the incident was alleged to have occurred and some ten Pupitau people attended the pig killing."

The Assistant District Officer, Erave has commented as follows:-

"Re the PUPITAU incident - nothing has been reported into the station but on in-<sup>ter-</sup>view questioning, we understand that four PUPITAU people who were staying at PUPATA (an area further South East of PUPITAU and well into the KIKORI area) were killed by people of SIRIGI some three or four weeks ago. Though the area is well into the KIKORI District, we are quite prepared to mount a patrol into PUPITAU and beyond in an endeavour to stop these sporadic killings in this extremely remote area. However, I do think that it would be profitable for a patrol from Kikori to either join there to meet us or for one to go in there in the first instance. The people of PUPITAU and beyond if anything, recognise KIKORI as their administrative centre.

The rumour that some PUPITAU people had been killed by the WOPASALI turned out to be a rumour only."

A patrol from this District into the area concerned as agreed before by us is now overdue. However I feel it would be advantageous for patrols to meet in the area as previously indicated and I would appreciate your advice on this matter before asking the Assistant District Officer, Erave, to proceed with the patrol from Erave.

*K. W. Dyer*  
(K. W. Dyer)

cc  
Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE, S.H.D.

19th June, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

PATROL REPORT No. 9/60-61 - KERABI.

Please find enclosed three copies of the above report and a claim for carrying allowance.

Again Mr. Haviland has conducted a good patrol. Mr. Haviland's report on the Alienability of Land along the Erave/Simberigi road was forwarded under my 35-1-4 of the 3rd June.

Mr. Haviland's report covering the deaths at MAROROGO was forwarded to the District Medical Officer with a copy to yourself immediately upon receipt with a request that they supply a Medical Orderly from Mendi. At the time our head Medical Orderly was away on leave, another was on patrol with Mr. Haviland and a young local Hospital Trainee was also on leave leaving no one on the station. Our Aid Post patients both in and out patients were being cared for by both the Missions. Immediately I recalled the young Hospital trainee from leave and despatched him with medicine etc. to MAROROGO where he was able to prevent further deaths. In the meantime, the orderly who eventually arrived from Mendi was put into the Aid Post here at Erave to attend to our average 35 patients a day. The question of re-opening the former Aid Post at MAROROGO has been the subject of separate correspondence but to date nothing further has eventuated from the Health Department. It was indeed disappointing that the District Medical Officer did not visit MAROROGO after I had requested him to do so and was within an hour's walk of the area. The Village Officials of the area were reprimanded for not having reported the outbreak of sickness and I do not think that such a situation will occur again. However, one must be sympathetic with their attitude as they feel that we have neglected them from the Health angle and feel 'what's the use'. It was carefully explained to them that whilst we are doing what we can to have the Aid Post re-staffed and though as yet no one has come to light, we will always make a special endeavour to help them out in such a situation as was done. The Hospital Trainee is still in the area concerned and reports pleasing results.

Re the PUPITAU incident - nothing has been reported into the station but on intense questioning, we understand that four PUPITAU people who were staying at PUPATA (an area farther South East of PUPITAU and well into the KIKORI area) were killed by people of SIRIGI some three or four weeks ago. Though the area is well into the KIKORI District, we are quite prepared to mount a patrol into PUPITAU and beyond in an endeavour to stop these spasmodic killings in this extremely remote area. However, I do think that it would be profitable for a patrol from Kikori to either go in there to meet us or for one to go in there in the first instance. The people of PUPITAU and beyond if anything, recognise KIKORI as their administrative centre.

The rumour that some PUPITAU people had been killed by the WCPASALI turned out to be a rumour only.

The aspects of 'Housing and Sanitation', 'Roads and Bridges' and 'Village Officials' are quite pleasing and have been covered satisfactorily. A good insight of the general situation is given under these headings.

To sum up, the KERABI area itself is law abiding and peaceful and is now ready for the gradual introduction of cash cropping which is being done. Prior to the coffee seedlings being ready for planting out, interested individuals will be selected to receive these seedlings and plant them out in their own individual plots.

REPORT ON THE VISIT TO THE KERABI AREA IN 1952.

REPORT MADE BY

*R. T. Neville*

Assistant District Officer.

Please prepare a report on the above mentioned area as follows:

Encl.

Have through the area slowly reading as far as possible in each village. Do not go down into the valleys after rain.

Conduct a census of the Division and pay particular attention to the following:

1. Village housing.

As Ruler do not insist that houses be constructed in this remote area as with some supervision, which we may not have, they will soon be started. Better to insist on better work in their walls, roofs and floors and patrolling in the area.

2. Roads and bridges. Any damaged roads or bridges should be repaired.

3. If an emergency is required for a medical supply to accompany you. If necessary, please send the staff and transport. Those who are ill should be taken to the station and I shall make arrangements for them to be sent to hospital during their period of treatment.

4. Please see paragraph 10 of the 1951 Report. Any who do not do their job should be reported for dismissal and their duties should be taken by suitable replacements.

5. Please refer to the report under the heading 'Criminal Investigation' and to the paragraph on 'Law Enforcement' within this and the accompanying notes.

6. Take with you copies of the list of prepared coffee and other crops to be planted in every village. One of the Agricultural Officers will accompany you and assist in this work. Please see the report on the individuals to prepare plots to plant the seedlings when they are ready. Also include your own list of the crops to be planted.

*R. T. Neville*  
Assistant District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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Sub-District Office,  
ERAVE. S.H.D.

27th May, 1961.

Mr. F.E. Haviland,  
Patrol Officer,  
ERAVE.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS No.9 of 1960/61.

KERABI CENSUS DIVISION.

Please prepare to depart on patrol to the above mentioned area on Tuesday the 30th inst.

You will be accompanied by a Sergeant, four Constables and a Medical orderly if one can be obtained from either Kagua or Mendi.

Move through the area slowly spending as much time as possible in each of the villages. Do not go down into the PUPITAN area on this occasion.

Conduct a census of the Division and pay particular attention to the followings-

1. Village housing.
2. Roads: Do not insist that vehicular roads be constructed in this remote area as without constant supervision, which we are not able to give, they will not conform to standard. Better to insist or rather encourage them to clear walking tracks which will facilitate patrolling in the area.
3. Hear and settle any disputes brought to your attention.
4. I am endeavouring to arrange for a medical orderly to accompany you. If successful, please have him treat and inspect the sick. Those whom you feel warrant further attention, return to the station and I shall again request that funds be made available to be able to feed them during their period of treatment.
5. Observe and encourage the work of the Village Officials. Any who are not doing their job should be recommended for dismissal and care should be taken in finding suitable replacements.
6. Please refer to and comply with the District Officer's Circular Instruction No.7 re land suitability for development within this and the intermediate area.
7. Take with you approx 80 lbs of prepared coffee seed and have nurseries established in every village. One of the Agricultural Trainees will accompany you and assist in this work. Impress upon the people that we wish individuals to prepare plots to take the seedlings when they are ready. Also impress upon them the advantages of cash cropping.



R.T. Nevills.  
Assistant District Officer.

**TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA**

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Sub District Office  
**BEAVE** S.S.D.

13th June, 1961

The Assistant District Officer,  
**BEAVE**

**PATROL REPORT No. BEAVE 2-69/61**

Patrol conducted by : F.R. Naviland, Patrol Officer Cd. 1

Accompanied by : Europeans - all  
Natives - H.P.M.S.C. - 5  
Interpreter - 1  
Health Orderly - 1  
Agriculture - 1

Area Patrolled : Kerahi Census Division

Duration of Patrol : 10th May - 8th June 1961

Number of days : 10

Last patrol to area : August 1960 - H.P.M.S.C. - Medical

Did Medical Assistant accompany? : No.

Map reference : Sketch map attached

Objects of Patrol : 1. Census Revision  
2. Medical Inspection  
3. Check on housing and road maintenance  
4. Establish coffee nurseries  
5. Routine Administration

Sketch map attached to report on the district in the area.

Patrol departed Beavertown on 10th May 1961 and arrived at Kerahi on 11th May 1961. The patrol was accompanied by the following personnel:

1. Patrol Officer Cd. 1 (F.R. Naviland)

2. Europeans - all

3. Natives - H.P.M.S.C. - 5

4. Interpreter - 1

5. Health Orderly - 1

6. Agriculture - 1

The patrol was accompanied by a sketch map of the area.

The objects of the patrol were:

1. Census Revision
2. Medical Inspection
3. Check on housing and road maintenance
4. Establish coffee nurseries
5. Routine Administration

The patrol was successful in completing all the objects of the patrol.

*F.R. Naviland*  
 ( F.R. Naviland P.O. )

BRAVE PATROL No. 9 of 1960 - 61

Patrol Diary

Tuesday, 30th May

Departed Erave 1400 with the intention of camping between Erave and Tsimberigi. Arrived Koiari and enquired into the whereabouts of several school girls who were reported to be absent from the Erave Primary School. Heavy rain fell. Continued on to an old camp of Mr. Foreman's CPO and set up camp. Road quite good, all bridges need renewing.

Wednesday, 31st May

Broke camp 0615 and moved towards Tsimberigi stopping frequently en route to investigate the potentiality of the land south of the road in the Tsimberigi Basin. Finally arrived Tsimberigi at 1500.

General discussion with the V.C. of Tsimberigi and others.

V.C. Dina of Manigiri visited the patrol and reported that Korial, the V.C. of Marorogo was dying, and that a large number of deaths had occurred recently in that area.

A long discussion was held re the ownership of the land between Tsimberigi and Koiari.

Thursday, 1st June

Sgt. and Health Orderley sent with the V.C. of Manigiri and the Interpreter to check on the reports of widespread sickness and death in the Marorogo area. Instructions given to find out who was sick and who had died; bring back any walking sick, together with the Village Officials of the Marorogo area.

I completed a report on the alienability of the land in the Tsimberigi Basin and held a long discussion on the history of the area with one of the few surviving members of the now deserted Kaniango Village.

Sgt. and Health Orderley returned in the afternoon with a number of people suffering from pneumonia and malaria, reported that three people had died in the last three days, the last one, while they were in the village. A fly was erected to accommodate the sick. A report on the situation was written to the ADO Erave.

Friday, 2nd June

Const. Numbree sent to Erave with the Marorogo sick, numbering fifteen and my report on the sickness in the area.

Patrol departed Tsimberigi 0915 in drizzling rain. Reached the turnoff to Kerabi which is just past Weru village and continued on at 1015. Reached Kerabi rest house at 1215.

Road good until 15 minutes from the turn-off, then only distinguishable by the depth of mud on it. A few minutes distance from the Kerabi - Ware boundary, the Karupirere river which was reached at 1100 signs of recent work on the road were seen, and the made road, which was in very good condition was followed right to the Rest House.

Iamurabegi and Kumbirepa hamlets of Kerabi lined and the census was revised, and both hamlets were medically inspected, treatments being given where necessary.

Iamurabegi : Increase of 1, Birth/Death ratio 3/2.

Kumbirepa : " 1, " " 5/4, Mig in/ mig out 8/8.

General discussion held on roads, health, coffee etc. Seven young men came forward and asked if they could plant coffee. A.F.W. Uamo sent with them and a small coffee nursery was constructed and planted.

Several small disputes brought forward and settled.

Saturday, 3rd June

Departed Kerabi 0900. Followed a well cleaned steeply descending road to the Kaumoli(Kei) river which was reached at 0935. Followed the river till 1020 and then continued along the floor of the Kerabi Valley. At 1045, started to climb the valley side, arriving at Yaiwi (Barawoi) on top of a small ridge at 1100. Inspected the Village. Continued on at 1130. Came upon Hamorege, a hamlet of Barawoi at 1200. Inspected this and at 1215 started the long steep climb to Foreregi Rest House which was reached at 1250.

Because of the continual rain and the absence of about half the population the census was postponed till tomorrow.

A small coffee nursery was built, and two men volunteered to look after it.

Sunday, 4th June

Barawoi and Foreregi lined and census revised.

Barawoi: Increase of 1, Birth/Death ratio 2/2, Mig in/Mig out 2/1.

Foreregi: Decrease of 2, " " 2/3, " " 0/1.

Medical inspection carried out, mainly small sores and Tropical Ulcers.

Departed Foreregi 10 30 after discussions with the people on general topics.

Arrived Tagibu 1130 and inspected the village. Continued on at 1135 arriving at the Tigi Rest House after a five minute walk.

Road is well looked after, although the almost perpendicular grade from Foreregi to the Kerabi valley bottom makes walking very hazardous.

Tagibu and Tiri villages lined and the census was revised.

Tagibu : Increase of 1, Birth/Death ratio 3/4, Mig in/Mig out 2/0.

Tiri : " 7, " " 4/1, " " 4/0.

Inspected Tiri Village. Medical treatments and inspection carried out.

Small nursery established, two men from both village volunteered to look after it.

Talks held with village people on roads, coffee, health etc.

Monday, 5th June

Departed Tiri Rest House 0900. 0910 reached the Ema River which was followed for five minutes. Ascended to the top of a ridge beside a clump of limestone peaks where a 15 minute rest was taken. Arrived Waraga Rest House at 1050.

Waraga and Tono lined at the Waraga 'Fortress' and the census was revised.

Waraga : Decrease of 6, Birth/Death ratio 3/9, Mig in/Mig out 1/2.

Tono : " 2, " " 4/6, " " nil.

Medical inspection, mainly small sores. Two Waraga men told to accompany the patrol back to Erave with their Tropical Ulcers.

Both villages inspected. Talks held with people on general topics.

Tuesday, 6th June

Departed Waraga 0820. Tiri women seen working on their part of the road. Reinspected Tiri village and found that instructions left on Sunday were being carried out satisfactorily. Departed Tiri 1100 and arrived Foreregi Rest House 1210.

1400 a runner arrived from Erave with a note from the ADO and a portable wireless.

1600 contact was made with Erave, and the ADO advised that Mr. McArthur ADO from Kikori was reported sick East of Mt. Murray. Instructed to send runners to the surrounding area for news of his whereabouts. Also instructed to check on recent reports of Sirigi - Pupitau hostility.

Runners were immediately despatched to Kerabi to get them to search South of their area, and the V.C. of Tiri was sent to sound out the Pupitau. Afternoon spent in talking with Foreregi people and some Tiri carriers in an attempt to ascertain the basis of the Pupitau-Sirigi rumour.

Wednesday, 7th June

Cleaned a dropping area for an expected air drop of salt and tobacco from Erave. Listened for aircraft movements on the wireless all morning.

1200 conversation with ABO Erave. Advised that Mr. McArthur had returned to Kikori and that all patrols were being recalled. Heard Mr. Hayward's Patrol with the District Medical Officer being asked to call at Maroroga en route to Erave to look at the sickness there.

1325 departed Fororogi. 1500 met the V.C. of Ianguri who had intercepted my message to Korabi and had come to advise us that a Patrol had already passed through Ianguri to search for the Kikori patrol.

Arrived Korabi Rest House 1630.

Thursday, 8th June

Departed Korabi 0815. Turned off the main track and followed a bush path to the south reaching the side road to Taisberigi at 1000. Passed the turn-off to Sauberigi at 1015 and arrived at the Taisberigi Rest House at 1045.

1100 Departed Taisberigi and arrived at the Erave Station at 1500.

End of Diary.

### Introduction

The object of this Patrol was to revise the census in the Kerahi Census Division. The opportunity was also taken to give advice on the improvement of roads, carry out a medical check, a housing and sanitation inspection, and to plant three central coffee nurseries.

The Kerahi Valley, is a small, poorly arched basin, surrounded on all sides by high ranges. The people, who live on the ridges at the Northern side and on each end have been subjected to fairly regular patrolling over the last five years.

An unhurried pace was maintained, the opportunity being taken to talk informally with the people whenever possible.

A reported outbreak of sickness at Harorogo in the Sanberigi was investigated en route to Kerahi, and attempts were made to find out the basis of several rumours concerning fighting in the Fugitan and Sirigi areas adjacent to the Kerahi valley. A further investigation into the suitability of the Fuisberigi Basin for alienation and the attitude of the owners of this area to alienation in the early part of the patrol was carried out.

Continual rain for the first five days made travelling a miserable and hazardous undertaking. However, we were well received in all villages and the population appeared to be quite pleased that we had visited them.

### Native Situation

Although the majority of the people in the Kerahi Division live along the sides and ends of the valley, two villages, Waraga and Tono are to be found in a separate feature further east. The isolation of these two villages was reflected in many ways.

Overall, the people have settled down to a reasonably law abiding existence. They did appear a little bewildered when confronted with various facets of administration, such as medical checks, housing and sanitation inspections and the like, however, they were almost without exception, willing to please and many instructions left with different villages, were well on the way to being completed or carried out when they were revisited on the return journey.

Several disputes were brought to the attention of the patrol, mainly matters concerning old outstanding debts, brought up by people who decided that they might as well take advantage of the Patrol's presence to air their grievances rather than any particular desire to settle their dispute.

Attendance at the census was good in all villages, except Waraga and Tono. These people are still wary of other people who ask questions. One old man of Waraga ran off when the patrol arrived, while in Tono another took to the bush when it became apparent that those who disregarded the orders of the last patrol in regard to housing, were being charged under the Native Regulations. Another man from this village ran off with his sick daughter when he learnt that we were doing a medical check, both of those who attended the census, and those left in the village with sickness.

As the patrol was prepared for only a short visit, and this was the furthest point reached, I decided not to remain in the area to try and apprehend these absconders, but noted them in the village books to be attended to when the area is next visited.

It was pleasing to note that some 12 young men from Waraga and Tono have gone to Erave to work - mainly in the sawmill. These two



groups are not only at the extreme end of the Kerabi area (actually in the Gulf District), but live in a hole - in all that name implies - in the limestone ranges east of the valley. There is little possibility of any economic use being made of their land - their gardens are scattered for miles in little pockets of soil in the sides of the ranges. The younger people, as was found throughout the area, were keen to do something to improve their lot. Because the Wraga country is useless for anything but the occasional garden, these younger people must go elsewhere to seek their fortunes. I would recommend that these people be given encouragement to come and work whenever jobs are available at Erave or elsewhere.

During the patrol, rumours were heard of various incidents and occurrences in adjacent areas. These were investigated as fully as possible. The first was of a high incidence of death at Marorogo which will be mentioned later and which was immediately reported when an investigation was made into the matter.

The second concerned the killing of some Pupitau people to the East of the Kerabi area, while they were travelling to a pig killing feast at Tiri. The culprits were supposed to be the Wopasali people on the Erave River, north of Tono.

The third was the killing of 12 Pupitau by the Sirigi people to the Southwest of Pupitau - again while en route to the feast at Tiri.

Nothing really substantial could be ascertained regarding either of these two rumours. The Tiri people, who in the past were fellow refugees and brothers in arms of the Pupitau - particularly against Wraga and Tono, were not very clear on the story themselves - despite the fact that it was only two weeks prior to the patrol's visit that the incident was alleged to have occurred and some ten Pupitau attended the pig killing.

#### Agriculture and Livestock

The Kerabi people have an abundance of food available, despite the somewhat inhospitable and precipitous environment at the Eastern extremity. Sweet potato, of course is the staple, with bananas, pawpaw, sago and other such crops supplementing the diet.

An enterprising youth at Kerabi has taken to growing tomatoes - the original plant having come from a labourer's garden at Erave. These tomatoes, though few in number, were as large and as healthy looking as any I have seen in the Territory. He was highly commended and encouraged to continue.

No economic crops are grown in the Kerabi area. Small coffee nurseries were put in during this patrol at Kerabi, Foreregi and Tagibu-Tiri. Several young men in each of these places readily volunteered to look after these nurseries. It was carefully explained that these were trial blocks only, the aim being firstly to see if coffee would grow, and secondly to see if it would be looked after.

No nurseries were put in at Wraga and Tono, mainly because there was no where readily accessible to put them, and secondly, the topography of the area will prohibit any planting of coffee or anything else in blocks of any useful size.

The only opposition encountered was at Kerabi, when an old die hard announced that the Ianguri people, who once spent their time killing Kerabis, had now taken to digging up their gardens under the guise of working for the Administration. The Agricultural Farm Assistant, Uamo, who happened to be a Ianguri, was digging up an old garden site at the time, for the nursery. I am satisfied he was merely 'sounding off' in the manner of the aged the world over. This type of thing is only to be expected and will continue until some material benefits from these small enterprises are revealed.

### Medical and Health

Health Orderley, Perry accompanied the Patrol and carried out a medical inspection at every village in the Kerabi area. Generally the health was good - the main complaint being small sores and Tropical Ulcers. Two patients accompanied the Patrol from Waraga back to Erave to have their ulcers treated. Three men at Barawoi were seen with ulcers, two of these were unable to walk, and the third has one leg nearly eaten away. All had been brought back to Erave by previous patrols and had received treatment and allowed to return, but had again contracted the complaint. None of them were interested in returning with this patrol. As treatment would obviously be futile the matter was not pressed.

The desirability of seeking medical attention for these sores at the earliest opportunity was impressed on the people at every opportunity; the Village Constables were specifically instructed to bring anyone complaining of anything with them when they visited the Station. However, I doubt if any notice will be taken of my pleas and orders. One reason being the distance to be travelled, the second and main one is the very real fear, which is present even amongst the Administration Servants on the station, that they will be sent to Mendi for treatment and there they will die. This fear is not without foundation in past experience and is not likely to be lost, despite continual reasoning that people are only sent to Mendi when they have some major sickness or complaint and there is a probability of them dying.

The Kerabis readily submitted to treatment on the spot, and I feel that full use would be made of a local medical centre - such as an Aid Post. Had such medical aid been available within the area, I am sure that at least 40% of the 31 deaths that occurred during the last ten months (15 of which occurred in Waraga and Tese), mostly of pneumonia, need not have happened.

The nearest centre where medical aid has been obtainable for these people, was the Marorogo Aid Post - this has unfortunately been closed for a long time - with terrible results at Marorogo. However, the Kerabi people are, by and large, avowed enemies of the Marorogo group, and because of the high incidence of death there over recent months, they will now have nothing to do with them.

A report reached the patrol at Tsimberigi that the people of Marorogo were dying of pneumonia. An investigating party was diverted to this village and Waro and Menigiri. It was found that some 16 people had died over recent months - the sickness proceeding death lasting 2 to 3 days. A report on this situation was immediately sent to Assistant District Officer Erave. Some treatments were given in the villages and about 15 who were able to walk were sent to the Marorogo Aid Post for treatment.

What a farce this administration must look in the eyes of these people - with all this going on and an unused Aid Post, which has done good work in the area in similar circumstances in the past, sitting on their doorstep. The Village Officials were, of course, roundly abused for not reporting the situation at the Sub District Office, and were sent in with their sick to explain themselves to the Assistant District Officer.

Marorogo was not revisited on the Patrol's return from Kerabi, because it was expected that the District Medical Officer, who was within two hours walk of the village awaiting a plane at Sex the day after the patrol was completed, would visit the area and take the necessary action to alleviate the situation.

### Housing and Sanitation

Generally, the housing throughout the Kerabi has improved considerably judging by past reports. In two villages, Waraga and Tind charges were made against 8 people for failure to comply with orders left by Mr. Q. Anthony PO in 1960 in regard to the repair of houses.

It was pleasing to note the attempts made by the people of Kerabi and Foreregi to construct pit latrines. As far as I know, these groups have never been instructed to do so, but have copied those of the Sasberigi on their own initiative. Advice was given on ways to improve the efficiency of those built and the people concerned were commended for their efforts.

Firi village was in a reasonable state of cleanliness this time, and a considerable improvement in the standard of health of that area since the last patrol was obvious. Five new latrines were built there during this patrol's visit.

### Roads and Bridges

A running commentary on the roads of the area patrolled has been given in the Patrol Diary. Wherever possible the Kerabis have done a very good job on road work. They have little idea of grading or draining or other more complicated facets of road building, and have consequently achieved some quite remarkable feats of engineering which certainly indicate good intentions, but does little to improve walking facilities.

The people of Foreregi have built some of the best formed and cared for stretches of road I have seen - with deep drains on either side and even a reasonable camber - however, invariably these stretches are the almost perpendicular ones running from the valley floor straight to the top of the range.

The Waraga people have not done any further work on the road towards Firi since the last patrol. In the past they have done an excellent job over very difficult country. It was explained at great length that road work did not end with the construction of the road, and instructions were left for the maintenance of the road and its extension.

It was noticed that the bridges along the Erave - Taimberigi road were now badly in need of repair, however, with the extension of the vehicular road to the East, and the need for bridges along it in the near future, nothing was done to have the present bridges renovated.

### Village Officials

The Village Officials seen, appeared to be doing a reasonable job. They are still not very clear of their duties and obligations in the Kerabi, and every opportunity was taken to explain these to them. A marked difference in bearing and competence was apparent between those who attended the recent Instruction Course at Erave, and the two from Waraga and Tono who did not.

No dismissals for incompetence or other reasons are recommended in the Kerabi area.

Census and Statistics

The census was revised in the eight villages which comprise the Kerahi Census Division. No change in the total population was found (984) since the last census in August 1949. In this ten month period, the ratio of Births to Deaths was 26/31 and migrations in exceeded migrations out by 17 to 12. Most migrations took place within the division.

The village of Nung has suffered a 25% decrease in population over the last four and a half years, and Tono has lost 9% in the same period. This was the biggest variation in the division - the main causes being Fallowing and Dysentery.

Chief, Nung, Pop. 234

A good worker and a good politician.

Chief, Tono, Pop. 214

The son-in-law of the District. Still a good worker and politician although getting on in years.

Chief, Tono, Pop. 214

Good worker and being a local politician.

*J. E. ...*  
( J. E. ... )

The above names have been entered in the ... of ...

*J. E. ...*  
( J. E. ... )

REPORT ON MEMBERS OF THE I.P.A. E.C.C.

Sgt. JESSIE Reg. No. 1352

A very capable NCO, whose experience was very helpful.  
Inclined to be lazy unless he was watched.

Const. ANTHONY Reg. No. 7917

Not a very enterprising policeman with little initiative.

Const. KENNETH Reg. No. 8124

A good worker and a good policeman.

Const. VIRGIL Reg. No. 9274

The comedian of the Patrol. Still a good worker with plenty of initiative although getting on in years.

Const. TIBERT Reg. No. 10637

Worked well, and being a local policeman came in handy on a number of occasions.

The above comments have been entered on the relevant records of Service.

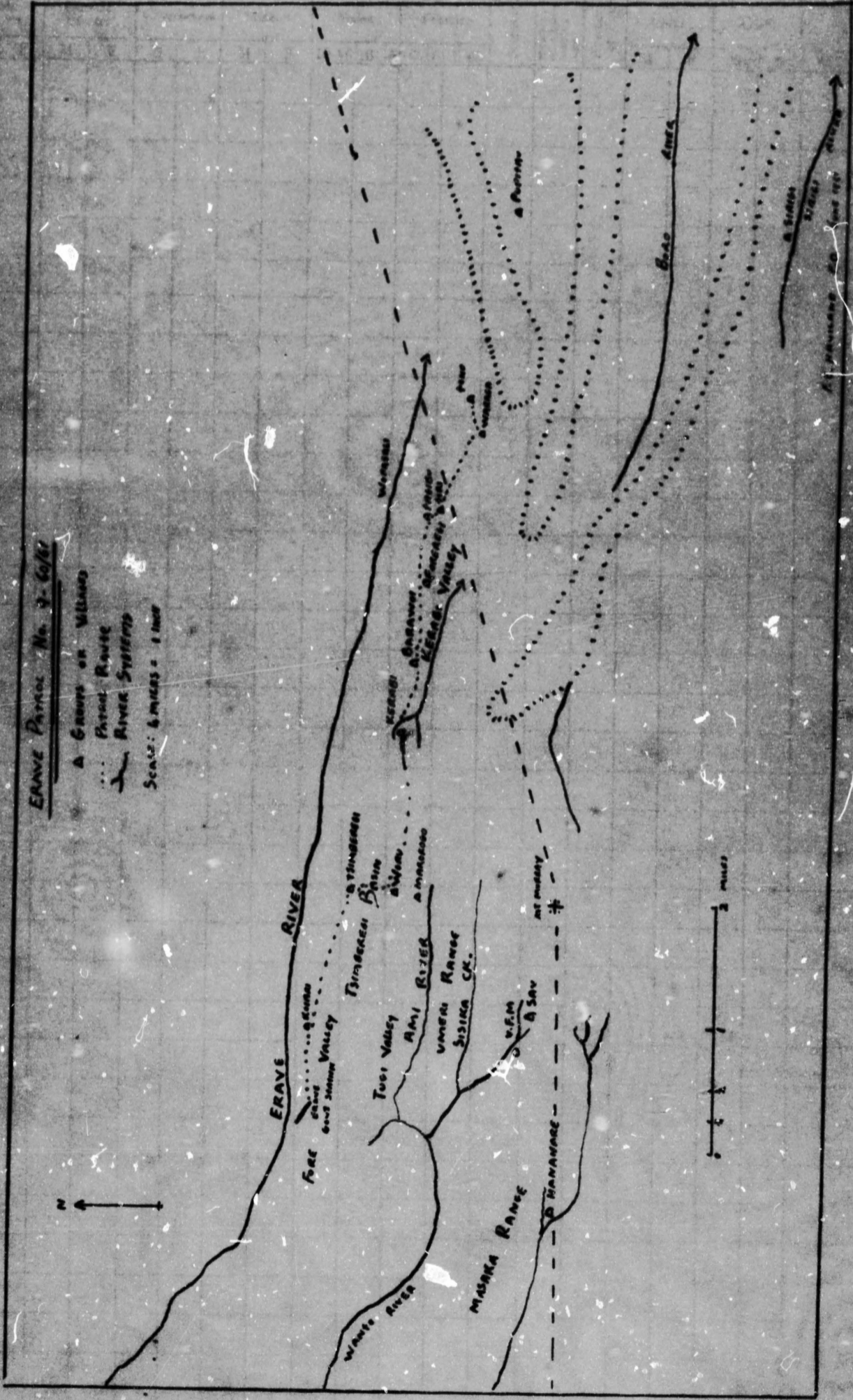
*F. E. Haviland*  
(F. E. Haviland P.O.)



# Registry

ERAVE PATROL No. 3-Coflet

▲ Ground on Villano  
 ... Patrol Route  
 --- River System  
 Scale: 5 miles = 1 inch



PATROL REPORTS SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT 1961/62.

GRAVE SUB DISTRICT

<u>REPORT NO.</u>	<u>PATROL CONDUCTED BY</u>	<u>AREA PATROLLED</u>
GRAVE 1 61/62	F.E. Haviland P.O. Gr.I	Samberigi, Ianguri & Fore Tsimberigi C.D.
GRAVE 2 61/62	No report received.	
GRAVE 3 61/62	F.E. Haviland P.O. Gr.I	Fore-Tsimberigi, Ianguri & Samberigi C.D.
GRAVE 4 61/62	F.E. Haviland P.O. Gr.I	Kari - Tiburu C.D.
GRAVE 5 61/62	F.E. Haviland P.O. Gr.I	Samberigi & Kerabi C.D.
GRAVE 6 61/62	F.E. Haviland P.O. Gr.I	Kari - Tiburu C.D.
GRAVE 7 61/62	F.E. Haviland P.O. Gr.I	Samberigi C.D.
GRAVE 8 61/62	F.E. Haviland P.O. Gr.I	Kari - Tiburu C.D.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of... Southern Highlands..... Report No. Enave 1 of 1961/62.....

Patrol Conducted by..... F. B. Haviland, Patrol Officer Gds. 1.....

Area Patrolled..... Samberigi, Ianguri and Fore - Taimberigi Census Divisions.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... Mr. R. B. Creagh CPO to 2/8/61  
R.P. & N.G.C. 5

Natives..... Interpreter 1  
Agriculture 1

Duration—From 17/7/1961 to 15/8/1961

Number of Days 34 actual - two Officers 51

Did Medical Assistant accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services May/June 1961

Medical ...../July 1961

Map Reference..... Sketch map attached

Objects of Patrol..... 1. Census revisions; 2. Encourage acceptance of cash cropping;  
3. Routine Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

21/ 9 /1961

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner *ohic*

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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JMcL,AMH

67-15-13

8th November, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MUSKIE.

BRAVE PATROL No. 1 of 1961/62

An important patrol and it is clear that Mr. Haviland has done a really good job in that he has concentrated on executive action as well as the more routine census work.

2. Please let us know in due course your joint decision as to the disposal of the Magulegi/Soposa discussion with the District Officer, Gulf District.

3. It is not quite true that the Saaberigi were against the establishment of the Brave Station initially. It is not uncommon for primitives to change their views when they discover a little hard work is required to better the indigenous way of life. At the start the Saaberigi requested our presence permanently in their area and were most co-operative.

4. Anbuga seems to have found a way to avoid a nasty situation for himself although it gave rise to bitter complaints by his colleague Tirigai. There is probably more in this feud than meets the stranger's eye.

5. The fact that isolated hamlets were visited emphasises that Mr. Haviland has conducted a most thorough patrol for which he is to be praised and I am sure that his hard work will result in a changed attitude towards coffee production and general economic development.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File NO. 672/7

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

21st September, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
ERAVE.

ERAVE PATROL No.1 of 1961/62.

Mr. Haviland's report on the above patrol is acknowledged with thanks and it is noted that there were no covering comments from yourself due to absence from the District.

It is quite obvious that Mr. Haviland has done a fine job in the area which must have benefitted considerably from the detailed attention it has received and also the concentration upon health, hygiene and economic development.

It is unfortunate that generally the people would not be favourably disposed towards settlers. I firmly believe the area generally, and in particular the people who currently own the land, will not really prosper until more settlers come into the area.

With such large tracts of land available for alienation I believe you should make efforts to further demarcate areas suited to development that are not required by the people and make submissions as to what may be available with any recommendations as to acquisition and future use.

I think you should continue, at every opportunity, to point out to the people their lack of numbers, their inability to undertake roads or other extensive development because of this, and at least indirectly sow the thoughts for the need of a largely increased population for satisfactory development in the area.

Census figures are returned herewith for re-submission. Two of the 3 sheets submitted do not balance the total excluding absentees plus the absentees do not agree with the grand total. Other errors include:-

1. There is now no separate Census Division for the IANGURI - see Director's 67-15-31 dated 5th April, 1961, and other comments on the last Census patrol to the area.
2. The names are not listed in the same order as for the previous census (or alphabetically).
3. Spelling of village names have been changed: e.g. HANANARI now HANAHARE; HONIBURI now HONIBURU - there may be others.
4. Some villages changed from one census division to another e.g. WARO formerly in the FORE-TSIMBERIGI and now shown in the SAMBERIGI.
5. HANAHARE and KOROBA appear to have been amalgamated. Why?
6. Migrations within a census division have been included in the figures on the population register whereas only migrations either in from or out to areas outside the census division should be shown.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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File No. 67/2  
67/3/7

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

21st September, 1961.

District Officer,  
Gulf District,  
KERRIMA.

RAVE PATROL No. 1 of 1961/62.  
VILLAGE OFFICIALS - APPOINTMENTS.

The following is an extract from a recent patrol report submitted by Mr. Haviland from Erave:-

"V.C. Tirigai of Mogulegi, bitterly complained of the appointment of Ambuga, a village native of Mogulegi, as V.C. of Sopisa in the Gulf District, by Mr. McArthur, A.D.O. on his recent patrol in that area in June. This village, according to Tirigai, is used by the Mogulegi people when getting sage. This man has been imprisoned twice by Tirigai for census evasion and recently sent word that Tirigai couldn't touch now, and further more he was going to win over all the young Mogulegi people and build up Sopisa."

NOGULEGI is shown on our District Map as just inside the Southern Highlands District boundary and a few miles North of Mount Murray itself.

It is immaterial to me whether people live at NOGULEGI or SOPISA so long as they do live and are under administration from one District or another. If the native AMBUGA has different land rights from TIRIGAI then the break away to the South may be to the best. On the other hand if NOGULEGI and SOPISA are really the same group of people with common land holdings I can foresee some complications.

I shall be seeking further information on this land holding aspect from the ADO Erave and in the meantime I would appreciate your comments, if any.

(K.W.Dyer.)  
District Officer.

cc  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67-3-1

Sub District Office  
ERAVE                    S.H.D.

The Assistant District Officer,  
Sub District Office  
ERAVE

PATROL REPORT No. ERAVE 9-61/62

Patrol conducted by	:	F.E. Haviland Patrol Officer Gd. 1
Accompanied by	:	Europeans - Mr. R. Creagh CPO to 2nd August Natives - R.P. & N.G.C. - 5 Interpreter - 1 Agriculture - 1
Area Patrolled	:	Fore-Tairberigi, Samberigi and Ianguri C/Divs.
Duration of Patrol	:	17th July - 19th August 1961
Number of days	:	34 actual. Two Officers - 51.
Last patrol to area	:	May/June 1961 - DNA July 1961 - Medical
Did EMA accompany	:	No.
Map reference	:	Sketch map attached.
Objects of Patrol	:	1. Census revision 2. Encourage acceptance of cash cropping 3. Routine Administration.

*F.E. Haviland*  
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( F.E. Haviland P.O. )

ERAVE PATROL No. 1 of 1961/62

Patrol Diary

Monday, 17th July

Departed Erave 1230 accompanied by Mr. R. Creagh CPO. Called at the Capuchin Mission en route to Tsimberigi. Passed through Koiari village and arrived at the Tsimberigi rest house 1700. Road from Koiari in a terrible condition owing to the previous three week's continual rain.

Tuesday, 18th July

Warumabu (Tsimberigi) and Woru villages lined and census revised. Talk on roads, coffee and health and other general matters. People advised of intended visit of T.R. survey Dr.

Coffee nursery inspected, only one shoot so far. Tsimberigi village sent to work on road.

Warumabu : Increase of 1, Birth/death ratio 1:0, Mig in/Mig out 4:2.  
Woru : " " 5, " / " " 3:4, " / " 7:1.

Wednesday, 19th July

Departed Tsimberigi 0830. Arrived Marorogo rest house 1030. Visited Marorogo Aid Post en route, 26 patients seen.

Looked at the coffee nursery and the Menigiri and Marorogo coffee blocks. Both in need of weeding. Menigirigi houses inspected en route to rest house. Menigirigi, Marorogo and Waro villages put to work on road and cleaning Aid post surroundings.

Thursday, 20th July

Census of Menigirigi, Marorogo and Waro revised. Talk on coffee and its advantages as a cash crop, and on general matters such as roads and health. Marorogo coffee block cleaned under supervision. One dispute settled.

Menigirigi : Decrease of 5, Birth/death ratio 6:8, Mig in/ Mig out 7:10.  
Marorogo : " " 7, " " 7:5, " 6:15.  
Waro : " " 17, " " 6:13, " 2:12.

These villages were the ones concerned in the recent epidemic at the Marorogo area reported in Erave Patrol Report No. 9-60/61.

Friday, 21st July

Menigirigi, Marorogo and Waro people put to work on constructing wards for the Marorogo Aid Post. Note sent to ADO ERave with Mr. Creagh's ASOPA assignment for posting. People of the Ianguri area arrived in afternoon with kunai for the Aid Post roofs.

Saturday, 22nd July

Work continued on the Aid Post, people from Tsimberigi came up with more kunai. New A.P.O. arrived to man the Aid Post. Note from ADO advised departure of a Medical Assistant from Erave for Sau today, Dr. following on Monday, and Mr. Creagh instructed to go and meet them. One man discovered at Waro village and arrested and charged with census evasion and concealing two wives and three children.

Sunday, 23rd July

Observed at Marorogo. Mr. Creagh departed 1030 to find the Medical Assistant accompanied by Const 1/C Niribo and Const Tibuari. Talk with local Village Constables on duties and general matters.

Monday, 24th July

Some finishing touches put on Aid Post, and a garden for the A.P.O. and patients started.

Court for Native Matters held at Marorogo.

A.F.W. Mental examined three areas belonging to three men interested in planting individual coffee blocks.

Departed 1000 and inspected the three Waro hamlets. Female native found who was not registered in the census and arrested. Two insanitary houses removed. Cleaned up Waro coffee block and inspected nursery which has some of the seeds planted shooting.

Arrived Ianguri rest house 1300. Heard that Mr. Creagh and Medical Assistant and Dr. were all at Sau, and that Mr. Watson, DNA clerk from Minj was en route to Kikori with the V.C. of Pawari and S/Const Aus. Talks with the Ianguri V.C.s, and heard and settled a dispute.



Tuesday, 25th July

Ianguri coffee cleaned. Court for Native Matters held at Ianguri. Const Kaman reported sick and found to have chicken pox. New Police Barracks built, and Kaman left in isolation awaiting arrival of Medical Assistant.

Mr. Creagh and Mr. B. Venczel EMA arrived 1200.

Besarabu, Mogulegi and Sogore Villages lined and census revised. Mr. Venczel carried out a medical check and gave Mantoux tests. V.C. of Ware advised of Mr. Venczel's arrival tomorrow. Ianguri people told to reassemble tomorrow for Dr's inspection of tests.

Mogulegi : Increase of 2, Birth/ death ratio 3:3, Mig in/Mig out 4:2.  
Besarabu : " " 8, " " 7:2, " " 8:5.  
Sogore : " " 3, " " 4:7, " " 10:4.

Wednesday, 26th July

Court for Native Matters held. Mr. Creagh and Mr. Venczel departed for Marorogo with Const Kaman.

Ianguri villages and Sogore sent to work on roads. Inspected Mogulegi and Besarabu, both in bad condition.

Dr. B. Rigg arrived 1500.

Thursday, 27th July

Mogulegi, Besarabu and Sogore lined and Dr. Rigg looked at results of Mantoux test, some 15 positive reactions found. One deaf child found with TB scars under the chin, arranged for him to accompany the Dr. to Goroka and then to a TB hospital for treatment.

Three patients sent to Marorogo Aid Post for treatment of sores.

Talks on health and hygiene, coffee and roads. People of Besarabu and Mogulegi sent to their villages to be shown how to build houses.

Dr. Rigg departed for Marorogo 1130. Self to Koiari, a new village being put up by the Sogore people.

Inspected Sogore coffee nursery, best seen so far, shade roofs put up over it.

Friday, 28th July

All villages sent to carry on with their uncompleted work. Mr. Creagh arrived from Marorogo. Discussion with V.Cs, Councillors and others at night.

Saturday, 29th July

Villagers continued work on roads and cleaning villages. Party sent to Sogore to try and find several absentees from the census last Tuesday.

Sunday, 30th July

Observed at Ianguri. Discussions with some of the local people.

Monday, 31st July

Mr. Creagh remained at Ianguri supervising road work. Self departed for Sogore 0810. Met up with the party sent to Sogore who were returning with seven absentees from the census found there. Returned to Ianguri and heard that the V.C. of Sogore had been sick since Saturday, but had refused to leave the patrol to attend the Marorogo Aid Post.

Tuesday, 1st August

Patrol departed for Sau 0800. Met the V.C. of Sogore who said he was going to the Aid Post. Arrived Sau. Court for Native Matters held. People advised to present themselves for census tomorrow.

Wednesday, 2nd August

In accordance with the ADO Brave's instructions, Mr. Creagh departed for Brave accompanied by Const 1/C Niribo and five prisoners.

Census of Sau, Bisabara, Ogunobo, Pobuwarok and Honiburu villages revised. Talks on coffee, roads etc. Court for Native Matters held. One party sent to work on repairing the Sau Airstrip which was badly damaged by recent heavy rain.

Sau	: Increase of nil,	Birth/death ratio 1:3,	Mig in/Mig out 3:1
Bisabara	: Decrease of 4,	" 4:5,	" 8:11
Ogunabu	: Increase of 16,	" 3:1,	" 14:0
Pobuwarok	: " " 3,	" 5:5,	" 3:0
Honiburu	: " " 4,	" 3:1,	" 3:1

Thursday, 3rd August

Work continued on Sau airstrip. All villages and hamlets inspected. Several houses found in an unsanitary condition - removed by the owners. Visited the U.F. Mission at Sau and had lunch with Miss V. Walton and Miss W. Scarf.

Inspected the work on the Airstrip and the coffee nursery which was in quite good order. The condition of the coffee blocks was fair only.

Friday, 4th August

Several disputes heard and settled. Work continued on Airstrip and work started on an access road to it. Heavy rain all day delayed all work. Report of another man not listed in the Village book investigated, but he had apparently run away as he could not be found.

Saturday, 5th August

Work continued on strip and road. A bridge and a ford constructed over two creeks. Advised Pawari people of intended arrival on Monday.

Sunday, 6th August

Observed at Sau. Visited Mission for lunch.

Monday, 7th August

Departure delayed by rain. Finally departed at 1045. Arrived Pawari rest house 1400 after visiting Masiki village and three small hamlets in the bush en route. V.C. of Pawari still absent after taking Mr. Watson to Kikori. Heard news of V.C. Sogore's death at Mogulegi on Saturday. He had not gone on to the Aid Post, but had stayed at that village. Afternoon spent in finding and visiting two more small bush hamlets. All houses in an unsanitary condition were removed by their owners.

Tuesday, 8th August

Census of the Masiki - Pawari, Girawe - Wabiamara and Hanahare - Koroba groups revised. New book issued to Hanahare - Koroba group in which the figures for both groups were amalgamated. Talk on coffee, roads, housing etc. Inspected coffee and nursery which appeared to be coming along well.

Masiki - : Increase of 5, Birth/death ratio 6:7, Mig in/Mig out 7:1.  
Pawari

Girawe - : Decrease of 2, " 4:4, " 2:4.  
Wabiamara

Hanahare - : Now combined, first census since 1957. Total Pop. 62.  
Koroba

Wednesday, 9th August

One female and child found at Girawe village who had not previously been recorded in the census. People to work on road and cleaning their villages. Talks with various people during the afternoon.

Thursday, 10th August

Const Tibuari and APW Mental sent to Ianguri to bring all coffee caretakers to Pawari for a demonstration of the correct method of fermenting and drying coffee. One group to work with Police in constructing a new Police Barracks at Pawari. Remainder continued work of cleaning villages and repairing roads. One dispute heard and settled.

Friday, 11th August

Another female and child found in a bush hamlet. Mental arrived back from Inaguri with coffee caretakers from Waro, Ianguri and Sau. The aims of the demonstration were explained to them, and they started work on peeling and fermenting local coffee beans which were picked in their own village coffee blocks.

Informal discussion with village leaders re the local attitude to land alienation and resettlement. V.C. of Pawari returned from Kikori.

Saturday, 12th August

Further discussion on land and the advantages of having more people in the area, held with the Pawari clan leaders. I then accompanied them to two areas which appeared suitable for either non-native settlement or native resettlement, climbing to the top of the Yasari Range, where clan boundaries were pointed out.

The coffee caretakers prepared sheets of bark to be used as drying racks for their coffee processing. Several minor disputes heard and settled.

Sunday, 13th August

Observed at Pawari.

Monday, 14th August

Court for Native Matters held at Pawari, and work on road carried out under supervision.

Departed 1230. Reached the Sisika river 1250 and turned off main track to follow a bush track up to Hamoregi Village. Came upon two small hamlets, which were both in a terrible condition and finally arrived at Hamoregi 1350. Inspected village which was again in an excellent condition. Continued on over a newly built road to Sawmilli rest house, inspecting the Hamoregi coffee block and the Sawmilli nursery which was by far the best seen. Census of Sawmilli (Hamoregi), Pogiabo and Marguleari revised. Talk on roads, coffee and housing. Several minor complaints and disputes heard and settled.

Monday, 14th August cont.

Sawmilli : Increase of 3, Birth/death ratio 3:7, Mig in/Mig out 10:3  
Marguleari : Increase nil, " " 0:1 " 3:2  
Pogiabo : Decrease of 1, " " 1:2

Tuesday, 15th August

Hamoregi and Pogiabo coffee blocks cleaned. Road to Pawari via Hamoregi marked out. Road into the Sawmilli coffee nursery cleared. Inspected Pogiabo and Wiroro hamlets. Both in bad condition, but inhabitants intend moving to a new site near the rest house where both hamlets will be combined.

Wednesday, 16th August

Work continued on Hamoregi - Pawari road. Pogiabo people to work on the main road. Several disputes settled. Informal talks on the need for a greater population in the area and an investigation into the ownership of land west of Pogiabo was carried out in the afternoon.

Thursday, 17th August

Departed Sawmilli 0800. 0900 reached top of the Ru range and waited for carriers to catch up. Cargo sent on to Erave. Proceeded to Koperi which was reached at 1025. Inspected the coffee block. Koperi lined and the census was revised. Talk on coffee and roads etc. Village sent to clean up its coffee block.

Inspected the Iamorubi coffee block which was in a terrible condition.

Proceeded to Erave which was reached at 1300.

Koperi : Increase of 14, Birth/death ratio 6:6, Mig in/mig out 23:9

Friday, 18th August

To Iamorubi from the Erave Government Station. Village lined and census revised. Talk on roads, coffee etc. Village sent to clean up the coffee block. Returned to station.

Iamorubi : Increase nil, Birth/death ratio 4:8, Mig in/mig out 15:11.

Saturday, 19th August

To Koiari. Village lined and census revised. Coffee nursery seen, only three shoots as yet. Talk on roads and coffee. Returned to Station.

Koiari : Increase of one, Birth/death ratio 3:4, Mig in/mig out 3:1.

End of Diary.

**Correction**