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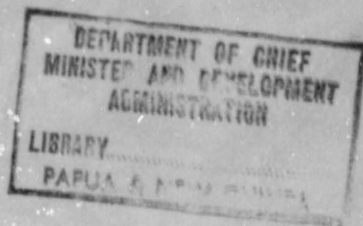
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5-71-72	G.D. Pike	Part Naho/Rawa C.D.
6-71-72	J.B. Spencer	Usino Council Area.
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2-71-72	G.D. Pike	Rao-Breri C.D.
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27th January, 1972

The District Commissioner
Madang District
MADANG

ALONE PATROL NO. 2. of 1971/72

Your unreferenced memorandum of 18th January, 1972 refers.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report by
MR. G. PIKE, A.D.C. of the RAO-BRERI Census Division.

This is a very informative and penetrating report but, unfortunately, not prepared in accordance with my 67-140 of 25th November, 1971. This misinterpretation has, I can see, added weight to the proposed extension of the two week deadline. The purpose of the revised procedure is to simplify reporting. The type of full report submitted by Mr. Pike is intended only for A.P.O.'s and T.P.O.'s as part of their training. Such reports terminate at your headquarters. All Mr. Pike needed to do was prepare his situation report and forward it to you under cover of the new jacket pro-forma for your assessment on the new form provided for that purpose. Any other information of local interest is in the form of a brief report, but not, for senior officers, necessarily covering the laid down headings in toto.

The new airstrip at KOMINIMUNG and its background could have been made the subject of a second brief situation report.

Note that patrols are numbered (not reports) "consecutively according to the dates on which successive patrols depart from the station".

I look forward to further detailed information on the transfer of ALONE, including Council and local reactions.

(S.J. PEARBALL)
Secretary

PATROL REPORT

REPORT NO: AIOME REPORT NO. 2 of 1971/72
DISTRICT: MADANG
PATROL CONDUCTED BY: G.D. PIKE, A.D.C.
AREA PATROLLED: RAO BRERI CENSUS DIVISION
DURATION OF PATROL: 15.11.71 to 6.12.71
LAST D.D.A PATROL: AIOME PATROL NO. 3 of 1970/71 (not yet submitted).
LAST O.L.G. PATROL: FIRST SEPARATE O.L.G. PATROL UNDERTAKEN CURRENTLY WITH THIS PATROL - AIOME REPORT NO. 4 of 1971/72 REFERS.
MAP REFERENCE: SB 55-2 (RAMU) / SB 55-1 (BOGIA)
OBJECTS OF PATROL: (i) Conduct Local Government Elections for Arabaka Local Government Council Wards 4 to 19.
(ii) Carry out survey of Political Awareness in area.
(iii) General Administration.
STATION: AIOME PATROL POST ADMINISTRATORS AREA.
SUB-DISTRICT: RAMU.
PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: COUNCIL CLERK WARA
1 OUTBOARD OPERATOR.
NUMBER OF DAYS: 22
TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: 5263 - RAO BRERI CENSUS DIVISION
ARABAKA COUNCIL AREA
HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE: MIDDLE RAMU

The District Commissioner,
Madang District,
MADANG.

In respect of this patrol, I attach :

Field Officers Journal Folios 4, 5, 6 and 7.
The Report as submitted by myself.
Situation Reports Nos. 1 -

Date: 30/12/71

G.D. Pike
(G.D. Pike)
Assistant District Commissioner



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MADANG.

18th January, 1972.

The Secretary,
Dept. of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

AIOME PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1971/72

Enclosed herewith please find above Patrol Report submitted by Mr. Pike, Assistant District Commissioner.

Mr. Pike has conducted a sound patrol and submitted an informative report, giving a clear account of recent developments in the area he patrolled.

Mr. Pike's reasons for late submission of this report have been justified with the understanding of his work position referred to in his covering letter.

The matter concerning transfer of Aiome Patrol Post to Nodabu cannot eventuate until more detailed investigation of the available useable land in the vicinity of Nodabu has been carried out.

J. C. Bassett
(L. Clifton-Bassett)
District Commissioner



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14th January, 1972.

The District Commissioner,
District Headquarters,
MADANG.

AIOME PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1971/72

Forwarded herewith is Aiome Patrol Report No. 2, submitted by myself, dealing with the recent visit to part of the Arabaka Local Government Council area for the purpose of conducting the Council Elections.

You will note that the submission date of the report considerably exceeds the two week period as laid down by the Secretary in his Circular 67-1-0 of 25th November, 1971. I have previously stated that I find the two week period to be a totally unrealistic period within which to submit a report, after an officer returns from an extended patrol. It should be quite apparent that there will be a considerable backlog of important matters requiring immediate attention, and whose priority is above that of the submission of a Patrol Report. In this case, the above factors were complicated by the demands of the House of Assembly nomination period and the need to travel extensively to various points in the electorate. The compilation of the Situation Report alone took a considerable degree of time-consuming effort.

Surely it must be realized at Headquarters that this situation is multiplied at outstation level, even without the time-consuming requirements of the House of Assembly Elections. I am convinced of the need for a deadline for the submission of Patrol Reports, to instill some sense of urgency for their compilation. However, I feel that by placing a two week limit for their submission, Headquarters have placed an inordinately high priority on a form of paperwork which cannot be justified.

I would request that the two week figure be reviewed, with particular emphasis given to the plight of the outstation officer in charge of a station. The fortnight period would be adequate, however, for junior officers who have no calls upon their time other than to compile a report upon their return to a station.

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The standard required of a Patrol Report calls for more than a series of cryptic disjointed notes. To produce a cogent and balanced assessment of the area patrolled, calls for a considerable degree of literary effort. It is upon Patrol Report submissions that an officer's job capability is largely judged. Obviously he would be ill-advised to skimp or abbreviate his report unduly.

Perhaps the Secretary should be made aware of the situation and some reconsideration be given to the arbitrary two week deadline.

G.D. Pike

(G.D. Pike)

Assistant District Commissioner

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PATROL REPORT NO. 1

STATION	- AIOME	OFFICER COMPILING	- C. D. PIKE
DISTRICT	- MADANG	SUB-DISTRICT	- RAMU
CENSUS DIVISION	- RAO-BHIERI	L.G. COUNCIL	- ARABAKA

INTRODUCTION:

The patrol was undertaken to carry out Local Government Elections in Wards 4 to 19 of the Arabaka Local Government Council. The area patrolled was limited to the Ramu River and Keram River villages, while two other patrols conducted elections in the remainder of the council wards. As a subsidiary task, a survey of Political Education awareness was made in each of the villages visited. Talks on basic administration activities were delivered in the course of the meetings which were held in each of the wards, and a number of disputes were arbitrated. One District Court case was heard at Chungrebu - an application under Section 43(2) of the Child Welfare Ordinance for a child to be declared a neglected child under Section 46(1)(A) of that Ordinance. Mr. D. McDonald, Community Development Officer, flew from Madang to make the above application to the Court.

Travelling throughout was done by outboard powered River Truck, apart from the final section, which was on foot. On this occasion the outboard motor carried out its function nobly, and expired of a gearbox malfunction only on its return journey to Nodabu after depositing the patrol at Tumba for the final section up the Keram River.

POLITICAL:

The House of Assembly Elections had generated very little interest at the time of the patrol, although nominations opened during its final stages. In fact one of the major subsidiary tasks of the patrol was to advise the people of the imminence of the 1972 elections, although precise details of the polling centres could not be given as they had not at that time been finalised by the Returning Officer for the Middle Ramu Electorate. A further Patrol throughout the area will be required to advise the electors of the polling schedule prior to the commencement of the elections.

The Political Education survey which was carried out consisted of a series of nineteen questions dealing with basic aspects of political comprehension. This will be covered in the Situation Report section.

The Local Government Council Elections provided few surprises. The council had originally requested that the present elections, which were due at the completion of their two year term of office, should be deferred for a further year, making a total of three years in office. However this was rejected by the Commissioner on the grounds that inadequate notice was received by him in view of the constitutional amendments which would be required. However it appears likely that a further approach will again be made by the council, early in its new term, for this amendment to be carried through.

The results of the elections were not particularly surprising, and only three new councillors were elected in place of retiring members, none of whom stood for re-election. Only on one occasion was it necessary to resort to a distribution of preferences to achieve a conclusive result. In almost every other instance, the winning candidate had a landslide majority, and four of the candidates nominating did not gain a single vote.

The O.I.C. Aiome is of the opinion that the standing as a candidate against a candidate pre-selected by the people is not merely an empty gesture, which provides the reason for an election. It is a formal declaration of the remaining candidates' appointment as Ward Committee members for their respective areas, and in most cases I would agree with this proposal. The only instances where there would be a departure from this rule, is when there are two major village groups combined in one ward and where there is a genuine rivalry between them regarding the councillor who is to be chosen. This occurred on two occasions only during the course of this patrol. Possibly if there was a formal avenue for the election or appointment of Ward Committee members then the empty

ritual of an election would be forborne by the voters, who could mark their unanimous choice as councillor and follow this with the selection of their respective Ward committee members. However, this would increase considerably the work burden of each election patrol, if four, five or even six separate elections were required for each ward. In addition the Roll of Electors would have to be broken down into the various committee areas. To avoid this, the introduction of a Political patronage system may have merit. If the winning candidate was able to appoint his selected ward committee members and have their names formally recorded after the election, this may have some decided advantages. The committee system is obviously not an effective organization as it stands at present. It seems to function merely as a refinement of the old village official system, where the committee member fulfils the same function as the Tultul did in relation to the Luluai of the village.

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES:

The actual campaigning for the House of Assembly had not commenced at the time of the patrol, although there had been tentative enquiries made by a number of prospective candidates. The nomination period opened towards the end of the patrol, but the first nominations were not made for the Middle Ramu electorate until some time later.

Mr. Jim McTinnon, the returning Middle Ramu member, met the patrol at Kwanga and discussed his future movements. He is not standing for the Middle Ramu electorate at this election. Instead he has chosen to nominate for the Anoram electorate, where he now has his main business interests. However, he has chosen to support the ex-Simbai interpreter Kui-Baiyeng as the all Peoples Party Candidate for the Middle Ramu.

The raising of the nomination fee to \$100 has discouraged a number of potential candidates, as the Returning Officer received a total of eleven enquiries about nomination, but only eight eventually found the money needed. The ex Arabaka Council President Warawai is the endorsed Panau Party candidate, and there is some manoeuvring at present to obtain the adherence of another of the candidates for the United Party. The majority of the candidates in fact came from the RAO-BRERI area, with only three nominating at Simbai and one at Josephstaal. However, two of these were not indigenous to the area, and it will be interesting to see how they poll in the RAO-BRERI area, where there has been considerable dissatisfaction with the retiring member.

ECONOMIC:

A continuing cry from all the villages visited, was that they were being deprived of economic advancement through the Administration's indifference. In fact this is not the case, and although the improvements in the area have been modest enough, in comparison with other more fortunate areas, there has been some real progress made along the River in recent months. Some five village cattle projects are either stocked, or ready to be so, by the Dept. of Agriculture, and the Catholic Mission has commenced several projects of their own for the village people. There is a mission worker now at Annaberg to supervise and extend these type of projects, and their cattle supplies are being organized from SEK.

The marketing rate for Ramu cattle has yet to be decided, although it appears likely that the stock route pioneered by Mr. K. McDonald of the Agriculture Dept. from Aiome to Madang, is a feasible proposition. The only alternative appears to be to bring the cattle down the Ramu by Council Barge, and then to move them by road from BUNAPAS, on the RAMU, via BOGIA, to MADANG. Although this is a somewhat roundabout journey, it will be the first route likely to be open. It depends upon the construction of a road between BUNAPAS and BOGIA and the completion of the BOGIA-MADANG road link, including two major bridges. However, these developments can be anticipated within two years, by which time there should be an increasing number of steers being turned off ready for marketing.

This also depends upon the availability of the Council Barge, the success of which project has now become a matter of faith among those officers involved

in its redesign and modification. That such a craft can work successfully on the Ramu, and that there is the need for a regular shipping service on the Ramu, is illustrated by the fact that the Church of Christ Mission operate a 20 ft. Plywood barge up the River which is pushed by a small boat powered by an 1.8 h.p. Diesel. This unit has provided a reliable - albeit rather slow - service for the past twelve months, to all Ramu stations as far as Annaberg, and at extremely reasonable rates, varying from 12 to 17 dollars a ton, from the river's mouth, depending upon the distance to be travelled. These rates are far below those which were charged by the Council barge, and it will be essential for the modified barge, when it comes into operation, to be able to compete economically against this present service.

Although there has been some slight revival of interest in making artifacts for sale to the increasing number of visitors to the Ramu area, this interest is still confined to the older men, and there appears to be little interest among the younger villagers in learning these crafts. Although the masks which are the traditional product of the Ramu, do not compare with the Sepik carvings in their conception or execution, they are very distinctive, and if competently made, would command a ready market among tourists, Messrs. Jeff Livenside and Martin Borkent carry on a steady trade in carvings, but there is no encouragement to improve the quality of output, as in fact one particular Ramu mask has a series of fragile points incorporated in its design, which makes it very difficult to transport without damage. The artifact buyers have discouraged this type mask by their reluctance to purchase it. Another influence which is detracting from the growth and expansion of the artifact industry, is the attitude of certain of the Missions, who oppose the incorporation of spirit faces into traditional shield designs. This is apparently done on the grounds that it discourages any incipient reversion to primitive idolatry.

During the patrol, on each occasion when the complaints about lack of business opportunities were raised, a parallel was drawn between the Ramu and Sepik people. Where the Sepik villages, with a similar lack of potential for economic development and turned to their traditional arts to establish a thriving export trade for their artifacts, the Ramu people had allowed their culture to decline to the point where it was practically extinguished. However, it was suggested that a concentration of effort even at this stage, should still allow them to salvage much that would be of value.

A further industry which shows some promise is the exploitation of the Tilapia, which were introduced into the Lower Ramu several years ago. This fish has increased at a phenomenal rate, and has permeated throughout the creeks, streams and lagoon of the Lower Ramu with astonishing rapidity. Although some catches are being made in the areas around Annaberg, the main front of penetration appears to be around Kwanga at present.

The abundance of these fish offer two possible avenues of exploitation. On the one hand, it would be possible to smoke or dry them, after being caught by gill nets, and then market them in outside areas. Mr. Jim McKinnon, M.H.A., has implemented such a scheme at Kominimung, and as a result of his promptings, the villagers have embarked upon the construction of an airstrip. Mr. McKinnon has apparently promised them a "business master" of their own, once the strip is finished. The idea being that he would purchase the fish which was caught and dried, and these would then be flown to the highlands for sale, by means of one of the two aircraft upon which Mr. McKinnon has options. He intends to carry out a similar venture from Angoram. To date the scheme has not been implemented due to his negotiations with the Dept. of Civil Aviation for an Air Charter licence, which would enable his company "Jimair" to compete directly with existing Charter companies operating from Madang and Wewak. However, after protracted wrangling, his Charter licence was refused, and he now intends to apply for an Aerial Work Licence and continue with his plans on a more limited scale.

I have considerable doubts about the success of the Kominimung airstrip project, although the construction of an airstrip on the site selected is feasible. Some 1300 feet have been cleared of bush and timber at present and there is another 500 feet of potential length upon which the villagers are working. I did express

certain reservations to the people about the wisdom of proceeding blindly with the construction work as there was no possibility of the administration assisting in the project. However, the villagers were not to be deterred but I noticed, with some hope, that the cleared area was being planted up with food crops, so the work being undertaken will not be completely unavailing, whatever the outcome.

The second prospect which opens up as a result of the Tilapia invasion, is the establishment of crocodile farms. Already Mr. Jeff Liversidge has one such project flourishing successfully, with nearly one hundred cement lined ponds. The crocodiles are between one foot and eighteen inches, and they are kept primarily for ultimate sale as stuffed crocodiles to tourists. Apparently this means keeping the small crocodiles for approximately two years, by which time they attain nearly three feet, the optimum size for stuffing.

At present Mr. Liversidge is having some difficulty feeding all the crocodiles, but as the Tilapia become more abundant on the upper reaches of the Ramu, this problem will be solved. Already Mr. McKinnon has a small farm, with two ponds, and over 100 small crocodiles, at Kominimung. These are doing very well on their regular meals of Tilapia, and there would be good scope for village projects along these lines. Careful supervision would be needed, with the idea of producing a reptile for skin purposes rather than stuffing.

The more traditional cash crops such as coffee and coconuts, do not offer any great potential along the Ramu at present, due to the lack of transportation. There is a small quantity of each being marketed through the Church of Christ Mission, who back loads it on their boat, the "Swish" which is mentioned above. The only way in which these crops will become valuable, is for the Council barge to prove itself capable of supplying a regular, reliable service. This will enable the villagers to process their crops, secure in the knowledge that it will be marketed within a short period. For this to eventuate, a competent and reliable crew for the barge will be as important as the mechanics of the vessel itself.

At the present, the Catholic Mission is buying up large quantities of native tobacco, suitably dried. This is apparently retailed through its trade store in other centres, as the Ramu variety of tobacco apparently has a unique flavour - or possible less tars. However, this demand cannot be counted on to continue, and is only seasonal during the November to February period. On the other hand it is the more possible source of revenue to the hard pressed River people.

There has been considerable interest in the sago stands of the lower Sepik basin by Japanese interests of recent years. It now appears likely that a pilot plant will be set up at Angoram to ascertain the possibility to expansion into a large scale industry. The starch produced is utilized in Japan for industrial purposes rather than for consumption in sago puddings.

Should this venture prove feasible then the villages on the Upper Keram River area will receive considerable benefit, as they will be able to raft down sago logs in the same manner as they at present bring timber to Angoram, down the Keram, for sale. The method of harvesting the Sago has not yet been decided upon, but inevitably this possible new industry will provide both job opportunities and avenues for economic advancement previously unrealized, in this under-privileged area. Mr. McKinnon has advocated the growing of Tapioca by the Ramu people, to be processed for starch in the same manner as sago. If this was carried out on a large scale, and fully mechanised, it may have possibilities. However, there are few large scale areas of flood-free land along the Ramu, and these are tentatively reserved for cattle. I cannot see the Tapioca venture being practical possibility, were it to be based on small scale village plantings.

SOCIAL:

There is a growing conflict between the Church of Christ and Roman Catholic Missions in the RAO-BRERI area. This is causing a degree of confusion among those groups being actively proselytized by either Mission. The Church of Christ is expanding its field of activity into traditional Catholic areas,

and making considerable gains at the Catholic's expense. The great weapon being exploited by the Church of Christ is the pidgin translation of the New Testament. With a high degree of acumen, the Church of Christ has implanted the impression that this translation is the work of their own Mission, and that its advent heralds an entirely new era for the Ramu people. These teachings border on downright cultism, and it is not surprising that there have been a number of enterprising individuals who have exploited this climate to establish their own cults based on the extrapolated implications of the Church of Christ's teachings. Meanwhile the village people become more confused and uncertain. Several attempts were made by individuals to involve the patrol in the controversy, but a strictly impartial attitude was retained.

Further evidence of the erosion of RAO-ERERI culture, which is by now largely lost, is the breakdown of the male cult system along the river. These cults are based upon the participation in rites involving the playing of a series of bamboo flutes, always at night, and never within the sight of the womenfolk. Strong traditional sanctions called for the immediate killing of any woman found observing these rites, or who was known to have seen the bamboo flutes.

Although the ceremonies continue to be carried out in many areas, it appears that the nervous tension engendered by the necessity of exterminating any woman who may become privy to the cults secrets, became too much for certain of the members. Accordingly they arranged for the Missions, both Roman Catholic and Church of Christ, to dispose of the flutes in secret. In the majority of cases, this was done by burning them, but a small number have been retained secretly. I have encouraged the Missions to hand these over to the Territory Museum, but they are reluctant to do this, fearing that this would break faith with the people who gave them the flutes on the understanding that they would not allow them to be seen by women.

Some village groups in the more remote areas largely unaffected by Mission influence, continue to engage in the cult activities. When the patrol was at Kominung village, there was a ceremony involving a pig killing and celebration of the return home of a contract worker. The flutes were stored in the village Haus Tambran and were being used in the festivities at night.

LAW AND ORDER:

In the course of the Political Education Survey which was undertaken in the course of the patrol, it became apparent that the Local Government Councillors had taken over the Administration of justice in their respective villages. All but major offences and cargo cults were being handled locally and various social sanctions or tasks to be carried out around the village were being imposed as penalties.

This appears to have occurred not through the breakdown of the existing legal system, but rather as a result of the lack of any authorised person to undertake the responsibility of bringing any malefactor to justice. By default, this role was thrust upon the Councillor, who had no desire to jeopardize his chances of re-election by being the person indirectly responsible for the gaoling of a person from his village. Accordingly disputes or incidents were being settled by consensus under the arbitration of the Councillor and Village Committees.

Eventually a village court system will take over the responsibility for the control of village life and the maintenance of the peace. However in the meantime it is considered that regular police patrols through the area would relieve the Councillors of the unpopular burden of being the upholder of Law and Order in his village.

SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

STATION -	AIOME	OFFICER COMPILING -	G. E. PIKE
DISTRICT -	MADANG	SUB-DISTRICT -	RAMU
CENSUS DIVISION -	RAO-BRERI	L. G. COUNCIL -	ARABAKA

SUBJECT: TRANSFER OF AIOME PATROL POST TO NODABU

For some time now, there have been doubts expressed over the usefulness of the Aiome Patrol Post. Its location, originally selected to give the best coverage of the Bismarck/Schrader populations and the Ramu valley people, in the present day, gives some cause for concern. With the opening of the Simbai Patrol Post in the late 1950's, Aiome's position became an anachronism, as it lost all its advantages of a central location and in fact became isolated and cut off from the bulk of the population it was meant to serve. Although this fact was apparent at the time, the excellent airstrip and the installations and buildings which had been constructed there, made it very difficult for a clean-cut decision to be made to move the station. In an attempt to ease the isolation problem, a road was commenced, eight years ago, between Aiome and the Ramu, a distance of some seven miles. This has still not been completed to all weather standards, as the lower section on the Ramu flood plain has proven to be practically impossible to keep open during the wet season.

As a preliminary move in the direction of a transfer, 15 acres of land was purchased at Nodabu, and a Base Camp established there in 1966. This has been unstaffed on a regular basis, although visits are paid there monthly by Aiome Officers to attend the Arabaka Council meetings. One AR20 and three IMCs have already been constructed on the station, and a road linking NCDABU with the Annaberg Airstrip will be commenced this year.

In view of the more central location of advantages of Nodabu, its siting right on the bank of the River, which is the main means of communication giving access to a large proportion of the population, and all the main centres, I have recommended that consideration be given to the transfer of the administrative centre from Aiome to Nodabu. (My RL-81/RL-4-10 of 20/12/71 to the District Commissioner, Madang, refers).

To achieve a complete transfer of all facilities will require the purchase of additional land to increase the size of Nodabu. Also any buildings due for construction at Aiome should be closely examined to decide whether it could not be more usefully constructed at Nodabu.

I do not advocate the complete abandonment of the Aiome Station. There are a number of uses to which it could be put, and the one which I favour at present is the establishment of a vocational school there. This would ensure that the airstrip and station would remain and be put to good use. Both the Simbai and Arabaka Councils have supported the establishment of a vocational school to serve their areas, and have promised financial assistance within their limited capability. In addition, the Usino and Buidi Councils would probably assist in the establishment, if students from their area were assured of admission to the school. At present there is no vocational school in the Ramu Sub-District, and there has been a great deal of agitation from the Councils for the establishment of one to serve their areas. It is suggested that the school should restrict itself to rural activities in the first instance and there are several hundred acres of kumai land suitable for cash crop or cattle raising near Aiome, which have been offered by land owners.

The subject of the transfer of Aiome Patrol Post to Nodabu has been submitted as an agenda item for discussion at the next meeting of the District Co-ordinating Committee.

PATROL REPORT

Report number: AIOME 3 - 1971/72

District: **MADANG**
 Patrol conducted by: **J.C. HOGKNULL**
 Area patrolled: **RAO-BRERI e/D**
 Duration of patrol: **22/6/72 - 29/6/72**
 Last D.D.A. patrol:
 Last O.L.G. patrol:
 Map reference:

Objects of patrol: **HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS**
 Station: **NODEBU BASE CAMP (AIOME)**
 Subdistrict: **RAMU**
 Designation: **ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER**
 Personnel accompanying: **Const. 1/C KAPI**
 Number of days: **8 days**
 Total population of area: **2030**
 Council area: **ARABAKA**
 House of Assembly Electorate: **MIDDLE RAMU**

The District Commissioner,
 District,

In respect of this patrol, I attach
 Field Officers Journal Folios **32 To 33**,
 Patrol Instructions,
 The Report and my comments,
 Area study,
 Updating of area study,
 Situation Reports No's **3**,
 Patrol map,

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comments - oic AIOME



Assistant District Commissioner



The Secretary,
 Department of the Administrator,
 Division of District Administration,
 KONEDOBUBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach
 Area study,
 Updating of area study,
 Situation Report No's. 1—

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District Headquarters assessment of
 Patrol & Report.....

Above average
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 Below average

Date: 11/9/1972

P.C. Russell
 District Commissioner

JWK/JK

P.O. Box 2396 - KONE DOBU

67-7-67

10th October, 1972

The District Commissioner
Madang District
MADANG.

AIOME PATROL NO. 3 - 1971/72

Reference your 67-2-1 of 2nd August, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report 1 arising out of the above patrol of the RAO-BRERI Census Division, together with the appropriate assessment as submitted by Mr. J.C. HOCKNULL, Assistant Patrol Officer.

Your comments in respect of stimulating political interest in the area patrolled are noted. I look forward to future reports on the type of political education programmes undertaken and the response.

Please inform Mr. Hocknull that Situation Reports are given their own numbers as distinct to that of the patrol being undertaken. In this instance the Sitrep should have been numbered one not three which was the number of the patrol.

(S.J. PEARSALL)
a/Secretary

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Dept. of the Administrator,
Patrol Post,
AIOME.
2nd August 1972

Assistant District Commissioner,
Ramu Sub District,
MADANG.

PATROL REPORT AIOME No. 3 71/72 - J.C. HOCKNULL A.P.O.

Find enclosed the above patrol report.

The report is extremely brief but this is due mainly to the brevity and object of the patrol which was to conduct the Supplementary Election for the Middle Ramu Open Electorate.

This Officer due to lack of experience in the area was not able to really comment accurately on anything pertinent other than the lack of political awareness and interest. This subject shall be covered fully in my No. 1 of 72/73.

There were sixteen teams involved in this election and of those sixteen teams only Mr. Hocknulls seemed to be inconvenienced by the lack of a few pots and pans. As to his comment on personnel accompanying the patrol. Due to the unavailability of staff from other centres at the time teams numbered two men, the Presiding Officer and a poll clerk. Experience during election Patrols in February illustrated that there was more room for error if three people were handling ballot papers, sex tally sheets and the like.

For your information.

Francis Cotton

Francis P. Cotton
Officer in Charge

CC J.C. Hocknull A.P.O., BOSIA

PATROL REPORT No.

Station.....**NOBANS BASE CAMP**.....Officer Compiling.....**J.C. HOOKHILL A.P.O.**
 District.....**MADANI**.....Subdistrict.....**HAYU**
 Census Division.....**NAG-NREXI**.....L.G. Council.....**ARADANA**

(For recording of routine information not of a situation report nature, actionable at Subdistrict or District level, and of value to succeeding officers. No copy is required at Headquarters.)

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Departed NOBANS Base Camp on 23rd June by canoe for KAMBUNWA which was the first polling place. An American artifacts dealer was in the Haus Klap when I arrived there for I slept at Kwanga mission for the next 3 nights. Upon arrival I recruited a European V.S.O. at the mission as a poll clerk who accompanied me throughout the patrol. Polling opened on Saturday 24th June at 0800 hrs and closed at 1800 hrs. 162 votes were cast. On the half day poll on Monday 26th, 66, section 130 (1) votes were cast. The patrol then moved to CHUNDUNU where polling lasted one day on the 27th. A total of 403 votes were cast in the 31 days.

I would like to suggest that if another patrol of this nature were to be mounted in the Territory the organizing officers should make adequate arrangements for.

- 1) Sufficient patrol equipment to be supplied for the number of patrols.
- 2) Qualified and competent assistants provided by the returning officer for all patrols i.e. Assistant Presiding officers and Poll Clerks.
- 3) Travelling arrangements made so that there is no time wasting on the officers or organizers part eg. 4 days waiting in Madani prior to departure for Aione and 2 days in Aione prior to departure for NOBANS.
- 4) More co-ordination between organizing officers and officers coming from other stations.

SITUATION REPORT No. 3 - 7/72

(910ME)
 Station..... NODEBU BASH CAMP Officer Compiling J.C. ROCKHILL
MADANG RAMU
 District.....
 Census Division..... RAC - BRERI L.G. Council ARABAKA

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Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—5.72.

Subject: POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

As it can be seen from the patrol report the number of people that voted in comparison with the population of the area was very small. The dry weather stopped many people coming as the swamp near Kwanga was almost dry and canoe travel would have taken some time. The trend in voting as observed by myself is that the people could only hold one or two names in their heads at a time. It appeared that the first preference was given to the last candidate to go through that area. Many people were more interested in a football match at (unprobu on the Saturday and did not vote. They were told on Monday that if they would like to vote they could do so but only one village that did not come on Saturday turned up on Monday. The political awareness in this area as well as political interest seemed to be lacking but a true picture could not be gained in such a short time. The O.I.C. Aimes comments on this subject could probably give a more true picture.

Sgd: J.C. Rockhill
J.C. ROCKHILL

Date: 7/7/72

SITUATION REPORT No. 3 - 71/72

Station..... **WCDABU B/C** Officer Compiling..... **J.C. HOCKNULL**
 District..... **MADANG** Subdistrict..... **RAMU**
 Census Division..... **RAO/BRERI** L.G. Council..... **ARABAKA**
 Subject:..... **POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT**

Subdistrict Office **RAMU S/O** Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received




The brief Situation Report submitted with the Patrol Report cannot be said to give a clear picture of the area, but this is certainly not Mr. HOCKNULL's fault as his visit was necessarily brief, and he was fully occupied with his electoral duties. From his somewhat disgruntled comments in the Patrol Report Section, I gather that he was recruited for this election patrol at the last minute, and that arrangements for his involvement were therefore somewhat cursory.

The RAO-BRERI Council area has never been very aware politically, and it is not surprising that the people did not respond enthusiastically to the polling, nor that they did not attend in large numbers. The RAMU Valley is an area of extremes. The drawbacks of the dry season as mentioned by Mr. Hocknell may have seemed highly inconvenient. He was fortunate that he was not obliged to carry out the election at the height of the wet season.

I agree with the O.I.C. Alone's comments, and look forward with interest, to receiving his report.

Action Taken:

NIL - N/A.

Sgd.....  **G.D. PEE**

Date..... **11th August, 1972**

District Office MADANG.

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received 11.8.72.

My comments on Home Patrol No. 7 - 71/72 Situation Report No. 1 also apply to this report. The Political Education Officer and the Assistant District Commissioner (Ramu) are being requested to endeavour to stimulate greater interest in political development in the next few months.

The alleged faulty organisation of the Ramu election has been mentioned in connection with a Rogia Patrol Report, and this matter is under examination at present.

c.c. A.D.U. (RAMU)

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

D. Clifton Bassett

(D. Clifton-Bassett)
District Commissioner.

Date.....

4th September, 1972.

Headquarters

Date Received

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Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number ... **NO. 4 OF 1971/1972**

Sub-District ... **FAMU**

District ... **MADANG**

Type of Patrol ... **GENERAL ELECTION PATROL 1971**

Patrol Conducted by ... **V. TAUNI A/400 (IG)**

Area Patrolled) .. **AIGOS - ANGAYA - ANGE**

Council and/or) .. **CENSUS DIVISION**

Census Division/s)

Personeel Accompanying Patrol

SIMBAI ASSISTANT CLERK SIMBON .. **VARIOUS CARRIERS AS**

AND TWO POLICEMEN. .. **REQUIRED**

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Duration of Patrol - from ... **15/11/71** .. To **24/11/71**

No. of Days ... **9**

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area

Date Duration

Objects of Patrol (Briefly) ... **TO CONDUCT THE ARAPAKA LOCAL**

GOVERNMENT COUNCIL'S GENERAL ELECTION, 1971.

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Total Population of Area Patrolled ... **3042**

Director of District Administration,
KONEFOBU.

Forwarded, please

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District Commissioner

FM-SP

P.O. Box 2396, RAJEDORU.

67-7-22

22nd December, 1971

The District Commissioner,
Madang District,
MADANG.

WHITE PATROL NO. 4 of 1971/72

Your reference 67-2-5 dated 14th December, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special
Report by Mr. V. Faona a/s.D.C. covering Council
Elections for the Arabaka Local Government Council.

(S. J. PEARSON)
a/Secretary.

WJK:CS

67-2-5

MADANG.

14th December, 1971.

The Secretary,
Dept. of the Administrator,
KOMODOBU.

ATOME PATROL NO. 4 1971/72

The above report is forwarded for your information.

The patrol was mounted to conduct the elections for the Arabaka Council and covered 13 wards of the Council, these being in the Aione-Angava-Ancor Census Divisions.

Mr. Vavine Tauni carried out the election processes efficiently and his observations regarding the depth of awareness of the people in local government matters and voting procedures are depressing, but, unfortunately, true.

D Clifton-Bassett

(D. Clifton-Bassett)
District Commissioner



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MALANG.



14th December, 1971.

The Secretary,
Dept. of the Administrator,
KONELOBU.

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D. Clifton Bassett

(D. Clifton-Bassett) <
District Commissioner

INTRODUCTION:

The main object of this patrol was to conduct the part of Arabaka Local Government Council's general election 1971. There are 35 wards in the Council area, and of these 13 are situated in the Aiome - Angava - Anor Census divisions where this patrol was carried out. As the Council area is very large and one patrol team is unable to do all of the 35 wards within the limited period of 21 days as requested by the Local Government Regulations, it was suggested that three election teams would be organized which should finish the 35 wards within reasonable time not exceeding 21 days.

Mr J. Berggy who was supposed to do this Census Division with the help of Mr McNaught, was unable to, due to his wife, whom he had to take to Madang General Hospital for treatment. I was called upon to lead the second team in his absence.

The Deputy Commissioner for Local Government was advised, and issued a writ for a general election on 11th October, 1971 to commence the election on the 15th November, and its completion on or before the 8th December, 1971.

SITUATION REPORT

(a) Local Government Elections

The Arabaka Local Government Council formerly known as Rao-Breri is now in its seventh year of operation with at least three general elections being held as well as a number of by-elections. Local Government elections in the Council area have always caused some misunderstanding in its procedures by the electors, who often get confused about it. However it is rather difficult to make people understand the relevant procedures and so forth. At various polling places were well attended by the people and lectures were given in election procedures and the rudiment of Local Government. Mock elections were held to help the people understand the mechanics of a democratic election and to impress upon them the right of every individual to his or her judgement when voting with the view of eliminating pre-election balloting.

(b) Local Government Councillors

There are thirty-five (35) Councillors to be elected for the whole of the Council Area. The area patrol was only 13 wards for 13 councillors to be elected. Prior to the commencement of the election, electors were called upon to assemble at the polling booth. Most of the ex-councillors who were contested against the other candidates re-elected and some of them were un-opposed. As a result of this, I feel that most of the people in the Council Area do not wish that the other candidates who stood in the election could gain sufficient votes to become a councillor. It was explained that everyone should have a chance to be elected and hold this position whose efforts may be valuable to the Local Government to run and grow efficiently and effectively in the Country of Papua New Guinea.

Out of 13 ex-councillors who were re-elected and unopposed, only one ex-councillor from Ward 25 was not re-elected when he contested against the other three candidates. The ex-Luluai by the name of Apangamai from Iwapi Village was elected by an absolute majority of votes. He serves twenty five years as Luluai in his Village. I think he should be a good councillor to the Council from using his previous experience for serving his community which he will represent.

(c) Method of Nomination

Throughout the election, nomination of candidates were called upon to the people. Before the names of candidates were given to the Presiding Officer, brief explanations were given in order that they may understand how the Candidates are nominated. This very simple method of nomination is sometimes not understood by the electors, and it was rather difficult for them to come forward at once to give their names as a candidate.

It is hard to ascertain whether it was their lack of understanding unless sufficient time was spent which could have solved their problems. Method of nomination was not new to them, and should be understood without any doubts.

(d) Feminine Interest in Election

Talks were delivered to women throughout this election. Most of the women were shown a keen interest during the election, however none was thought to be a candidate to stand in the election. It was noted that such a position cannot be filled by women in this Council area unless they feel certain endeavouring to become a candidate. However more illustrations were given to women so that they may have this opportunity in the future to become one of the Councillors in this area, to serve her community.

(e) Assistance to Electors

The assistance to electors has always been done whereby most of them are required to receive from the person who is conducting an election. I believe that if the electors were given their own way in marking the ballot papers, the majority of the ballot papers would be counted as informal votes. To ensure that this did not happen, they were given every assistance to avoid confusing in the counting of ballot papers.

At one stage two or three electors were given a chance to mark their own ballot papers and it was found that the same number of ballot papers were counted as informal votes. The figures or numbers were sometimes written alongside the names of Candidates and also outside the squares provided on the ballot papers. Therefore every elector requires assistance in any Council elections in the future.

(f) Preferential Voting

The system of preferential voting was briefly explained. This was done throughout the election before the actual voting was to take place. Most of the wards where elections were conducted, did not seem to mention their second or third preferences so as to indicate the order of their preferences for them. I feel that electors still do not understand the system, even though it was repeatedly explained.

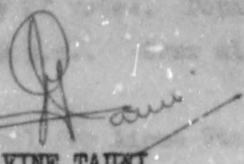
After each actual voting and results of the winning candidates were known, it was possible to go into all details of preferential system in order that the system was completely understood. The idea was to create an awareness for both Local Government and the forth coming House of Assembly elections in 1972.

CONCLUSION

The above election patrol was carried out in a satisfactory manner without any incidents occurring.

Mr J. Berggy who joined the patrol which was about to complete has gained the knowledge of election procedures and it would have been of great assistance and should enable him to conduct an election in the future.

For your information, please.


VAVINE TAUTI
a/ADO (LG)

AIOME PATROL NO. 4 OF 1971/72

PATROL DIARY: V. TAUNI A/ADO (LG)

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15.11.71 Monday:

Depart 8.30 a.m. Madang for Arabaka Local Government Council's General Election 1971. Patrol equipment organized and at 1.30 p.m. by tractor to the edge of Ramu River where boarded the Dinghy to Dugambi Village. 2½ hrs walk before arriving at Irarapi Village where the villages of Dugambi, Atiapi were assembled. Candidate was unopposed so no election was conducted. Over Night.

16.11.71 Tuesday:

Depart 0800 am Irarapi to Vavapi at 9.10 a.m. Ex-Councillor was re-elected. Walked to Pungabu Village arrived at 2.30 p.m. Over night.

17/11.71 Wednesday:

Depart 7.30 Pungabu for Simbaivivi at 9.15 a.m. Akuarikai and Andamangu electors did not arrive until 3 p.m. Election conducted and ex-Councillor was re-elected. Depart Simbaivivi 4.05 pm and arrived Ai-Angat at 6.45 p.m. through the swampy and wet track. Over night.

18.11.71 Thursday:

Depart 7 a.m. Ai-Angat for Parapasam where the electors from Ai-Angat and Ipongondor were assembled to hold the election. Ex-Councillor was the only Candidate to stand in the election, so he was declared as unopposed candidate. Depart Parapasam 9.30 am for Astangu at 11.15 a.m. Also in these two villages Astangu and Itaranka, ex-Councillor stood as candidate and was unopposed so no election was conducted. Walked to the next Village Pasirkam where Irivais, Longar and Nambinj electors were told to assemble. Here also no election was conducted as ex-Councillor was the only Candidate who stood in the election, so he was also declared as unopposed Candidate. Over night at Pasirkam rest house.

19.11.71 Friday:

Depart 7.30 a.m. Pasirkam for Isowak 9.25 a.m. where Asapi, Wari, Iwan and Atsuvatapi electors were waiting to cast their votes. Four Candidates including the ex-Councillor stood in the election. Apongamai ex Luluai who had been as village Luluai for 25 years was elected by an absolute majority of votes. Depart Isowak 1 pm for Asimisin Primary School at 4.30 p.m.. Over night.

20.11.71 Saturday:

Depart 7 a.m. Asimisin Primary School for Aiome Station. Arrived at 11 a.m. Over night.

21.11.71 Sunday:

At Aiome Station.

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22.11.71 Monday: 9.30a.m. Mr J. Berggy (APO) arrived exMadang and accompanied to show him how to do the election. At Iporatt and Kurakem village. Ex-Councillor was re-elected. ^{Returned} Retired to station by tractor. Over night.

23.11.71 Tuesday: 7.30 a.m. by tractor to Irigrat and Matogan. Ex-Councillor was re-elected. Returned to the station 12.30 p.m. 1.30 p.m. election held at Aiome Station and APO Supervisor at PHD was elected as Councillor. Over Night.

24.11.71 Wednesday: 7.30 a.m. by tractor to Anamuk and walked to Apanam. Arrived 9.30 a.m. Four Candidates including the Councillor were contested.

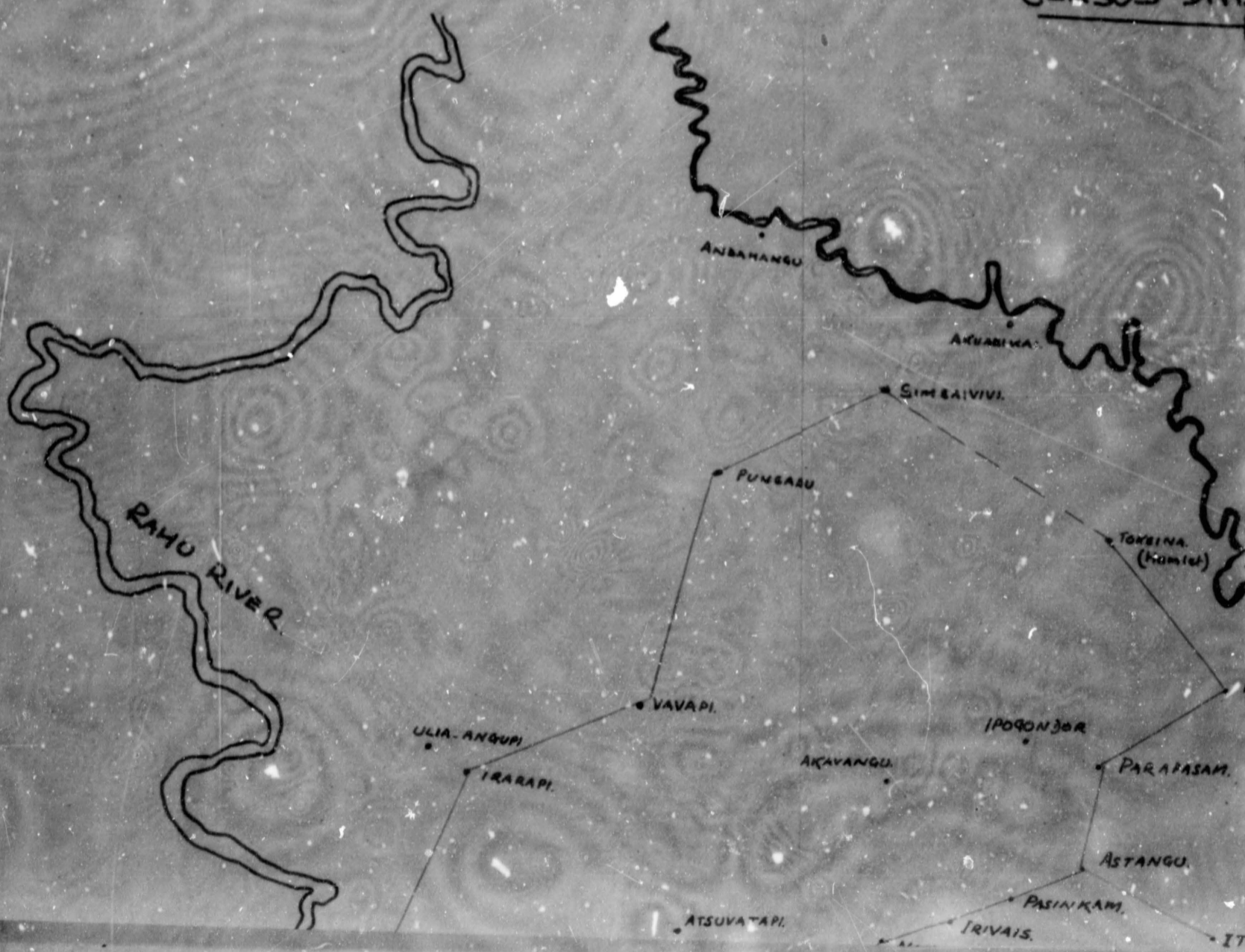
25.11.71 Thursday: Depart 10 a.m. Aiome for Madang. Mr J. Berggy was left with one more ward to do himself.

END OF PATROL

PART OF ARABAKA

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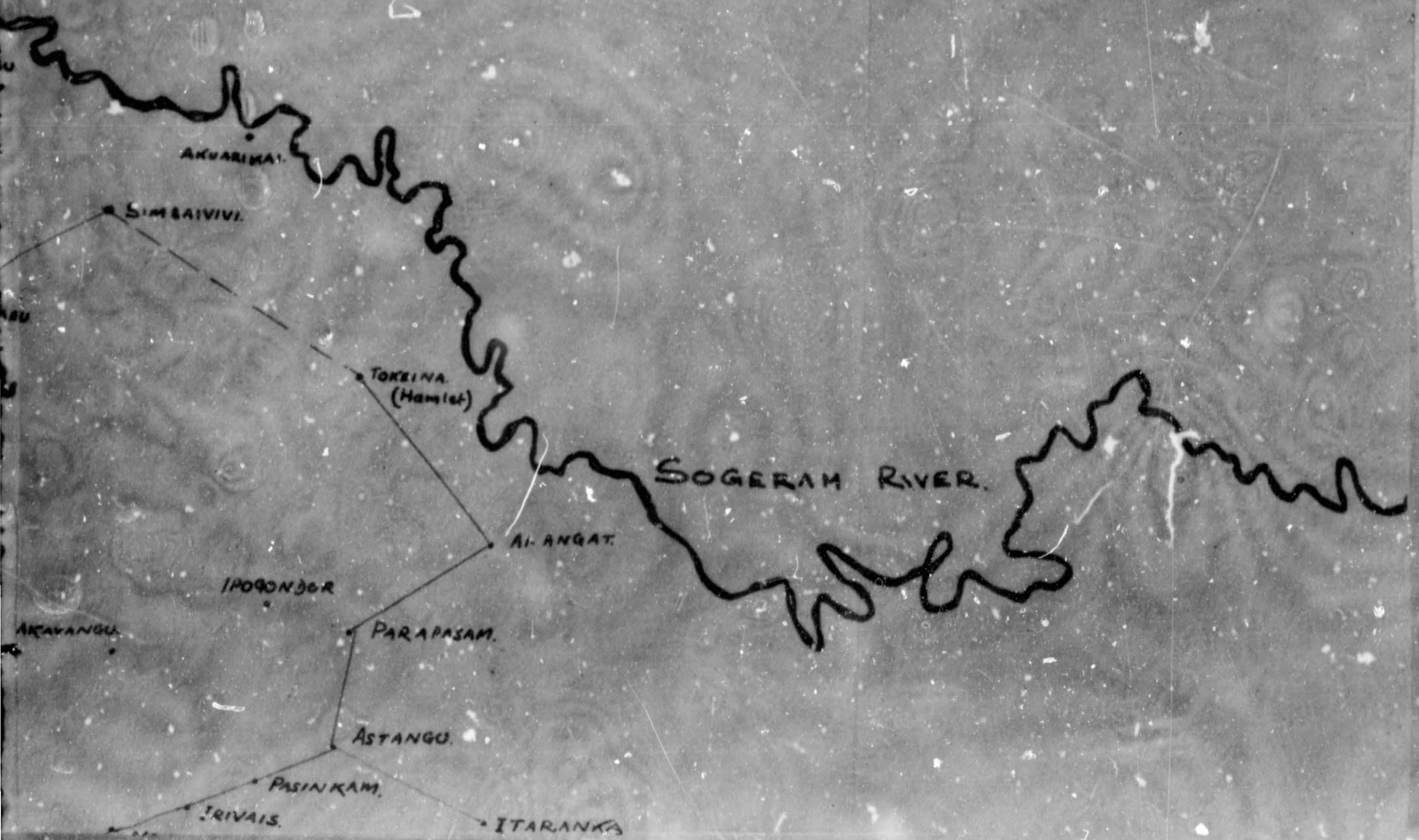
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PATROL REPORT

REPORT NUMBER: Aiome No. 5/11/72 OBJECTS OF PATROL: H. of A. elections
DISTRICT: Madang STATION: Aiome
PATROL CONDUCTED BY: J. Bergsy SUB-DISTRICT: Ramu
AREA PATROLLED: Bao-Breri C.D.s DESIGNATION: Assistant Patrol Officer
DURATION OF PATROL: 17/2 - 3/72 PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: W. Auma, W. Ganuto
LAST D.D.A. PATROL: Dec. 1971 NUMBER OF DAYS: 15
LAST O.L.G. PATROL: Sept 1971 TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: Approx 5000
MAP REFERENCE: COUNCIL AREA: Arabaka
HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE: Mid. Ramu

The District Commissioner,
Madang District,
MADANG.

In respect of this patrol, I attach
FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, FOLIOS 17 TO 20 ?
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS,
THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS,
AREA STUDY,
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY,
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1-4,
PATROL MAP,

YES

DATE: 2/5/1972.

[Signature]
Assistant District Commissioner.

The Secretary,
Department for the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.....Papua.

In respect of this patrol, I attach
AREA STUDY,
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY,
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S. 1-4

DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESMENT OF
PATROL & REPORT

ABOVE AVERAGE
AVERAGE
BELOW AVERAGE

DATE: 30/5/ 1972.

[Signature]
District Commissioner.

NLM:JB

P.O. Box 2396, KONEDOBUBU.

67-7-50.

14th June, 1972.

The District Commissioner,
Madang District,
MADANG.

AIOME PATROL NO. 5 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-2-5 of 30/5/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 4 arising out of the above patrol of RAO-BRERI Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. J. Berggy, Assistant Patrol Officer.

I agree with your comments. Generally, Mr. Berggy's Situation Reports are concise and informative, but the following points should be noted :-

1. Situation Reports should be compiled on one specific topic. Mr. Berggy's Situation Report No.1 combined two topics, Local Government and the House of Assembly Elections, which should have been treated as separate reports.
2. Situation Reports should be compiled on topics which this Headquarters needs to know. Mr. Berggy's topics, "Trends in Social Structure" and "Shot Guns" should have formed part of his Patrol Reports to your Headquarters.

Please supply me with further information concerning the alleged Cult activity in the TSUMBA and CHENGREBU areas.

(ELLIS)

DBR 67-7-50 (12)



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30th May, 1972

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KORORUA DOBU.

SITUATION REPORTS

Attached please find four situation reports arising from Aiome Patrol Report No. 5 of 1971/72 by Mr. J. Berggy, Assistant Patrol Officer.

- 2. A good report marred by long delay in its submission.

D. Clifton Bassett
(D. Clifton-Bassett),
District Commissioner

c.c. A.D.C., Ramu Sub-District.
O.I.C., Patrol Post, Aiome.

SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

STATION..... AIOME OFFICER COMPLYING..... J. BERGGY
 DISTRICT..... ~~RAMU~~ RAMU SUB-DISTRICT..... RAMU
 CENSUS DIVISION..... B.C. Weri L.G. COUNCIL..... ADABAKA

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SUBJECT : Matters of Political Significance

(i) Information on Local Government Councils and Councillors as regards their activities and overall effect on the area and its development.

The Arabaka Local Government Council has been established in this area for several years now and should be by this stage, well established. However, when talking to the people about the work of the Council, a great deal of apathy and ignorance concerning Council matters was encountered. Many of the people spoken to regarded the Council as being either in-effective incapable of improving the lot of average villager.

This attitude would appear to stem from three main factors. Firstly there is an obvious lack of communication between the councillors themselves and the people. Secondly, a large percentage of the able bodied men are absent from the district, rotting the Council of what would normally be one its major groups of supporters and thirdly, the people have seen very little return from their tax money over the years. Many of the Council's larger projects, especially the barge, have failed to materialise, so far.

Taxpayers meetings were held throughout the area in conjunction with the House of Assembly elections and overall the opinion of the people leaned towards a tax rate of two dollars per head. Many people expressed the desire that the Council should do more in the village, however nobody was able to offer any constructive ideas as to what the Council should do. Generally, most taxpayers seem content to sit back and wait for the council to do something for them. It was stressed to the People that they were in fact the backbone of the Council and without the co-operation of the people, the Council was hamstrung.

(ii) Political education activity, its effect on the people and observed reactions to same.

Due to the unusual circumstances in which the elections were being conducted in the Middle Ramu Open Electorate, there was a great deal of confusion in minds of voters as to who they were voting for and indeed whether they were to vote at all.

SGD *J. BerGGY*
 DATE : 13/13/70

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Despite their participation in previous House of Assembly elections, a lot of people were unaware that they voted in two electorates simultaneously. The candidate for the ~~XX~~ open electorate who died, Manku Wembegai, was to have represented this area. Apart from the areas around Annaberg and Nodahu, very few people had heard the names of the candidates and almost nobody had even the slightest conception of what the Regional Electorate was. A number of older people, although present at the poll, declined to vote.

Recently a Political Education Officer, Mr. Willis, visited the area and gave talks to the councillors on the basic structure and functions of the House of Assembly which were well received. However, very little of the substance of these talks seems to have been disseminated in the villages. Surprisingly, even the younger people with a number of years of education in the mission schools have very little knowledge of what the House of Assembly was, what it did, or how it was structured. All the mission teachers that I spoke to considered that political education was not a mission function, but a government one. They admitted that their own ignorance of the structure of the House of Assembly would preclude them from teaching the students anything about the government of their country anyway.

A better understanding of government and politics could make the younger generation more willing to involve itself in Local Council affairs and politics and thus help to stem the exodus of young people from the area.

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SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

STATION AICME OFFICER COMPILING J. BERGGY
 DISTRICT MADANG SUB-DISTRICT RAMU
 CENSUS DIVISION RAO-BRERI ARABAKA
 L.G. COUNCIL

SUBJECT: MATTERS OF POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
 RAMU

DATE RECEIVED
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SITUATION 1(i)

It is not only Arataka Council's areas but Ramu area as a whole that has; lack of communication between councillors and their people, many absent able bodies; and people saw little in return of their tax money. If we could find a solution to these, we will be sure that Ramu Council's would operate well.

ACTION TAKEN :

SGD : *M R Ahe a/Asst*
 DATE : *2/5/72*

DISTRICT OFFICE

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED

20/5/72

Nil comment

ACTION TAKEN:

SGT : *D. Clifton Barnett*
DATE : *30/5/72*

HEADQUARTERS

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PROJECT OFFICER

DATE

SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

STATION..... AIOME OFFICER COMPELLING..... J. BERGGY
DISTRICT..... MADANG SUB-DISTRICT..... RAMU
CENSUS DIVISION..... RAO-REBRI L.G. COUNCIL..... ARABAKA

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SUBJECT : TRENDS IN ECONOMIC STRUCTURE

(i) General rural development.

Rural development is practically non-existent in the area covered by this patrol. The handful of tiny projects produce no income and some, such as rice which has been tried and seems to have failed, have made the people rather loath to try again. However, there is a quickening interest, of a cautious nature, in cattle which could become a viable economic reality in the future. Un-stable market prices and marketing difficulties would tend to make copra, cocoa and coffee less certain prospects for rural development, although there is a coconut plantation of some 2000 trees at Tsurba. There is a certain amount of interest in pig raising, however only one village has made a serious attempt to develop this as a business (Dibu) and they are selling their pigs to other Ramu villages.

(ii) Activities of Developing Departments.

Apparently very little. People on the Keram who are engaged in the sealing of timber to Angoram would benefit greatly from some advice on marketing their timber as at present they are being rewarded with \$2 - \$4 for hauling large logs overland to Angoram; a task which engages several people for about two weeks.

(iii) Processing.

At Nodabu the local councillor is making sago palm blind on a loom. Although the market for such a product is rather limited, similar small cottage industries could well be encouraged if it were not for the general attitude that the small returns do not warrant the effort.

(iv) Non-indigenous Development.

Mr. Liversidge, a taxidermist and artifact dealer, provides a market whereby the local people can sell crocodiles, artifacts and food for Mr. Liversidge's 1000 live crocodiles.

SGD : *[Signature]*
DATE : 15/3/72

SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

STATION..... AIOMF OFFICER COMPILING J. BERGGY
 DISTRICT..... MADANG SUB-DISTRICT..... RAMU
 CENSUS DIVISION..... RAO-BRERI I.G. COUNCIL..... ARABAKA

SUBJECT : TRENDS IN ECONOMIC STRUCTURE

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
 RAMU

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SITUATION 2

Once again problem will go on as seen in situation 1 of this report. I cannot envisage cattle being the future reliable economy for Ramu people. All over the Territory people are encouraged to start cattle projects. The encouragement are done on the same line as cocoa, coffee, copra, etc. but can we find the market, and how long will this market last?

ACTION TAKEN :

SGD *Ng Ahe a/ADC*
 DATE 2/5/72

DISTRICT OFFICE

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED

22/5/22

Nil comment

ACTION TAKEN:

SGD. *D. Gifford Barnett*
DATE. 30/5/22

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SITUATION REPORT NO. 3

STATION... ANOM OFFICER COMPELLING J. BERGGY
DISTRICT... MADANG SUB-DISTRICT... RAMU
CENSUS DIVISION... RAO-BRERI L.C. COUNCIL... ARABAKA

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SUBJECT : Trends in Social Structures.

(i) Education and Health.

Both of these functions are being carried by the two missions operating in the Ramu-Keram area. Mission teachers and health sisters who I spoke with on this patrol confided that they are receiving only marginal co-operation from the people in these fields and quoted as reasons the increasing cost of education and the prevailing belief that many sicknesses are caused by "sanguma" and are therefore beyond the health sister's powers of healing. A great number of people were reported as being sick and thus un-able to attend the roll. The Catholic mission at Kwanga had the opinion that infant mortality had risen to quite a high figure, but had no statistics.

(ii) Cult Activity.

The Church of Christ missionary at Tumba, the Rev. Frank Beale informed me that there were several small cults in his area, but declined to say who was involved or what the cults were about. Near Chungrebu, an "R.S.L. club" has been established, notwithstanding that only a handful of the members are actually returned servicemen. A settlement has been set out on the lines of a military establishment with neat rows of houses, a parade ground and a flagpole. (no flag) It has been said by both the local people and the nearby Church of Christ mission that the members of the club have been "drilling" on the parade ground with wooden guns, but I was un-able to confirm this. The purpose of the club seems obscure, but the missions describe it as a "cult".

(iii) Influence and effect of Missions.

Two missions are established on the Ramu-Keram area, the Roman Catholic mission at Annaberg and Kwanga and the Church of Christ mission at Tumba, Chungrebu and Gokto.

In the areas under the influence of the Church of Christ mission, a number of people complained that the mission had placed a ban on the making of "pas tubuwans". As the carving and sale of these wooden masks is one of the few sources of income for these people, such a ban seems to be rather ill-advised. The Rev. Beale confirmed this, saying that the "pas tubuwans" were associated with the traditional

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DATE :
J. Berggy 12/1/52

SITUATION REPORT NO. 3

STATION.. AJOMBE OFFICER COMPILING J. BERGGY
DISTRICT.. MADANG SUB-DISTRICT.. RAMU
CENSUS DIVISION.. PAQ-ARERI I.C. COUNCIL.. AMARAKA

SUBJECT : TRENDS IN SOCIAL STRUCTURE

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

RAMU

DATE RECEIVED
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SITUATION 3(11)

NFL ASSESSMENT

ACTION TAKEN :

SGD *Ng. Ahe*
DATE *2/5/72*

DISTRICT OFFICE

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED

28/5/72

Nil comment

ACTION TAKEN:

SGD. *D. Clifton Baroett*
DATE 30/5/72

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DATE.....

SITUATION REPORT NO. 4

STATION... AICME OFFICER COMPIILING... J. BERGGY
 DISTRICT... MADANG SUB-DISTRICT... RAMU
 CENSUS DIVISION... RAO WRERI L.G. COUNCIL... ARABAKA

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SUBJECT : Shot Guns

During the patrol it was noted that in almost every hamlet and vilage there were several shot-guns in the possession of the people, many of which were of somewhat doubtfull servicability. The value of these shot guns for providing extra protein is very doubtfull. Most of the recognised food birds have been shot out of the area and although there are large numbers of wild pigs in close proximity to most villages, they are considered too dangerous by the locals to be the object of regular hunting.

SGD :
 DATE : 13/3/72

SITUATION REPORT NO. 4

STATION. AIOME OFFICER COMPILING... J. BERGGY
DISTRICT... MADANG SUB-DISTRICT... RAMU
CENSUS DIVISION... RAO-BEERI L.G. COUNCIL... APABANA

SUBJECT : SHOT GUNS

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
RAMU

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SITUATION 4

Although there are very many shotguns in the area all their records are being kept at Aiome Patrol Post. O.I.C. of the above patrol post is made aware of the situation and is very actively working on it.

ACTION TAKEN :

SGD *Ng Ahe a/DOC*
DATE *2/5/72*

DISTRICT OFFICE

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED

22/5/72

Nil comment

ACTION TAKEN:

SGD. *H. Clifford Bassett*
DATE. 30/5/72

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PATROL REPORT

REPORT NUMBER: AICME 6-71/72 OBJECTS OF PATROL: HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTION.
 DISTRICT: MADANG STATION AICME
 PATROL CONDUCTED BY: N.G. AHE SUB-DISTRICT: RAMU
 AREA PATROLLED: Part RAO BREBI RESIGNATION: Assistant District Officer
 DURATION OF PATROL: 22/6-27/6/72 PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: A member R.P.N.G.C.
 LAST D.D.A. PATROL: March 1972 NUMBER OF DAYS: 6 days
 LAST O.L.G. PATROL: - TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: 4,366
 MAP REFERENCE: - COUNCIL AREA: ARAKBAKA L.G. COUNCIL
 HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE: MIDDLE RAMU

The District Commissioner,
MADANG District,
MADANG.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, FOLIOS -- TO --	(x)
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS,	(x)
THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS,	(x)
AREA STUDY,	(x)
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY,	(x)
SITUATION REPORTS NOS. 1 to 3	(/)
PATROL MAP	(x)
COVERING LETTER	/
CAMPING... ALLOWANCE... CLAIM	/

DATE: 14/7/1972.

N.G. Ahe

 R/Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,
 Department of the Administrator,
 Division of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

AREA STUDY,	{ - }
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY,	{ - }
SITUATION REPORTS NOS. 1 - 3	(/)
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DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESSMENT OF
 PATROL & REPORT.....
 ABOVE AVERAGE
 AVERAGE ✓

DATE: 8/8/1972.

S. J. ...

 District Commissioner
 MADANG

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P.O. Box 2396,
KORORU.

67-7-68

10th October, 1972.

The District Commissioner,
Madang District,
MADANG.

ALONE PATROL NO. 6 - 71/72.

Reference your 67-2-5 of 29th August, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 3 arising out of the above patrol of part of the RAO - NIERI Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. N. G. AHE, Assistant District Officer.

I am still awaiting receipt of a copy of the Returning Officers report which I requested in respect of Bogia Patrol No. 24-71/72. Please expedite either the report or an explanation for failing to comply with my request.

(S. J. PEARSALL)
s/Secretary.

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MADANG.

29th August, 1972.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDJBU.

AIOME PATROL NO. 6 OF 1971/72.

Enclosed please find two copies of this report, compiled by
Mr. Ahe, A.D.O.

Assessment for Situation Reports Nos. 2 and 3 have been provided
by this office, as Mr. Ahe was himself acting A.D.C. Ramu at the time. None
is deemed necessary for Situation Report No. 1.

D. Clifton-Bassett
(D. Clifton-Bassett)
District Commissioner.

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Sub District Office Roma
P.O. Box 2100 Jomba
MADANG.

14th July 1972

District Commissioner,
Division of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
MADANG.

ALONG PATROL REPORT No. 6 of 1971/72

Attached please find 3 copies of the abovementioned Patrol
Report.

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required.

In this case I think the A.D.C.'s assessment is not necessarily

H.G. AHE
(H.G. AHE)
a/Assistant District Commissioner

SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

STATION..... AIOME OFFICER COMPILING..... N.G. AHE
 DISTRICT..... MADANG SUB-DISTRICT..... RAMU
 CENSUS DIVISION..... RAO HREBI L.G. COUNCIL..... ARABAKA

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SUBJECT: MATTERS OF POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE - HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTION - MIDDLE RAMU ELECTORATE.

This is supplementary House of Assembly Election for the Electorate of Middle Ramu Open. As seen, the major House of Assembly Electicus' jobs were completed about the middle or the end of March this year. Due to the death of Mr. Joseph Wembogai, this election was postponed to this date from the rest of it. The period of 7 days was granted for actual polling, commencing on the 24th June, 1972. As a result of this more teams (16) and more work men(32) involved in collecting votes from the field.

Although there were some minor difficulties experienced during the course of polling period, the election was successfully completed through good humour, co-operation and perseverance of the field officers. And I feel like saying "Bamamas igo long yapela, oi wok-man".

The weather was very perfitting at this time of the year. People knew, prior to the polling something about the election. As a result pollings were well attended. Of these 33 polling places scheduled, I went to two STUMBA and BUNUNGOM. The crowd of 600 to 700 voters were expected only about 200 votes collected. Majority of people not voted are absent from their area or electorate and a fair number of self-opinionated persons who would not bother. The overall percentage of the electorate was 56.7% and that 3.9% more women voted than men.

The result of the election as we all know, Kui Ba ang, an Administration interpreter from Siabai area was declared winner out of other 5 candidates who contested. Voters Identification Tribunal and photo ballot papers have helped the job very greatly. But candidates are not doing enough campaigning to educate people to know them. As a result people voted for a person they see most. No people breezed electoral ordinance or attempted to do so.

SGD. :..... *N.G. Ahe*
 N.G. AHE
 DATE :.....14.7.1972.....

SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

STATION..... AICME OFFICER COMPILING..... N.G. AHE
DISTRICT..... MADANG SUB-DISTRICT..... RAMU
CENSUS DIVISION..... RAO BRERI L.G. COUNCIL..... KRABAKA

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SHOT GUNS

SUBJECT:

Re the above matters, which was mentioned in Situation Report No.4 of Aicme Patrol Report No.5 of 1972 and my covering comments of same. I inspected some of these shotguns at villages during this patrol and found them to be fairly well cared for and are safe to be used. But what got me was their registrations. Some without licence, some their licences are overdue for period between 6 months to 1 year and few of them have licences which are current. It is true that there are quite number of shotguns in the area.

Once again, O.I.C. is reminded and made aware of certain steps. He stated that he will bring the records up to date when he fully patrols the whole of Rao Breri area plus the others and that he will stick on to the circular letter from Police Department in regards to purchase new shotguns. There are many more persons who would like to buy new shotguns.

SGD. :..... *N.G. Ahe* N.G. AHE A.D.C.
DATE :..... 14th July 1972.....

SITUATION REPORT No. 2.

Station..... ATOME Officer Compiling..... H. G. ATE

District..... MADANG Subdistrict..... RAMU

Census Division..... RAO BREPI L.G. Council..... ARABAKA

Subject: HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTION - MIDDLE RAMU ELECTORATE.

Subdistrict Office

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

Action Taken:

Sgd

Date

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District Office

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

The Assistant District Commissioner (Ramu) is being requested to warn owners of firearms in his District of the penalty for failing to register firearms regularly. There is a tendency to await the visits of patrols before any action is taken, and some salutary action is required, to remind owners of their responsibilities.

Action Taken:

D. Clifton-Bassett

Sgd..... (D. Clifton-Bassett.)
(District Commissioner)

Date 31st August, 1972.

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded..... Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

SITUATION REPORT NO. 3

STATION..... AIOME OFFICER COMPILING..... N.G. AHE
DISTRICT MADANG SUB-DISTRICT..... RAMU
CENSUS DIVISION..... RAO MERRI L.G. COUNCIL..... ARABAKA

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SUBJECT: LAND TO BE PURCHASED - EXTENSION ANNABERG AIRSTRIP

Although this matter was put on a separate report to District Commissioner Madang District ref. my R35-2-4 on 11th July 1972 I'd like to go briefly through it again: The landowners have agreed to sell the land to the Administration. Field Officers can carry out investigation with view to purchase it. But (a) Will Administration benefit from it after (b) spending and estimated sum of six to eight thousand dollars (c) the Ramu River might change its course and flow through and wash some lengthy section of the airstrip. The diagram to explain such situation (c) was attached to my report as mentioned above, and three factors that would cost Administration a lot of money was also in the report.

It is hoped that P.W.D. Engineers will be requested by D.C.'s office to preview the site.

N.G. Ahe

SGD. :..... N.G. AHE (A.D.O.)

DATE :..... 14th July 1972.....

SITUATION REPORT No. 3.

Station..... ATOME Officer Compiling.....

District..... LADANG Subdistrict..... RAMU

Census Division..... RAO BRERI L.G. Council..... ARABAYA

Subject:..... HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTION - MIDDLE RAMU ELECTORATE.

Subdistrict Office

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

Date.....

District Office

MADANG.

Assessment District Commissioner

all necessary action has been taken

Date Received

This is a local matter and not properly the matter of a Situation report. I might mention that the Department of Public Works has been requested to investigate Annanberg airstrip during the wet season, and they have undertaken to do so - probably late November/December, 1972.

Action Taken:

Sgd. D. Clifton-Basrett,
(District Commissioner)

Date 31st August, 1972.

Headquarters

Date Received

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Project Officer.....

Date.....

PATROL REPORT

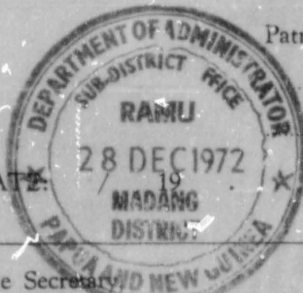
Report number: <u>Aiome no 7/72</u>	Objects of patrol: <u>Conduct by-election for M/Ramu</u>
District: <u>Madang</u>	Station: <u>Aiome</u>
Patrol conducted by: <u>N. Yagga</u>	Subdistrict: <u>Ramu</u>
Area patrolled: <u>Rao Beri S/D (part of it)</u>	Designation: <u>T.P.O.</u>
Duration of patrol: <u>23/6/72-27/6/72</u>	Personnel accompanying: <u>J. Sildom A.R.D.O. Const 1/c Marme</u>
Last D.D.A. patrol: <u>March 1972</u>	Number of days: <u>5 days</u>
Last O.L.G. patrol: <u>Dec, 1971</u>	Total population of area: <u>Approx 5000</u>
Map reference: <u>Attached.</u>	Council area: <u>Arabaka</u>
	House of Assembly Electorate: <u>Middle Ramu.</u>

The District Commissioner,
District,

MADANG

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios	To	()
Patrol Instructions,		()
The Report and my comments,		(✓)
Area study,		()
Updating of area study,		()
Situation Reports No's 1-4,		(✓)
Patrol map,		()



DATE:

28 DEC 1972
MADANG
DISTRICT

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	()
Updating of area study,	()
Situation Report No's. 1-4	(✓)
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District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average
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Date: 13 / 1 / 1972

B.A. McCabe
District Commissioner
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR
P.O. Box 2396
KONEDOBU

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22nd January, 1973

The District Commissioner
Madang District
MADANG

ADOME PATROL NO. 7-1971/72. (19)

Reference your Minute of 9th January, 1973.

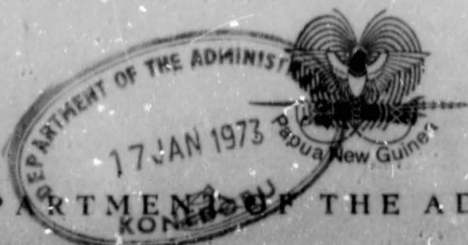
I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 4 arising out of the above patrol of Part of RAOBURI Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. N. YAGGA, T.P.O.

Your comments have been noted and I concur with same.

S. J. Pearsall
S.J. PEARSALL
a/Secretary

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU
Please find attached copies of the above mentioned reports.
The reasons of objections have been explained at the end of each report.
A. J. JOHNSON
a/District Commissioner

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9th January, 1973.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
~~SOGLA~~ RAMU

AYCME PATROL REPORT NO. 7 - TL/72.

Receipt of the above patrol report is acknowledged.

Mr. Yagga informs me that the late submission was due to the report being lost in the files after he had completed the report.

It is felt that ADC's should withdraw Situation Reports or have the compiling officer do so if the information contained in the reports is little or no value to Headquarters or requiring no action by Headquarters.

Two of the Reports submitted by Mr. Yagga are of little value to anybody.

B.A. McCabe
B. A. McCABE
a/District Commissioner.

c.c. The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

Please find attached two copies of the above mentioned report.

The lateness of submission has been explained and calls for no comments.

B.A. McCabe
B. A. McCABE
a/District Commissioner.

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Sub District Office,
Ramu
P.O. Box 2100 Jombe
MADANG.

The District Commissioner,
Division of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
MADANG.

29th December, 1972

AICHS PATROL REPORT NO. 1 of 1971/72

The late submission of this Patrol Report to my office is incomprehensible as I note that it is dated July 1972. The lapse of time since its completion has negated almost all of the value which it may have had at the time of its completion.

However, it is not particularly informative, and such items of interest as are covered, are relatively straightforward in nature. These have been dealt with in my comments.

Although the report is brief, the carrying out of any election programme leaves little time for involvement with extraneous matters.

Mr. YAGGA's Report is in fact a collection of Situation Reports. I suggest that these would have been more suitably incorporated in a Patrol Report format rather than the SITREPS as their context hardly warrants such an importance rating.


(G.D. PIKE)

Assistant District Commissioner

SITUATION REPORT No. /

Station Alome no 7 of 1971/72 Officer Compiling N. Yagga
 District Madang Subdistrict Ramu
 Census Division Rao Beri L.G. Council Arabaka

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Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—5.72.

Subject: Political

- 1) This patrol was a very short one and as a matter of fact, it was a five (5) day patrol out of which, three (3) were walking days, hence only two (2) days were spent in Jogoi and Wobu villages respectively whereby polling booths were set up and by-elections was conducted for the Middle Ramu Open Electorate.
- 2) Information on Local Government Councils and Councillors as regards to their activities and overall effect on the area and its development remains the same as commented by Mr. Berggy in "Alome Situation Report no 1 of 1971/72".
- 3) As far as the House of Assembly and the elections are concerned it was noticed by self from the interests shown by the people in the villages visited and conclusions drawn from the fact that those villages scheduled to come to their various respective polling areas who in actual fact did not turn up at all; that as far as they are concerned it was another Administration patrol visiting the area which in fact was but the idea and the importance of them casting their votes so as to get one of their men representing them in the House of Assembly, and talking on matters that would affect them did not get into their minds. Further more the councillors who were to be the main means of communication between the central Government personal and the village people did not seem sure of what was happening and when the election team was to visit their villages. The people of Borokoto, Gokto, Iongitabu, Ambaiati and Rororopi villages were not too sure when the polling team was to visit their respective polling areas. An incident was encountered whereby the people from

Sgd: [Signature]Date: 12th July, 1972.

P.T.O.

(2)

Longitabu village stated that they were told by their village councillor that the polling team was to visit their villages a week later. In other words, the polling team visited them a week earlier as stated by the ~~KEN~~ councillor concerned, hence they said that they were not going to vote at all just because they were illy informed by their councillor

4) One other thing that was noticed is whereby the village ~~KEN~~ councillors politically indoctrinate their fellow villagers. This is well illustrated whereby the councillors precisely tell the people who to vote for and so on. The whole concept of casting secret ballots ~~KEN~~ has not really been understood by these people and I should imagine that this occurs else where in P.N.G. A mass meeting was held in the evening at Wobu village whereby the village councillor did ~~act~~ exactly as stated above. He did not let the people do as they wanted to do however he moreless told the people to vote for the candidates as he wanted to.

5) An effort was made by self to try and explain to the councillor concerned that it was none of his business to tell the people how to mark their ballot papers and who to vote for, for this matter is secrete and each person has his own concense and they should decide for themselves as to what they should do.

SITUATION REPORT No. 1

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Station.....ALOGE.....Officer Compiling.....N. YAGGA
 District.....MADANG.....Subdistrict.....RAMU
 Census Division.....RAO BRERI C/D.....L.G. Council.....ARABAEA
 Subject:.....POLITICAL.....

Subdistrict Office
RAMU

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner


Date Received
28.12.72

The late submission of this report renders much of what is written, to be of little value.

Mr. YAGGA's comments on the pre-selection of voting patterns through the efforts of village leaders to make up the villager's minds for them, is, however, of some interest. I have not myself encountered this tendency in such an open manner as MR. YAGGA describes. However it should be noted that what Mr. YAGGA is describing appears to be an exhortation to follow the leader's example, rather than something more sinister.

Mixups in the polling schedule as reported by village councillors are inevitable and, while inconvenient, do not usually disrupt the electoral programme.

Action Taken: None necessary

Sgd..........A.D.O.
Date.....28th December, 1972.....

District Office MADANG

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

28th December, 1972

Even in council elections there is usually a meeting held prior to the election more or less to select the incoming councillor, but not in the way Mr. Yagga describes as stated in Mr. Pike's assessment.

Action Taken:

B. A. McCabe
(B. A. McCabe)

Sgd. District Commissioner.

Date 9th January, 1973.

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded..... Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

SITUATION REPORT No. 2

Station Aiome Officer Compiling N. Yagga
 District Madang Subdistrict Ramu
 Census Division Rao Beri L.G. Council Arabaka

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Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—5.72.

Subject: ECONOMIC:

- 1) General Rural Development.
The situation is practically the same as stated by Mr. Berggy in "Aiome Situation Report no 1".
- 2) Over and above to what these people are doing, the markets provided for their produce is very limited, hence, the local people are handicapped and it should also be said that they are somewhat discouraged from producing more cash crops. The only means of transportation provided for is by air from Aiome to Madang and it is quite obvious that this is a very expensive method of transporting things in and out of Aiome where the air field is. The alternative way to this is by using the barge, however, it was not operating at that time due to reasons that it was under repair in Madang and once it gets back they might be able to transport some things by the barge to Madang via Bogia.
- 3) All other things remain the same as reported by Mr. Berggy in "Aiome Situation Report no 1".

Sgd: N. YaggaDate: 12/7/72.

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SITUATION REPORT No. 2

Station AICME Officer Compiling N. YAGGA T.P.O.
 District MADANG Subdistrict RAMU
 Census Division RAO BRIBRI L.G. Council ARABAKA
 Subject ECONOMIC

Subdistrict Office
RamuAssessment Assistant District CommissionerDate Received
28.12.1972

The economic plight of the Ramu swamp dwellers has been elaborated upon at some length in innumerable patrol reports submitted down the years.

What the future holds for these underprivileged people can only be conjecture. Communications are the key, but the perversity of things mechanical subjected to the harsh conditions of the RAMU, is a matter of sorrowful record.

Action Taken: After all the ruined hopes and realized fears which are the legacy of the RAMU years, there is yet the ARABAKA BARGE on which to pin our future faith.

Sgd. G.D. PAGE A.D.C.
 Date 29th December, 1972

District Office **MADANG**

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

No comment except to agree with Mr. Pike's assessment.

.....28th December, 1972.....

Action Taken:

B. A. McCabe
(B. A. McCabe)

Sgd.....a/District Commissioner.

Date.....9th January, 1973.

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded.....Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

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SITUATION REPORT No. 3

Station Aiome Officer Compiling N. Yagga
 District Madang Subdistrict Ramu
 Census Division Rao Beri L.G. Council Arabaka

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Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—5.72.

Subject: Social Structure:

- 1) In the area visited there are no well established Mission Stations except Annaberg Catholic Mission. It operates a primary school and also a hospital.
- 2) Every other thing remains the same as reported by Mr. Pike, Assistant A.D.C. Ramu in "Aiome Situation Report no 2 of 1972".
- 3) Law and order remains the same.

Sgd: N. Yagga

Date: 12/7/72


SITUATION REPORT No. 3

Station..... AIOME Officer Compiling..... N. YAGGA
 District..... MADANG Subdistrict..... RAMU
 Census Division..... RAO BREET L.G. Council..... ARABAKA
 Subject:..... SOCIAL STRUCTURE.....

Subdistrict Office Assessment Assistant District Commissioner
 Ramu
 Date Received 28.12.72

No comment is necessary

Action Taken:

Sgd.....  (G.D. PIKE) A.D.C.

Date..... 28th December, 1972

District Office **MADANG**

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

No assessment necessary.

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28th December, 1972.
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Action Taken:

Mr. Yagga will be informed of the requirement of a "Situation Report".

Sgd..... *B. A. McCabe*
(B. A. McCabe) *B.A.*

a/District Commissioner.

Date..... 9th January, 1973.....

Headquarters

Date Received
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Forwarded..... Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

SITUATION REPORT No. 4

Station Alome Officer Compiling N. Yagga
 District Madang Subdistrict Karau
 Census Division Rao Beri L.G. Council Arabaka

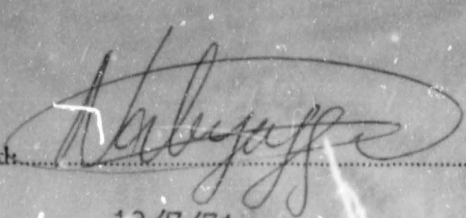
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Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—5-72.

Subject: Miscellaneous:

- 1) No problems in travelling through at the time the patrol visited the area because it was in the dry and the ground was solid. It was not as in the wet where one has to walk through with mud up to his knees.
- 2) In spite of the fact that it was my first time to visit the area, the people that I came across were all friendly and co-operative. Did not face any difficulties in the area.

Sgdt. Date: 12/7/71

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SITUATION REPORT No. 4

Station..... AIOME Officer Compiling..... N. YAGGA T.P.O.

District..... MADANG Subdistrict..... RAMU

Census Division..... RAO BEREI L.G. Council..... ARABAYA

Subject..... MISCELLANEOUS

Subdistrict Office
Ramu

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner


Date Received

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No comment is necessary

Action Taken:

Nil

Sgd..... 

G.D. PIKE

Date..... 28th December, 1972

District Office **MADANG**

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

28th December, 1972.

Not a situation Report and no assessment required.

Action Taken:

ADC's will be requested to weed out "Situation Reports" of little or no significance and request the writer to include same in the "Patrol Report" form.

B. A. McCabe
(B. A. McCabe)

Sgd..... District Commissioner.

Date..... 9th January, 1973.

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded..... Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

PATROL REPORT

Report number: Alome No. 7/81/72	Objects of patrol: House of Assembly Elections
District: Madang	Station: Alome
Patrol conducted by: N. Yagga, Trainee P.O.	Subdistrict: Ramu
Area patrolled: Part of Rae Breri C/D	Designation: P.O.(T)
Duration of patrol: 23/6/72 to 27/7/72	Personnel accompanying: Mr. J. Sildom A.R.D.O.
Last D.D.A. patrol: March 1972	Number of days: 5 days. and one member of RPNGC.
Last O.L.G. patrol: _____	Total population of area: 4,365
Map reference: _____	Council area: Arabaka
	House of Assembly Electorate: Middle Ramu

The District Commissioner,
M. A. B. ... District,
M. ADANG

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Field Officers Journal Folios <i>52</i> to <i>54</i> ,	(-)
Patrol Instructions,	(x)
The Report and my comments,	(x)
Area study,	(x)
Updating of area study,	(x)
Situation Reports No's 1-4,	(-)
Patrol map,	(x)

DATE: *31/7/1972*

M. R. Ahe
 a/ Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,
 Department of the Administrator,
 Division of District Administration,
 KCONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Area study,	(-)
Updating of area study,	(-)
Situation Report No's. 1-4	(✓)
.....	(-)
.....	(-)
District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average ✓
	Below average

Date: *28/8/1972*

D. B. Smith
 District Commissioner

JWK:JB

DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

P.O. Box 2396, KONEBOBU.

67-7-69

10th October, 1972.

The District Commissioner,
Madang District,
MADANG.

AYONGE PATROL NO. 7 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-2-5 of 4th September, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 4 arising out of the above patrol of part of the RAO-BRERI Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. N. Yagg, Trainee Patrol Officer.

It is obvious from Sitrep No.1 that the area requires constant political education talks otherwise political apathy will continue to remain a topic for adverse comment. I am pleased to read that dissemination of political education will continue to be a function of future patrols to the Census Division.

The topics contained in Sitreps 2 to 4 inclusive should more correctly have been presented in the form of a patrol report which terminates at District Headquarters. They contain little of interest or value to this Headquarters and any remedial action required is a District matter.

(S.J. PEARSALL)
a/Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

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If calling ask for
Mr. McC.M.D.

In Reply
Please Quote
No. 67-2-5

MADANG.

4th September, 1972.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

AICME PATROL NO. 7 OF 1971/72.

I forward Situation Reports Nos. 1-4 in respect of the above-mentioned patrol, for your information, please.

In order to preserve the chronological sequence of the patrol reports, this one has been altered back to No. 7/71-72, and it should be noted that there was no Patrol No. 1. The error appears to have occurred as a result of the new system of Situation Reports, and our practice here will henceforth be to prefix Situation Reports with the Patrol identification.

D. Clifton-Bassett
(D. Clifton-Bassett)
District Commissioner.

c.c. A.D.C., RAMU.

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Sub District Office Zam
P.O. Box 2100 Jamba
MADANG.

1st August, 1972

District Commissioner,
Division of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
MADANG.

AIGME PATROL REPORT NO.1 of 1971/72

Attached please find 3 copies of the above report submitted by
Mr. Patrol Officer N. YAGGA.

Although Mr. YAGGA had understood and used the correct form, he
did not attempt to give full details in his report. I realised he
quote Aigme Report No.5 in order to help him away from explaining what
was or why the situation remained unchanged. He went on quoting No.5 Aigme
patrol report throughout Situations 1, 2 and 3 of his report. The report
is well presented.

In view of missing patrol reports and to make up for yearly
consecutive report numbers 1, although this report's dates are about the
same as Aigme No.6 of 1971/72, made it No.1 of 1971/72. Number 3 is
expected this week and the missing ones as soon as they are completed will
be added to the list as 7, 8 etc. I will get in touch with O.I.C. Aigme
to submit his reports very promptly.

For your information.

H. G. Ahe
(H.G. AHE)

a/Assistant District Commissioner

cc. O.I.C. Aigme

Sgt: *[Signature]*

Date: 26/7/72

AIOME PATROL NO. 7/71/72.

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SITUATION REPORT No. 1

Station Aiome Officer Compiling N. Yagga
District Madang Subdistrict Ramu
Census Division Rao Breri L.G. Council Arabaka

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Govt. Print.-1792/45072.-3.72.

Subject: MATTERS OF POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE AND THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY:

This patrol was rather a very short one and as a matter of fact it was a five day patrol out of which three were walking days and two days were spent in the respective villages of Jogoi and Wobr. Due to the limited time spent in the area and secondly being new in the area I must say that I am not in the situation of saying very much in way of writing a situation report.

As stated by Mr. Bargay in "Aiome Situation Report No. 5/7/72" everything remains unchanged.

As far as the recent elections are concerned, I should emphasize that the people in the respective villages visited did not show very much interest in it. The attendance of the electors at both polling booths were very poor indeed. The villages of Gokto, Wabessa, Iongitabu and Ambaiati had very few or none at all that came to cast their votes.

An incident was encountered where people from Iongitabu claimed that they were not coming to cast their votes because they were told by their councillor that they were to vote a week latter. In other words the Polling team visited the area a week earlier than they were expecting so they were not going to vote at all. The fault as I interpreted lies in the hands of the village councillor who received the schedule from the Council Advisor.

On the whole it must be said that 50% did not know exactly what they were doing and it should be added that the people concerned did not care what was going on when you come to think of the poor attendance received at both polling booths.

Sgd: N. Yagga

Date: 26/7/72

SITUATION REPORT No. 1

Station..... **A.OME** Officer Compiling..... **N. YAGGA**
District..... **MADING** Subdistrict..... **RAMU**
Census Division..... **RAO BERRY** L.G. Council..... **ARABAKA**
Subject:.....

Subdistrict Office

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

Date.....

District Office **MADANG**

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

Political awareness and interest in the lower
 Rava appears to be very low indeed. The
 general lack of development and poor
 communications are pre-disposing factors, and
 I feel that these problems are perhaps a
 paramount call on our attention and energies to
 make some basic developments. At the same time
 efforts will continue to be made to educate the
 people in political matters.

Concerning the unfortunate confusion at
 IREKITAN village about the election date, the
 officer has been informed that it is the
 responsibility of central government to make
 clear arrangements and to see that they are
 publicized. However, mistakes will occur and
 obviously the people were not at all interested
 in the election, unfortunately. The opportunity
 to vote was presented, but rejected.

Action Taken:

Sgd. *D. Clifton Bennett*
 (D. Clifton Bennett)
 District Commissioner
 Date: 4th September, 1972.

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded.....Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

SITUATION REPORT No. 2

Station..... Aiome Officer Compiling..... N. YAGGA
 District..... Madang Subdistrict..... Ramu
 Census Division..... Rao Breri L.G. Council..... Arabaka

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Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—3.72

Subject: Trends of Economic Development Structure:

Everything remains the same as reported by Mr. Berggy in "Aiome Situation Report No. 5/71/72".

One thing that was noticed was the fact that the question does not lie in the field of production however, the question is, how do you get the products out of the area of production to markets provided for. It is far expensive to fly everything in and out of Aiome as one knows very well. The other alternative is to ship them to Madang via Bogia by the council owned barge, however at that time it was in Madang for repairs.

It should be added that the people are some what discouraged from being couraged due to the transportation problems and I would state that unless the matter of transportation be sorted out no great achievements would be reached.

Sgd: 

Date: 27/7/72.

SITUATION REPORT No. 2

Station..... AIOME Officer Compiling..... N. YAGGA
District..... MADANG Subdistrict..... RAMU
Census Division..... RAO BIERI L.G. Council..... ARABAKA
Subject:.....

Subdistrict Office

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

Date.....

District Office MADANG

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

Mr. Yagga has pinpointed the real problem of the Ramu area in regard to economic development, that of transport of produce.

Repairs to the Council barge are still in progress, delays in the supply of components having been experienced. However, transport will continue to be a problem until a road system is developed throughout the Ramu valley, - probably a distant dream, I fear.

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

D. Clifton-Bassett

(D. Clifton-Bassett)

District Commissioner.

Date.....

4th September, 1972.

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded..... Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

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SITUATION REPORT No. 3

Station Aiome Officer Compiling N.Ya gga
District Madang Subdistrict Ramu
Census Division Raem Breri L.G. Council Arabaka

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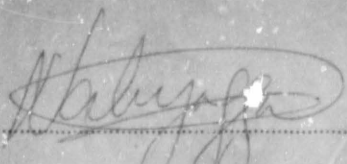
Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—5.72.

Subject: Social Structure:

Social structure remains the same as reported by Mr. Berggy in "Aiome Situation Report No. 5/71/72".

Law and order remains the same.

Missions and their activities also remains the same.

Sgd: 

Date: 27/7/72.

SITUATION REPORT No. 3

Station..... **AICOME** Officer Compiling..... **N. YACGA**

District..... **MADANG** Subdistrict..... **RAMU**

Census Division..... **RAO BRERI** L.G. Council..... **ARABAKA**

Subject:.....

Subdistrict Office

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

Action Taken:

Sgt.....

Date.....

District Office **MADANG**

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

The information is negligible, although this is largely excused by the brevity of the patrol.

Action Taken:

D. Clifton Bassett

Sgd. (D. Clifton-Bassett)
District Commissioner.

Date 4th September, 1972.

Headquarters

Date Received

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Project Officer.....

Date.....

AIOME PATROL NO. 7/71/72.

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SITUATION REPORT No. 4

Station Alome Officer Compiling N.Yagga
District Madang Subdistrict Ramu
Census Division Rao Breri L.G. Council Arabaka

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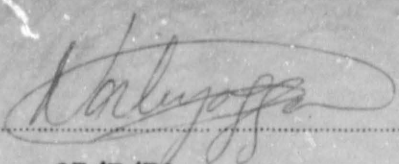
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Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—5/72.

Subject: Miscellaneous:

Due to the fact that this was the first time I visited the area I received full co operation from those who came to the polling booths at at the polling days and had no problems in recruiting the carriers.

I should imagine that the situation would be the same if all these who had not come had come otherwise.

Sgd: 

Date: 27/7/72.

SITUATION REPORT No. 4

Station..... AICME Officer Compiling..... N. YAGGA
District..... MADANG Subdistrict..... I
Census Division..... RAO BREBT L.G. Council..... ARABAKA
Subject:.....

Subdistrict Office

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

Date.....

District Office M.D./HC

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

It is pleasing to note that full co-operation was extended to the patrol, and this apparently indicates confidence in the Government.

Action Taken:

Sgd.

Clifton Bassett

(N. Clifton-Bassett)
District Commissioner.

Date

4th September, 1972.

Headquarters

Date Received

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..... Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

Name

Harbert Yyga

Station

S.D.O. Madaya

FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Date	Para No.	
20/6/72	270	Left the S.D.O. for the air port.
	271	Departed Madaya 1200 hrs for Aisome, via Simba Patrol Post for TAC.
	272	Met by Mr. Denny at Aisome.
	273	Over night at Aisome.
21/6/72	274	Sated out Patrol Year.
	275	Held a short election course at Aisome conducted by Mr. Cotton A.R.O.
	276	Over night at Aisome.
24/6/72	277	Departed Aisome for Nodaba early am for P.M.
	278	Picked up at Annabang by motor canoe for Nodaba.
	279	Spent the rest of the day at Nodaba.
	280	Over night at Nodaba.
23/6/72	281	Departed Nodaba for Jjoi village early am. Encamped Annabang air field, arriving there mid PM.
	282	Camp set up. Held discussion with the people. Over night at Jjoi village.
24/6/72	283	Set up polling booth at 0800 hrs. Continued by election. Closed down election at 600 hrs. Held discussions with the people. Over night again at Jjoi village.
25/6/72	284	Departed Jjoi village early am on foot for Wobu village, arriving late mid am.
	285	Camp set up. Held discussion with the people. Over night at Wobu R/O.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 6

To be made out in Triplicate.
ORIG.: D.D.C. and A.D.C. to forward to D.C.
DUP.: Other officers to A.D.C.
TRIP.: Officer's file.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

DEPARTMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Folio No. 53^v

Name

Robert Gifford

Station

S.D.O. Madang

FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Date	Para No.	
26/4/72	286	Set up polling booth at 0800 hrs. Conducted by election people of Jorjodabin. Koropi Wobu assembled here & casted their votes.
	287	Held general discussions with the people.
	288	One marriage case was raised. Told them to calm down & think over it and then tell the next time visiting the village or refer it to Aiome if they cared to.
	289	Over night again at Wobu K.H.
27/4/72	290	Packed up patrol gear.
	291	Arranged camera.
	292	Departed Wobu village for Annabang by ship early am, arriving there late am.
	293	paid off camera.
	294	Departed Annabang mid pm by motor boat for Madabu, arriving there at mid pm.
	295	Spent the rest of the afternoon at Madabu base camp.
28/4/72	296	Departed Madabu at 1300 hrs for Annabang by ship to catch the plane for Aiome.
	297	Departed Annabang early pm for Aiome by ship arriving there early pm.
	298	Spent the rest of the afternoon at Aiome. Over night at Aiome.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio =

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Date	Para No.		C.F.—P&NG/450.
29/8/52	299	Prepared to leave Aiyem for Madang	
	300	Departed Aiyem and on for Madang by air	
	301	Arrived at the airport by car to the house.	

Total Field days = 9 1/2 days.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 11

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