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PATROL REPORTS CENTRAL DISTRICT 1966-67

TAPINI

<u>Patrol No.</u>	<u>Officer Conducting Patrol</u>	<u>Area Patrolled</u>
2-66-67	P.A. Briggs	Aiwara Census Div.
3-66-67	P.A. Briggs	Ivane Census Div.
3-66-67 Special	P.A. Briggs	Ivane Census Div.
6-66-67	M.J. Deasy	Pilitu Census Div.
7-66-67	R.E. Weber	Upper & Lower Kunimaipa Census Div.
9-66-67	P.A. Briggs	Aiwara Census Div.
10-66-67	P.A. Briggs	Pilitu Census Div.
11-66-67	N.A. Richardson	Kataipa/Loloipa

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5-66-67	Peter A. Briggs	Karuama Census Div.
6-66-67	M.J. Deasy	Pilitu Census Div.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL Report No. 2-66/67  
 Patrol Conducted by P.A. BRIGGS PATROL OFFICER  
 Area Patrolled AIWAPA CENSUS DIVISION  
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr. Moderate D.I.E.S. Mr. Ede C.P.O.  
 Natives 5 (3 Police 1 interpreter 1 Hospital Orderly)  
 Duration—From 23/6/1966 to 9/9/1966  
 Number of Days 18  
 Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO  
 Last Patrol to Area by—District Services /5/1966  
 Medical /3/1966  
 Map Reference Adamsens map of Goilela  
 Objects of Patrol (1) General Administration (2) Tax/Census (3) Council  
Ward Boundaries.

Director of District Administration,  
 PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... \$.....  
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**District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.**

TAPINI PATROL REPORT NO.2 OF 1966/67.

The Commissioner of Local Government advises there should not be any delay in submitting proposals to extend the Kataipa-Ioleipa Council to include the villages of the Aiwara.

Councillors derive their inspectorial functions solely from rules made by the Council. The promotion and encouragement of village committees under auspices of the Council will help the Councillors in their activities.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.





## TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams—

Telephone—

Our Reference 67-8-2

If calling ask for

Mr.



Department of District Administration,  
District Office,  
P.O. Box 776,  
Port Moresby,  
Central District.

18th October, 1966.

The Director,  
Dept. of District Administration,  
Konedobu.

PATROL REPORT - TAPINI NO.2.66-67.

The above report is forwarded for your information,  
please.

Diary - Sept.4th. There should be no movement of patrol  
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*R.T. Galloway*  
(R.T. GALLOWAY)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.C.D.

*Delivered to  
Patrol Officer  
at Port Moresby  
18/10/66*



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(R.T. GALLOWAY) *H.M.*  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.C.D.



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Mr.

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,  
Goilala Sub-District,  
Tapini C.D.

15th September 1966

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
TAPINI C.D.

TAPINI PATROL REPORT No. 2-66/67

Submitted for your perusal, comment and onforwarding  
are three copies of the above report.

Patrol Conducted by	:	P.A. Briggs Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled	:	Aiwara Census Division
Personell Accompanying	:	R.P.N.G.C. three (3) Interpreter (1) Hospital Orderly (1)
Duration of Patrol	:	Eighteen days 23/8 to 9/9
Objects of Patrol	:	(1) Census Revision (2) Council ward Grouping (3) Law and order (4) General Administration

For your information please,

(P.A. Briggs)

Patrol Officer

Attached : Camping allowance claims  
(Liam Girau interpreter)  
(P.A. Briggs P.O.)

Enclosed ⑥ Patrol Diary

Report

- Appendix 1. Local Government
- Appendix 2. Attitude of Garipa people
- Appendix 3. Success of D.I.E.S. project
- Appendix 4. Report on R.P.N.G.C. personell accompanying.





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Mr. COPY

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,  
Tapini. C.D.

15th August 1966

Mr. P.A. Briggs Patrol Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
TAPINI.C.D.

Tapini Patrol No. 2-66/67

Please be prepared to depart this station for a Patrol into the Aiwara census Division leaving Tapini no later than the 24th of August 1966 the objects of the Patrol are as follows.

1. Conduct a tax/census of the area, collect only back tax as with the future extension of the Council to this area the people will become liable for Council tax after their inclusion in January of 1967.
2. Prepare Wards for the forthcoming elections ensure that the people are aware of and agree with such groupings
3. If acceptable with the District Commissioner in Lae you may proceed to Garaina as per our various conversations, observe possible road routes.
4. You will be accompanied by Mr. C.P.O. EDE please instruct him fully in all aspects of patrolling and field work.
5. You will also be accompanied by Mr. Moderate of DIES please render him every possible assistance

Best wishes for a successful patrol

(J.D. Fitzer)

Assistant District Commissioner

PATROL DIARY:August 23rd.

Departed Tapini for Garipa at 1000 hrs, Mr. Moerate of D.I.E.S and Mr. C.P.O. Ede accompanying. A hard climb with the sun against us and Mr. Moderate feeling the strain on his first day. Arrived Garipa at 1535 hrs. All people assembled and rest house good. Camp made for the night and people informed of Census on the morrow. Slept Garipa

August 24th.

Census begun at 0800 hrs for Garipa and associated groups. Finished at 1100 hrs. Discussions regarding Council extensions (see appendix 2.). Courts in the afternoon. Slept Garipa.

August 25th.

Departed Garipa at 0700 hrs for Maine/Aparota. Stopped at Watagoipa to condemn and unsanitary house (Local Court). Arrived at Maine at 1020 hrs. People assembled and Census begun-completed at 1300 hrs. Innumerable courts and arbitrary matters settled. Slept Maine

August 26th.

Departed Maine for ~~Aparota~~ Laitate at 0715 hrs. Walked by a bush track to cross the Loira creek and up its valley to Laitate. A good track this way but it would be very hard travelling in the opposite direction. Arrived Laitate at 1000 hrs people assembled and census begun-completed at 1230 hrs. Courts heard and Council talk given. Reports received of mass absenteeism at Iveiyava. Village Councillor dispatched to Kosipi Mission with <sup>to</sup> the Father-In-Charge there. Slept Laitate.

August 27th

Departed Laitate for Iveiyava at 0800 hrs arrived at 0945 hrs. Few people present. Village Constable dispatched to Kosipi. Census begun at 1000 hrs and completed by 1100 hrs. No absentees presented themselves. Council talk given and disputes settled. At 1500 hrs <sup>to</sup> began to arrive 1600 hrs Local Court convened and prosecution under section 101 of the NROs made-nine detainees. Slept Iveiyava.

August 28th.

Departed Iveiyava for Sopu at 0730 hrs. Mr. Moderate to Tapini with Constable Yan and detainees. Arrived Sopu at 0830 hrs. People assembled but no work. Observed Sabbath. Slept Sopu.

August 29th.

Census begun for Sopu and associated groups at 0730 completed by 1100 hrs. Census talk given and all co-operative. Courts heard and settled and all happy. Slept Sopu.

August 30th.

Departed Sopu at 0700 hrs for Loleava. Walked in heavy mist for the entire two hours. Arrived Loleava at 0900 hrs. Rest house excellent and all people assembled. Census begun at 1000 hrs and finished at 1100 hrs. Council talk was well received. No Complaints. Slept Loleava.

August 31st.

Departed Loleava for Lamanaipa at 0720 hrs. Arrived at 0900 hrs. A very small group and Census completed by 0930 hrs. Discussions until 1100 hrs and then departed for Kileipi arriving ~~arriving~~ at 1230 hrs. People assembled and Census finished by 1330 hrs. Two Courts settled and the Patrol presented with two pigs. Slept Kileipi.



Patrol Diary Cont/.

- September 1st. Departed Kileipi for Gane at 0700 hrs via Malava. Census conducted at Malava. Two courts settled and again pigs presented. Patrol stayed an extra four hours with these people and then moved on to Gane. Arrived 1500 hrs and Census begun and completed by 1600 hrs. Again a pig presented. Four Complaints heard. Slept Gane.
- September 2nd Departed Gane for Ilai at 0700 hrs. Arrived Ilai at 0900 hrs Census completed and Patrol moved on to Kioliivi. No courts. Kioliivi people assembled and Census begun-completed 1330 hrs. Another pig presented. Slept Kioliivi.
- September 3rd. Departed Kioliivi for Elava at 0715 hrs. Arrived at 0900 hrs. Census begun for Elava and associated groups. Father Gische of Kerau arrives. Census completed at 1100 hrs. Courts settled as required. Father Gische up to dinner at 1900 hrs. Slept Elava.
- \* September 4th. Attended mass at 0800 hrs at Elava then departed Elava for Kiletu. Arrived Kiletu at 1000 hrs. Rest House filthy and infested with vermin and Police barracks in a similar condition. Flys erected and covered in. Slept Kiletu.
- September 5th. Census begun for Kiletu and Moingilli groups. Finished by 1000 hrs. Local Court convened. Afternoon spent in assisting with the construction of a new Rest house. Slept Kiletu.
- September 6th. Patrol Police Departed Kiletu at 0300 hrs for Lamanaipadue to receipt of reports of trouble there. Patrol remained at Kiletu. Day spent again on rest house. Police return at 2000 hrs with nine people in custody. Slept Kiletu.
- September 7th. Departed Kiletu for Eiyapu and Kupataivi at 0700 hrs. Census completed for Eiyapu at 0800 hrs and Patrol moved on to Kupataivi. Census completed by 1400 hrs and Local Court convened. 1700 hrs Constables IGA and TIBUARI arrive ex Tapini to aid in trouble at Lamanaipadue. Too late. Slept Kupataivi.
- September 8th. Departed Kupataivi at 0840 hrs for Kerau. Census conducted for Kanitatalavava and Lumioto groups en-route. Villages and people dirty and rather pathetic in attitudes. Arrived Kerau at 1600 hrs. Slept Kerau.
- September 9th Departed Kerau at 0745 hrs for Tapini. Arrived at 1500 hrs. Roads poor and untidy. Marked absence of people at Tawuni and Lavavai. Reported A.D.C on arrival. Patrol Stood Down.

END OF DAIRY.



INTRODUCTION:

The Patrol moved through the Aiwara Valley of this Sub-District; Census Revision, Law and Order and pre-Council work were the various objects of the Patrol. The Patrol was accompanied in the earlier stages by Mr. Moderate of Department of Information and Extension of Services and for its entirety by Mr. C.P.O. Ede of D.D.A. Tapini.

NATIVE AFFAIRS:Census Revision.

The 1966 Census Revision for this area is now complete and Census Statistics are attached as an Appendix to Mr. Ede's Patrol Report. A total population of four thousand four hundred and forty two people were recorded. A break-up of this number may be obtained from the Census Statistics abovementioned.

Attendance for Census was in the majority of villages good, the exception being Iveiyava where out of a total population of three hundred and fifty three people only ninety eight presented for and during Census. In this case a Village Official was despatched to Kosipi mission where it was believed the people were, a letter (which I have previously sent to you) was forwarded to Kosipi prior to the Patrol's arrival at Iveiyava. The official succeeded in collecting some fifty men, women and children, the rest of the Iveiyava population refusing to acknowledge him. Upon their arrival at Iveiyava the Local Court was convened and eleven men and two women prosecuted. Detainees were sent to Tapini the next day under Police guard.

The overall number of absentees (male adults especially) is alarming and could make serious in-roads upon the birth rate of the whole Census Division. Absentees are usually 'at work' in several centres e.g. Port Moresby, Kokoda, Wau, Lae and Kairuku.

The village of Lamanaipa is typical of many of the villages within the Census Division. Here approximately one third of the Total male adults are absent. If a further third of the remaining men are taken to be senile or approaching senility this leaves a low number of men capable of propagation. It was suggested in these villages that a system of rationing as regards work force be started, that is, each year a certain number of young men be sent to work and a proportionate number stay at home. This could be one way of controlling the decrease in population on the individual village basis.

Tax Collection.

As per instructions Tax was not collected for the 1966 year, but only for outstanding years. It was explained at each village that the reason for this was that upon the inclusion of the area into the Council the people would be expected to contribute to the Council tax shortly after such inclusion. This was readily accepted at all villages. No incidents connected with Taxation arose.

Cont:Native Attitudes:

In this Census Division both the Village Official and the Local Government Council systems of Administration are present. Attitude towards the Government is usually one of respect regardless of which region the village is in.

However it must be admitted, painful though it may be that co-operation, progress, self assistance, cleanliness and spirit in those villages under the control of the village policeman far exceeds that of the villages in the Council area.

The reason for the difference is hard to know but it may be that the removal of a direct authority backed by the Government and the replacement of this by a person who has only his individual personality and influence to affect the same results. However I do feel that the situation here will improve as the people learn the value of electing a true representative and not a figure-head.

While at Kiletu (see Patrol Diary) reports were received that a threat had been made to kill me. This threat was made in conjunction with a similar one towards an old man if he dared to inform me of an assault that the would be assassin had made upon the old man. Three Police were dispatched to Lamanaipa to arrest the man concerned, one Kumu Tauba and his associates. Upon their arrest they were prosecuted in the Local Court under Regulation 71(c) of the Native Regulations for their assault on the old man.

Apart from this no untoward incidents occurred and I feel that the Native Situation and attitude in the Census Division is quite satisfactory.

Villages:

Villages are of the usual type seen throughout the area. There is no evidence as yet that there is any trend towards the various hamlets amalgamating to form real village units as are found in Coastal areas.

The Village of Ita lavavai formerly of the Ivane Census Division has now moved en-masse to the Maine/Aparota area where they have or have been given gardening rights. There are fifty seven people involved, a further ten people being left at what was previously Italavavai to ensure that no other clan encroaches on their ground over which they claim tenure.

Village Officials:

(a) The Village Constables in the area are on the whole quite effective and efficient; in the majority they are old men who have seen quite a few years of service.

Their hamlets and rest houses were excellent and the enforcement of Law and Order appeared to be quite effective.

(b) As previously mentioned the Local Government Councillors of the area do not appear to have the same degree of control nor effectiveness. Both of the men seem to me to be poorly respected by their people and their work suffers accordingly.

Education:

Students at the Government school at Tapini number only twenty as compared with one hundred and ninety one at the Mission schools spread throughout the area. Kerau Mission Station provides Education up to standard four whereas the standard of the village schools is extremely doubtful. The village school teaches in English to a large degree but once again the standard is doubtful.



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Special Arms Permits:

The Patrol was approached on various occasions by people with the intention of gaining Arms Permits. However the would be owners were informed of the new ordinance and also all as yet un-registered guns and their owners were advised to present themselves forthwith at Tapini for re-registration of the arms.

Agriculture:

Agriculture is in the main confined to subsistence crops grown on a family basis. European vegetables are planted as additional food and for sale at Tapini and to visiting Patrols. These foods include Potatoes, Carrots, Cabbages, Beans, Pumpkins, Eschallots, Oranges, Mandarins and Tomatoes.

All villages have their own village Coffee plots and claim to maintain them. However the majority of the plots sighted are poorly cared for and the individual trees do not bear. The Catholic Mission has a deal of trouble from poachers who steal their cared for coffee cherries from under the nose of the various Fathers and also from their paid garden attendants. This occurs most commonly at Kupataivi and Moingilli where it must be admitted the village coffee plots are in excellent condition, bearing well while the mission plot is in excellent condition with very few cherries on the trees.

Law and Order:

The practice of wife stealing or 'swapping' seems to be the most common source of law breaking in the area.

Pigs and the associated complications are also common matters brought to a magistrate's notice. Wherever possible matters were settled by arbitration. Where this was either impracticable or impossible then the Local Court was convened and the matter settled at Law. All prosecutions were under the Native Regulations Ordinance.

Generally the people have a good concept of the Government laws and do their best to comply with them.

Conclusion:

The Patrol did not move to Garaina as per instruction, the reason being that time and cash ran short; also while at Kupataivi the weather turned inclement and to take carriers over a 12000' ASL pass did not seem practicable in poor weather.

The Patrol moved at a medium pace, time was not wasted nor did we rush any particular aspect of our work. Reception to the Patrol in each village was extremely pleasing and indeed the gifts of pigs to the Patrol became embarrassing. In all I feel the Patrol was effective and completely enjoyable.

P. A. Briggs  
(P.A. Briggs)  
Patrol Officer.

Appendix 1.LOCAL GOVERNMENT

During the Patrol wherever the opportunity arose and always after the completion of the Census Revision attempts were made to draw the people of the various villages into discussion concerning the extension of the existing Kataipa/Loloipa Local Government Council to include that area of the Aiwara which is not as yet within the Council Boundaries.

The feelings of the people are hard to assess accurately. However while not enthusiastically for the Council they are certainly not actively or passively against it, rather they accept the extension as something which must and will eventually come and have decided to make the best of it.

Their lack of real enthusiasm is based I feel upon their economic distress and what they feel to be their inability to pay Council Tax. Without instruction I assured all villages that their inability to pay Tax would be taken into account and that they need not expect a high Tax rate.

I have tentatively grouped the various villages and hamlets into wards (a map is enclosed showing these wards, could it be printed and returned for future reference please) based on Population distribution, traditional ties and the peoples' personal wishes.

Population groupings are one Councillor to every three hundred-three hundred and fifty people. This will give a Total of eleven wards covering a total population of four thousand four hundred and forty two people. An extra Councillor could be made for the Sopu group which comprises a total of six hundred people.

In all cases the people gave their approval of such groupings and appeared satisfied.

As previously mentioned the people are more concerned at this stage with their ability to meet Council Taxation requirements than with anything else. I would suggest that an initial Tax of \$1.50 be imposed with no tax for women for the first year.

It is obvious that with such a large addition to the Council that Revenue and Capital works programs must increase. Perhaps at this stage road development could be emphasised as at many places this is the main source of discontent. Since the distance of many villages from Tapini is such that sale of produce and thereby income is severely restricted.

For your information please,

*P.A. Briggs*  
(P.A. Briggs)  
Patrol Officer.



Appendix 2.Attitude--Garipa People:

At Garipa when the Council extension was mentioned it was met with a literal storm of opposition from the Garipa/Watagoipa people, the Koruava and Oro groups being quite happy with the proposal.

The spokesman for the opposition was one Kailevi Iorama the brother of one Karua Amai. See confidential memo by Mr. Asmussen of 16th July 1966.

Objections were frankly ridiculous and it appeared that Kailevi was merely following the previous pattern set by Karua; Karua was absent at the time and the general feeling was that nothing would be said about the Council until Karua returned. Enquiries showed that Karua had informed his people not to partake of any discussion until he returned from Port Moresby. Karua is a primary headman of the group; he is also the business partner of Mr. Venables, a private entrepreneur of Tapini.

Discreet enquiry late in the afternoon revealed that Karua and Mr. Venables had told the people that should the Council be established it would mean that they the people of Garipa and Watagoipa would be forced by the Council to abandon work on their airstrip to work on Council road projects. The accuracy of this information is not known.

It would appear that some sort of trouble or disturbance may ensue if the Council is extended to include these people. Karua could prove to be the instigator of it.

For your information please,

*P. A. Briggs*  
(P.A. Briggs)

Patrol Officer.



Appendix 3.Mr. Moderate of D.I.E.S.

Mr. Moderate accompanied the Patrol for five days until it departed from Iveiyava for Sopa. At this stage he left the Patrol and was escorted by Constable Yan back to Tapini.

His purpose in accompanying the Patrol was to obtain a complete film coverage of the work of a routine Department of District Administration Patrol. This, I feel, he did. Photographs were taken of the Patrol on the move, of camp being made and broken, of courts in session of the terrain and the people, and of Council work and many other aspects of Patrolling.

Mr. Ede and I thoroughly enjoyed his company and were sorry to see him leave. I trust that the photographs were a complete success.

For your information please,

*P. A. Briggs*  
(P.A. Briggs)

Patrol Officer.

Appendix 4.Mr. C.P.O. Ede.

Mr. Ede accompanied the Patrol for its duration. This was Mr. Ede's first Patrol and I attempted to show him as many aspects of Patrolling as was possible.

Instruction by example was given in Patrol formation Census and Tax collection, Courts and arbitration, Native customs, habits and attitudes. Methods of field administration, or more precisely attitudes towards same were shown as an example to Mr. Ede with the injunction that every field officer has a different manner of doing things and it was his duty to form his own way of patrolling. Constant reference was made to the D.D.A standing instructions.

Mr. Ede showed remarkable aptitude in grasping the procedure in all aspects and I feel that by the end of the Patrol he could have run it quite efficiently.

Unfortunately I myself am not greatly experienced and I trust that Mr. Ede will not accept my example as being perfect. It was a pleasure to have Mr. Ede accompany the Patrol and I sincerely hope that he gained something of benefit from it.

For Your information please,

*P.A. Briggs*  
(P.A. Briggs)

Patrol Officer.



Appendix.5.Comments on Patrol PersonellConstable 5th year BAURIMA No. 8790.

For the second time while on Patrol with Baurima I have been impressed with his ability to effectively carry out duties as Senior Patrol Policeman. If his effectiveness on Patrol is an indication of his ability then he is good N.C.O. material. Conduct Good.

Constable 4th year Hawinam 10752.

Extremely keen, willing and able young policeman inclined at times to be rather a 'fusser' but otherwise excellent. Conduct above reproach.

Const 1st yr Kiawo 11295.

Again my second Patrol with Kiawo and his fourth. Has vastly improved in responsibility and general bearing. Still the joker of the group. Quite an able Policeman who shows promise. Conduct excellent.

Comments entered in respective Records of Service.

*P.A. Briggs*  
(P.A. Briggs)  
Patrol Officer

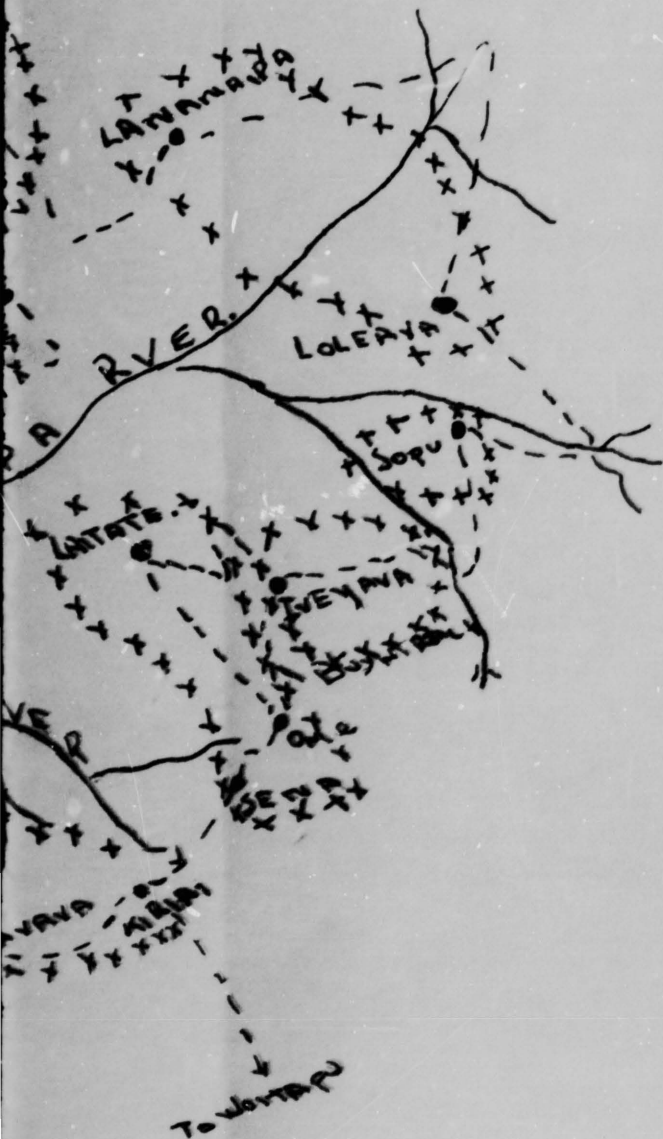




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KUTANI

TOINGILI



WARD BOUNDARIES: x x x x

PATROL ROUTE : - - - -

GOVERNMENT STATION: VIA

MISSION STATION: ~~VIA~~

AIRSTrips

Mountains

### MAP of AIWARA C/D

SHOWING PROPOSED WARD

BOUNDARIES FOR LG COUNCIL

PREPARED - TAPINI PATROL 2-6667





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL Report No. 3-66/67

Patrol Conducted by P. A. BRIGGS PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled IVANE CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives R.P.N.G.C. (1) INTERPRETER (D.D.A.) (1)

Duration—From 15/11/1966 to 18/11/1966 (Inclusive)

Number of Days 4

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 11/8/1966

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Map Reference ADAMSONS MAP OF GOILALA (Sketch Map of Wards Attached)

Objects of Patrol Ward Groupings for Council Extensions: General Administration

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Mr.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration, 26th November 1966.

The District Commissioner,  
Central District, P.O. Box 100,  
PORT Moresby. MR. P.A. BROWN, P.A.

The SAVINI PATROL No. 3/66-67 - IVANE CENSUS DIVISION.  
Numbering of the patrol is incorrect, and should be 3/66-67.

1. Attached please find three copies of the above patrol report.
2. I have little comment to make. I am presently awaiting a report from Mr. Dossy P.O. on his recent PILLW patrol. On receipt of his report it is anticipated that a draft proclamation can then be compiled which will incorporate proposed changes in the Kefila/Laliga Local Government Council ward boundaries to enclose areas of the IIVARA, IVANE and possibly part PILLW. Working for nothing but promotion.
3. Camping Allowance claims are enclosed herewith for signature please.

R. T. Galloway  
(R.T. Galloway)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, C.D.

(J.R. Fisher)  
Assistant District Commissioner

1/12/66

67-8-3

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOB.

Your 67.1.9 of 15th Dec., 1966 refers. Sorry for the omission.

(R.T. Galloway)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, C.D.

21/12/66

Noted  
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5th December, 1966

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 3-66/67

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*R.T. Galloway*  
(R.T. Galloway) *R.T.*  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, C.D.

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15th December, 1966.

District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

TAPINI PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1966/67:

Mr. Briggs' report of his patrol to the Ivane Census Division is acknowledged with thanks.

It is noted that whilst Patrol Instructions were issued by the Assistant District Commissioner, Tapini, no covering letter commenting on the report was received. This should have been forwarded.

The report adequately covers the activities of the patrol, which accomplished the purposes set down in the Patrol Instructions.

Your comments in para. 3 of your covering memorandum, though not strictly dealing with a point raised in the report, has been noted.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.





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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

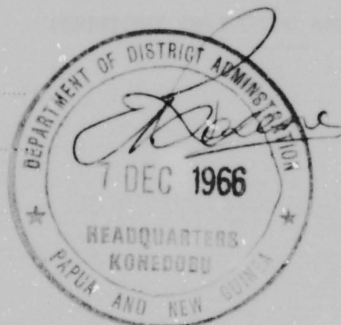
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DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, C.D.



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18th November 1966

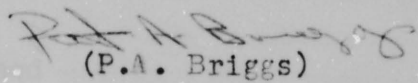
The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
TAPINI C.D.

Tapini Patrol Report No.3-66/67

Submitted for your perusal, comment, and  
onforwarding are three copies of the above report.

Patrol Conducted by	:	P.A. Briggs Patrol Officer.
Area Patrolled	:	Ivane Census Division.
Personell Accompanying	:	R.P. & N.G.C. (1) Interpreter (1)
Duration of Patrol	:	Four days 15/18-11-66
Objects of Patrol	:	Ward Grouping General Administration.

For your information please,

  
(P.A. Briggs)

Patrol Officer.

Attached :Camping allowance Claim  
(Liam Girau, Interpreter)  
(P.A. Briggs P.O.)

Enclosed : Patrol Diary  
Appendix (1) Wards.  
Appendix (2) Report on R.P.&N.G.C. accompanying.



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Sub-District Office  
Tapini C.D.

14th November 1966.

Mr. P.O. Briggs,  
TAPINI.

IVANE AND KARUAMA PATROL

1. Please be prepared to conduct a Patrol to the IVANE C/D as soon as possible after the 14th of this month.
2. The main purpose of this Patrol will be the compilation of ward boundaries in connection with the inclusion of this C/D in the present Kataipa/Loloipa Council.
3. Upon completion and on or about the 21st move to Guari and after consultation with Mr. A.D.O. Weber conduct a routine Administration Patrol, in all aspects, of the Karuama C/D.
4. Select one Constable to accompany you on the IVANE section and to Guari where the O.I.C. will make available 2 further Constables from his detachment for your patrol of the Karuama.

I wish you a pleasant patrol.

Signed

(J.D. Fitzer)

Assistant District Commissioner.

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PATROL DIARY:

Tuesday 15th:

DEPARTED Tapini at 0700 hrs for Koruava. Aiwara bridge crossed without mishap and Patrol moved on to Koruava, arriving at 1030 hrs. Reverend Father Duffey was at Koruava for Baptismal ceremonies and work was delayed until 1300 hrs when Father left. The ORO, KORUAVA, GARIPA, and WATAGOIPA people were assembled and discussions as regards Ward boundaries took place. Local Court convened at 1500 hrs and five complaints were settled. Housing inspection was conducted at 1700 hrs. Slept Koruava.

Wednesday 16th:

DEPARTED Koruava for Ilaiyape 0630 hrs, via Garipa and Lavavai and stopped at Lavavai for two hours for discussion re Council and the Local Court was convened. Proceeded to Ilaiyape. Ivane River crossed. The bridge being in a poor state of repair. Arrived Ilaiyape at 1300 hrs. The village was in a poor state and also rest house and environs. The Minaru people were already assembled with the Ilaiyape group. Discussions were held and Ward groupings finalised. The Local Court was convened at 1600 hrs for seven complaints and also innumerable disputes were arbitrated. Slept Ilaiyape.

Thursday 17th:

DEPARTED Ilaiyape for Oro. On the long climb to Lavavai reports were recieved of an assault at Ilaiyape and Constable Didime was detached. The Patrol Continued on to Lavavai and arrived at 1100 hrs. After a two hour wait for Constable Didime he returned with four men under arrest. The Patrol moved on to Oro via Garipa where the people were already assembled and discussions were held. Local Court Convened and four men prosecuted. Slept Oro.



PATROL DIARY(Continued):

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Friday 18th:

DEPARTED Oro at 0645 hrs for Tapini. The Patrol moved down the steeply sloping ridge to the bridle track and then on to the Aiwara River. The Patrol spent one hour finding a suitable spot for a vehicular bridge. The Patrol then moved on to Tapini, arriving at 1045 hrs. Reported ADC  
The Patrol stood down.

END OF DIARY.

INTRODUCTION

The Patrol moved through the Ivane Census Division of this Sub-District. Its main purpose was the grouping of the various Census Units into Wards in preparation to the area's inclusion into the Local Government Council now known as the Kataipa/Loloipa Local Government Council. In addition to this the tasks of Law and Order, and General Administration were carried out.

NATIVE AFFAIRS:

Native Attitudes: In general one could say that the attitude of the people of the Ivane Census Division is one of indifference both towards the Government and toward people in other villages, and this attitude of lazy indolence even applies to relations between individuals.

I found that the people were quite prepared to let any thing happen without making any attempt for or against it, they seem to prefer being led, as this offers the least possible exertion on their behalf.

Their attitude towards the Government is one of 'its here and so we will bear it'. One could never say that they oppose the Administration or its programmes, but one could say definitely that they do not help it any.

The reason for this indifference, I cannot say, but it has been noticed on previous occasions by other Patrolling Officers. The remedy for this, I feel, is to start them on some project which may offer them a relief from their apparant feeling of being forgotten and left out of it. A road?

Villages: Villages are typical of this area in general, being merely hamlets of some five or six houses built in close proximity to the gardening area of the particular sub-clan. They are without exception dirty and unhygenic.



Native Affairs (Continued):Villages (Continued)

Upon examination of the Village books it is apparent that these people have been requested and ordered to clean and maintain their dwellings on many previous occasions, to no avail. Seven men in all were prosecuted under Section 101 of the Native Regulations for failing to maintain houses after having been ordered to do so by a previous Magistrate.

Village Officials: The area is administered by the Village Constable and Councillor system, and in general these men are as efficient as can be found in the other areas of this Administrative area. However, I do not envy their task as regards gaining co-operation from their people.

Agriculture: The area is extremely productive in this field. Coffee is present in fairly large quantities in relation to the number of people and many types of European vegetables are produced. The staple diet of the area is Sweet Potatoe which is grown in abundance, and I would suggest that the area produces far more than its population requires for a bountiful subsistence diet.

Law and Order: The people appreciate the concept of law, as propagated by the administration, however, as previously mentioned the work of the Village Constable in enforcing this law is extremely difficult due to the attitude of non-cooperation which seems to be common to all the inhabitants of the area. When a Village Constable, who is basically a villager and has some relationship to all the people in his village, attempts to enforce a law, or attempts to carry out an arrest, he is met with a blunt refusal. Imagine the Village Constable who attempts to arrest a fellow villager who simply says 'No I won't come with you', what in the Village Constable's mind is he to do. This situation arises frequently and it is not always that a Magistrate or a Policeman is available to enforce

Native Affairs (Continued).Law and Order(Continued) :

... Regulation 155 (a) of the Native Regulations. This occurred twice during the Patrol and the offenders were arrested by the accompanying Policeman and were prosecuted accordingly.

CONCLUSION:

The Patrol was a short one due to the light work load placed upon it and thus it was possible to move quickly, the necessity to depart Tapini for Guari on Monday 21st being an added spur. The objects of the Patrol were successfully completed and the ward groupings are contained in appendix A.

P.A. Briggs.

Patrol Officer.

VILLAGESAPPROXIMATE POPULATIONNUMBER OF COUNCILLORS

ORO

KORUVA

KATU

400-450

1

JANPA

MATACIPA

GIWOPU

LAVAVAI

450-5

1

ILAIKAPU

KIRANU (and several)

500-550

2

P.A. Briggs

Patrol Officer



Appendix . A.

Ward Groupings:

Below is listed the wards, showing constituent villages and populations together with the suggested number of Councillors for each ward. At all villages the proposed groupings were discussed with the people and their wishes, together with the terrain of the area have been considered.

This will make up a total of four Councillors to a total population of 1002 people (including absentees) which is approximately one Councillor to every two hundred and fifty people.

A sketch map showing physical groupings is enclosed.

Reference Patrol Report 2-66/67 Appendix 2.

Once again the Watagoipa people were approached concerning the Council extension, they showed a hospitable attitude, a complete reversal from that mentioned in the above Patrol Report. However this favourable attitude was destroyed by Karua Amai when he began to harangue the people in what I considered to be a most nonsensical manner. On this occasion I did not refute Karua's argument as I considered it ridiculous. Karua was informed that should he continue upon this policy and should trouble occur at the forthcoming elections, then he could quite easily expect to be chastised, should the people actively (physically) oppose the elections.

<u>VILLAGES</u>	<u>APPROXIMATE POPULATION</u>	<u>NUMBER of COUNCILLO</u>
ORO KORUAVA MAITU	400-450	1
GARIPA WATAGOIPA NIONOPU LAVAVAI	450-500	1
ILAIYAPE MINARU (and hamlets)	500-550	2

P.A. Briggs  
Patrol Officer

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Appendix .B.

Report R.P.&.N.G.C. Member:

Constable Didime(5th year):

I found the above Policeman to be extremely conscientious and hard working. Shows initiative and ability and is very cheerful. Possible N.C.O. material.  
Conduct excellent.



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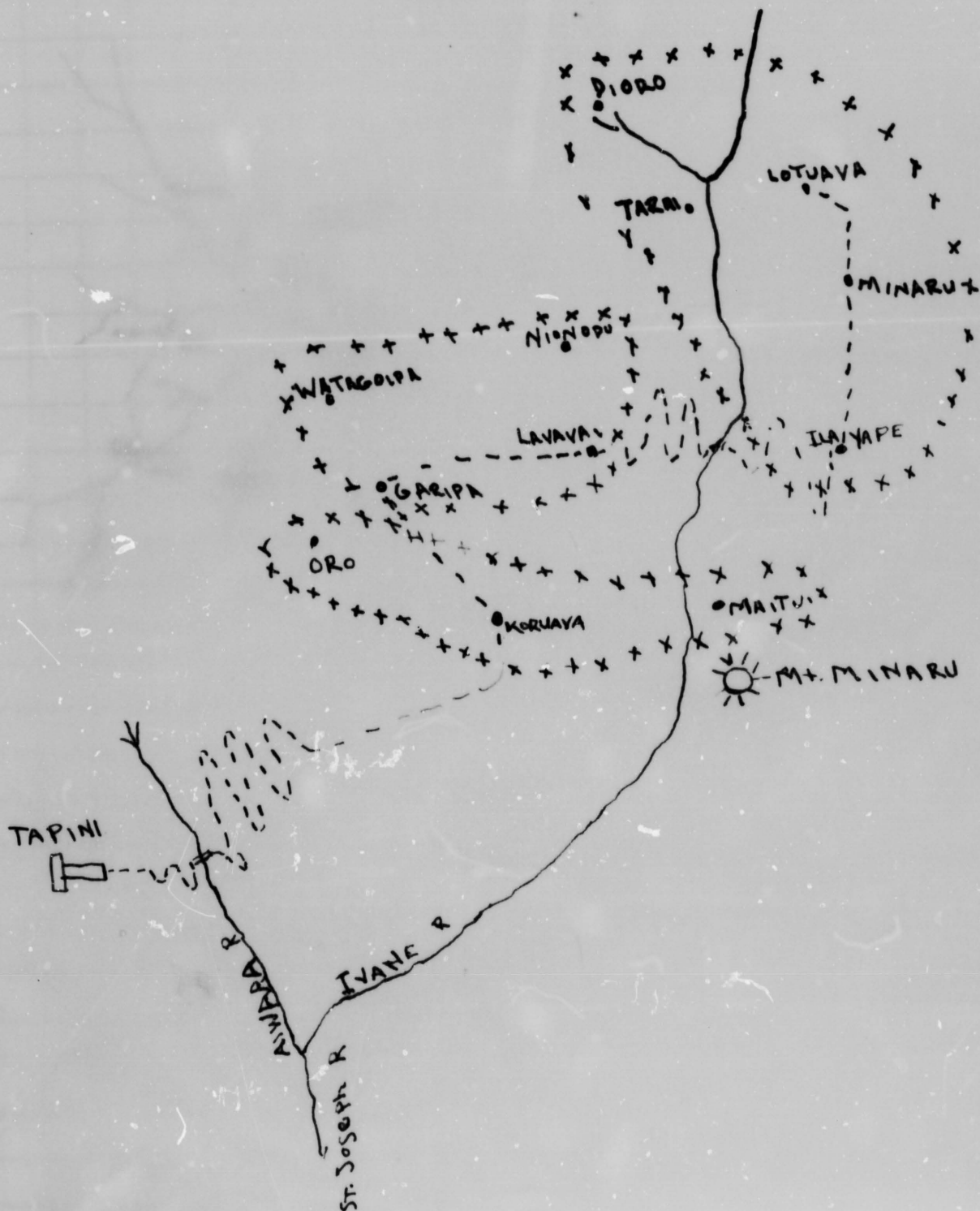
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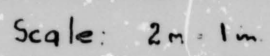
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MAP of IVANE CENSUS DIVISION  
SHOWING PROPOSED WARD BOUNDARIES

PATROL ROUTE	- - -
WARD BOUNDARY	x x x x
GOVT. STATION	
BRIDGE	









TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

SPECIAL

District of CENTRAL Report No. TAP. 3/66-67

Patrol Conducted by Mr. P.A. BRIGGS PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled AIWARRA CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr.C.P.O. EDE, Mr. N. MODERATE D.I.E.S.

Natives 3 BINGO 1 INTERPRETER 1 P.H.D.

Duration—From 23/8/1966 to 9/9/1966

Number of Days 18

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? YES

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 5/1966

Medical 6/1966

Map Reference DAMSONS MAP OF THE GOILALA.

Objects of Patrol Census, Back-Tax, Prepare ward groupings for L.G.Council.

General Administration.

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation \$

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund \$

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

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18th November, 1966.

The District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

TAPINI PATROL REPORT NO. 3/1966-67:

Receipt of Mr. Ede's patrol report covered by your memorandum is acknowledged with thanks.

2. I am sure Mr. Ede would have learned a lot from this patrol. His report is well presented and indicates his keenness for native affairs' work. Practice will definitely improve his presentation techniques at report writing.

3. A good report.

(J. K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR



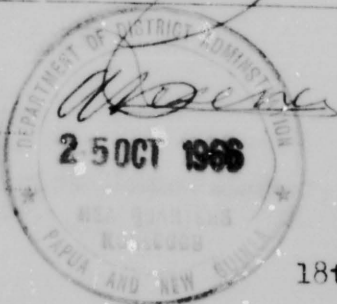


TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Central District.

18th October, 1966.

The Director,  
Dept. of District Administration,  
Konedobu.

Patrol Report No.3 - 66/67 TAPINI.

Copy of the above report is forwarded for  
your information, please.

Mr.Ede, C.P.O., accompanied Mr.Briggs on  
this patrol. It was Mr.Ede's first dual patrol.

The report is well presented and indicates  
a keenness of observation on the part of Mr. Ede.  
Practice will improve his presentation technique and  
make him more aware of requirements.

*R.T. Galloway*  
(R.T. GALLOWAY) *RMG*  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.C.D.

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GOILALA Sub-District,  
~~XXXXXXXXXX~~  
TAPINI C.D.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
TAPINI C.D.

Tapini Patrol Report No. 3-66/67

Submitted for your perusal and comment, and for on-forwarding to the District Commissioner, are ~~four~~ <sup>5</sup> copies of the above Patrol Report.

Patrol conducted by : Mr. P.A. Briggs, Patrol Officer  
Area patrolled : Aiwaru census division  
Personell accompanying : Mr. C.D.O. Ede  
Mr. N. Moderate D.I.E.S. (5 Days)  
3 Members R.P. & N.G.C.  
1 Interpreter  
1 Native Medical Orderly  
Duration of patrol : 23/8/66 to 9/9/66  
18 days  
Objects of patrol : 1) Census  
2) Collection of Back-Tax  
3) General Administration  
4) Working out and Mapping of  
Wards for Extension of Kataipa-  
Laloipa Council.

For your information please,

B.R. Ede  
(Cadet Patrol Officer)

Attached: Camping Allowance Claim.  
Map - Showing Patrol Route.

Enclosed: ~~XXXXXX~~

Patrol Diary  
Report

Appendix (a) Census statistics Aiwaru C/D.  
Appendix (b) Report on members R.P. & N.G.C.  
Appendix (c) Condition of Rest-Houses.



Tuesday 23/8/66

Departed TAPINI 1100hrs for Koruava arriving at 1300hrs. Departed immediately for Garipa and arrived 1630hrs. Slept Garipa.

Wednesday 24/8/66

Assisted Mr. Briggs in the conduction of the census. Oro, Watagoipa and Garipa villages assemble here, and, after the census, a lengthy discussion ~~was~~ on the ~~proposed~~ Local Government Council was held. Courts, mainly requiring arbitration, were held during the afternoon. Inspected progress on the airstrip now under construction near the village. Slept Garipa.

Thursday 25/8/66

Departed Garipa 0710hrs, arrived Maini 1020hrs. Census conducted for Kiria, Ita, Maini-Aperota and also for Italavavai which has migrated up from the Ivane Census Division. The Local Government Council talk was given and complaints heard and settled.

Friday 26/8/66

Left Maini for Laitate at 0715hrs, crossing Loira Ck. by way of a native track. Arrived Laitate 1030hrs. Conducted Census and collected back-tax from Laitate One and Sena. The people were told of the incoming Local Government Council; they then brought a few complaints to be settled. The people of Laitate were told to try and get some grass to grow around the Rest House. The assembly area is covered with thick dust which would soon turn into a quagmire after rain. Slept Laitate.

Saturday 27/8/66

Left Laitate 0715hrs and arrived at Iveiyava 0945hrs. In spite of a letter sent to the Mission at Kosipi asking the co-operation of the Fathers in getting the people to line for census, we found only a third of the villages 300 people present. The census was started and the names of those people who had not attended for some years. The Village Constable was then sent to ~~Kani~~ Kosipi to bring down the people. About 50 people started to straggle in about 1500hrs together with the V.C. who proved himself to be in-efficient and incapable. Courts were then conducted and the Local Government Council talk given. Slept Iveiyava.

-Sunday 28/8/66

Mr. Moderate the photographer from D.I.E.S. left the ~~patrol~~ here and returned to Tapini in the company of Constable Yan. The patrol departed for Sopa at 0715hrs, arriving at 0845hrs. A few complaints were heard and the patrol was rested during the afternoon. Slept Sopa.

Monday 29/8/66

Conducted census and collected back-tax. Talk given on Local Government Council; it was decided to give the Sopa area two councillors due to their large population - nearly 600 people. Inspected the village which was clean and tidy. A few more complaints were brought forward and settled. Slept Sopa.

Tuesday 30/8/66

Departed Sopa 0715hrs for Loleava; inspected Loleava No2 on the way, looked over school. Arrived Loleava 0915hrs, conducted census and gave talk on Local Government Council. A few complaints were brought forward and had just been settled when rain began fall. Slept Loleava.

Wednesday 31/8/66

Departed Loleava 0715hrs, hard going over steep native tracks. Arrived Lamanaipa 0945hrs. As there was only a small population, and as they said they had no complaints, it was decided to move on to Kileipi the same day. The census was then conducted, back-tax collected and they were told of their groupings for the new Local Government Council. Departed Lamanaipa 1045hrs and arrived Kileipi 1200hrs. Conducted census, collected



PATROL DIARY (cont.)

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back-tax, gave talk on Local Government Council. Helped Med. Ass.; sent one case into Tapini Hospital. Heavy rain commenced and continued throughout the afternoon. A few complaints were brought forward and settled, mainly by arbitration. During the afternoon two pigs and two cocks were presented to the patrol. A reciprocal gift was made to the owner. Slept Kiliépi.

Thursday 1/9/66

Departed Kiliépi 0700hrs and arrived at Malava 0820hrs. The patrol was again presented with a pig so we asked them to cook it while we conducted the census. The people were told of the Local Government Council; complaints were heard. Met Fr. Sicot of the R.C. Mission at Kerau who was on his way to Lamanaipa for the weekend. Constable Hawinam was sent to Gane to tell the people we were coming on today, and to get the Rest House set up. The pig having been cooked and a reciprocal gift made, the patrol set out for Gane arriving at 1430hrs. The census was then conducted, back-tax collected, and the ~~tax~~ talk on the Local Government Council given. The court was convened and a few cases heard. About 25 people of all ages came up to the rest house and talked for a few hours. Slept Gane.

Friday 2/9/66

Departed Gane 0700hrs, arriving at Ilai 0930hrs. Census conducted, back-tax collected, talk on Local Government Council given. No complaints, patrol departed at 1100hrs for Kiolivi, arrived 1230hrs. Census conducted, back-tax collected, people told of wards for proposed Local Government Council. A few complaints were brought forward and these were settled. Slept Kiolivi.

Saturday 3/9/66

Departed Kiolivi 0715hrs, arrived Elava ~~0900~~ 0900hrs. Census conducted for Elava, Tapina and Lolepe. Back-Tax collected, talk given on Local Government Council wards. Met Fr. Gishe from the R.C. Mission at Kerau. Complaints settled from the three villages. In the evening talked with Fr. Gishe. Slept Elava.

Sunday 4/9/66

Waited until Fr. Gishe had finished Mass. Departed Elava 0800hrs arrived Kiletu 0930hrs. Rest House in terrible condition, filled with vermin. Tent flies ~~were~~ were erected and the patrol slept in these for the ~~xx~~ remainder of our stay. Slept Kiletu.

Monday 5/9/66

Census conducted for Moinggili and Kiletu, back-tax collected, the people were given their wards for the Local Government Council. After hearing complaints and rectifying them the rest of the day was spent helping the people who had decided to build a new Rest House. Word was brought to us that night of a man in Lamanaipa who, with five friends, had threatened to kill us and an old man, if the old man tried to bring a case against him concerning a pig which had got into the old man's garden and done considerable damage. At 1900hrs two V.C's were sent to Tapini to inform the A.D.C.; at 2100hrs our three policemen were sent back to Lamanaipa to try and apprehend those concerned and ~~xx~~ bring them back to face trial. Slept Kiletu.

Tuesday 6/9/66

Day spent waiting for arrival of the police. Helped the people to continue work on the Rest House. A pig was presented to the patrol, a reciprocal gift was made and the pig cooked for when the police ~~return~~ returned at 2000hrs with the suspects. Suspects interviewed. Slept Kiletu



Wednesday 7/9/66

Departed Kiletu 0645hrs and arrived Eiyapu 0755hrs. Conducted census, collected Back-Tax and gave the people their ward groupings for the Local Government Council. None of the villages had any complaints so ~~that~~ it was decided to move on to Kuputaivi the same day. A pig which the people had killed and ~~xx~~ cooked in preparation for the patrol's arrival was ~~part~~ first eaten. Left Kuputaivi 1000hrs and arrived ~~at~~ 1100hrs. Census conducted, Back-Tax collected and the people were given their wards for the Local Government Council. Courts were held, and complaints heard during the afternoon. Two members of the R.P.N.G.C. arrived during the night. They had been sent out from TAPINI in case there was any trouble at Lamanaipa. Due to the delay this had caused, inclement weather, and also a shortening in patrol funds it was decided to cancel the trip into the Waris Valley and to proceed back to Tapini. Slept Kuputaivi.

Thursday 8/9/66

Departed Kuputaivi 0710hrs, proceeded by way of Poneyalavava, Omoritulavava, Kanitatalavava, Kopurilavava to Lumioto, census was conducted and complaints heard on the way. As this is already a Council area there was no Tax to be collected and no talks to be given. From Lumioto the patrol walked into Kerau arriving at 1600hrs. Night spent discussing the Aiwarra with the Fathers there. Slept Kerau.

Friday 9/9/66

Departed Kerau 0745hrs and proceeded by way of a native track to Oragavara and then to Tawuni. From there we followed the Bridle Path and road to TAPINI arriving at 1445hrs. Reported to office. Patrol stood down.

END OF PATROL.

INTRODUCTION

- 1) The area patrolled, the Aiwara Census Division, lies in the quadrant situated to the north-east of Tapini. It includes 32 village groups. ~~xxx~~ Each village group consisting of one or two main villages and a number of hamlets.
- 2) The main topographical features of the area are the Aiwara and Garipa Rivers and their tributaries.
- 3) The vegetation is mainly kunai with forests and thick scrub ~~inxxxx~~ along the creeks and above an altitude of approximately 7000 feet asl.
- 4) The patrol, primarily, was to set up wards for the Local Government Council which is to be extended into the eastern and northern areas of the Aiwara. The western side of the Aiwara River has already been incorporated into the present council. The patrol also conducted census, collected Back-Tax and performed general Administration duties.

RECEPTION OF PATROL

The reception of the patrol can be divided into two main classes ~~xxx~~ which are to be found in two distinct areas. The people living on the eastern side of the Aiwara, who have not as yet joined the council, though not in the main enthusiastic over the patrol, treated it with respect. When arriving at a village in this area we noticed that the people were all present to meet us. The children were standing in a group with the adults in a group behind them. The village officials stood in a line in front of them and saluted as we came up. The rest of the people all said "Good Morning". On the western side of the Aiwara where the council has been introduced and the only officials at village levels are the elected Councillors and there traditional leaders, none of these things were seen. The people sat around in small clumps and did little else except watch until told to. The big exception to the others on the eastern side is Iveiyava which does not seem to be able to make up its mind whether it wants to be in the Aiwara C/D or to stay at Kosipi mission.

VILLAGES

- 1) The houses are constructed mainly of pandanus and barked two inch timber. The timber is used for the frame-work, while the pandanus leaves are soaked and used for the walls and roofing and the trunk of the tree is split and used for the floor, sometimes the walls. The fireplaces are set at a level below the rest of the floor, usually in the centre towards the front of the house. Little time is spent in the house. Usually a fire is built outside and the people eat some meals here and sit around it till late in the night.
- 2) Most of the villages are built high up on spurs of the mountains, apparently with a view to defence. The only exception is Eiyapu which is situated on the bank of the Aiwara River.
- 3) In spite of the dry weather springs and small ~~xxxx~~ streams were plentiful. Those which had been found to contain good water had a Pandanus leaf arranged as a spout where the water flowed down the embankment on to the path. In most cases some effort is made to keep these free of pigs and human faeces.
- 4) The villages in general were quite clean, Moinggili had been cleaned up considerably, but there were still ~~xxxx~~ some things to be cleaned up and these were pointed out to them. Personal cleanliness needs some attention, the older people, and the village of Kanitalavava were the worst.



VILLAGE OFFICIALS

These people appear to be very proud of their position, in the most part and look on the patrols arrival as a type of "One day of the year" during which it is they, to whom the Patrol Officer looks, as the power in the village. Whether they have much power during the rest of the year is debateable, and probably varies with the individual. The big exception to all this is the V.C. at Iveliyava who is apparently more interested in keeping in favour with the people than with us. Until he was shown the impossibility of what he was saying, he tried to have us believe that all the men were working for the Government at Woitapi. It was in those villages where the V.C's are, however, that we were given most assistance.

POLITICAL SITUATION

The area is divided into two main areas politically. West of the Aiwara, which is in the council area and has only the elected councillor as an official at village level. This, to my way of reasoning is a mistake as he realises that it is the people who have given him the position he now holds and it is to them that he will be looking to when next the election comes due. It would be better I feel if these villages either kept their old ~~xxxxxxxx~~ V.C's or had new ones appointed after the introduction of the council. To the east of the Aiwara the people are in that state where the Village Constables and Village Councillors contend with the traditional leaders for leadership of the village.

The attitude towards the Administration appears generally to be one of resignation, while hoping that we will give them everything without any effort on ~~their~~ their part. Work done on the Bridle Paths appears to have been done only a day or so before the arrival of the patrol.

The families of men who have gone away to work appear well looked after as do the old and the sick. There is a high degree of absenteeism in most villages, some preferring Port Moresby and other villages Wau or Kokoda. This is understandable as there are few chances for them to make much money in their own area due to the lack of access roads to move their produce to market.

AGRICULTURE

The patrol was given a wide range of vegetables, The main ones being English potatoes, tomatoes, shallots, cabbage, lettuce, carrots, the traditional sweet potatoe and beans. Also the Citrus fruits oranges and mandarins. These are used mainly for local consumption due to the difficulty of getting them to a market. With the enormous amount of land available to these people it is hard to see how this area could not become a virtual food-bowl. However the the very mountainous nature of the country which makes this abundance possible, makes it almost impossible to put in roads without going to enormous expense. whether it would be worthwhile to go to this expense depends on whether the people would make full use of it.

LIVESTOCK

Other than the traditional pigs there are only about a dozen head of livestock in the area. However as the Tick Eradication Program is now almost completed there is a possibility that this will soon be increased. The Agricultural Officer has informed me that he has a few people already who wish to buy cattle.

FORESTS

The impossibility of getting timber to a market makes any large scale forestry development at the present time impracticable. There are a few stands of good sized pine trees in the higher valleys.

LAND

Land is plentiful, and there are large tracts of land which at their present rate of development they will never need. However it must be realised that much of this is extremely mountainous and would seem to be of little use to the Administration.

CARRIERS

No difficulty was experienced in getting carriers. On the contrary in many places some had to be turned away. Many a time when a village was reached which was too small to reasonably expect it to supply the number of carriers needed, men who had carried on the previous day would come forward to make up the number. In one case they had to be asked to leave as they were depriving others from getting a chance.

HEALTH

A Medical ~~Orderly~~ Assistant accompanied the patrol and treated many minor cases, a few cases were sent back to the hospital at Tapini for more prolonged treatment. A stretcher case was carried for the last two days of the patrol. There did not appear to be any widespread serious illnesses among the people however many did not seem to realise the importance of seeing the local Aid-post orderly to get cuts and things dressed.

EDUCATION

The largest school in the area is the mission school at Kerau which at the moment is teaching only up as far as standard two. However they have the teachers to teach up to standard four. Some pupils go over to the school at Kosipi which has about the same standard of education. Most other villages have schools of a sort but they are mainly for the purpose of teaching the Catechism, a few like Sopu and Loleava teach a little English as well.

ROADS

In general the Bridle Paths were in quite good condition. The path from Gane to Ilai is reported to be in bad condition but few patrols use it, preferring to take the shorter though harder track over the top of the ridge. ~~Existed~~ Native tracks such as on the Loleava-Lamanaipa section are in poor condition, but to be substantially improved would need to be re-routed at considerable expense. The Tapini to Kerau vehicular road shows promise, but there is a lot of blasting and hard work to be done on it yet.

MISSIONS

The main mission in the area is the R.C. Mission at Kerau, however in the northern part the Lutherans have more influence. No Lutheran pastors were met but the two Fathers we met seemed to command a lot of respect and affection from the people. It is hard however to gauge the actual influence they have on the day-to-day lives of the people. Prayer meetings are held in some villages every morning but at least on Sundays. However at Elava where Fr. Giske said mass on the second day of the patrol the enthusiastic welcome he had received the previous day was not reiterated in the size of his congregation next morning.



AIRFIELDS

Two airfields are under construction in the area. Mr. Venable's strip at Garipa was still being worked on when we passed through, however he has since been told ~~y~~ by D.C.A. that it will not be given a clearance. The mission strip at Kerau is proceeding to their satisfaction, and appears to have none of the disadvantages of the other strip. There is still a considerable amount of work to be done, but when completed the Fathers believe there will be no trouble in setting down anything of about the same size as a Pilatus Porter.

PERSONNEL

All members kept up a high standard throughout, the patrol was a happy one with a clannish atmosphere developing by the end of the patrol.

1) Liam Girau:- speaks Kunimaipa and Tuade, was a great help on the patrol.

2) Constable Barema:- though a bit slow during the actual walking, he more than makes up for it in the ~~camp~~ village.

3) Constable Hawinam:- A hard worker, loyal and intelligent.

4) Constable Kiawo:- Shows great promise, obeys orders and works hard.

CONCLUSION

An extremely enjoyable patrol, made more so by the people themselves, who brought pigs, vegetables and fowls as gifts for the patrol. For me, as it was my first patrol it had added interest. I found it most informative.

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(B.R.EDE)  
Cadet Patrol Officer

APPENDIX (C)

GARIPA	Good
MAINI	Very Good
LAITATE	Good
EVIYAVA	Good-new building
SOPU	Excellent
LOLEAVA	Fair
KILEAPI	Very good
GANE	Very good-new building
KIOLIVI	Good
ELAVA	Excellent
KILETU	Very bad, unsatisfactory, we started them on a new one.
EUPUTAIVI	Good





## TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL Report No. 6/66 - 67Patrol Conducted by M.J. DEASY P.O.Area Patrolled PILITU CENSUS DIVISION - GOILALAPatrol Accompanied by Europeans NILNatives 2 members R.P. & N.G.C. 1 InterpreterDuration—From 7/11/1966 to 19/11/1966Number of Days 13Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NOLast Patrol to Area by—District Services March/1966Medical ...../...../1966Map Reference ADAMSON'S MAP OF THE GOILALAObjects of Patrol Determining native attitudes towards Local GovernmentGeneral AdministrationDirector of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... \$.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund .... \$.....

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

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Mr. M.J. Densy,  
Patrol Officer,  
TAPINI.

Tapini,  
Central District.  
1st November 1966.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS.

Please be prepared to depart the station on Monday the seventh of November to conduct a patrol into the Pilita Censu Division.

Census Division.

You should primarily concern yourself with determining native attitudes towards local government having the view in mind that the area is being considered for inclusion in the Kataipa-Loloipa Local Government Council area.

You may select two members of the Constabulary and one of the station interpreters to accompany you.

May I wish you an enjoyable patrol this being your first into the Gollala.

J. D. FITZGER.  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.



PATROL DIARY.

November 1966.

Monday 7th.

- 1030 hours - Patrol departs station for Tororo village.
- 1315 hours - Arrive Tororo, Govt. tractor returns Tapini.  
Overnight Tororo village.

Tuesday 8th.

- 0800 hours - On duty Tororo village - Convened Local Courts.  
Overnight Tororo village.

Wednesday 9th.

- 0830 hours - Patrol departs Tororo for Laramaita village.
- 0920 hours - Patrol arrives Laramaita, L.G. Councillor absent at Tapini, village and R.C. School inspection.
- 1100 hours - Patrol departs village for Zaniyalavava village.
- 1300 hours - Arrived Zaniyalavava met by L.G. Councillor.
- 1400 hours - Convened Local Court.
- 1500 hours - Village Inspection - discussions with villagers.  
- Overnight Zaniyalavava village.

Thursday 10th.

- 0715 hours - Patrol departs for Ariome village.
- 1115 hours - Arrived Ariome village - L.G.(Vice-President) absent at burial Poruelavava village.
- 1330 hours - General Administration - Constable Moko despatched to Tapini with prisoners.  
- Overnight Ariome village.

Friday 11th.

- 0800 hours - On duty Ariome village - Discussions with Vice-President of Council and villagers - Settling marriage and bride price payment disputes by arbitration. - Return of Constable Moko to patrol.  
- Overnight Ariome village.

Saturday 12th.

- 0815 hours - Patrol departs Ariome for Poruelavava village.
- 1030 hours - Patrol arrives Lamina Rest House.
- 1130 hours - Arbitrating on marriage and bride price payment disputes, continuing into late afternoon.
- 1330 hours - As above, discussions with local people, general Administration.  
- Overnight Lamina Village Rest House.

Sunday 13th

- 0800 hours - Observed at Lamina Village Rest House.
- 1230 hours - Self and Sgt. Isoriembo to Poruelavava hamlet.
- 1330 hours - Arrived Poruelavava met by R.C. Mission School Teacher Mr. John Keru - inspected School - entertained by children giving a precision marching exhibition.
- 1430 Hours - Discussions with Village Policeman and local people on the possibility of Poruelavava-Lamina villages

November 1966.

Sunday 13th (cont.)

being included in Local Govt. Council Area.

1600 hours - Departed Poruelavava for return journey to Lamina.

1700 hours - Arrived Lamina Rest House.

- Overnight Lamina Rest House.

Monday 14th.

0715 hours - Patrol departs Lamina Rest House for Lotuava village.

1015 hours - Arrived Lotuava village.

1300 hours - Village Inspection - settling marriage and bride price disputes by arbitration.- Talks with Village Officials and local people.

- Overnight Lotuava village.

Tuesday 15th.

0715 hours - Patrol departs Lotuava for Zhamora village.

0900 hours - Patrol arrives Zhamora Rest House.

1000 hours - Hil complains - inevitable marriage and bride price payment disputes -

1330 hours - Talks with Village Policeman and local villagers.

- Overnight Zhamora Rest House.

Wednesday 16th.

0715 hours - Patrol departs Zhamora for Lamoro village

0945 hours - Patrol arrives Lamoro village.

1030 hours - Convened Local Court - marriage and bride price disputes for arbitration.

1300 hours - Inspection of village - discussions with villagers.  
Overnight Lamoro Rest House.

Thursday 17th.

0715 hours - Patrol departs Lamoro village for Wapote village.

0945 hours - Patrol arrives Wapote village.

1100 hours - Convened Local Court.

1330 hours - Settling minor complaints by arbitration - Discussions with local people in afternoon.

- Overnight Wapote Rest House.

Friday 18th.

0715 hours - Patrol departs Wapote for Apore village.

1245 hours - Patrol arrives Opore village.

1400 hours - Settling minor complaints by arbitration - Local Court not convened - Talks with local people.  
Village people prepare for double wedding feast in evening.

2000 hours - Torrential rain feast ruined.

- Overnight Opore.



Saturday 19th.

0715 hours - Patrol departs Opre for Kone village.

0845 hours - Patrol arrives Kone.

0900 hours - Talks with assembled villagers - Nil complaints.

1000 hours - Patrol departs Kone for Tapini.

1345 hours - Patrol arrives Tapini - Self reported to A.D.C.

PATROL COMPLETED.

### INTRODUCTION.

The Patrol was conducted into the Pilitu Census Division, an area to the west of the Tapini Government Station, and whose principal attributes lie in its comparative remoteness, mountainous terrain, sparse population and complete lack of development.

This circuit was a follow-up to Mr. Asmussen's Tax/Census Patrol completed in March this year and its primary aims were to ascertain native attitudes in the region towards local government and perform general administrative duties.

### DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION.

#### Reception of the Patrol.

The patrol was received in a friendly though some-what restrained manner in all villages visited. This would appear to be the norm rather than the exception for patrols entering the area. The geography of the region tends to explain the reasons for this attitude as the people lead a rather isolated and introverted existence.

#### Villages.

All villages were clean and comparatively well kept and tracks leading to and from the villages had been maintained to the patrol's satisfaction. Without exception all village houses were constructed of locally available bush materials and the only permanent type structure sighted was the Roman Catholic Mission residence at Wapote.

#### Rest Houses.

Rest houses generally were in a good state of repair with the only notable exception being at Ariome in the Loloipa Census Division where the patrol spent two nights prior to proceeding into the western sector of the Pilitu region. The Local Government Councillor, Vice President Kaita Kanava, was asked to ensure that a new Rest House and Police Barracks be built prior to the next patrol moving into the area.

#### Village Officials.

All village officials irrespective of their official status were of valuable assistance to the patrol moving through their area. Persons wishing to lay complaints or merely discuss matters were swiftly brought before the patrol on its arrival in a village by the officials concerned.

The patrol had wished to appoint a new Village Constable for Zhamora village (Karuama faction) due to the dismissal of Amai Toita from the position when Mr. Asmussen's patrol last visited the village. The obvious candidate for the position, Apurie Maura, a village councillor who had served in this un-rewarding position for fifteen years did not wish to be considered for the vacancy. He did however ask if his son could be appointed. This alternative was not acceptable due to the man's youthfulness and his intention to proceed to Port Moresby in the near future to seek work. Insufficient numbers of the Karuama line were on hand enabling an appointment to be made permanently and the Village Councillor was asked to accept appointment in a temporary capacity until the Tax/Census Patrol again moved into the area early next year. Apurie was agreeable to this proposal.

#### Outline of Political Situation.

At the village level political awareness is at a particularly low level and the ordinary villager has little idea just what is happening in this Territory to-day. References to the House of Assembly and the duties of Members of the House have little meaning for the majority of people living in the region. This in



state of affairs in many respects is surprising for a high percentage of the young adult male population is continually on the move between their home villages and the main Territory centres. One would naturally assume that merely through amiable discussion between groups returning from the towns and relatives remaining in the villages that the ordinary villager would acquire some knowledge of the normal everyday occurrences taking place in the major centres. But this it appears is not the case. It is unfortunate that the region is devoid of transistor radios as these units would assist in giving the people an insight as to just what is happening outside their own area.

The people are in dire need of direction from an outside source and should they have the opportunity to be included in a local government council area in the not too distant future, although all these problems would not be solved overnight they would benefit in the long run from such a move.

At the present time 20% of the region is under the Kataipa-Loloipa Local Government Council's influence and the attitudes of the people and development, limited though it may be, in this small section contrast sharply to the values held by those living in the remainder of the region.

The subject of Local Government for these people will be elaborated on more fully as an appendix to this report.

#### AGRICULTURE.

##### Local Produce.

Most fruits and vegetables as are grown in the Gailala are available in this region though not in abundance. Sweet potato was in short supply during the patrol's visit to the western sector of the region and the local people were forced to supplement their diet with cucumbers - a vegetable not usually eaten as a staple food item.

##### Cash Crops.

Coffee is grown throughout the entire region though only in small holdings. Agriculture Department records show there are approximately 1500 Arabica<sup>grown in the</sup> planted and these figures have not changed over the past two years. As only 300 lbs of bean has come from the area these past twelve months plantings could not be considered as on a commercial basis.

Rice and peanuts are <sup>grown in the</sup> stretching between Lamore and Wapote though again plantings are not on a commercial basis.

##### Livestock.

Nil livestock to date have been introduced into this region due primarily to its inaccessability and lack of suitable grazing areas.

#### FORESTS.

##### General.

Soft woods predominate in this heavily forested area though the commercial milling of these stands is not feasible, again, due to the regions inaccessability. It is also not known if the timber is of a particularly high quality.

#### COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

##### General.

There are nil commercial activities undertaken by the local people in the Pilitu at the present time. It was however noted that a young would be entrepreneur from Zhamora village, Tunia Toita, intends opening a trade store at his village before Xmas. He has a starting capital of /50.00 though as he is forced to purchase goods at Tapini and walk them through to his village it is envisaged that the store will last little more than a few months.

LAND.

Land in this region is used exclusively for dwellings, subsistence farming and hunting. The geography of the region is predominately mountainous and all villages with the exception of Kone on the banks of the Loloipa River are sited on spurs or mountain slopes. There are few areas of flat land where the people could re-settle and the prospect of preparing new garden sites is a major undertaking requiring many months of arduous labour on the steep mountain slopes.

The people as a whole show little interest in leaving this barely habitable region though the prospect of moving onto the Bacaiudu Resettlement Blocks has appeal to a number of the young adult males in the western sector of the Census Division. It is however apparent that there will be no mass migration on the part of the Pilitu people to either Bacaiudu or Kubuna. The people place tremendous emphasis on their importance of their land, inhospitable though it may be, and the area remains steeped in traditional beliefs for them. Of importance also when thought is being given to the matter of resettlement for these villagers is that there is little fraternization between the individual village groups as each retains a very distinct and separate identity.

With such attitudes prevailing as are cited above it is apparent that re-settlement is not the answer for these people at this time. However by working with and advising the younger adult males and future generations it is highly probable that the Pilituans could be induced to migrate and settle in a more habitable and rewarding area in the years to come.

COMPLAINTS AND COURTS.General.

It was only necessary to convene the Local Court on seven occasions for the duration of the patrol. The under-mentioned chart gives relevant details:

<u>Case NO.</u>	<u>No. of Defendants</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Sentence.</u>
1	One	71(a) NRO's	\$2.00
2	One	69(b) NRO's	1 month
3	One	69(a) NRO's	2 months
4	One	84(1) NRO's	3 months
5	Three	116(3) NRO's	Dismissed
6	Three	69(b) NRO's	3x \$3.00
7	One	71(a) NRO's	4 months.

Generally speaking the people appeared quite law-abiding and as the chart exemplifies courts were only convened when absolutely necessary. Numerous minor complaints inevitably related to marriage disputes and supposed failure of the parties concerned in making correct bride-price payments were successfully arbitrated by the patrol. In matters such as these it was pleasing to see the "grieved" parties willing to discuss the problem openly and in a number of instances solve the matter themselves.

CARRIERS.General.

No difficulties were experienced in obtaining carriers during the patrol's movement through the area. And often offers to carry would have to be refused.

All carriers were paid at the normal rate of ten cents per hour except for the occasional person who wished to be paid off in salt. This alternative method of payment was more acceptable to people between Lamoro and Opoire who brought fresh foods for sale to the patrol - carriers however from this region preferred money for their patrol labour.



HEALTH.General.

Persons residing inside the Local Government Council area between the villages of Zanyialavava and Tororo were noted to be in a particularly good state of health - due primarily to the existence of government Aid-Posts at both villages. There was however a marked difference in the general health of the people residing in the western or non-council area of the Census Division. This region has a government Aid-Post at Lotuava though due to an indiscretion on the part of the Orderly-in-Charge prior to the patrol's movement into the region, the Aid-Post is at present unmanned.

The young children and babies are in dire need of urgent medical attention as skin diseases, running sores, ulcers and burns are prevalent in the villages. The patrol was carrying a fairly extensive medical kit and when the villagers realised this, the Rest House was invariably besieged by anxious parents with their screaming and afflicted offspring. All persons who presented themselves for treatment were treated though it was felt that a number of the opthalmic cases required more specialised attention, such cases were advised to proceed to the hospital at Tapini.

On my return to the station I approached the Medical Officer and advised him of what I had seen in the Pilitu and enquired as to when it might be possible to restaff the Lotuava Aid-Post. I was advised that a posting of an orderly to this region was imminent.

EDUCATION.General.

Roman Catholic Mission schools were inspected both at Laramaita ( Council area) and Poruelavava ( Non-council area) in the Census Division. The two schools are staffed by lay missionary teachers from Kerau and pre-school and standard one (I) classes are conducted. At Laramaita there are eighteen children in attendance whose ages range from four to sixteen years. The standard of teaching is not particularly high and few pupils, if any, ever graduate to Kerau. The teacher is not literate in english.

The Poruelavava school, conducted by Mr. John Keru, has only recently been rebuilt and enlarged. The school has an enrolment of thirty-two pupils whose ages range from four to fourteen years. Mr. Keru speaks quite reasonable english and his charges are able to give the english names for ordinary every-day objects, "prattle-off" the alphabet and sing a small selection of Motuan and English songs. The children are far ahead of their Laramaita counter parts.

There are no Administration schools in the region.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.General.

The Kataipa-Loloipa Local Government Council is at present financing the construction of a vehicular road between the villages of Zanyialavava and Tororo. Work has continued steadily on this project since the Council's inception in September 1963 though initially money had only been provided by the Council for the widening of the bridle track between the two villages. To date approximately \$750.00 has been paid to the village people working on this project in the form of incentive payments. At this time the workers are receiving \$ 1.00 a week for their labours. It is not expected that the road will be completed before late in 1967 but on completion it will allow access to the northern sector of of the Census Division and will provide the means for the 300 odd people to ship their produce into Tapini.

The western sector of the Census Division is completely devoid of vehicular roads and a bridle path exists only for the section from Ariome to the top of the Lamina Spur - a distance of approximately five miles. The remainder of the patrol, with the exception of a mile and a half of bridle track between Zhamora and Wapote, is conducted along poorly constructed native paths. It is doubtful if this situation will ever be rectified because of the sparse population in the Pilitu and the general inaccessability of the area.

#### CEMETRIES

Cemetries were in evidence in the villages where mission influence was strongest namely Laramaita, Zannyialavava, Poruelavava and Wapote. Of these the cemetery at Poruelavava is the only one maintained properly due primarily to the Mission teacher's interest.

#### MISSIONS.

##### General.

The Roman Catholic Mission is the only mission established in this region. The census division, though, is divided into two mission administrative areas. The northern sector is patrolled by the Fathers stationed at Kamulai in the Guari region whilst the Keran Fathers patrol in the remaining sector. Mission influence contrasts sharply in both areas and only the people in the "Kamulai" sector consider themselves Christian. The villagers in the Keran administered area seem to have little time for religion and do not appear to be over-impressed when the Fathers visit their area. The Wapote Mission Station, constructed of permanent materials, has fallen into a state of disrepair due to neglect - despite the presence of a Church Committeeman in the village.

The Mission itself has taken note of this state of affairs and though not abandoning the region completely it would appear that they intend concentrating their efforts in the Lamina-Poruelavava area where a school has already been established.

#### AIRFIELDS.

##### General.

There are no airfields in the Pilitu and it is not envisaged that there will ever be an air-strip constructed in the census division.

#### ANTHROPOLOGICAL.

Nil specimens collected.

#### LABOUR.

##### General.

Very few of the people from this area are employed locally due primarily to the lack of opportunities and their own poor educational standard. This situation brings about a noticeable migration of young males from to Port Moresby and other Territory centres in an attempt to find employment. Due to their general disillusionment in believing that work is readily available for the unskilled in the larger centres, few find employment of a permanent nature and those fortunate to find work at all are usually contracted as general or indentured labour. The latter normally finding their way to the plantation complexes of the East and West coast of Papua.

It is doubtful if this trend will change unless future generations can be resettled on small holdings in more acceptable areas where they would virtually be self employed and the need to seek work will have been alleviated.



R.P.N.C.C.

Members accompanying Patrol.

(a) Sgt. 3/C BORIEMBO No. 6251.

A capable and reliable NCO who has the ability to act on his own initiative though unfortunately lacks the forcefulness so necessary for a man of his rank. An old knee injury hinders his progress in mountainous areas making patrolling for him particularly arduous if not hazardous.

The member intends retiring from the Force on the completion of his present tour of duty - October 1967.

(b) Constable 5th Year MOKO No. 7987.

A good reliable policeman with a liking for patrolling, somewhat forceful at times though not to the point where he is required to be restrained. Demands respect from the local people befitting a member of the Constabulary.

CONCLUSION.

The patrol undoubtedly achieved its aims and for myself it was my first opportunity in conducting a patrol in the Gailala. It is apparent that the differences in coastal and mountainous patrols do not only lie in the geographic features of the respective areas. The people, attitudes, customs and beliefs also have to be taken into account.

A report on the Local Government aspects of the patrol appears as Appendix No 1 attached to this report.

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Appendix 1.

NATIVE ATTITUDES TOWARDS LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

On perusing earlier reports on this theme one is lead to believe that there is complete dis-interest on the behalf of the Pilitu people on the subject of Local Government. This I find difficult to accept for in all instances when this matter was discussed during the patrol, the villagers appeared genuinely interested. It was however painfully obvious that they had a very poor conception as to what Local Government was and the possible communal benefits it could provide for them. People in the more remote villages in the western sector of the census division were entirely unaware that the Kataipa-Loloipa Council was financing the construction of a vehicular road between Zannyialavava and Tororo. Those persons residing in villages in close proximity to the Council area were aware that a road was being constructed though they believed that the Administration was providing the funds.

The systems whereby tax would be paid direct to the Council body to finance council projects and the election of a representative of the people to the Council were explained to the people. Most agreed that the retention of their tax money in the Gailala was particularly good but the idea that their money would be used to finance council projects in areas other than their own., e.g. Kataipa, Ivane census divisions etc, was not well received. To draw a parallel between their paying Head-Tax or Council Tax proved unsatisfactory as the people believed that the Government had the right to do what it liked with their Head-Tax payments, however, if they were to pay tax to the council they believed that such payments in their entirety should be re-channelled into the Pilitu for the development of their area. It was then explained that they could not expect all their tax money to be "re-invested" in the Pilitu but that it would be the duty of their council representatives to ensure that some of was used for financing development programmes in their area. This explanation appeased the "gatherings" to some degree and the people in general agreed that the system whereby they elected their own representative was far superior to the previous system where-by the Administration appointed the Village Constable.

The Village Constables themselves were not entirely in favour of the sweeping changes Local Government would possibly bring to their area. Most realised that they would loose their positions of authority and inevitably be replaced by a younger man. Doubtless this situation has been encountered in the past in other areas and it has not been allowed to interfere with the political advancement and development of these regions - the census divisions already under council influence in the Gailala are an apt example in this instance.

I myself at this time would not advocate extensions of the present Kataipa-Loloipa Council area to encompass the Pilitu as I believe an extensive council education programme is required to be carried out in this retarded and back-ward area. The people in the past have been illinformed and somewhat indecisive on the matter of local government and at their present stage of development they have difficulty in differentiating between Administration and Local Government bodies - the Council literally being the unknown quantity. Consideration must also be given to the existing council's development and extension programmes. The remaining portion of the Aiwara and entire Ivane census divisions will be brought into the council area in February next year and thought is also being given to the formation of a multi-racial council body. To over-tax the council's extension programme at this stage could also prove fatal to a body which has shown it has the capabilities of becoming a strong and progressive local government unit in the Gailala.



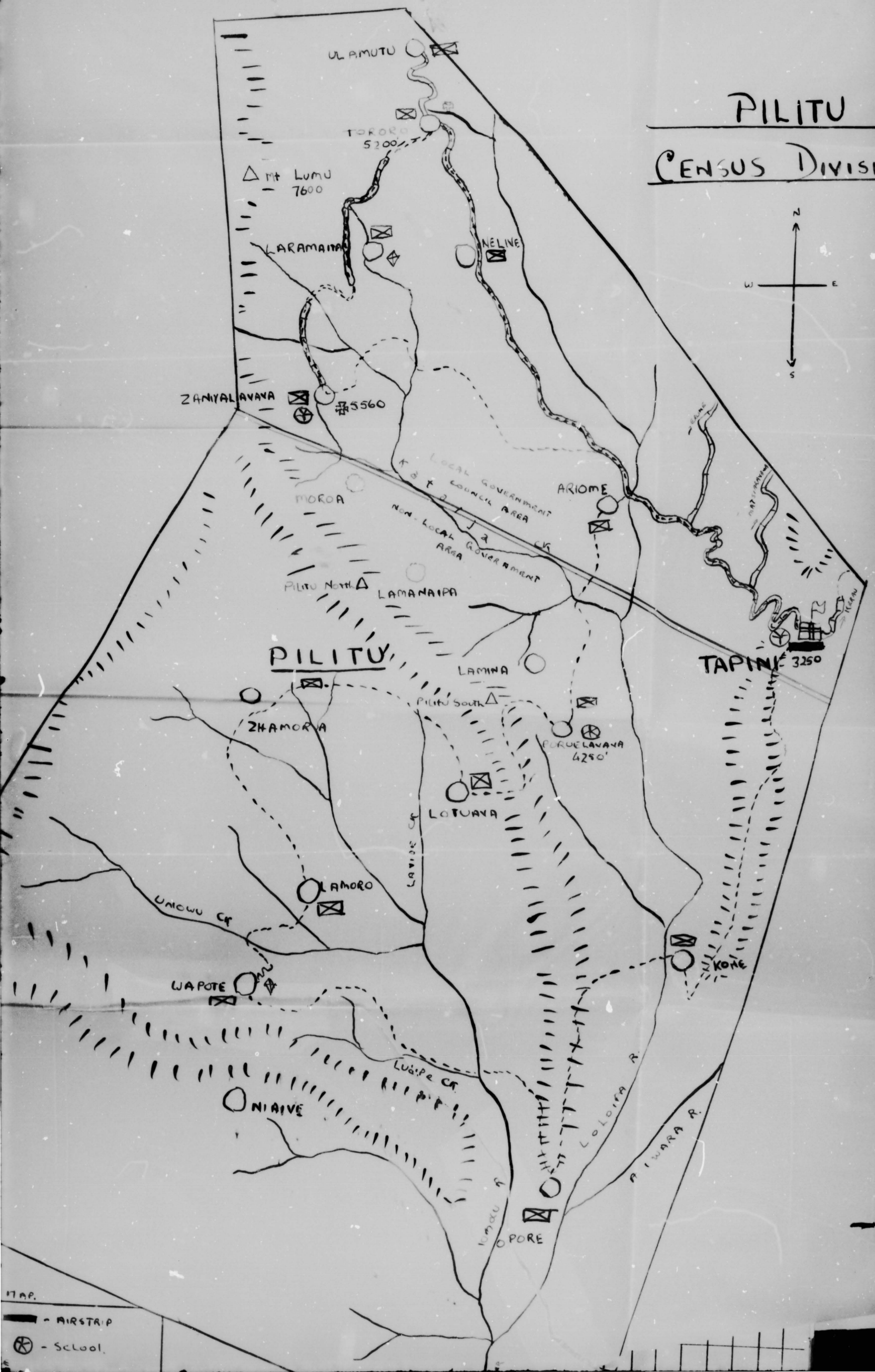
Local Government ( cont., )

The present councillors of the Kataipa-Loloipa Council have I feel the right approach to this matter. At a Council Meeting convened here at Tapini earlier this month a resolution was passed unanimously for an invitation to be extended to the Village Constables and relevant village officials in the Pilitu to attend a Council Meeting early in the New Year. This should prove an excellent opportunity for the Pilitu contingent to acquire knowledge first-hand on the activities of the Council and allow them to hear for themselves from the Councillors of the benefits that the Council has brought to their respective areas. The Minutes of this last Meeting are now being prepared by the Council Clerk and will be forwarded to the relevant authorities when available. They make particularly interesting reading on the topic under discussion and the Councillors themselves advocated the exclusion of the Pilitu from the Council at this juncture.

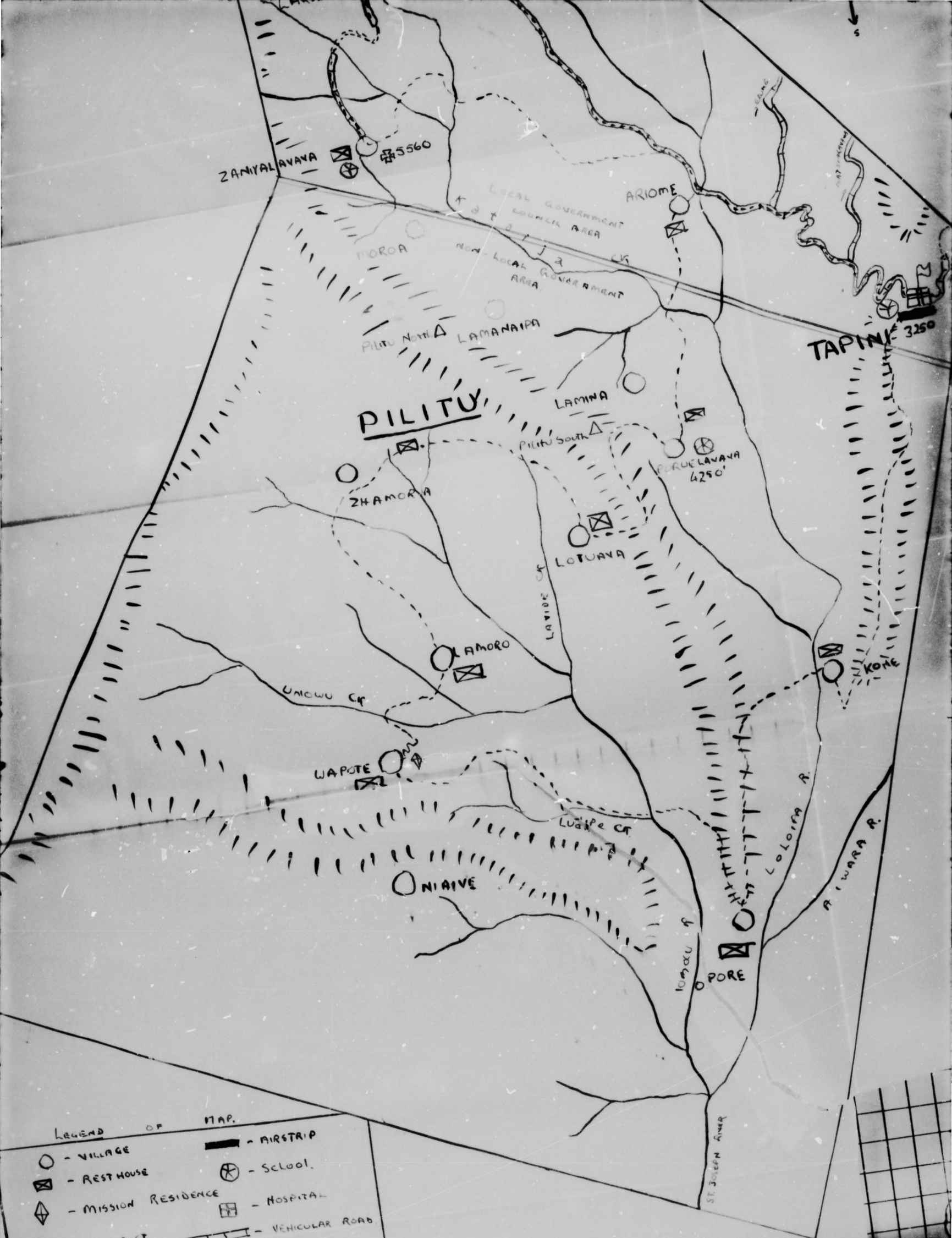
In conclusion, I feel that the Pilitu has very little to warrant its immediate inclusion in the Council area and conversely the Council, operating on its very limited budget, has little to offer the residents of the Pilitu at this time. The Council would do far better to establish itself in the two areas being brought under the Council's influence early in the New Year. It would be in the interests of the Council to leave the Pilitu until such time as the people are sufficiently aware of the advantages in joining a council and express the desire to merge into the Kataipa-Loloipa Local Government area.

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# PILITU CENSUS DIVISION







LEGEND OF MAP.

- - VILLAGE
- ⊠ - RESTHOUSE
- ◇ - MISSION RESIDENCE
- ✝ - AID-POST
- AIRSTRIP
- ⊗ - SCHOOL
- ⊞ - HOSPITAL
- ▬ - VEHICULAR ROAD
- PATROL ROUTE

ADAMSONS MAP OF THE GOLLALA.  
 SCALE : 1 INCH = 1 MILE.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....GENERAL.....Report No.....T.M. NI.....No. 2-66/67

Patrol Conducted by.....Mr. A. D. O. WREGE.....

Area Patrolled.....UPPER AND LOWER EREMAIBA CENSUS DIVISIONS.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....Mr. C. D. O. WREGE.....

Natives.....3 Members B. PANGC.....  
1 INTERPRETER, 1 AGRICULTURE FIELD ASSISTANT.

Duration—From.....23 / 11 / 1966.....to.....22 / 12 / 1966.....

Number of Days.....30.....

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

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

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

Map Reference.....ADAMSON'S MAP OF THE GOILALA.....

Objects of Patrol.....TAX COLLECTION, CENSUS REVISION,  
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.....

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation ..... \$.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund ..... \$.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund .....  
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# Village

## DEATHS

67-1-19

10th April, 1967.

The District Commissioner,  
P.O. Box 776,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

### TAPINI PATROL NO. 7 of 1966-67.

Your 67-8-7 of 17th February, 1967 refers.

Your comments and those of the Assistant District Commissioner Tapini adequately cover most points arising from Mr. Ede's report. My only comment refers to the reported political situation.

The statement that "it is doubtful if the area could support an effective Council" does not clearly define the position as, even though this may refer to financial support, there is no indication of the people's attitude to local government though they are undoubtedly aware of these developments in adjoining areas.

As a group they are likely to remain "not well advanced" politically unless they have some organisation through which they can be introduced to, gain an understanding of, the processes of government.

The formation of a Council covering the whole of the Guari administrative area must be given early consideration, if these people are to participate in the general political development taking place throughout the Territory.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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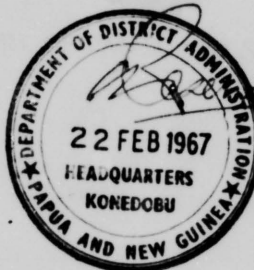
Telegram—

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Our Reference 67-8-7

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Mr



Department of District Administration,  
District Office,  
P.O. Box 776,  
Port Moresby,  
Central District.

17th February, 1967.

Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 7.66/67. TAPINI  
R.E. WEBER ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER.

The above report, compiled by Mr. CPO Ede who accompanied Mr. Weber is forwarded for your perusal please.

2. Diary 28.11.66. Assistant District Commissioner Tapini will advised that Medical Assistants should not act as escorts to prisoners.

3. There is no further comment other than the presentation of the report:

- (a) Insufficient detail in certain aspects, i.e. how much gold are these miners winning. Crocodile shooters, are they in possession of guns.
- (b) A closer watch on spelling and general presentation.

Generally Mr. Ede has made a reasonable presentation and should improve with experience.

*R.T. Galloway*  
(R.T. GALLOWAY) *dgw*  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, C.D.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference..... 67-1-1  
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Mr.....

Department of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
Tapini,  
Gailala Sub-District,  
Central District.

The Assistant District Commissioner  
Sub-District Office,  
Tapini C.D.

Tapini Patrol Report No.7-66/67

Submitted for your perusal, comment and on-forwarding  
are four copies of the above patrol report.

Patrol conducted by	:Mr.R.E. Weber A.D.O.
Area Patrolled	:Upper and lower Kunimaipa Census Division.
Personell accompanying	:Mr.B.R. EDE C.P.O. 3 Members R.P.& N.G.Constabulary 1 Interpreter. 1 Agricultural Field Assistant.
Duration of patrol	:23/11/66 to 22/12/66 30 Days.
Objects of patrol	: 1)Tax Collection 2)Census Revision 3)General Administration

For your information, please,

B.R. EDE

(Cadet Patrol Officer)

Attached: Camping Allowance Claim.  
Map of area patrolled

Enclosed: Patrol Diary  
Report

Appendix (a) Census statistics-Upper and Lower Kunimaipa  
(b) Report on members of R.P.& N.G.Constabulary  
(c) Condition of Rest-Houses  
(c) Change of Village Constables.

67-1-1  
JDE/vaf

Sub-District Office,  
Tapini,  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT, C.D.

2nd February, 1967

The District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
P.O. Box 776,  
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT TAPINI No. 7-66/67

The above mentioned Patrol Report forwarded herewith.

Firstly the neatness and presentation of the report leaves much to be desired: in mitigation Mr. Ede was under considerable pressure of other work not the least of which concerned the forthcoming Council Election Patrol.

Political Situation - the question of these small local Courts is a vexatious one and continues to plague us despite constant efforts on the part of all officers in the Sub-District: it is not however unique to the Goilala.

AGRICULTURE - coffee planting was unfortunately actively encouraged by D.A.S.F. up to approximately 12 - 18 months ago and thus possibly we are morally bound to at least maintain the status-quo, no further encouragement for expansion of existing blocks should be considered at this stage.

LIVESTOCK - once again I feel that it is a question of hastening slowly, the Stock Inspector has one scheme currently underway at OPORTA and one scheduled for Woitape area. To the best of my knowledge a survey of the Stock Inspector's contemplated droving route through Woitape to the Brown River led to its abandonment through lack of suitable wayside grazing. The land squabble centred at OMU is one of long standing and from what I have been told and led to believe is not so much land dispute as a land usage dispute. The O.I.C? Guari will be asked for a full report and assessment.

COMMERCE & INDUSTRY - I fear that the prospects for local Trade stores are not the brightest: Mr. Martin's store at Guari and formerly managed by a European now operates at a much reduced tempo and under the control of a Papuan employee: Guari when all is said and done is the area with the greatest spending potential throughout the Administrative area.

ROADS & BRIDGES - sentences imposed under the Road Maintenance Ordinance varied up to periods of 2 weeks: this policy is pursued where necessary throughout the Sub-District to remind defaulters of their obligations.

AIRFIELDS - it will be impossible to supply the John Deere to Guari for some considerable time.  
1. The unit is still u/s awaiting repair.  
2. In the event of it becoming operative priority must be given to the laid down widening of the existing Tapini strip.

Mr. Ede has showed powers of observation however there is a tendency to utilise the report for comment on Administrative policy e.g. observations on D.C.A's Porter requirements, the question of the Interpreter at Guari etc..

For the District Commissioner's information and comment please.

(J.D. Fitzer) A.D.C.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams DISADM

Telephone

Our Reference 67-2-1

If calling ask for

Mr. JDE/vaf

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,  
Tapini,  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT, C.D.

14th November, 1966

Mr. C.P.O. Ede,  
TAPINI.

KUNIMAIPA PATROL

1. Please be prepared to move to Guari on the 15th November, 1966 from whence you will accompany Mr. A.D.O. Weber on patrol in the above mentioned area.
2. As this is part of your formal in-service training I expect you to pay particular attention to all aspects of patrolling and field Administration that may arise whilst the patrol is in the field: Mr. A.D.O. Weber is an experienced field Officer and should provided you prove receptive be able to teach you much.
3. Dependent upon your progress and acquisition of knowledge you may expect to conduct your first solo patrol early in the New Year. This will in all probability be in connection with Local Government Council Elections however during it you will inevitably be called upon to carry out routine field Administrative duties: thus I expect you to be fully conversant in all aspects of this portion of your duties by the completion of the forthcoming patrol.
4. A full report will be required upon your return.
5. I wish you a pleasant and informative patrol.

*(Signature)*  
(J.D. Fitzer)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

PATROL REPORT = DIARY.

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Wednesday 23/11/66

Departed Guari No.1 0910hrs by way of native track to Guari No.2, then by bridle path to Tonamena, arriving at 1155hrs. Moved on to Kamulai C.M. for talks with Fathers and dinner. Back to Tonamena where a few troubles were settled, road-workers paid, and a note was taken of the number of shotguns and tools in the village. Had Tea with the Fathers at Kamulai, slept Tonamena.

Thursday 24/11/66

Tax Census for Tonamena, Mr. Weber gave a general talk on the roads, the partly built airstrip at Guari, and of the necessity to complete this project during the next dry season. Departed Tonamena 1200hrs arrived Kelipi 1315hrs, heavy rain. Chooks and vegetables presented to the patrol. Slept Kelipi.

Friday 25/11/66

Tax-Census for Kelipi, departed 1000hrs arrived Koifa 1205hrs, Tax-census commenced, but had to be abandoned due to heavy rain. Two Kelipi men were gaoled for failing to maintain their section of the Kelipi-Koifa road. Slept Koifa.

Saturday 26/11/66

Completed Tax-Census, the V.C. of Koifa No.1 was removed from office and it is recommended that Mauwip Gitaia replace him (see appendix). Departed Koifa 0915hrs arrived Gailapu 1100hrs, road and rest-house in good condition. Tax-Census completed, rainy, a few courts held, one man detained, Slept Gailapu. Observed Gailapu.

Sunday 27/11/66

Monday 28/11/66

\* Med. Ass. Gabriel departed for Guari with three prisoners, Patrol departed Gailapu 0740hrs arrived Jau 0940hrs. This is a new rest house built by approximately 80 people who, according to the mission left the area // about eight years ago to settle in Gailapu, Nalive, and Komu. The people intend to build a bridle path through to the main Nalive-Komu road. The formation of the new village would appear to be a good idea as it breaks up a long walk over the Kunimaipa River and a few of its tributaries from Gailapu to Komu. They are a highly integrated group and if the new rest-house, police barracks and the work already done on the new road are anything to judge by, they are comparatively hard working. During the afternoon discussions were held with the people, sing-sing that night. Slept Jau.

Tuesday 29/11/66

Departed Jau 0740hrs arrived 0850hrs at Komu. Food and drink prepared. Departed Komu 0915hrs arrived Uni No.1 0955hrs. Tax-Census Uni Nos.1 and 2. Talked to various locals. Pigs and vegetables presented to the patrol. Slept Uni.



Patrol Diary (continued)

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Wednesday 30/11/66

Departed Uni 0825 hrs arrived Komu 0900hrs. Ag. Ass sent to Neline to bring the horses up. Tax-Census a few troubles requiring arbitration were heard. Slept Komu.

Thursday 1/12/66

Departed Komu 0750hrs arrived Neline 0955 hrs. Rest-House good, dinner and beds provided. Tax-Census, Inspected air-strip now under construction by the L.M.S. Mission. A few troubles, inspected aid post. Slept Neline. Departed Neline 0800hrs, self and Mr. Weber on horseback arrived Ivirupu 0900hrs. Tax-Census, general talks to and with the people. Slept Ivirupu.

Friday 2/12/66

Saturday 3/12/66

Departed Ivirupu by horse 0800hrs arrived Zhevenai 0840hrs. Tax-Census, few complaints, a little interest shown in cash cropping, general talks with the people. Slept Zhevenai.

Sunday 4/12/66

Observed Zhevenai, Mr. Weber departed on horseback for Guari 0800hrs.

Monday 5/12/66

Departed Zhevenai 0740hrs arrived Givena by horse 0930. Tax-Census, talked to the people who intimated their willingness to work on the airstrip when called. A few individuals trying to start cash cropping in the area. V.C. told to bring Census defaulter to Guari when he returns. Slept Givena.

Tuesday 6/12/66

Departed Givena 0730hrs on horseback, arriving at Amena 0825hrs. Rest house in poor condition and little co-operation given to the patrol. Completed Tax-Census, people again expressed willingness to work on the airstrip. Word arrived that Mr. Weber was stranded at the bottom of the Kunimaipa River with a lame horse. Other horse sent to pick him up. Mr. Weber arrived 2000hrs. Slept Amena.

Wednesday 7/12/66

Departed Amena 0850hrs arrived Eli 0950hrs. Tax-Census General talk to people. Rest house far too small for two people so it was decided to move on to the next village. Departed Eli 1230hrs arrived Bizoa 1300hrs. Lame horse was left at Eli to recuperate, self on foot. Mr. Weber on horseback. One man at Bizoa sentenced for un-lawful assault. Slept Bizoa.

Thursday 8/12/66

Tax-Census Bizoa, general talks with people. Departed Bizoa 0930hrs arrived Enau-Gagave 1025hrs. Roads and rest house in good condition, a few cases requiring arbitration settled. Many pigs killed in dance to welcome patrol. Slept Enau-Gagave.

Friday 9/12/66

Tax-Census at Enau-Gagave, departed 1000hrs arrived Lupila 1035hrs. Tax-census etc. Pigs and chickens presented to patrol, then eaten in welcoming feast. Looked over old airstrip site. Ag. Ass. sent to bring up other horse from Amena. Slept Lupila.

Patrol Diary (Continued)

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Saturday 10/12/66

Departed Lupila 0815hrs arrived Torura 0830hrs. Talked to local Goldminers, Tax-Census etc., general talks to the people, a few minor troubles to be straightened out. Welcoming party that night. Slept Torura.

Sunday 11/12/66

Sunday observed Torura, Horse arrived ex Amana, now recovered.

Monday 12/12/66

Departed Torura 0815hrs arrived Lupaulo on horseback 0850hrs. Roads excellent, village clean. Tax-Census, pigs again presented for welcoming party. Slept Lupaulo.

Tuesday 13/12/66

Departed Lupaulo 0800hrs arrived Zhake 0830hrs. Horse went close to breaking its leg in an old grave in front of the rest house. Fence built around the spot. Tax-Census, general talks with the people. Tax-Census etc.. Once again pigs and vegetables presented for welcoming feast. Woman fined in connection with a fire seen by the patrol at Bizoa. Slept Zhake.

Wednesday 14/12/66

Departed Zhake 0800hrs arrived Gagave on horse back 0850hrs. People interested in cattle and coffee. Tax-Census etc.. Another welcoming feast that night. Slept Gagave.

Thursday 15/12/66

Departed Gagave 0815hrs arrived Omu No.1 0915hrs. Tax-Census Omu Nos. 1&2. Inspected school coffee-machines and gardens. Shown areas people wish to set aside for cattle pasture. Talked to a few people who had a claim to this land and were trying to stop it being used for cattle. Two generally progressive villages ruined by a few traditionalists. Another welcoming feast.

Friday 16/12/66

Departed Omu 0820hrs spent 10 minutes at Omu (2) witnessing payment of bride price for interpreter Julio Nomei, arrived Lobdon 0855hrs. Tax-Census, inspected Aid Post, village. A new Aid Post is being built by Med. Ass. Bauai Overa who has been accompanying patrol. Another party. Slept Lobdon.

Saturday 17/12/66

Departed Lobdon 0800hrs, arrived Umuwitu 0915hrs, Tax-Census etc. General talks with people, rest house not re-built as asked. Patrol departed Umuwitu 1030hrs arrived Ganiawai 1140hrs. Tax-Census conducted, party that night.

Sunday 18/12/66

Sunday observed Ganiawai.



Patrol Diary (Continued)

Monday 19/12/66

Departed Ganiawai 0800hrs, proceeded by way of Galuru and Zailapu on horseback to Guari arriving at 1200hrs. Inspected station works, settled a few minor complaints. Mr. Weber conducting Tax-Census at Gaburu. Slept Guari.

Tuesday 20/12/66

0800hrs Parade - Guari.

0830hrs Departed Guari on road inspection to Bome, spoke to locals, returned Guari. Attempted to radio Tapini. Fr. Morant of Kamulai C.M. arrived, talked about area patrolled and trends within the area. L/Rover arrived ex Tapini, sent back with letter requesting transport 22/12/66. Mr. Weber conducting Tax-Census at Zailapu.

Wednesday 21/12/66

Tax-Census Guari No.1, Mr. Weber arrived ex Zailapu gave the customary talk to the people, pigs and vegetables provided for welcoming party. talked to Mr. Weber about last two days of patrol. Station work. Slept Guari.

Thursday 22/12/66

Moved up to airstrip for Tax-Census Guari No.2. Talked to the people, mainly concerning Road Maintenance, Some of these men had previously been gaoled for failure to carry out the upkeep of the roads within their area. Returned Guari. L/Rover arrived, departed Guari 1315hrs arrived Tapini 1615hrs. Reported to A.D.C.

....END OF PATROL....

#### Reception of Patrol

The patrol was well received in the area, particularly so in the Upper Kunimaipa where the arrival of the patrol was an occasion for pig-killing, feasting and dancing. Absenteeism was negligible, with the exception, of course, of those who have left the area looking for work. On arrival outside a village the patrol was often asked to halt while the people said prayers, made speeches and clapped. After the pig-killing and before the food was divided, one of the head men would thank us for coming and tell us how happy they were that such a senior officer as Mr. Weber was now in charge of the area. No trouble was experienced with carriers, on the contrary in some places it was necessary to turn some away. In the Lower Kunimaipa, although the feasts were fewer and further between the patrol was still, for the most part treated with respect and attention.

#### Villages

It was found that in many places the people were abandoning their old scattered hamlets and moving into small villages near to the main road. While impressing on them the fact that this was not required of them by the law, the move was encouraged as it will make the administration of the area much easier for the missions and the Dept of Health, as well as ourselves. Most of the villages that had been built, were quite clean, however those who had stayed in their old houses have made very little effort to keep them clean. They were told to have them cleaned up or new ones built by the time the next patrol comes through. Personal cleanliness was average, the dresses the women wear - mainly the maternity style - are not ideal for cleanliness and the older men don't seem to worry about it much. The people seem to be making a genuine effort to keep pigs out of the villages. In many places areas are fenced off in the bush and food is taken up to the pigs who live there continuously. Dogs and chooks are allowed to roam free, causing trouble when the dogs get hungry.

#### Village Officials

Taken as a whole, the village officials in this area are quite efficient and take their job seriously, however it was found necessary to replace some of them due to old age. This was done by their own wishes. The men recommended to replace them are listed in the appendix, along with the recommendation for Komui Korap of Jau, this area has not had a V.C. previously, and it would appear that if it is decided to allow this new village to be formed, he would be the best man for the job. He has so far had a rest house and police barracks built and started on the construction of a road through to the main Helive-Komu road. The area recently lost a V.C. with the murder of the second Hanua Policeman from Gailapu. It does not appear necessary to replace him at this time as some of the people will be moving to Jau, and the remaining V.C. appears to be quite capable of



#### Village Officials (cont.)

handling the area. A few of the officials, for instance those at Omu W2 have a real interest in the welfare of their people and do their utmost to start businesses in the village.

#### Political Situation

Politically the area is not well advanced, and at the present time it is doubtful if the area could support an effective council. Many of the people talked to were not particularly happy with the House of Assembly, they have not as yet seen anything to show for it, not even their member. The general attitude towards the Administration is very friendly. At Givens some of the men who had returned from Port Moresby could not understand why some of the Bulldozers they had seen down there could not be brought up to finish the Guari airstrip. The shortage of money was explained as well as the difficulty in getting them up here, however they still appear to have the idea that this is just another instance of the coastal people getting pampered while they are left out in the cold. In some of the more distant parts of the area it was found that a few of the more educated and more travelled of the men were setting themselves up as patrol officers, complete with courts fines and imprisonment. The present cases have been stopped, but the only way to completely wipe it out is for constant patrolling. It would seem that in view of this, and to the fact that there have been two murders in this area since the last patrol that at least two patrols a year should visit each census division.

#### Agriculture

The climate and fertility of the soil are such that one would expect to find large supplies of vegetables being grown for export to coastal areas, however the absence of any means of reliable getting the produce out of the area in good condition, precludes this eventuality. Coffee is widely grown. The main areas are Kamulai (app. 300 trees), Uni (app. 1200 trees), and Omu (800 trees). Smaller stands are at Gagave, Lobdon, Neline, Zhake and Komu. A lot of interest was shown in the European types of vegetables and it would appear to be a good idea if a field assistant from Agriculture accompanied the next patrol into the area. At Uni the people are having trouble with a type of black ant which feeds on the leaves of the young trees. This has been reported to the Agricultural Officer who has told me that spraying would be too expensive, and that they will have to use ash around the base of the trees. If the attacks keep up throughout the wet-season it is doubtful if the people will retain the present standard of interest in the crop. Rice is also grown around Uni and should provide a small income for those concerned when sold to the surrounding villages.

**Tight Binding**

LIVESTOCK

A continually increasing interest is being shown in the raising of cattle in much of the area patrolled. At present most of the cattle in the area are owned by the Mission at Kamulai. The Fathers have made known their willingness to allow the use of their bull to the local inhabitants. The main interest at the moment is centred around the villages of Gagave, Omu 1&2, and Lobdon. There are however many other villages watching for the success or otherwise of these efforts. At Omu the patrol found what could develop into a trouble spot. The Village Constable, together with many of his people had set aside a large area of land to be used exclusively for cattle. All went well until a family from Omu(2) claimed a part of it. Discussions held during the stay of the patrol became heated, with the V.C. from Omu, Bauai-Koito, stating that this was the sort of thing he met every time he attempted to do anything for the people, and the family refusing both to raise livestock themselves, or to enter into a ~~conversation~~ conversation on the subject. Land has, however, been found, which will be large enough for the stocks immediately available to the area. The cattle will come firstly from the small herd at Guari and later possibly from Kamulai or Tapini. However if the people can be persuaded to set aside a few good breeders for this purpose it will give better results in the long run. At present they are more interested in a quick return for their money. A plan by the Tapini Stock Inspector to drive cattle from this area to the road-head in the Port Moresby Sub-District has been indefinitely postponed due to his imminent transfer. The inevitable pigs, dogs and chooks were encountered everywhere, causing more trouble than they are worth, the price of chooks has inflated until people who have had their chooks killed by dogs are asking as much as £3 for a hen, in compensation. Pigs still figure on an equal basis as with money in most transactions.

Commerce and Industry

Three trade-stores are at present being run in the area patrolled, one each by the Catholic Mission at Kamulai and the L.M.S. Mission at Neline, and another by Claude Monier at Guari. Two requests have been made by indigenes for trade store-licenses, one from a school teacher at Givena who wishes to run it in conjunction with his brother, and the other from the school teacher at Ganiawai. These are being dealt with by Mr. Weber. Some of the people from Uni intend to start prospecting along the Kunimaipa and its tributaries, with intentions of finding where the gold found at Bulldog came from. If they have no luck by the time they get down to Bulldog they intend to start shooting Crocodiles in the lower, unpatrolled part, of the Kunimaipa River, & skins will be taken down the river to Kerema and sold there. Some of the group have had experience at both Crocodile shooting and Mining. Half a dozen people are working a mine in the hills behind Torua, and are making enough money evidently to keep themselves happy.



Complaints

All complaints brought to the patrol were made by individuals and were mainly brought against other individuals who were not doing anything to help as far as bu~~x~~ssness was concerned. In many villages there is a group of two or three who are genuinely trying to start some sort of a commercial undertaking, finding that they are being held up by a few people they sometimes tend to be a bit heavyhanded in their methods of gaining cooperation. In most cases they tried to enlist the help of the patrol, it was explained to them that the patrolling Officers could only give advice in such matters and it was up to the people themselves to decide whether they wanted the benefit of progress. Only time will tell whether the advice was heeded or not. Another complaint brought against the Agricultural Dept., claiming neglect has since been proved unfounded.

Courts

All courts brought to the patrol were dealt with by Mr. A. D. O. Weber.

Rest Houses

See Appendix.

Carriers

Carriers were readily obtainable in all villages, and appeared quite happy with the standard rate of hire. In some cases it was found that the people were asking to be paid in tobacco, this was where the trip was of only half an hour or less. This was done where supplies of tobacco were adequate.

Health

Native Medical Orderlies from the various Aid-Posts accompanied the patrol through their area. The most common diseases noticed were, Grilli, Scabies, common colds with now and then a case of Malaria or Pneumonia. These were either ~~xx trexxx~~ treated by the Medical Orderly, or if serious sent to Guari or Tapini. Aid posts we have been established at Guari, Nelive, Enau-Gagave and Lobdon. These were all reasonably well stocked and clean. A new Aid-Post has recently been completed at Nelive, and another is under construction at Lobdon. No complaints were received concerning the work of the Orderlies, they appear to be hard working and were a great help to the patrol. The Catholic Mission runs an Aid Post and hospital at Kamulai. The hospital is apparently held in high regard by the people and does not appear to be short of patients.

Education

There are at present no Administration schools in the area patrolled. However the Mission at Kamulai has about 80 children enrolled in their school which teaches up to Standard two. Catechist schools are run by the L.M.S. and Catholic Missions in most of the villages. Plans are at present under way for the opening of a new school at Omu to serve the Upper Kunimaipa. Four native teachers have arrived at Omu with the intention of building new school buildings during the Christmas vacation. The school teachers, all of whom hold Government certificates, will attempt to ~~exhibit~~ procure the help of the local population in their work. During the time the patrol moved through the Upper Kunimaipa the advantages of the school were extolled, and 216 children were provisionally enrolled. Money was collected for the purchase of a chain saw. As there are only four teachers, it will be possible only to enroll 160 of these. It would appear that if the teachers can keep this proportion of the children interested in education the school will have been a bigger success than most in this area.

Roads and Bridges

With the exception of the Native tracks from Guari to Guari 2, and from Gailapu to Komu the patrol used well established Bridle Paths. These were for the most case in good condition, especially in the Upper Kunimaipa where the nature of the land was such that little work would be necessary to convert it into a Vehicular road. The people showed considerable interest in this project, but while not wishing to dampen their enthusiasm, it was pointed out that such a road would not be of very much use until the airstrip at Guari was completed. The Native-track from Givena to Guari, used by Mr. Weber when he left the patrol, was in a shocking condition, causing the horse to go lame, and these people were courted under the Road Maintenance Ordinance.

Cemeteries

Cemeteries are now becoming an integral part of village life, we were informed by the Mission that there are now no villages without a cemetery. The old custom of burying people in the villages, has, with the cooperation of the Missions been stamped out.

Missions

At present two missions are established in the area. One, situated at Neline, is run by the L.M.S.. Its sphere of influence runs from Gailapu to Givena. Schools and churches are present in most of the villages in between, together with those run by the other mission, the Roman Catholic, situated at Kamulai near Tonamena. The R.C. Mission at present extends over the whole of the Upper and Lower Kunimaipa, maintaining churches and schools in most villages. Both missions provided every assistance to the patrol.

~~Notes~~



Airfields

Two airfields are at present under construction in the Kunimaipa. One at Nefive is under construction for the L.M.S. Mission. The area was inspected during the course of the patrol. It would appear that if completed it will have possibilities as a private strip for the use of Cessnas and other light aircraft. Under present D.C.A. restrictions it would be impossible to extend it into a commercial strip without large-scale excavation. The mission is at present supplied by airdrops. The other airstrip at Guari appears to be a much better commercial proposition, it is at present between two-thirds and three-quarters completed. When finished it will be approximately 2000' in length, at present it is almost completed up to 1000'. Mr. Weber has attempted to have it opened to Pilatus Porter aircraft at this length, however he has been informed by D.C.A. that it will not be opened to aircraft of this type until it is at least 1800' long. This appears strange when one reads of Pilatus Porter operating out of strips 750' long in the Himalayas, where the altitude is considerably greater than at Guari. During the patrol the people were questioned as to whether they were still interested in the airstrip. Almost to a man they expressed their willingness to start work again when and if the Bulldozer returns.

Mode of Transport

During the last two and a half weeks of the patrol horses were used by myself and Mr. Weber, a carrier line was still employed. In this area where the mission constantly uses horses it would appear that this is the most sensible form of transport. Not only is it an easier means of transport but it encourages the people to keep their roads in better condition during a greater part of the year. It is hoped that in this way, the roads will be gradually improved until it is possible to reach most of the area by motorbike in an emergency, such as a murder or a serious fight. The only trouble encountered was in the horses themselves, part of the Guari contingent, which through lack of constant riding tend to be rather a little on the lazy side. One could not help thinking that a few good Australian Stock-horses would earn their money back in the first year.

Personnel

- 8716 Constable Sumike:- ~~Conscientious~~ Conscientious and obedient.
- 10057 Constable Tibuari:- An excellent patrolling policeman, strong and loyal.
- 10596 Constable Bugler La'ai:- A pleasure to have on any patrol, loyal and obedient, yet he retains a strong sense of humour.
- Interpreter Julien Nomei:- An asset to the patrol, it seems amazing that a man of his intelligence should only be classified as a Patrol Interpreter.

## APPENDIX (C)

Rest-Houses

Throughout the patrol it was evident that in most cases the people had made a genuine attempt to have the rest house and Police Barracks repaired and cleaned for the arrival of the patrol. This in many cases resulted in what could only be called horticultural masterpieces. On entering the village we passed through an archway of flowers and along a path lined by flower-beds and strewn with their petals. The rest-houses themselves were covered in various types of flowers and jungle weed. Below in order is my ratings of the rest-houses themselves.

Tonamena	poor
Kelivi	poor
Koifa	good
Gailapu	good
Jau	excellent
Uni	excellent
Komu	good
Nelive	good
Ivirupu	poor
Zikevenai	poor
Givens	fair
Amena	poor
Eli	too small, poor
Bizoa	good
Enau-Gagave	excellent
Lupila	excellent
Torura	very-good
Lopaulo	good
Zhake	very-good
Gagave	fair
Omu	very-good
Lobdon	good
Umuwitu	good, but too far away from the road.
Ganiawai	excellent
Guburu	good
Zailapu	fair

In some places the rest-houses were far too close together, notably so in the Upper Kunimaipa. It may be a better idea if the people built fewer rest-houses of a higher quality. If the people of a few villages could come together for this kind of work it may lead to a wider outlook on the part of the people of the area and eventually to cooperation in such projects as cattle raising, and the orientation of such crops as English Potatoes and other vegetables, thus leading to a continuous supply of vegetables for the Port-Moresby Market.

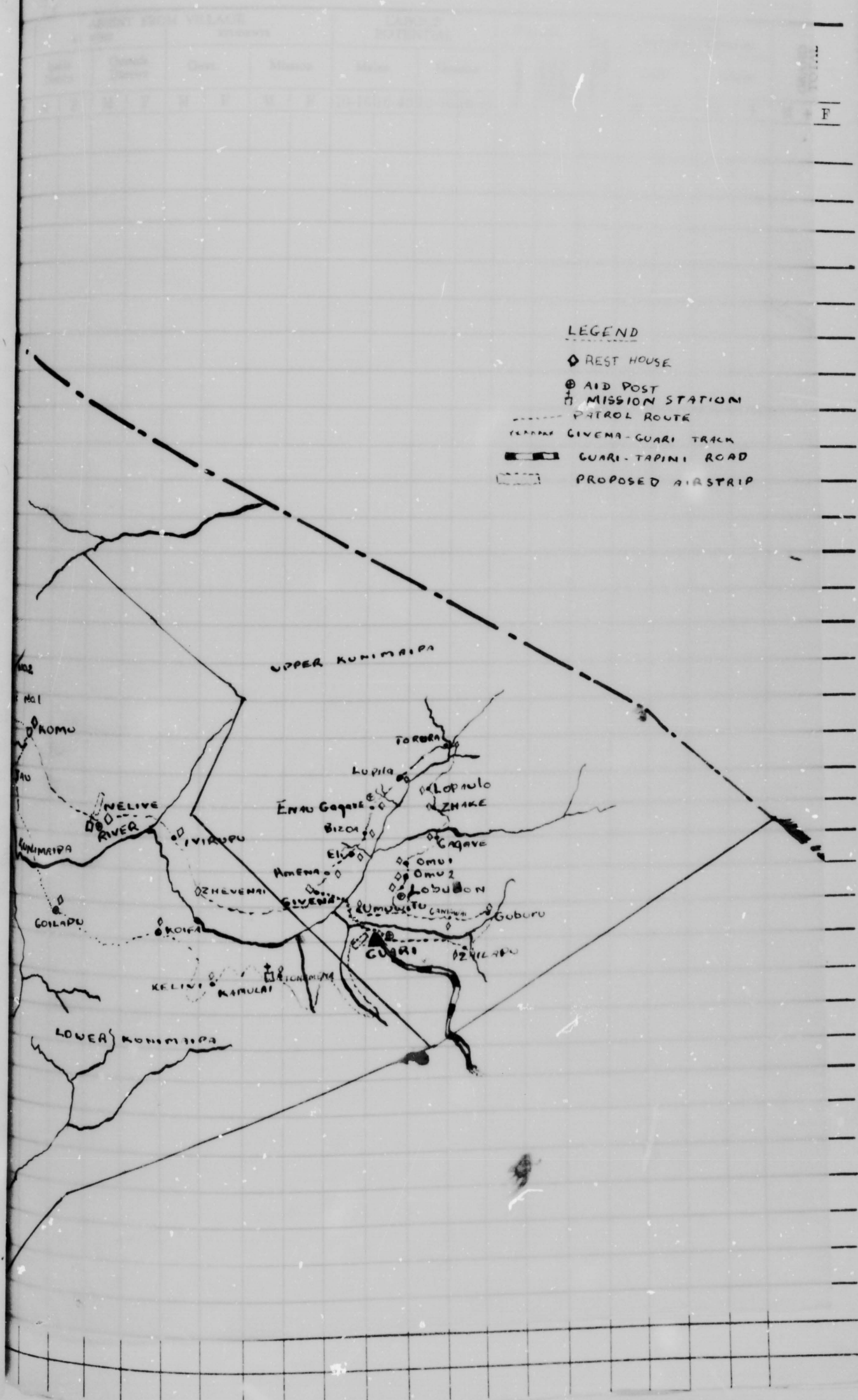


## Appendix (d)

Change of Village Constables

In some villages it was found necessary to change the present Official for one who through youth or greater interest in the job was deemed to be more suitable for the job. In general the Village Constables in this area display a high interest in their work, and it will be noted that of the eight men recommended as changes only two are replacing men who were dismissed for abusing their position. These two had previous convictions and in spite of constant warnings by various Patrol Officers showed no inclination for reform. The other <sup>five</sup> who were replaced due to old age requested the replacement themselves feeling that they were now at the stage where they should be allowed to enjoy life without the burden of responsibility. Almost without exception the men recommended for as their replacements are men in their early thirties who have shown themselves to be keenly interested in the welfare and progress of their village in particular and the area in general. Below is a list of the men recommended as replacements, the appropriate forms have been made out and are included with the copy of the Patrol Report sent to the District Commissioner for his information and approval. It will be noted that in the case of Komui-Korap of Jau that there was no old Village Constable to be replaced as this is a new village, commented on in this Report and made the subject of an appendix in Mr. Weber's Memorandum of Patrol.

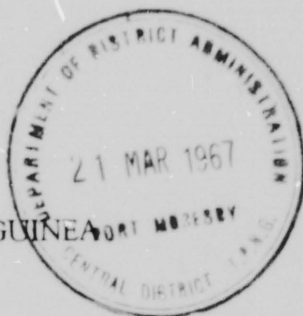
New Official	Village	Old Official
Koito-Bauai	Ivirupu	retired
Komui-Korap	Jau	not applicable
Koito-Bauai	Zhevenai	dismissed
Tai'a-Lavai	Umuwitu	dismissed
Etauai-Bauai	Zeviamai	retired
Bauai-Kaziri	Zailapu	retired
Suiza-Katau	Guari (1)	retired
Goumap-Katau	Guari (2)	retired







TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



## PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL Report No. 9-66/67

Patrol Conducted by P. A. BRIGGS, PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled AIWARA CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans N/A

Natives R. P. N. G. C. (S) INTERPRETER (S)

Duration—From 15/2/1967 to 28/2/1967

Number of Days 13

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? N/A

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 8/1966

Medical 3/1966

Map Reference ADAMSONS MAP OF THE COAST

Objects of Patrol GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

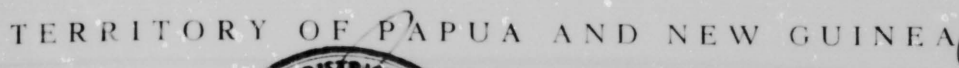
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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation \$

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund \$

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



(R.T. GALLOWAY)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER C.D.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



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Mr.

67-8-9

Department of District Administration,  
District Office,  
P.O. Box 776,  
Port Moresby,  
Central District.

18th. April, 1967

Director,  
Department District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 9/66-67  
Mr. P.A. Briggs

Further to my memorandum 67-8-9 of 29th. March, 1967  
paragraphs 4, 5, & 6.

2. Attached is copy of memorandum 37-6-2 of 6th. April, 1967 from Assistant District Commissioner, Kokoda.
3. This appears to clarify the matter. Assistant District Commissioner, Tapini has been advised of this development.

*R. J. Galloway*  
(R. J. GALLOWAY)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER C. D.

*2* *4/5*

37-6-2

Sub District Office,  
K O K O D A.  
Northern District.  
6th April, 1967.

The District Commissioner,  
Northern District,  
POPONDETTA.

ENQUIRY RE NATIVE OF GOILALA

1. Your 37-3-3 of 13.3.67 refers. I managed to contact the wife of the deceased man and his paternal aunt who are both living at Mamba Plantation.
2. KOPA - KOGH died at KOKODA hospital on 13th January 1967. Cause of death on the relevant death certificate appears as cerebral malaria and broncho-pneumonia. A copy of the death certificate serial No.14-1/14 was posted to District Commissioner, Central District.
3. KOPA's aunt states that when he was dying he claimed that KIPU struck him with an axe in the village. He received treatment at TOBO (?) Aid Post or Hospital. Then he came down and worked at Mamba Plantation for four or five months. He attended the New Year 'singsing' staged by Mamba and took part in the singing and dancing. He then became sick and was taken to KOKODA hospital where he subsequently died and was buried at Mamba Plantation. She states no-one here knew he had been struck by an axe in his village until he was dying, when he told her. The aunt's name is MAWA/KUMA who is residing with her husband, an employee at Mamba.
4. KOPA's wife, OBI/KIARA, is also at Mamba and staying with MAWA. She gave birth to a daughter who died the day after birth.
5. Neither of the women appear to be concerned greatly with the events leading up to KOPA's death.
6. I think it unlikely - my opinion only - that KOPA died as a result of a head wound received months previously.

*W. Day*  
( C.G. DAY.)  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.



67-1-20

28th April, 1967.

The District Commissioner,  
P.O. Box 776,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

TAPINI PATROL NO. 9 of 1966/67.

Your 67-8-9 of 29th March, 1967, refers.

Your comments and those of the Assistant District Commissioner, Tapini appear adequately to cover the report submitted by Mr. Briggs.

The situation seems to be satisfactory. Regular contact and clear explanation of our aims and motives are essential. Explanation of local government is vital but only by participation will real understanding and appreciation of it be forthcoming.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

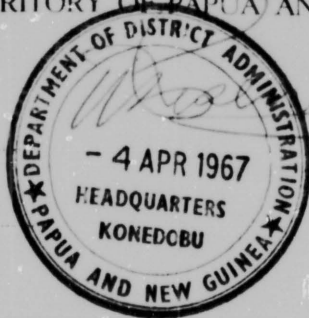
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Mr.



Department of District Administration,  
District Office,

Port Moresby,  
Central District.

29th. March, 1967.

Director,  
Department District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL REPORT No. 9/66-67  
Mr. P.A. BRIGGS.

Copy of the above report is forwarded for your information.

2) Other than the spate of complaints, the patrol was of a routine nature.

3) Complaints.

Most were of a trivial nature. Only one needed thorough investigation - the possible payback for death of one Kopa Koga of Laitate.

4) Although Mr. Briggs has effected an amicable settlement among the participants, there is still some doubt as to the whereabouts of the body of Kopa Koga. It is known he proceeded to Chirima for a dance. He is reported to have died there and rumours have it they commenced to carry the body back to Goilala and buried it on the track.

5) There is also the possibility that the blow on the head was not the cause of death, as the fight took place about ten (10) months before.

6) The matter is still being investigated at Goilala. Inquiries are also being made at Kokoda to see if they have received any reports.

*R.T. Galloway*  
(R.T. GALLOWAY)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER C.D.



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Sub-District Office,  
Tapini,  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT, C.D.

18th March, 1967

The District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT No.9 /66-67 : AIWARRA

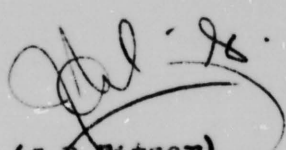
The District Commissioner is already aware of the position in regard to the KUNIMA / LAITATI matter and from our conversation of the general bickering and minor worries that led to the mounting of the patrol.

The patrol achieved this purpose and all reports now indicate that at least temporarily peace and quiet has returned to the Aiwarra.

- 1) Native attitudes - at least two pre-election propaganda patrols were mounted prior to elections and the Aiwarra's have had Local Government explained to them by patrols since the time of Mr.J.C.Baker: one can only hope that greater understanding will arrive through practice.
- 2) Census - the mobile nature of the IVEIYAVA / SOPU is new phenomena however it does seem to be stabilising in that more and more are settling permanently at KOSIPI and registering within the census division.
- 3) Mission Airstrip / Kunima - some misunderstanding may arise from the wording in this section. Mr.Briggs has been told that he may render every assistance to Fr.Guichet in the preparation of his documents, naturally it would be most unwise for a Government Officer to prepare and submit any such application.

Camping Allowance claims are attached.

Submitted for the District Commissioner's perusal and comment please.

  
(J.D.Fitzer)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Att.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams .....  
Our Reference..... 67-1-1 .....  
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Department of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
Goilala Sub-District,  
TAPINI C.D.  
9th March 1967.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Goilala Sub-District,  
TAPINI C.D.

Tapini Patrol Report No.9-66/67.

Submitted for your perusal, comment and onforwarding  
are three copies of the above report.

Patrol Conducted by	P.A. Briggs Patrol Officer.
Area Patrolled	Aiwara Census Division.
Personell Accompanying	R.P.N.G.C. (5) Interpreter (1)
Duration of Patrol	13 days (15/2 - 28/2/67)
Objects of Patrol	General Administration.

For your information please,

*P.A. Briggs*  
(P.A. Briggs)

Patrol Officer.

Attached : Camping allowance claim  
(Liam Girau Interpreter)  
(P.A. Briggs P.O.)

Enclosed : Patrol Diary  
Patrol Report  
Appendix (1) Report on members R.P.N.G.C Accompanying.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference 67-1-1

If calling ask for

Mr. JDF/Waf.

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,  
TAPINI,  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT, C.D.

13th February, 1967.

Mr. P.O. Briggs,  
TAPINI.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS; AIWARA ADMINISTRATIVE PATROL

Please be prepared to depart this station on Wednesday, 15th February, 1967 to conduct a routine Administrative patrol of that section of the AIWARA from MAINE to the LAITATI-SOPU areas, the ILAI-KILEPI areas and the KUNIMA-OROTOA areas.

You will be aware that reports have reached me of a threatened pay-back killing involving LAITATI and KUNIMA and that a patrol in the field is currently investigating the same. You will also be aware of our current crop of minor complaints, differences and bickerings arriving almost daily from these areas.

Whilst this is an annual recurrent symptom it does seem that the crop is a little heavier than usual.

With a view to giving these people something better to occupy their minds your visit is to be leisurely and to include such mundane matters as village housing and cleanliness, rubbish and night-soil disposal, roads and tracks etc..

Kindly make yourself fully available to hear and settle all complaints and differences no matter how trivial; one of the prime reasons for your visit will be to give the people a chance to air the same.

I take this opportunity also of exercising certain of the detachment who have fallen behind in patrolling duties; accompanying you therefor will be Sergeant Kenava, S/Constable OLOWARE and Constables BAURIMA, DIDIME and KEOWA.

Apart from routine duties there are sufficient Police to observe due formalities; this will enable a more impressive "showing of the flag" throughout the areas in which you will be patrolling.

Upon the completion of your work in the AIWARA kindly cross to KOIOLAVAVA and there enquire into the alleged trespass and misuse of Peter ETAU's land by the ERUMELAVAVA people.

Whilst it is impossible to set a time limit I estimate that you should be able to complete prior to Easter.

I wish you a pleasant and successful patrol.

(J.D. FITZER)  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

PATROL DIARY:

February 15th: Departed Tapini at 0730 hrs for Aiwara Patrol, met Mr. C.P.O. Ede at Koruava and discussed with him the current situation at Laitate. Proceeded on to Gariba, where the people were assembled and waiting for the Patrol, quite a number of complaints settled by arbitration and one case settled in the Local Court. Slept Gariba.

February 16th: Departed Gariba for Maine/Aparota at 0705 hrs arriving there at 1100 hrs. A housing inspection conducted and all hamlets found to be satisfactory except the hamlet of Maine, where the majority of houses were in an unsanitary condition and in need of maintenance. A large number of minor complaints settled here. Slept Maine.

February 17th: Departed Maine at 0730 hrs for Laitate, followed an native track across the Ilo creek and saved almost an hour on the orthodox route. Arrived Laitate at 1100 hrs. All the people comprising this Census Unit were awaiting the Patrol. Discussions and investigations all day, into the matter of Kopa-Koga and alleged payback. Nothing of great import unearthed. Slept Laitate.

February 18th: Departed Laitate for Ivyava at 0700 hrs, arrived at 0800 hrs. Very few people present, the majority of the population away at Kosipi. Constable Moko dispatched to bring them back as I wished to conduct a census here in order to check on census conducted in August '66. The Patrol moved on to Sopu. Slept Sopu.

February 19th: Sunday observed. Discussion, informal, with the Sopu people with regard to the extension of the Local Government Council. 1400 hrs. Constable Kiaswo and Senior Constable Oloware report to Sopu with escaped prisoners. Slept Sopu.

February 20th: Constable Moko returns ex Kosipi with the Ivyava absentees. Patrol moved to Loleava, arriving at 1130 hrs. Discussion held here concerning Local Government, no courts and the people appear to be very content. Investigation into the source of Kopa-Koga's alleged death continued, (see confidential file).

February 21st: Departed Loleava for Lamanaipa at 0745 hrs, arrived Lamanaipa at 1100 hrs. The Lamanaipa people make a gift of 2 large pigs and food to the Patrol, reciprocal gift given by self. No courts here but quite a few minor complaints. Slept Lamanaipa.

February 22nd: Departed Lamanaipa for Malava at 0700 hrs. Arrived Malava at 1030 hrs. Kileipi and Malava people all present, many queries by these people concerning Local Government and its intricacies, they appeared to be genuinely interested. No serious complaints here but again many minor ones settled by arbitration. Slept Malava.

February 23rd: Departed Malava for Ilai, Gane Village by-passed due to its depletion in population (Port Moresby), arrived Ilai at 1200 hrs after a five hour walk. People assembled and awaiting the Patrol. The Laitate people arrived at 1300 hrs and a traditional pay-back of pigs, money, axes and sundry items effected, this being for payment of the death of Kopa (Laitate), the Ilais being involved due to Kipi (alleged attacker) being resident there. Slept Ilai.

February 24th: Departed Ilai for Elava, at 0800 hrs, arrived Elava at 1100 hrs. People assembled and usual talk about Local Government conducted. Many complaints settled here. Two Policemen dispatched to Kanitatalavava to arrest escapees. Slept Elava.

Continued.



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PATROL DIARY: Continued:

February 25th: Departed Elava for Eiyapu at 0700 hrs, arrived at 1300 hrs. Stopped en-route to talk with the Kiletu, Moingilli people with regard to Local Government, Local Court convened for five matters. Proceeded on to Eiyapu, these people assembled and usual discussions re Councils ensued no major complaints here. Self feeling ill and Constable Moko appears to have a bad case of influenza. Slept Eiyapu.

February 26th: Sunday observed at Eiyapu.

February 27th: Departed Eiyapu at 0600 hrs for Kunima, spoke to the Kanitatalavava people en-route no courts here. Arrived Kunima at 1300 hrs. No courts here but many minor complaints. A similar arrangement effected here between the Kunima and Matate people re Kopa Koga as was carried out at Ilai. Constable Moko still ill and Sgt Kenava has twisted his leg. Slept Kunima.

February 28th: Departed Kunima for Erumelavava via Kariaritsi, arrived Kariaritsi at 0900 hrs, self feeling ill, Patrol Personell also in poor health. Decided to return Tapini, via Matsialavava arrived Tapini 1440 hrs. Patrol stood down.

End of Dairy.

PATROL REPORT:Introduction:

The months of November to April seem to be the period in this Sub-District when the residents of the area find that they have very little to occupy their energies, consequently the amount of spare time is increased and a corresponding increase in disputes and minor complaints is inevitable. However, as can be seen from the Patrol Instructions for this Patrol these complaints appeared to be larger in number and of a somewhat more serious nature this year than in previous years. It was for this reason that the Patrol was mounted, simply, to settle these matters before they were given a chance to magnify themselves, and lead to more serious troubles in the future.

The Patrol moved through the Aiwara valley, this is the biggest single census unit in the Tapini Administrative area and consequently the crop of complaints was largest from this area. The Patrol was leisurely, except for the last four days, when the proximity of the inaugural meeting of the newly formed Tapini Local Government Council made it necessary for the Patrol to move faster than I would have liked, in order to be clear of the area and thus not hinder the plans laid for the meeting.

Native Attitudes:

(a) The attitude towards the Administration by the people of this area is quite pleasing. For the length of the Patrol I received the utmost in co-operation and assistance from any Village Official or any resident of the area whom I asked, or requested it from. However this attitude is, I am sure, only evident when there is a Government Officer actually in the area, upon his departure the people tend to let it "tarnish" a little and seem to show only a portion of the enthusiasm that they evince upon an Officer's arrival, or during his stay. This is not unnatural and could be likened to doing one's best for the gratification of the visitor.

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67-8-9

18th. April, 1967

Director,  
Department District Administration,  
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PATROL REPORT NO. 9/66-67  
Mr. P.A. Briggs

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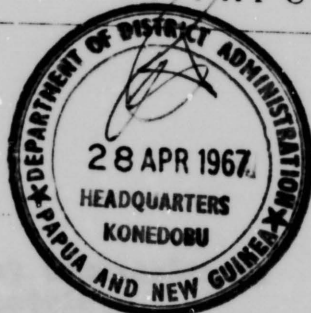
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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37-6-2

Sub District Office,  
K O K O D A  
Northern District.  
6th April, 1967.

The District Commissioner,  
Northern District,  
PORT KAITUMA.

ENQUIRY RE NATIVE OF KOTIATA

1. Your 37-3-3 of 13.3.67 refers. I managed to contact the wife of the deceased man and his paternal aunt who are both living at Kumba Plantation.
2. KOPA - KORN died at KIKOMA hospital on 13th January 1967, cause of death on the relevant death certificate appears as cerebral malaria and broncho-pneumonia. A copy of the death certificate serial No.14-1/14 was posted to District Commissioner, Central District.
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4. KOPA's wife, OBI/KIABA, is also at Kumba and staying with KAVA. She gave birth to a daughter who died the day after birth.
5. Neither of the women appear to be concerned greatly with the events leading up to KOPA's death.
6. I think it unlikely - my opinion only - that KOPA died as a result of a head wound received months previously.

( S.S. M.F. )  
*Wiley*  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.



67-1-20

28th April, 1967.

The District Commissioner,  
P.O. Box 776,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

TAPINI PATROL NO. 9 of 1966/67.

Your 67-8-9 of 29th March, 1967, refers.

Your comments and those of the Assistant District Commissioner, Tapini appear adequately to cover the report submitted by Mr. Briggs.

The situation seems to be satisfactory. Regular contact and clear explanation of our aims and motives are essential. Explanation of local government is vital but only by participation will real understanding and appreciation of it be forthcoming.

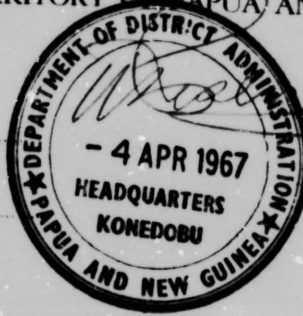
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(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.



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PATROL REPORT No. 9/66-67  
Mr. P.A. BRIGGS.

Copy of the above report is forwarded for your information.

- 2) Other than the spate of complaints, the patrol was of a routine nature.
- 3) Complaints.  
Most were of a trivial nature. Only one needed thorough investigation - the possible payback for death of one Kopa Koga of Laitate.
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*R.T. Galloway*  
(R.T. GALLOWAY)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER C.D



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Sub-District Office,  
Tapini,  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT, C.D.

18th March, 1967

The District Commissioner,  
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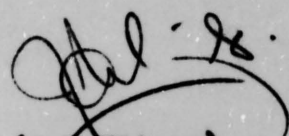
The District Commissioner is already aware of the position in regard to the KUNIMA / LAITATI matter and from our conversation of the general bickering and minor worries that led to the mounting of the patrol.

The patrol achieved this purpose and all reports now indicate that at least temporarily peace and quiet has returned to the Aiwarra.

- 1) Native attitudes - at least two pre-election propaganda patrols were mounted prior to elections and the Aiwarra's have had Local Government explained to them by patrols since the time of Mr. J.C. Baker: one can only hope that greater understanding will arrive through practice.
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- 3) Mission Airstrip / Kunima - some misunderstanding may arise from the wording in this section. Mr. Briggs has been told that he may render every assistance to Fr. Guichet in the preparation of his documents, naturally it would be most unwise for a Government Officer to prepare and submit any such application.

Camping Allowance claims are attached.

Submitted for the District Commissioner's perusal and comment please.

  
(J.D. Fitzer)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

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Department of District Administration.

Sub-District Office,

Gailala Sub-District,

TAPINI C.D.

9th March 1967.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Gailala Sub-District,  
TAPINI C.D.

Tapini Patrol Report No.9-66/67.

Submitted for your perusal, comment and onforwarding  
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Patrol Conducted by

P.A. Briggs Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled

Aiwara Census Division.

Personell Accompanying

R.P.N.G.C. (5)  
Interpreter (1)

Duration of Patrol

13 days (15/2 - 28/2/67)

Objects of Patrol

General Administration.

For your information please,

*P.A. Briggs*  
(P.A. Briggs)

Patrol Officer.

Attached : Camping allowance claim  
(Liam Girau Interpreter)  
(P.A. Briggs P.O.)

Enclosed : Patrol Diary  
Patrol Report  
Appendix (1) Report on members R.P.N.G.C Accompanying.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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TAPINI,

GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT, C.D.

13th February, 1967.

Mr. P.O. Briggs,  
TAPINI.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS; AIWARA ADMINISTRATIVE PATROL

Please be prepared to depart this station on Wednesday, 15th February, 1967 to conduct a routine Administrative patrol of that section of the AIWARA from MAINE to the LAITATI-SOPU areas, the ILAI-KILEPI areas and the KUNIMA-OROTOA areas.

You will be aware that reports have reached me of a threatened pay-back killing involving LAITATI and KUNIMA and that a patrol in the field is currently investigating the same. You will also be aware of our current crop of minor complaints, differences and bickerings arriving almost daily from these areas.

Whilst this is an annual recurrent symptom it does seem that the crop is a little heavier than usual.

With a view to giving these people something better to occupy their minds your visit is to be leisurely and to include such mundane matters as village housing and cleanliness, rubbish and night-soil disposal, roads and tracks etc..

Kindly make yourself fully available to hear and settle all complaints and differences no matter how trivial; one of the prime reasons for your visit will be to give the people a chance to air the same.

I take this opportunity also of exercising certain of the detachment who have fallen behind in patrolling duties; accompanying you therefor will be Sergeant Kenava, S/Constable OLOWARE and Constables BAURIMA, DIDIME and KEOWA.

Apart from routine duties there are sufficient Police to observe due formalities; this will enable a more impressive "showing of the flag" throughout the areas in which you will be patrolling.

Upon the completion of your work in the AIWARA kindly cross to KOILOLAVAVA and there enquire into the alleged trespass and misuse of Peter ETAU's land by the ERUMELAVAVA people.

Whilst it is impossible to set a time limit I estimate that you should be able to complete prior to Easter.

I wish you a pleasant and successful patrol.

(J.D.FITZER)  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

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PATROL DIARY:

February 15th: Departed Tapini at 0730 hrs for Aiwara Patrol, met Mr. C.P.O. Ede at Koruava and discussed with him the current situation at Laitate. Proceeded on to Garipa, where the people were assembled and waiting for the Patrol, quite a number of complaints settled by arbitration and one case settled in the Local Court. Slept Garipa.

February 16th: Departed Garipa for Maine/Aparota at 0705 hrs arriving there at 1100 hrs. A housing inspection conducted and all hamlets found to be satisfactory except the hamlet of Maine, where the majority of houses were in an unsanitary condition and in need of maintenance. A large number of minor complaints settled here. Slept Maine.

February 17th: Departed Maine at 0730 hrs for Laitate, followed an native track across the Ilo creek and saved almost an hour on the orthodox route. Arrived Laitate at 1100 hrs. All the people comprising this Census Unit were awaiting the Patrol. Discussions and Investigations all day, into the matter of Kopa-Koga and alleged payback. Nothing of great import unearthed. Slept Laitate.

February 18th: Departed Laitate for Ivyava at 0700 hrs, arrived at 0800 hrs. Very few people present, the majority of the population away at Kosipi. Constable Moko dispatched to bring them back as I wished to conduct a census here in order to check on census conducted in August '66. The Patrol moved on to Sopu. Slept Sopu.

February 19th: Sunday observed. Discussion, informal, with the Sopu people with regard to the extension of the Local Government Council. 1400 hrs. Constable Kiawo and Senior Constable Oloware report to Sopu with escaped prisoners. Slept Sopu.

February 20th: Constable Moko returns ex Kosipi with the Ivyava absentees. Patrol moved to Loleava, arriving at 1130 hrs. Discussion held here concerning Local Government, no courts and the people appear to be very content. Investigation into the source of Kopa-Koga's alleged death continued, (see confidential file).

February 21st: Departed Loleava for Lamanaipa at 0745 hrs, arrived Lamanaipa at 1100 hrs. The Lamanaipa people make a gift of 2 large pigs and food to the Patrol, reciprocal gift given by self. No courts here but quite a few minor complaints. Slept Lamanaipa.

February 22nd: Departed Lamanaipa for Malava at 0700 hrs. Arrived Malava at 1030 hrs. Kileipi and Malava people all present, many queries by these people concerning Local Government and its intricacies, they appeared to be genuinely interested. No serious complaints here but again many minor ones settled by arbitration. Slept Malava.

February 23rd: Departed Malava for Ilai, Gane Village by-passed due to its depletion in population (Port Moresby), arrived Ilai at 1200 hrs after a five hour walk. People assembled and awaiting the Patrol. The Laitate people arrived at 1300 hrs and a traditional pay-back of pigs, money, axes and sundry items effected, this being for payment of the death of Kopa (Laitate), the Ilais being involved due to Kipi (alleged attacker) being resident there. Slept Ilai.

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PATROL DIARY: Continued:

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February 26th: Sunday observed at Eiyapu.

February 27th: Departed Eiyapu at 0600 hrs for Kunima, spoke to the Kanitatalavava people en-route no courts here. Arrived Kunima at 1300 hrs. No courts here but many minor complaints. A similar arrangement effected here between the Kunima and Matate people re Kopa Koga as was carried out at Ilai. Constable Moko still ill and Sgt Kenava has twisted his leg. Slept Kunima.

February 28th: Departed Kunima for <sup>E</sup>rumelavava via Kariaritsi, arrived Kariaritsi at 0900 hrs, self feeling ill, Patrol Personell also in poor health. Decided to return Tapini, via Matsialavava arrived Tapini 1440 hrs. Patrol stood down.

End of Dairy.

PATROL REPORT:Introduction:

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I would suggest that action be taken to ensure that the people living at Iyava stay there and that those wishing to live at Kosipi or its surroundings be enumerated and written into the Tax census register for that area, this would help to prevent future confusion and also would prevent a family being taxed twice by the two Councils.

Mission Airstrip Kurima:

At Kunima, the airstrip being constructed by the Catholic Mission Kerau is now nearing completion, the Father-in-Charge estimates four to six months work yet remains. He expressed concern to me regarding how the people who have worked on the strip since its beginning will react when people who have not contributed attempt to utilise the strip for their own purposes. I spoke to a number of workers and was told definitely that no one except the workers would be able to use it. This attitude could lead to some disturbance in the future.

Father Gische has asked that I submit an application to purchase the strip area, after discussion with yourself I could do this and send the completed form to him for signature. The purchase of the land by the mission may help to avoid a situation as mentioned previously and it would undoubtedly consolidate the Mission's position.

Villages:

The Villages in the area show a marked improvement since my last Patrol there, in almost all places new houses have been built, village pigs do not appear to be kept in the village itself but are kept in a large fenced area of grazing land which is used communally. Also the Villages of Gare and Eiyapu have undertaken schemes to run water into the village area by way of bamboo pipes, thus ensuring a reasonable supply of fresh water to the village.

Conclusion:

The Patrol achieved its purpose of settling all and sundry disputes in the area, if it became boring at times settling matrimonial troubles and dispute over pigs and fowls, it was also gratifying in its own manner. The Patrol was well received at all villages and numerous gifts of food and tobacco was made to it.

D. A. Briggs

(P.A. Briggs)

Patrol Officer.



Appendix No. 1:Report on R.P.N.G.C. Members accompanying:Reg No. 2142 Sergeant 2/c KENAVA:

An efficient capable N.C.O. who commands the respect of his fellow members. An asset to the Patrol in all ways. Conduct excellent.

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A very reliable steady man, one who shows initiative and ability. Conduct Excellent.

Reg No. 7987 Constable 5th Year MOKO:

Although not quite as smart as many Moko shows steadfast ability and tenacity to the job in hand. Very reliable. Conduct Excellent.

Reg No. 9732 Constable 5th Year Didime:

Inclined to be somewhat 'fiery' but otherwise an excellent policeman in all aspects. Would make a very good N.C.O. Conduct Excellent.

Reg No. 11295 Constable 1st year KIAMO:

This young Constable has improved immensely in the last few months, is now quite reliable and capable. An extremely happy young man and always the joker of the group. Conduct Excellent.

The above comments have been entered upon the members' respective Records of Service.

*P.A. Briggs*  
(P.A. Briggs)  
PATROL OFFICER.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## PATROL REPORT

District of... CENTRAL ... Report No. ... TAR 10/66-67

Patrol Conducted by... P.A. BRIGGS ... PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled... PILITU CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans... Nil

Natives... 3 R.P &amp; N.G.C. 1 Interpreter

Duration—From... 11/ 4 .../1967 to... 25/ 4 .../1967

Number of Days... 14

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? ... No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services... 7.../11.../1966

Medical ... NO .../.../19...

Map Reference... SKETCH MAP

Objects of Patrol... Tax Census and general Routine

Administration

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... \$.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund .... \$.....

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**67-1-27**

11th July, 1967.

**The District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.**

TAPINI PATROL NO. 10 of 1966/67.

**Your 67-8-10 of 24/5 refers.**

From your 67-8-10 of 24/5 to the A.D.C., Tapini,  
it appears that you have most matters arising from Mr. Briggs' report well in hand.

As the Pilitu Census Division has just been included in the Council area it would be most surprising if elected Councillors yet have any appreciation of their role. It is also unlikely that, with the retention of village constables, the Councillors will make much impression against their entrenched influence.

Furthermore, it is not uncommon for confusion to be caused amongst the people in new Council areas by the retention of village constables. This case is similar to that of many areas where the establishment of properly organised Ward Committees has very adequately filled the gap created by the disappearance of the village constables. My opinion is that to maintain the old order in the midst of new developments is unsatisfactory.

I urge the formation of ward committees and the retirement of village constables as a very important step in the development of the Council system in this area. The construction of an internal road network would allow police posts to be established if considered necessary.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



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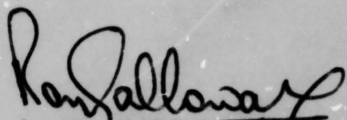
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The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 10 OF 66/67 - PILITU C/D  
P.A. BRIGGS - PATROL OFFICER

Copy of above report, together with covering  
comments by the A.D.C. and myself, is forwarded for your  
information.

2. I will be writing separately in regard to  
some of the matters raised within the report and attached  
memoranda.

  
(R.T. GALLOWAY)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER. C.D.

Att.



Ref: 67-8-10

24th May, 1967.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
**TAPINI.**

**PATROL REPORT NO. 10 OF 66/67 - PILITU C/D**  
**P.A. BRIGGS, PATROL OFFICER**

Thank you for receipt of the above Patrol Report, together with your covering comments. Some aspects are not completely clear and I will require your further advice.

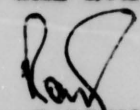
2. **Format of Report.** As with general correspondence, I require that all pages and paragraphs be given an appropriate number so that there may be ready reference to any part of the report. This has not been done. Please refer to my 1-3-28 of 22/3/67 to all Assistant District Commissioners. Please do not accept any reports which are deficient in this regard.

3. **Tax/Census.** Does the tax collection refer to collection of Council tax or Personal tax? Mr. Briggs' references to this aspect of activity are much too vague and general. If it was Council tax, then this is a task of the Council, not of the patrolling officer. If it was Personal tax, then it was collected in respect of what year? No tax rate has been set for 1966/67, the rate for 1965/66 was set at £2 with no gazetted variations. Previously the tax rate for all villages in the Gailala was set at 10/-. Please advise me in regard to these collections. Had the reporting officer embodied details of the basis on which collections were made, tax rates, year concerned, amounts collected, exemptions granted, etc., the position might have been much clearer to me. I will write you separately in regard to Personal tax collections as they concern the Subdistrict in general.

4. **Laramaita and Janialawaya.** What are your recommendations in this regard? Since they are part of Tapini Council area, Mr. Briggs' suggestion seems a reasonable one.

5. **Councillors (IG) and Village Constables.** I was interested to read Mr. Briggs' comments. You will recall I spoke with you regarding recommendations to be made in respect of village law official appointments on a Ward basis. I will write you separately on this. I content myself at this stage by commenting that there is still a need for a law and order functionary even within local government areas and that conflict should not necessarily arise, since the 'duty statements' of Councillors and law officials are quite different.

6. **Tapini to Bakgi'ndu Road.** Append. 2. Mr. Briggs' comments are relevant and interesting. With you, I agree that it is better at this stage to tackle internal access roads. When the Port Moresby to Bereina road becomes a reality, then the way may be clearer to think about some kind of a connecting link with the mountains, bridle track, cycle track, tractor track, whatever form is most suited to needs and available resources.

  
(R.T. GALLOWAY)  
**DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, C.D.**

67-1-1

JDF/vaf

Sub-District Office,  
Tapini,  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT, C.D.

15th May, 1967

The District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
MORI MORESEY.

PATROL REPORT No.10 1966/67 : PILITU CENSUS DIVISION

1. Attached please find above mentioned Patrol Report of a routine nature. The report itself requires little comment.
2. I am not overly happy with the proposed outlet road via BAKGI'UDU regardless of the fact that it is viewed as a 5-6 year project by the local Government Council.
3. My views on this were expressed in my memo 10-15-1 of 1st April, 1967 to yourself. They remain unchanged with the further clarifying statement in regard to para 7 that I doubt very much that such a road would progress much further than the AUGA Valley and in point of fact that I am somewhat sceptical that it will ever move further than the IVANE.
4. As at writing still no action further than a rough preliminary fruitless and abandoned survey to the AIBALA River has taken place.
5. The whole question of a Coastal access road would seem to be dependent upon the final route for the Moresby - Bereina road, or for that matter the proposed Highlands - Gulf District road which if it were constructed could easily mean that this Sub-District's logical outlet would lie to the North and not South. The whole matter at the moment seems to me one of pure conjecture.
6. For the moment it would be much better if the local peoples' enthusiasm was channelled into projects such as short internal access roads which would be well within their capabilities and the completion of which would give them tangible and immediate returns.
7. The relevant section of the Common Roll has been amended.

*J.D. Fitzer*  
(J.D. Fitzer)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

ATT.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference.....67-1-1.....

If calling ask for

Mr. JDF/vaf

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,

Tapini,

GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT.C.D.

6th April, 1967

Mr. P.C. Briggs,

Sub-District Office,

TAPINI.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS : PILITU

1. Please prepare to conduct a routine Census and Administration Patrol of the above mentioned Census Division.
2. In conjunction with the above kindly revise the appropriate section of the Electorate of Moresby Common Roll.
3. Conduct a rough feasibility survey of that section of country lying between BAKOU'UDU, ABOABA the AUGA and IVANE valleys: through this country will have to run the road at present vaguely under discussion by certain Local Government Councillors.
4. Take this opportunity of exercising those remaining members of the Royal Papua and New Guinea Constabulary Detachment not on current Duties Roster.

I wish you a pleasant and successfull patrol.

(J. A. Fitzer)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER



# TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference..... **67-1-1**  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,  
Central District,  
**TAPINI.**

5th May, 1967.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
**TAPINI. C.D.**

## TAPINI PATROL REPORT No.10 1966/67.

Submitted for your perusal, comment, and onforwarding are  
four copies of the above report.

Patrol Conducted by	P.A.Briggs Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled	PII ITU Census Division.
Personell Accompanying	R.P & N.G.C (3) Interpreter (1)

Duration of Patrol	14 days (11/4 - 25/4/67)
Objects of Patrol	Tax/Census General Administration

For your information please.

*P.A. Briggs*  
(P.A.Briggs)  
Patrol Officer.

Attached : Camping allowance Claims  
(Leiam Girau Interpreter)  
(P.A.Briggs P.O.)

Enclosed: Patrol Diary  
Appendix (1) Census Statistics  
Appendix (2) Road Survey  
Appendix (3) Giligatoi settlers.  
Appendix (4) Report on members R.P & N.G.C. accompanying



PATROL DIARY.

Tuesday 11th: Departed Tapini 0830 hrs for Tororo, road closed at Nelive, walked to Tororo, camp established and two courts settled in the afternoon. All else well. Slept Tororo.

Wednesday 12th: Departed Tororo at 0600 hrs for Ilimave for road inspection, 6 hours, then back to Laramaita, arriving 1500 hrs. Census conducted and six courts settled. Slept Laramaita.

Thursday 13th: Departed Laramaita at 0700 hrs for Zaniavava. Arrived at 0900 hrs. Census conducted and discussions held concerning the future House of Assembly elections concluding at 1200 hrs. Mr. Weber A.D.O. Guari arrived at 1300 hrs. Courts conducted in the afternoon. Slept Zaniavava.

Friday 14th: Departed Zaniavava at 0700 hrs for Lamina, Mr. Weber accompanying. Arrived Ariome at 1200 hrs. Carriers fed. Mr. Weber to Tapini self to Lamina, arriving 1500 hrs. Slept Lamina.

Saturday 15th: Census conducted for Lamina and Poruelavava groups, finishing at 0900 hrs. Departed Lamina for Lotuava at 1300 hrs. Census conducted for the Lotuava and Bolubolu groups. No courts. Two pigs presented to the Patrol in the afternoon. Slept Lotuava.

Sunday 16th: Sunday observed at Lotuava. Slept Lotuava.

Monday 17th: Departed Lotuava at 0715 hrs for Zhamora, arriving at 1030 hrs. Census conducted for the Zhamora groups at 1100 hrs, finishing at 1200 hrs. No courts. General attitude quite satisfactory. Slept Zhamora.

Tuesday 18th: Departed Zhamora at 0645 hrs for Lamoro, arriving at 0850 hrs. Census conducted for the Lamoro and Opore groups. Three pigs presented to the Patrol, a general discussion for three hours and then departed for Wapote, arriving 1500 hrs, census conducted and no courts held. Slept Wapote.

Wednesday 19th: Departed Wapote for Niave at 0700 hrs, arriving at 0930. A very pleasant spot, only forty one people in this group and census completed by 1015 hrs. One court settled. Departed Niave. Patrol moved over a native track for Eifafu, a long hard walk, arriving at 1620 hrs. Flys erected at Eifafu and camp established. Slept Eifafu.

Thursday 20th: Departed Eifafu at 0630 hrs for Bakaïoudu, walking a long a long gently undulating spur to the Aiwara River (St. Josephs) which flows some two hundred yards wide here, crossed by a huge suspension cane bridge not extremely strong. Cargo crossed with extreme caution, taking one hour. Patrol continued uphill along a very steep ridge for one and a half hours, crossed a pass and then down, to Bakaïoudu. Camp made on the Agriculture station's ground and introduced self to Fr. Doel. Slept Bakaïoudu.

Patrol Diary (continued).

- Friday 21st: Day spent at Bakoiudu observing progress and layout of Rubber Plantation, very interesting. Learnt that road to Bereina was closed, and decided not to go down as it would necessitate using four extra days. Slept Bakoiudu.
- Saturday 22nd: Departed Bakoiudu at 0700 for Aubauba, a long walk, road very poor and overgrown. Arrived Aubauba at 1350 hrs. No food available, food brought from Bakoiudu eaten tonight. Slept Aubauba.
- Sunday 23rd: No food available for the carriers, a move to Keakamana necessitated in order to contact a few remnants of previous population in an attempt to get food for the carriers. Departed Aubauba at 0700 hrs, arriving Keakamana at 1200 hrs. Food available here and carriers fed. Slept Keakamana.
- Monday 24th: Day spent at Keakamana on the bank of the Aruala river. Bridge strengthened and carriers recuperated a little before climbing up the other bank (4000ft) slept Keakamana.
- Tuesday 25th: Departed Keakamana at 0630 hrs for Giliagatoi, arrived at the edge of the Aiwara river at 1600 hrs, proceeded to Giliagatoi and arrived at 1700 hrs, camp made. Slept Giliagatoi.
- Wednesday 26th: Departed Giliagatoi at 0700 hrs for Tapini, arrived at 1500 hrs, in the rain. Patrol stood down 1540 hrs.

END OF DIARY



### INTRODUCTION:

The Patrol was mounted for the purpose of the annual Tax/Census revision of the Pilitu Census Division in addition to this a feasibility survey of a proposed "coastal road" was carried out, for this purpose the Patrol entered the Kairuku Sub-District and proceeded to Bakai'oudu and returned to Tapini along the proposed route. Naturally in addition to these tasks, all aspects of general field administration were effected.

### NATIVE AFFAIRS:

Tax/Census: The Tax Collection and Census Revision for this Census Division is now completed. Tax Receipts have been acquitted at the Tapini cash office while the relative Census Statistics are attached to this Report as Appendix No. 1.

Tax recovery was low due to the large numbers of taxable men absent at Port Moresby or other places where employment can be gained. Due to the comparatively large number of aged or overburdened men left in the village exemptions were high.

The revision of the Census presented little difficulty apart from the apparent lack of knowledge of ones family and the inability of one family group to present themselves as a unit rather than a series of unattached stragglers, though somewhat trying this proved to be no great obstacle. The Census Unit of Giligatoi was not censused due to the large number of people reported to be absent at Bakoi'udu, however while at Bakoi'udu the matter was investigated and no members of the Giligatoi group were found to be present, this matter is discussed more fully under Appendix No. 3.

Incorporated in the Census Revision was a final revision of the Common Roll, deletions and additions as necessary have been made and an absentee list compiled where necessary, these will be presented separately from this report .

NATIVE AFFAIRS: (continued)

...report.

The Census Units of Laramaite and Zanialavava presently within the Pilitu Census Division, are also within the boundaries of the Kataipa/Loloipa Local Government Council. They are ethnically and linguistically related to the remainder of the villages in the Loloipa valley and are but an hours' walk from the last Census Unit on the Loloipa Patrol, as compared to their being four to five hours walk from the first Census Unit on the Pilitu Patrol.

In effect it is necessary to walk from Tapini to Laramaite, four hours, Census and sleep, then one hour to Zanialavava, census and sleep, the following day five hours of walking back to Tapini (Ariome Bridge) and then a further three hours to Lamina, the first Tauade speaking group on the Patrol.

It would be far easier, and save a good deal of time and money if the Census Units of Laramaite were included in the Loloipa Patrol and the Pilitu Patrol began at Lamina, (see Patrol map) which is the most logical place to begin the Patrol from.

NATIVE ATTITUDES: (a) For the majority of the Patrol I was particularly impressed with the friendly and co-operative attitude of the people, they appeared to go out of their way to welcome the Patrol and make its work easier. This is I believe a typical attitude both towards all Patrols and the Administration in general. (b) There is evident however amongst these people a feeling of despondency, in that they feel deserted by both the Government and the Mission, they ask why more money is not spent in their region by the Government, and why the Mission fathers visit them with irregularity.

From this attitude stems the oft repeated desire to have a 'business master' settle in their area, offers were made of land and sufficient labour to build an airstrip at Poruelavava,



NATIVE AFFAIRS: (Continued)

...Poruelavava, Lamoro and Wapote, this is not a new request from these people. The economics of such a venture were explained to the various spokesmen and I also pointed out the risk an entrepreneur would have to take in such a venture with respect to the changing attitudes of the landowners involved when immense profits and quick returns were not forthcoming.

It is perhaps a thought that some years ago a cargo cult began in this area, perhaps due to this economic depression, in some respects.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS: In the Villages of Laramaite and Zanialavava, it is apparent that the degree of control that the elected Local Government Councillors exercises over the people is minimal, this was evidenced at Laramaite, after having been given three days notice to have his people assembled for Census etc. the concillor, upon the arrival of the Patrol had not organised one person into presenting themselves, work had to be delayed for a time until the Policeman accompanying the Patrol could visit the various hamlets and advise of the Patrol's presence in the Village. A similarly lax attitude was evident at Zanialavava, where the village and rest house was filthy, pigs wandered at large throughout the day and night and the people themselves seemed lazy and indolent. Perhaps this is not the fault of the Councillor concerned, but of the villagers who appear at this stage to be relinquishing the reasonably organised existence they practised under the Village Constable system and reverting to the secluded "please my self" attitude of the past.

While fully appreciating that the Local Government Councillor has no power to enforce his orders, I do feel that he is placed in a position where he is required to make decisions which he can not enforce, unfortunately the people realise this, and knowing that there will be no repercussions should they ignore him they offer little co-operation,

NATIVE AFFAIRS:(continued)

...co-operation,  
 loose respect for the Government, and  
 generally retard their advancement.  
 (b) The Village Constables in the area are  
 all old men with quite a few years seniority  
 who are well respected within their various  
 groups, they do a satisfactory job and in  
 all cases their villages and the people  
 living in them are a credit to their influence.

LAW and ORDER:

The people of the Census Division have quite  
 a good appreciation of the Law and do their  
 best to live within it. The Village Constables  
 are quite effective in maintaining  
 reasonable control and do not feel bound,  
 to any significant degree, in bringing members  
 of their respective groups before the Courts.

At Zhamora, the situation appeared to be  
 settled(ref Patrol Report 6/65-66) if somewhat  
 surly, no discussion on the matter was  
 entered into, although the people attempted  
 to raise the question and point out that they  
 were really good people and were extremely sorry  
 that such an event should happen in their  
 village.

AGRICULTURE:

The Pilitu Census Division is not endowed with  
 what one would term as fertile soil, furthermore  
 it is an area of steep mountains divided by  
 fast flowing rivers. The soil contains a  
 high percentage of limestone and therefore  
 will not produce even the hardiest of  
 native foods in any sort of abundance of  
 quality. Sweet Potatoe is small and coarse,  
 european type vegetables are almost non-existent,  
 and even Yams and Taro are of inferior  
 quality to that grown in other parts of the  
 Sub-District. Oranges and Mandarins grow  
 in profusion around the villages, while dryRice,  
 brought from the Kuni and the Mekeo areas is  
 also in evidence, planted in small gardens  
 close to the villages.



NATIVE AFFAIRS: (continued)

ROADS and BRIDGES: Vehicular roads are non-existent within the Census Division, bridle-paths are also limited. What bridle-paths there are are well maintained and kept in a clean condition, the people have constructed well graded tracks along the Patrol Route which could with little effort be widened to form serviceable paths.

There is also the possibility, should capital and the need arise to construct a road through the Pilitu to the Coast via Bakoiudu. However such a project at this stage would be uneconomic and impractical.

CONCLUSION:

The Patrol, after its routine work was completed moved to Bakoiudu, this was a long walk but provided the opportunity of observing the country on the forward journey and of conducting a feasibility survey of a proposed road to the Coast from Tapini, via Bakoiudu. I was extremely impressed with the progress being made at Bakoiudu by the Kuni people, the project at this stage is surely successful, and it would appear to me that a move by the remainder of the people in the lower half of the Pilitu (who are related to many of the Kuni people at Bakoiudu and who speak the Kuni language) to Bakoiudu could be their salvation from what is otherwise a hopeless economic future.

*Peter A. Briggs*  
(Peter A. Briggs)  
Patrol Officer

APPENDIX No.2

TAPINI to BAKOIUDU ROAD  
FEASABILITY REPORT:

There is already established a bridle-path leading from Bakoiudu to Fane mission station. However this path would take a great deal of work before it would be possible to drive a motor vehicle along it. From Bakoiudu to Aubauba mission station (deserted) the road route traverses the divide between the Angabunga and Dilave rivers, it follows the natural ledge formed by the range summit and a steep rock face which rises to a height of some two hundred feet above the summit and continues for its length, (approximate distance 8 miles). In places this ledge is faced by the rock cliff on one side and by an extremely steep incline on the other, it becomes very narrow in these places and to widen it would require a great deal of explosives, in other places widening of the ledge would require little work. It is my estimation that the total distance of blasting on this portion would be some 2 to 3 miles.

Past Bakoiudu and Aubauba, moving towards Tapini, the picture is quite similar, large stretches of rock face, two ranges to cross before arriving at Deva Deva, and steep gorges between the ranges. From Deva Deva to Fane, via Mafulu would perhaps be the easiest portion of the road however as I did not walk this section I cannot comment fairly, however it should be remembered that in this section or soon after leaving Fane, (if that is the route) or Mafulu the road would have to cross the Auga River which runs through a very deep gorge. After crossing this area, the road would enter the Ivane valley and then on to Tapini.

To build a road through this region. 2/.



APPENDIX No.2

...region

would not be impossible, provided money, equipment and labour were readily available, the cost of constructing this road, which would be a distance of some forty to fifty miles, would be in the million dollar bracket (an ignorant estimate) without the cost of maintenance which would be high for the first five years or so.

It is my opinion that a road following this route is far too long, there are shorter routes (through the Pilitu, or through the Karuama) to Bereina both of which have people living along them for their full length.

The problem of population is a very pertinent, men are needed to build the road and after construction to maintain it, from Mafulu to Bakoiudu there are fourteen people living along the road, these are all old people and only five of them are men, hardly enough to build such a road. The rest of the population is at Bakoiudu where they have settled down to plant and process rubber, they have deserted their old grounds and return there only to collect Betel nut etc. however this does not mean that the land lies idle, or waste, The Kunis maintain their rights and it is quite likely that they would object should any other people attempt to settle there.

They informed me quite frankly, when asked, that they would not leave Bakoiudu to work on this road, they 'have enough work at Bakoiudu', and 'if the Gailalas want to build a road they can but we wont leave Bakoiudu'

Whether it may be possible to entice people from this region to walk five days from their homes and plant new gardens in order to sustain themselves while they labour I do not know, however it would be reasonable to suggest that a person from Kupataivi (Aiwarra) would be hesitant.

In summary, such a road as this could be constructed provided money, tools and labour could be obtained readily and supply of such must also be maintained. Of the three requisites the third is both the most important and the most scarce.

(P.A. Briggs)

Appendix No 3.

GILIAGATOI CENSUS UNIT:

For the last three years the Giliagatoi census register shows a large number of people absent at Bakoiudu, they have been deleted accordingly, the register also shows that some people not at Bakoiudu have failed to appear for census for the corresponding three years, they are shown as being absent at a place called KEAWAGA, a small hamlet some two days walk from Kone in the Pilitu Census Division and perhaps in the Kairuku Sub-District.

When the Patrol visited Bakoiudu, I asked to meet the Giliagatoi Village Constable, supposedly at Bakoiudu, I was met with blank looks and told that he was not at the settlement and had never visited there, nor had any of his group except his son. Upon my return journey I visited Keawaga and located the Village Constable he advised me that he had been retired by the Assistant District Commissioner, Bereina, when asked what he intended to do he advised that he and some of his immediate group were about to leave for Bakoiudu, this decision was encouraged and by now he and his group, some fifteen people, should be at the settlement. A further 16 people under the control of the Village Councillor advised that they wished to stay in the Tapini area, these people have been instructed to either construct a new barrack at Giliagatoi or to present themselves for Census at Kone next year and the Councillor is to present himself to the follow-up Patrol of the Pilitu in approximately October.

It is of note that this was the first Patrol to visit Giliagatoi for some five years, the rest-house is somewhat out of the way.

For your information please,

*Peter A Briggs*  
(Peter A Briggs)

Patrol Officer.



APPENDIX No.4

REPORT R.P. & N.G.C. MEMBERS ACCOMPANYING:

Senior Constable 3695 Niribo:

Quite an efficient N.C.O. who keeps his juniors under control while maintaining a happy atmosphere, within the Patrol Unit.

Conduct Excellent.

Constable 5th Year Didime:9732

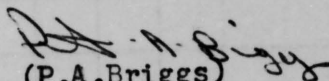
An extremely reliable energetic and efficient Constable. Capable of an immense work output and always cheerful. Good N.C.O. material. Conduct Excellent.

Constable 1st Year Kiawo: 11295

A young Constable showing a deal of promise, though tends to be extremely forgetful.

Conduct Excellent.

Comments as above have been entered on the respective duplicates of Record of Service.

  
(P.A. Briggs)  
Patrol Officer



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL Report No. 11/ 6667  
Patrol Conducted by N.A. Richardson (Patrol Officer)  
Area Patrolled Kataina/Loboia and part of Iwara Census Divisions  
Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL  
Natives 2 Members of R.P.N.G.C.  
Duration—From 3 4 67 26 4 67  
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to 19 19 19 19 19 19  
Number of Days 20 (Broken Period)  
Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO  
Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 18 2 67  
18 2 67  
Medical ...../...../19.....  
Map Reference Adamsons map of Gailala.  
Objects of Patrol Census and General Administration.

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... \$.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund .... \$.....

Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund .... \$.....



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



Department of District Administration,  
District Office,  
P.O. Box 776,  
Port Moresby,

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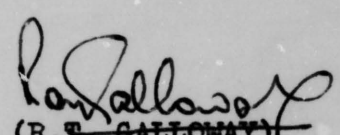
14th June, 1967.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

TAPINI P/R. 11 OF 66/67 - KATAIPA/LOLOIPA  
N.A. RICHARDSON, P.O.

Copy of the above report, together with  
covering comments by myself and the Assistant District  
Commissioner, Tapini, are forwarded for your information.

2. I do not think that any further comment  
is necessary on my part.

  
(R. F. GALLOWAY)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER. C.D.

Att.

Ref: 67-8-11

14th June, 1967.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
TAPINI.

TAPINI P/R. 11 OF 66/67 - KATAIPA/LOLOIPA  
N.A. RICHARDSON, P.O.

Your memorandum 67-1-1 of the 2nd instant forwarding the above report refers.

2. I accept that this is Mr. Richardson's first solo patrol and his first in the Gailala, otherwise I would have been reluctant to accept it for onforwarding to the Director. I confine my remarks to the following :-

(i) your opening remarks in paragraph 2 are relevant, extremely so. Pages and paragraphs are still unnumbered. Please refer again to my 1-3-28 of 22/3/67.

(ii) as an appreciation of a situation, this report could not rate a pass mark. It could convey to one not familiar with the area a completely erroneous impression.

(iii) what are the grounds for the assertions in the Political Situation section? The reference to Royalty, the awesome influence of the Keran Chiefs, the animosity towards Europeans, the selling of slaves? Please instruct Mr. Richardson that his reports are required to be factual and informative and not contain inaccurate and fallacious generalizations.

(iv) the solemnization of marriage at Keran must be a busy occupation at Keran if one has regard to the extensive system of 'bridal paths' around that place. See Agriculture section.

(v) what are the facts of the Aid Post Orderly at Tororo being gaoled for unsanitary housing?


(vi) as you comment, a Government officer is well advised to steer clear of matters theological and not mix them with matters official, by way of exposition or otherwise.

(vii) where is Appendix I? I have yet to write you separately in regard to Appendix 3 and Village Constables. In the meantime, you could prepare figures, etc. along the lines we have already discussed.

3. As with the folk who are reported to have returned from Port Moresby with radical ideas, I retain some here myself. One of them is that I like to see reports of patrols conducted by officers of this Department set out much better both in regard to format and content than the one now being reviewed. You know my standards, which are simply ordinary Departmental standards laid down over many years. Please ensure your officers observe them and that you enforce them.

4. herewith.

Camping Allowance Contingencies are returned

  
(R.T. GALLOWAY)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER, C.D.



67-1-1

JDF/vaf

Sub-District Office,  
Tapini,  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT.C.D.

2nd June, 1967

The District Commissioner,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT TAPINI No.11 1966/67:KATAIPA /LOLOIPA

1. Attached please find above mentioned Patrol Report for your perusal, comment and further action.
2. Layout and presentation shows room for considerable improvement as does the standard of typing; however it should be born in mind that this is the reporting officers first solo patrol, his only other effort being when he accompanied P.O.Irwin whilst stationed at Ela Beach.
3. Para 5 of the report : where warranted and after due cautioning blatant offenders are prosecuted during the course of follow-up patrols.
4. Paras 9 - 10 : This matter is currently under consideration at Headquarters level and no comment or action need be made or taken pending advice from yourself.
5. Paras 15 - 16 : I am somewhat perturbed by the context of these paragraphs and will instruct the next patrolling officer to pay particular attention to these aspects of routine thought and attitude and also to check further on para 12.
6. Para 20 : I fear I cannot agree, pigs are the basic wealth of the Goilala.
7. Para 27 : This has been a long standing and drawn out matter, protestations of imminent commencement of work having been made periodically over the last three years : this years Council estimate makes provision for the allocation of \$800.00 to construct a bridle path over the proposed route from GIGOAVA to PONEYALAVAVA.
8. Para 30 : I am not certain that religious instruction on the part of Ceasar's servants could not lead to the R.C.M. Fathers taking umbrage :it is far wiser I feel for each to confine itself to its own special and pereuliar fields.
9. Appendix 3 : Initially I support the figure, however I do recommend a complete review and if necessary revision after a trial period of say one year.

(J.B.Fitser)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Att.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegram s.....

Our Reference.....67-1-1

If calling ask for

Mr. JDF/vaf

Department of District Administration.

Sub-District Office,  
Tapini,  
GOILALA SUB-DISTRICT, C.D.

30th March, 1967

Mr. P.O. Richardson,  
Sub-District Office,  
TAPINI.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS : KATAIPA LOLOIPA CENSUS DIVISIONS

1. Please prepare to conduct a routine Census and Administrative patrol of the above mentioned Census Divisions.
2. In addition I shall expect you to revise the relevant sections of the Common Roll.
3. Arrange with Sergeant Kenava for two Constables of the Detachment to accompany.
4. Draw stores and supplies sufficient for your needs from the Government Storeman.
5. Draw a Patrol Advance from the Cash Office sufficient to cover your needs bearing in mind the current ruling cost of carriers : that is 10c per walking hour.
6. Check the Matters for Attention file for any outstanding matters.
7. Kindly ensure you exercise the maximum economy as our funds are not limitless.

I wish you a pleasant and successful patrol, your first in the Goilala Sub-District.

(J.D. Fitzer)

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER





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Telegrams.....

Our Reference..... 67/1/1

If calling ask for

Mr.....

Assistant District Commissioner  
TAPINI  
Central District

Department of District Administration,

TAPINI  
28/4/67

Tapini Patrol Report 11 of 66/67.

Submitted for your perusal and onforwarding  
are four copies of the above report.

Patrol conducted by  
AREA patrolled

N.A. Richardson Patrol Officer.  
Kataipa/Doloipa and part of Iawara  
Census Division.

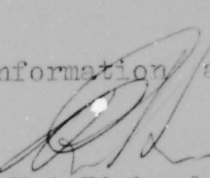
Personel Accompanying  
Duration of patrol

2 Members of R.P.N.G.C.  
20 days 3/4/67-26/4/67  
(Broken period)

Objects of Patrol

Census and General Administration

For your information and comment

  
N.A. Richardson  
Patrol Officer.

Attached: Camping Allowance Claims (N.A. Richardson)

Enclosed: Patrol Diary

Appendix 1 Census Statistics

" 2 Report on R.P.N.G.C. Members accompanying.

PATROL DIARY

- 3/4/67 MONDAY. To Bapiti by Landrover for census.
- 4/4/67 Tuesday. By tractor to Matsilavava then On to Kataipa by foot in 4 hours. Slept Kataipa. Rest house poor.
- 5/4/67 Wednesday. Walked to Tawuni in 1 hour to census Tawuni, Kame, O Orapoa. Kataipa censused in afternoon. Tawuni rest house good. Slept Kataipa.
- 6/4/67 Thursday. Walked to Kunima in 2 hours, censused the people, then walked to Oragaivara in 1 hour. Oragaivara rest house poor. Slept Oragaivara.
- 7/4/67 Friday. Censused Oragaivara then mediated some minor disputes. Talked with the people. Slept Oragaivara.
- 8/4/67 Saturday. Moved patrol to Ilai in 5 hours. Explained law regarding pigs in gardens. Saw settlement of some minor disputes. Heard stories by the people. Rest house average. Slept ILAI.
- 9/4/67 Sunday. Saw the people carry out orders given by Mr. P.A. Briggs P.O. re the dismantling of unsanitary houses and payment of a Bride Price agreed to before him. Slept ILAI.
- 10/4/67 Monday. Moved patrol thru Elava to Moingilli, in 5 hours walk. Talked to the people. Rest house average. Slept Moingilli.
- 11/4/67 Tuesday. Walked to Poneylavava in 5 hours via Eiyaupu. REST house average. Slept Poneylavava.
- 12/4/67 Wednesday. Moved to Kunima in 5 1/2 hours. Censused the Karuma people. Rest house reasonable. Slept Kunima.
- 13/4/67 Thursday. Held talks with the people and saw some minor disputes settled. Constable Poka involved with a local woman. Slept Kerau.
- 14/4/67 Friday. Constable Poka sent to Tapini at 0400 hours. Walked to Kariaritsi in 3 hours. Censused the people. Rest house average. Slept Kariaritsi.
- 15/4/67 Saturday. Walked to Giguava over native pad in 2 hours. Censused the Giguava and Nairilavava people then held talks. Rest house good. Slept Giguava.
- 16/4/67 Sunday. Inspected the village and talked to the people. Slept Giguava.
- 17/4/67 Monday. Walked to Erumelavava in 2 hours. Censused the people and inspected the village. Looked at the airstrip being built by J.B. Martin. Rest house leaks and is poor. Slept Erumelavava.
- 18/4/67 Tuesday. Moved To Koilavava in 1 hour. Placed a landmarker as previously directed by Mr Briggs. Censused Buruai, Pomutu, Perumeva, and Koilavava. Rest house well built. Slept Koilavava.
- 19/4/67 Wednesday. Walked to Tororo in 2 hours. Censused Ilimaya, Ulumutu, Tororo and Bapivi. Inspected the village. Rest house average. Slept Tororo.
- 20/4/67 Thursday. Walked to Ariome via Nelieve in 2 1/2 hours. Censused Nelieve and Ariome. Nelieve resthouse fair. Ariome rest house poor. Slept Ariome.
- 21/4/67 Friday. Returned to Tapini by tractor. Patrol stood down 1100 hours.



1. Introduction This was a normal Census and General Administration Patrol in conjunction with the revision of the Common Roll. Some complaints were received from the people of Iliwa village so a brief detour was made into the Alwara Census Division.

2. Patrol Reception The people were not unfriendly. The degree of enthusiasm shown varied from village to village. Sometimes the people would sit and talk for hours, yet in other villages nearby, the people showed no interest in the patrol.

3. Carriers were no problem, except in abundance. It was necessary to turn back men in many places because of a surplus of labour and a paucity of funds.

4. Rest Houses are written into the Patrol Diary so that they relate to walking convenience.

5. villages The villages are an odd mixture of the old low pig cum people houses and the newer above the ground style of house. The old style may be easier to build but the pigs make them stinking, flea ridden and generally unhealthy. Approximately one third of the population live in these dwellings. The majority of the people in the further villages live in scattered hamlets so placed as to be as inaccessible as possible.

6. The main villages are surrounded by fences, the purpose of which, I was told, is to keep pigs out. The fences have special gates for pigs to enter by. The pigs sleep inside at night then go outside during the day.

7. THE people are, however, remarkably healthy, due no doubt to the abundance of good water supplies and medical Aid Posts.

8. Instructions in the village books indicate that every Patrol Officer to go thru the area has given 1 instruction for village improvement. The people always seem to be just about to carry out these instructions. They are only carried out when the officer stands by and watches them it would appear.

9. Village Officials The area has a Local Government Council. The majority of village Constables have been retired. Consequently there is great variation from village to village in the organisation and power of village leaders. The Giguava Councillor holds a lot of sway in his area. Roads are looked after, the village is clean and unsanitary houses are not allowed to stand around for long periods. On the other hand, most Councillors as elected men, are reluctant to disturb the voters tranquility. The opinion was generally one of "Why should the elected man do the appointed man's job?" The village Constables, it seems, are missed by the people and the Councillors.

10. In this area the V.C. would appear to be a useful complement to the Local Government Councillor in all probability. I have made a list of villages which would be in a position to benefit from the appointment of one Constable per group. (See Appendix 5)

Generally the Councillors were about average in regards influence and efficiency

11. Political Situation The area would appear to be dissatisfied with Eriko Karupu and his activities as the M.H.A. for the area. He apparently made some promises which he has not kept.

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13. The people appear to take heed of the Administration only so long as an officer is in the village. Once he is out of sight, everything returns to normal. If one walks into a village unexpectedly, there is a flurry of activity as pigs are hustled out, rubbish removed and houses cleaned. The people regard the Administration as good for law and order, but otherwise an imposition.
14. The Mission Fathers from Kerau are held in a certain amount of awe and respect. So much so, that in some villages, it is fashionable for wives to work on the Kerau airstrip, even if their husbands are against it. Several wives complained that they had been hit by their husbands for this reason. Their stories sounded a little odd, but were accepted by local councillors and others who acted as interpreters for the patrol.
15. In villages close to Tapini there is a feeling of either jealousy or animosity towards Europeans. This comes, I think, from those natives who have returned from Port Moresby with some radical ideas.
16. These people have some customs, called traditional, which I find rather suspicious. For example; if a man can no longer work, he sells his wife to someone else, married or single, for a deposit, with the balance payable in food and care until his death.
17. There seem to be a large number of polygamous marriages and similar relationships in the area. This probably has some relationship to the large number of males absent in Port Moresby.
18. Agriculture. The majority of the people are still cultivating their sweet potatoes and yam only for home consumption. English potatoes and other vegetables grow well, but are not being consumed by the people in any great quantity. Passionfruit, oranges, leeks, cabbage and celery grow prolifically in the upper Kataipa and Aiwara valleys. Unfortunately the lack of a vehicular road prevents marketing. Around Kerau Mission there is an extensive system of good bridle paths which would facilitate movement if a road were available. (For further comment see Roads and Bridges)
19. If the people could be taught modern horticultural methods, output of cash crops could be greatly increased. Currently their fruit trees are in need of pruning, but they can't see that pruning improves the crop.
20. Livestock The only livestock seen were pigs, owned by natives and 12 sheep, 6 cows, 6 horses and some chickens owned by the Kerau Mission. Pigs outnumber people by 3 to 1, according to a spot check done in 3 villages. Garden owners dislike pigs generally, because they often break fences and destroy gardens. The pigs do not appear to be an economic asset currently.
21. Trade Stores There are few native owned trade stores and they operate rather sporadically. Not knowing the area well, I would not try to estimate earnings or turnover. The turnover would not be large from outward appearance.



22 Complaints were mainly by garden owners against pig owners. These were all settled by arbitration between the parties. Other complaints were referred to the Sub District Office at Tapini.

23 Health These people seem to suffer from very few diseases. Runny noses and cuts and scratches are the limit. Aid-posts dot the countryside. (see map)

Above 7000 feet the two constables and I suffered from sunburn. Apart from this there were no problems.

All Aidposts were functioning well with a constant coming and going of people with cuts and colds. Only one Aidpost was not functioning. The Aidpost orderly at Tororo had been jailed for unsanitary housing.

Kerau Mission has an aid post. This is the only non Administration aid post in the area.

24 Education There are mission schools in most large villages. It is difficult to say accurately what number of children regularly attend these schools. There seems to be a floating population at school level, which includes Kukukuku children from the Kaintiba area.

25 Roads and Bridges. Roads in this area vary. From Giguava to Erumelavava the vehicular road is quite good. Yet the Guari Road from Tatupiti to Ilimava sees little maintenance.

26 The bridal paths are left until a patrol is due, then the worst parts are cleaned. Bridges on these paths are generally shakey affairs, except where they are used by the missionaries.

27 The Giguava Councillor says that he wants to push the road over the mountain to Poneylavava, to link up with the Alwara valley system. If this were done, a tremendously rich area would be opened up for trade with Tapini. This road has been looked into already, I am told. The village people seemed vague about when and by whom but seemed to know where it should go.

28 Cemeteries. Every village has a cemetery, with flower gardens and wooden crosses. The cemetery is usually very close to the village but fenced off.

29 Missions. The main Mission is the Kerau Mission (Catholic). There are three French Mission Fathers and one indigenous sub-deacon from Kairuku Sub District. Nearly all the people from the area are supporters to some degree of the Catholic Mission. (See Airilelas)

30 At Molngili there are three Lutheran Missionaries from New Guinea. They have strong support in the villages of Molngili and Kupitiva. The people from the area are a little confused as to why there should be 2 churches both claiming to be Christian. A brief explanation of the history of Christianity was heard with a look of incredulity by the people at Molngili. I am not sure that they believe there ever was a Christ.

31 Airilelas. There are two Airilelas in the process of being completed in this area. One is at Kerau Mission at 7200 feet above sea level. The other is at John Martins Estate at Erumelavava at about 6000 f.a.s.l.

They should both be open within the current year, for use by small aircraft.

Kerau is being worked by the men and women of the Katalpa and Alwara valleys.

32 Census. No new trends are noted. The previous years statistics are reflected in these, with men moving to Port Moresby and general gravitation towards Tapini.

### APPENDIX 3

#### Suggested village groupings for appointment of new VILLAGE CONSTABLES

Kataipa Division		Comments
Name of Village		
Bapiti	)	One V.C. for each group
Lavavai		
Tawuni	)	
Kataipa		
Kame		
Oropoa	)	
Kunima		
Oragaivara		This village has many hamlets.
Kerau	)	These villages are very close together
Kulumutu		
Karuma		
Lumioto		

Loloipa Division		Comments
Name of village		
Ilimava	}	(H.A. Richardson) TAPINI STATION
Bapiti		
Ulumutu		
Tororo	}	
Kurova		
Nelieve		
Ariome		
Buruai	)}	
Pomutu		
Koilavava		
Erumelavava	}	
Perumeva		
Giguava	}	
Nairilavava		
Poruava	}	
Kariaritsi		
Matsilavava		
Tatupiti		Need not have a V.C. due to proximity of Tapini Station.



APPENDIX 2

Report on members of R.P & N.G.C.

Constable JACK POKA No.11284. Quite enthusiastic,

does his job well. His outside  
interests sometimes cause annoyance.  
He has to be watched.

Constable POKUAEA No.8691. A quiet efficient man.

He does his job and no more, can be  
trusted.

(N.A.Richardson)

PTAROL OFFICER.

