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TELEFOMIN

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DDA 67-16-4

PATROL REPORT

Report number: 1-1972/1973
 District: WEST SEPIK
 Patrol conducted by: D.V. R. CLAASSEN
 Area patrolled: ATBALMIN C.D. WS.19
 Duration of patrol: 31 DAYS
 Last D.D.A. patrol: 2-7/72 (PART)
 Last O.L.G. patrol: N/A
 Map reference: 1:100,000 BORDER SPECIAL SHEET 8

Objects of patrol: ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION - FAMILIARISATION
 Station: TELEFOMIN
 Subdistrict: TELEFOMIN
 Designation: DISTRICT OFFICER
 Personnel accompanying: A HAZLEWOOD, P.O.
 Number of days: 117
 Total population of area: 2,103
 Council area: N/A
 House of Assembly Electorate: UPPER SEPIK

The District Commissioner,
 WEST SEPIK District,
 VANIMO.....

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Field Officers Journal Folios 2 To 14, (2)
 - Patrol Instructions, (not issued: P.D.C. conducting) (-)
 - The Report and my comments, (2)
 - Area study, (-)
 - Updating of area study, (-)
 - Situation Reports No's 1-4, (3)
 - Patrol map, (1)



DATE: 26/10 1972.

[Signature]
 Assistant District Commissioner

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



- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Area study, (-)
 - Updating of area study, (-)
 - Situation Report No's. 1-4 (2)
 - MAP (2)
 - ()

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

- Above average -
- Average
- Below average

Date: 0 11 / 1972

[Signature]
 District Commissioner

P.O. Box 2396
KORNEGEBU

67-16-4

5th January, 1973

The District Commissioner
West Sepik District, P.O. Box 42
VANIMO

TELEPHONE PATROL NO.1-72/73

Reference your minute of the 10th November, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 4 arising out of the above patrol of the ATRALAMIN Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. Van R. Claassen, Assistant District Commissioner.

Sitings Nos. 1, 2 and 3 are being directed to the relevant Sections for attention.

Mr. Van Claassen should now be familiar with the area after his 31 day walk through the country.

S.J. FINNELL
a/Secretary

SITREP: 1-1:72/73

3. The altered census division would be as follows:

MIANMIN WEST W.S. 20A.
UPPER SEPIK OPEN ELECTORATE
S.D.H.Q. TELEFOMIN / YAPSEI BASE CAMP.

■ Area: 616 sq.miles Approx. Population: 615

AMAROMIN - AKI	RAFIN NO. 2
FIYARIMIN	URA
IVIKMIN - SEPIK	URAPMIN - AKI
IVIKMIN - TABU	SANMAN
KARPNMIN	SERAWANIA
KINTIASOMIN	SOMEIMIN - AKI
NAMAUWE	SOMEIMIN - TABU
RAFIN NO. 2	WEMEI

4. The reasons behind the above amendment are:

(a) Ethnographic: In culture and language the six groups at present contained within the Yapsiei Census Division are West Mianmin. They have no ties with the lower August River groups except as established by the Administration over the past two years. The West Mianmin, BIRIMO, language, recognised by Healey as one of the "OK" family of languages (Telefomin affiliate) is also spoken by these groups.

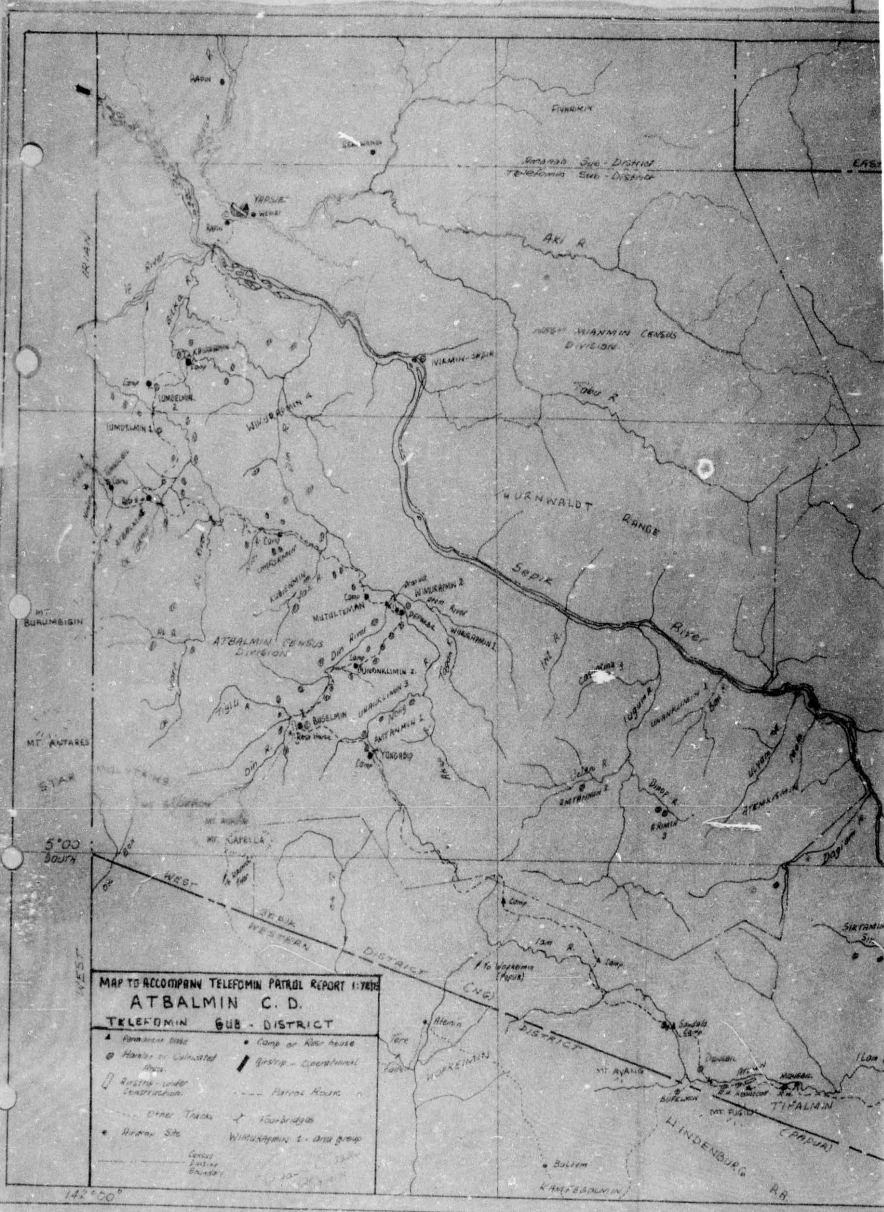
(b) Access: Whereas previously the Upper Yapsiei groups were too remote from Green River or Telefomin for regular visitation the establishment of the Yapsiei Base Camp has altered the picture somewhat. All of the above mentioned groups are in close proximity, within two days walk, from the camp. An officer visiting Yapsiei to patrol the West Mianmin could, by extending the patrol by seven days, visit all of the above groups. In contrast an officer flying in from Green River to patrol down the August River would still require water transport from Innai down and in addition he could not perform a "Loop" without much backtracking. Therefore it would be ~~more~~ administratively more expedient for an officer, regardless of whether he came from Telefomin or Green River, to patrol these villages together with the West Mianmin as a single entity. Costs saved by flying one patrol into Yapsied instead of two should be obvious.

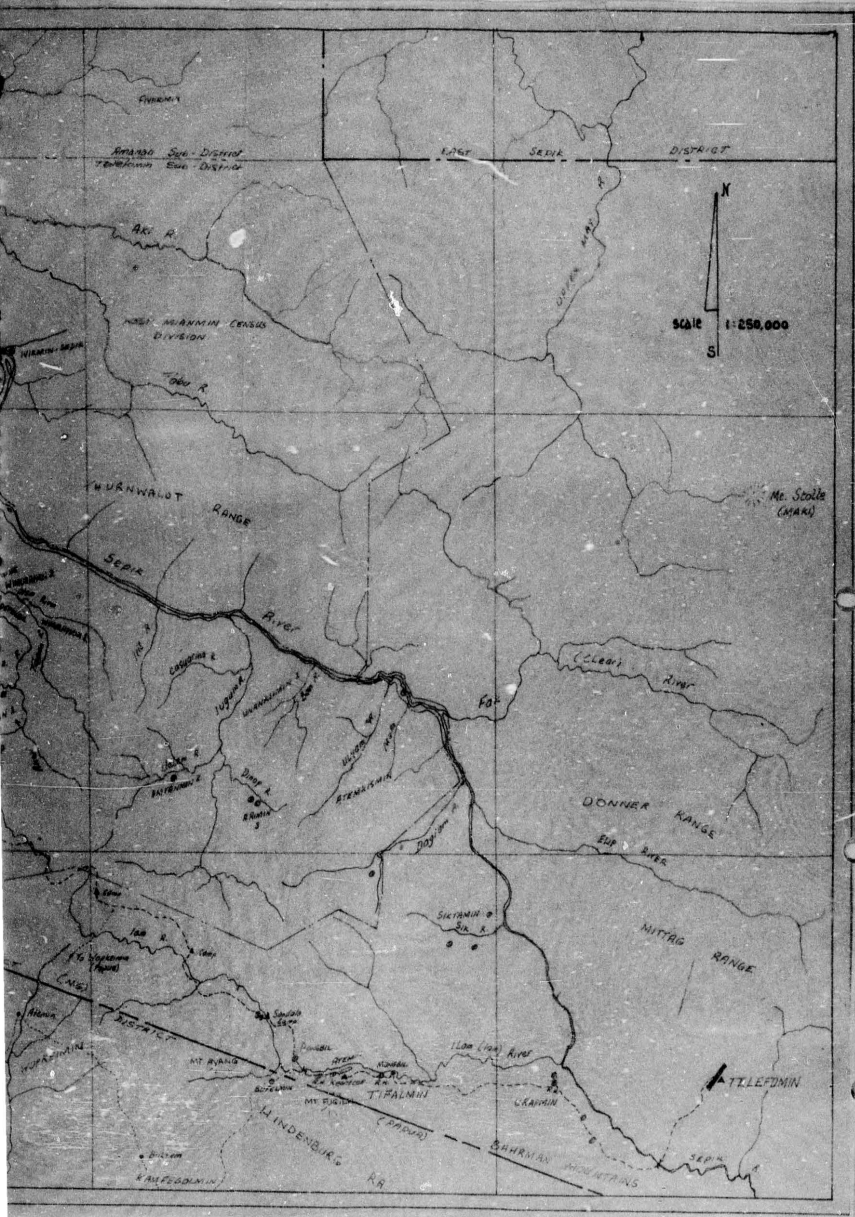
It should be noted that the base camp will be staffed on a permanent/rotation basis by two police constables and an aid post orderly, initially from Telefomin. Again regular contact with the villages will be maintained through these men.

5. It is submitted that the alteration of the census division boundary would be to the benefit of sound administration.

D. van R. Claassen,

19-10-72.





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PATROL REPORT

Report number: **2 of 1972/73.** Objects of patrol: **See attached list.**
 District: **West Sepik.** Station: **TELEFOMIN.**
 Patrol conducted by: **I. E. LEWIS.** Subdistrict: **TELEFOMIN.**
 Area patrolled: **E. Mianmin C.D.** Designation: **Patrol Officer.**
 Duration of patrol: **4.8.-18.8.1972.** Personnel accompanying: **2 Police, 1 Interpreter.**
 Last D.D.A. patrol: **Aug, 70-Jan, 71 (Split)** Number of days: **Fourteen (14) Days.**
 Last O.L.G. patrol: **N/A.** Total population of area: **855**
 Map reference: **Map accompanying** Council area: **N/A.**
TELEFOMIN Patrol No.2. of 1971/72 House of Assembly Electorate: **Upper Sepik.**

The District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
VAHIMO.

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Field Officers Journal Folios 1 To 3, (1)
 - Patrol Instructions, (2)
 - The Report and my comments, (1)
 - Area study, (3)
 - Updating of area study, (-)
 - Situation Reports No's 1-3, (3)
 - Patrol map, *Area Study (map not incl)* (1)

DATE: 15/9 1972

[Signature]
 Assistant District Commissioner

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

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- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Area study, (2)
 - Updating of area study, (-)
 - Situation Report No's 1-3 (2)
 - COVERING MEMO TO A.D.C. (copy)* (1)
 - ()

District Headquarters assessment of **Above average**
 Patrol & Report..... **Average**

Below average

[Signature]
 District Commissioner

Date: 13/10/1972

*12/9/72
 P. S. G. L. G.
 P. S. G. L. G.
 P. S. G. L. G.*

POPULATION

Date of Census	Village	TOTALS (Excluding Absentees)				ABSENTEES (Resident outside Electorate)				Grand Total
		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT		
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
11.8.72	AMAROMIN	8	10	16	10	-	-	2	-	46
7.8.72	BOVARIPMIN	18	17	35	21	-	-	7	-	98
11.8.72	MAEWAIMIN	19	17	25	20	-	-	-	-	81
10.8.72	MIFINIPBIP	15	20	21	16	-	-	2	1	75
14.8.72	SOGAMIN	34	29	42	34	-	-	-	-	139
7.8.72	TEMSAPMIN	13	17	13	14	-	-	5	-	62
5.8.72	TIMELMIN	2	48	46	46	1	-	14	-	197
7.8.72	USAREIMIN	4	12	7	9	-	-	1	-	33
10.8.72	WAMU	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
13.8.72	WAMEIMIN	29	26	29	35	2	-	5	-	126
		162	196	235	206	3	-	36	1	859

JAW/JK

P.O. Box 2396 - KONEBOBU

67-16-2

8th January, 1973

The District Commissioner
West Sepik District
VANIMO

TELEFOMIN PATROL NO. 2 - 1972/73

Reference your 67-3-4 of the 12th October, 1972

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 3 arising out of the above patrol of the East Mianmin Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, and also the Area Study recompilation, as submitted by Mr. I.E. Lewis, Patrol Officer.

Your comprehensive comments in memorandum 67-3-4 cover most of the points raised in the various parts of the report.

In reference to your assessment on Sitrep No. 1, the present format for census statistics provides sufficient information for other Departments as well as the Division of District Administration. The figures are only as accurate as the officer who compiles the figures, exactly the position as with other previous census formats.

Mr. Lewis' Area Study is good and comprehensive. I agree that at this time there does not appear to be any immediate and foreseeable likelihood of economic development in this Census Division.

S.J. PEARSALL
s/Secretary

67-3-4 (Part 10)
JND:lt
 Department of the Administrator,
 Division of District Administration,
 District Headquarters,
 Konedobu.

12th October, 1972.

 The Assistant District Commissioner,
 Sub-District Office,
 Telefomin.
TELEFOMIN PATROL REPORT NO. 3/1972-73.

Receipt of the above Report is acknowledged with thanks.

I attach copies of my assessments of the Situation Reports.

PATROL REPORTHealth

As you state, the outbreak of pneumonia is disquieting, but I think more disquieting was the fact that the Temsapaian Aid Post Orderly did not report the matter to Telefomin. I assume that appropriate action has been taken against the Orderly.

At no stage in the Patrol Report or in covering documentation is it explained where and why the Temsapaian Aid Post had to be moved. It is therefore difficult to comment on the fact.

Political Education

My comments here apply to this heading in both the Patrol Report and Area Study.

I agree completely with your sentiments. It is the only logical and reasonable approach in a primitive area such as this.

I am also concerned at what certainly appears to be a very heavy-footed and unrealistic approach by your officers to this subject in the village, although this is not uncommon throughout the District.

The approach seems to be to lead straight into a talk on say, 'the House of Assembly'. Nothing could be more confusing to the Niainin villager who has not been out of the valley where he lives. Little wonder that the people were 'starry eyed'.

As stated in the District Political Education Handbook, it is imperative (and on a moment's reflection the truth will dawn) to relate at all times, known facts to unknown facts. Only in this way will the people comprehend and become interested in the subject.

I therefore put to you that it would be far more satisfactory if the patrolling officer was to discuss (not lecture) the traditional form of government in the village, the arrival of the European and the village official, the roles of the various public servants at Telefomin and the part they play in government; the Council as a form of government at Telefomin; and then perhaps at the end of a long evening of discussion in which the people have been actively involved we may begin to talk about the concept and purpose of a National House of Assembly (illustrated with pictures), as the government of the country.

An approach such as this does not require any special training, but merely some thought and common sense. As political education is now an integral part of the patrolling programme why

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not try and put some effort into the subject. At any one time a Patrol Officer can tell if he is losing the interest of the audience. It is then up to him to regain that interest even if he talks about something entirely unrelated to the subject.

Another point is that political education should not be treated as a limited subject within narrow confines. As an example of this myself and other officers have at times, in seminars, finished up talking about bride price or the public service promotion system. The point in this is that the audience ~~was~~ interested and involved in an otherwise dry subject and at an appropriate moment the leader could come back onto the right track.

At Telefomin, particularly, you should be dealing in broad concepts only and not in detail. One of the main aims of the national programme that can be put across with little difficulty is to teach the people the purpose of various government institutions (and their officers) and how to use them. This is actually a fourth aim which should be added to the other three in the District Political Education Handbook.

Patrol officers are supposed to show initiative and be flexible in their approach to a task. I think it would be an idea to start doing just that instead of the constant cry that 'the people are politically uneducated and did not understand what I tried to tell them'.

Law and Order

A follow-up patrol to further assess the situation of the 'Jangama' deaths at Bogamin would seem advisable.

Area Study

It is noted that this Area Study is a complete revision. The first and only Area study for this Census Division was carried out on Patrol No. 2/1970-71, and this one is the only amendment or revision since then. Although there should have been an amendment in 1971/72, this complete revision was not actually necessary until 1973/74. Area Studies should be amended or updated annually and completely revised or recompiled every three years.

Leadership

It is unfortunate that Mr. Lewis does not give any 'in-depth' details concerning the leaders, and more detail of their traditional role.

Communications

Both in this Area Study and that in 1970/71, the Officers reported that the people were enthusiastic about building the Fiak River airstrip, and yet in the space of two years between these patrols the people have only cleared 800 feet of airstrip.

Attitude Towards Local Government

It is considered that essential pre-requisites to the formation of a Council is the existence of at least the rudiments of a communications system, and an economy. This area does not have it and the Council system will not provide it.

General

By the repeated use of such words and phrases as 'apparently', 'it would appear', 'it would seem' etc. Mr. Lewis gives the reader the impression that he is generally uncertain in his observations and the situation which actually exists.

The second last paragraph in Sitrep No. 2 is a good example of this. He has observed that the people were probably not short of food but did he ask them outright and directly whether they were short of food, and in fact are they short of food?



It is mandatory to submit a map with each Area study, revision or amendment. Would you please forward 2 copies as soon as possible.

~~In spite of your statement to the contrary, a claim for camping allowance was not included with the report.~~

Mr. Lewis conducted a satisfactory patrol that is quite comprehensively reported on. The assessment of this Office is 'average'.

(A.D. STEVEN)

A/District Commissioner.

C.C. The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
Post Office Box 2396,
KONEDOBU.



A copy of the map will be forwarded when received.

A.D. Steven
(A.D. STEVEN)

A/District Commissioner. *D*

OBJECTS OF PATROL.

1. Census Revision.
2. Area Study Revision.
3. Routine Administration.
4. Investigate any further incidence of the Taro sickness.
5. Liase with Health and arrange movement of the Aid Post to its new site as discussed.

SITUATION REPORTS REQUIRED ON FOLLOWING.

1. Population trends and pressure.
2. Taro sickness.
3. Economic development and surface communications.
4. Any other items requiring Headquarters knowledge.

EAST MIANMIN.

AREA STUDY.

INTRODUCTION.

a) The East Mianmin Census Division lies predominantly due north of TELEFOMIN Station. The area is bounded on the north by the 4 degrees 36 minutes 45 seconds line, in the south by the FAK River, and in the West and East by approximately 141 degrees 26 minutes and 141 degrees 40 minutes respectively. It could be generally described as all that area in the vicinity of the headwaters of the MAY River.

The area patrolled is extremely rugged and varies from about 8000 feet ASL in the Broken Range area to less than 1000 feet in the extreme north. Drainage is facilitated in the north by the MAY River, and in the south by the UK and FAK Rivers which flow in parallel valleys in a westerly direction before joining the SEPIK.

The climate and vegetation of the area also varies considerably. From moss forests and lichen smothered vegetation in the mountainous regions to the Sago swamp type land in the low lying river plains. Likewise the climate differs, depending on location. No accurate rainfall figures exist however it is estimated that the annual fall would be in the vicinity of 130 inches annually.

b) No vehicular roads exist in the MIANMIN, the only mode of transport being by foot over narrow jungle paths. These paths are kept relatively clean.

There is at present only one(1) category D airstrip in the East Mianmin region, this is situated near the FAK River, construction is presently going on another airstrip on the FIAK River at the northern end of the census division.

c) Many of the East Mianmins caught their first sight of white men as early as 1928, when Messrs KARIUS and CHAMPION passed through the area. Then in 1938 Messrs BLACK and TAYLOR penetrated into the Thurnwald Range and were attacked savagely by villagers from TEMSAPMIN, with several of the latter losing their lives in the conflict. Then during the period 1951 to 1955 four(4) routine patrols from TELEFOMIN visited the area without incident. In early 1957 a patrol led by Mr.R.NEVILLE arrested twenty-five(25) East Mianmins for murder, for their part in an attack on neighbouring ATBALMIN tribes.

The followed two(2) relatively uneventful patrols from MAY RIVER to TELEFOMIN; the first led by Mr.R.AISEBETI, the second by Mr.G.TROLLOPE, both ADC's at the time. These patrols were in 1958 and 1960 respectively.

The last decade has seen several patrols to the area from TELEFOMIN, and a marked improvement in the attitude toward the administration and traditional enemies, by the Miamins. During these later years little trouble of a serious nature has developed in the area and the people have always made government patrols feel welcome.

POPULATION - DISTRIBUTION & TRENDS.

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a) The latest population figures are attached inside the patrol report cover.

The census division is similar to most census divisions with in the sub-district in that the people are sparsely set out. Population figures indicate a density of approximately two(2) persons per square mile. The Mianmins still tend to lead a nomadic type of existence, although it now appears that they have a central village, where they occasionally gather as a group. e.g. census. After patrols have passed the group splits up and they all depart back to their hamlets, and many gardens spread out over the area.

The FWARIMIN group have again proved themselves as a very nomadic group, the last Area Study showed them as having moved into the East Mianmin C.D. from the West Mianmin C.D., now they must be shown as returning to the West Mianmin C.D. They are now situated on the headwaters of the AKI River.

It should be now noted that nineteen(19) members of USAREIMIN Village have combined with MIFIMIPBIP Village and the remaining two(2) members of WAMU Village into forming a new village on the FIAK River, where the Baptist Mission, TELEFOMIN is presently constructing an airstrip. This new Village is censused under the name of MIFIMIPBIP although the people themselves refer their village as 'Wara Fiak'.

WAMU Village is now practically non-existent since the migration out of all but two(2) people to the MAY RIVER Patrol Post area. They are believed to be living at a village or hamlet known as SORYARIVIP. Judging by the name it is believed that this hamlet or village is only just outside of the TELEFOMIN Sub-District area.

b) Communications through-out the area are limited to walking tracks only. The majority of these are relatively clean and well maintained. The patrol utilised the old track from USAREIMIN to the FIAK River, which had not been used by a patrol since 1968. It was found to be a lot easier than the previous method of going from TIMEIMIN to TEMSAPMIN then returning to TIMEIMIN and walking through SOGAMIN to the FIAK River. The latter route is time consuming and entirely unnecessary. The USAREIMIN to FIAK River route does require one night in the bush near the WAMU River and eleven(11) hours of solid walking, but it does save two(2) days in the long run.

c) Only a limited amount of men from the area have been employed as indentured labourers. There were a considerable amount of males enquireing if it would be possible for them to go and work on plantations. I feel that this would be a good opportunity for the males to gain a little outside knowledge which may help them better their present lives.

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SOCIAL GROUPINGS.

- a) The East Mianmins are one(1) distinct social group. They speak the same language as the West Mianmins which tends to prove the story that they were once all united. Today, because of past differences the East and West do not mix freely, although there does appear to be a slight bridging of the gap.
- b) The functional unit appears to be most certainly the simple family. This is concluded due to the fact the people do not live in villages as such, but tend to remain in hamlets in family groups. Only on special occasions will one village gather in one spot. e.g. Census.
- c) The Mianmins call their language 'wong', and it appears to be totally different from the Telefomin, Atbalmin or May River languages. Only those Telefomin who have visited the area are able to partly understand the language, however they are not able to speak it.
- d) The different lineages within the East Mianmin are continually mixing with one another. Exogamy seems to be the common practice which means that most people have affinal relationships with neighbouring villages. Many lineages have migrated into other groups. The fine example is the newly formed group on the FIAK River, where you have people from USAREIMIN, WAMU, MIFIMIPBIP and a few AMOROMIN's all gathered together. Inter-marriage between different groups is also occurring, which before was relatively un-heard of.
- e) The East Mianmins being a very isolated group do not appear to associate themselves much with people adjacent to their area, although now there is a slight trend in the opposite direction. Certain physical barriers affect movement to the south, the 8000' Donner Range is a deterrent, especially when it is a two(2) day walk to cross the range.
- To the north it appears that a lot more contact is kept, especially with the WATABUNG group. Recent migrations out and some in also prove this.
- To the West more movement than previously is occurring, East Mianmins will venture into West Mianmin territory, but they are reluctant to enter Atbalmin territory unless in force.
- To the East there is very little movement, due to the practically non-existent population in that area. Several men have gone to the FRIEDA River Mining Site for work.
- It has been noticed that more East Mianmins are coming to TELEFOMIN seeking employment.

LEADERSHIP.

a) Below is a list of those leaders in each Village :-

<u>NAME.</u>	<u>VILLAGE.</u>
Segerup Dianah	Timelmin.
Maseiap Blinkeini	Temsapmin.
Bakbaksep Dakmidap	USAREMIN & Bovaripmin.
Ferenap Fentap	Mifimipbip, Wamu.
Fret-ten-ap Forworna	Amoromin.
Dorokeivnaing Mionio	Wameimin.
Firinap Kakerabe	Sogamin.

Of all of these men SEGERUP DIANAH would most likely be the most influential and the most outspoken.

b) Of all of the above, none has had any formal education. Throughout the whole East Kiammin area SEGERUP is the most powerful and has influence in all of the villages within the census division, although it is not as strong in the northern portion of the division.

SERERUP is approximately forty-two(42) years of age. He was convicted of murder in 1957 and subsequently served a four(4) year prison term at WEWAK Corrective Institution. On his release in 1962 he was appointed a Tultul at TELEFOMIN and returned to his village. During the next three(3) years he alone organized his people and encouraged them to construct an airstrip, which they completed in 1966 without outside help. He has suggested to me that the airstrip should be widened and extended, and that a primary school should be constructed for the betterment of the area. He is very pro-administration.

MASEIAP is approximately fifty(50) years of age, he has never been outside of the TELEFOMIN Sub-District and due to his age it is mostly unlikely that he will ever depart from the area. He became verbal when the Temsapmins were advised that the Aid-Post would be re-sited out of TEMSAPMIN. Due to the smallness of TEMSAPMIN, his influence outside of his immediate area is not so great.

BAKBAKSEP is approximately forty(40) years of age and appears to be a bit of a 'dark horse'. He is not very verbal in the village group, but if he says something a hush comes over the group. He was involved in the 1957 murders of the Atbalmin group, but was acquitted. He has not been out of the TELEFOMIN area. He is presently Lulual over both USAREMIN & BOVARIPMIN Village groups.

FERENAP is approximately fifty-five(55) years of age and is noticeable in the village by his bow-legged appear and the fact that he wears a battery as a gourd. Despite his

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age he still manages to get around smartly and is one of the big encouraging forces in the construction of the new airstrip at the FLAK River site.

FRET-TEN-AP is not as powerful a person as the other village leaders, his group numbers only forty(40) and his influence is only within this group. He is approximately fifty-two(52) years of age and has no known convictions.

DOROKIYVNING is the Luluai of WAMETIMIN Village group and is thought to be forty-two(42) years of age. He has a good command within his group and is listened to with interest, in the village. He has not had any employment outside of the census division.

FIRINAP is approximately forty-eight(48) years of age and has not been employed outside of his area. He again commands a deal of respect from the members of his group. Whilst at SOGAMIN a wave of pneumonia cases had been reported and he along with the rest of the villagers, put the sickness down to 'sanguma'. Thus showing that superstition is still well cemented within their minds.

Another person with an increasing amount of influence is ORISAK DIBIBENA of MIFIMIPBIP Village. He has been a Tultul for seven(7) years. He has never been out of his area and has only now become fluent in pidgin. He is increasing becoming the most powerful man in the headwaters of the MAY RIVER area. At thirty(30) years of age he has a good opportunity of expanding his influence over the area. He is pro-administration and pro-mission.

c) It is quite apparent that outside intervention has broken down traditional leadership to an extent. Village elders and headmen still have a considerable amount of influence, but this is gradually being broken down by youngsters who have been employed on plantations and have gained a bit of outside knowledge. The elders tend to refer to them as 'bigheads'. In time the younger men will gain more and more influence, but a full takeover would not occur for many years to come.

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LAND TENURE AND USE.

a) Land inheritance in the East Mianmin is patrilineal. Because of the vast area of arable land available the people are able to continually shift their garden sites as soon as fertility begins to dwindle.

b) The Administration does not have any landed leased to any individuals at the moment. The people have no knowledge of land tenure conversion.

c) There is no cash cropping within the area at this moment. The people are basically nomadic subsistence gardeners, with each individual family unit tending to the clearing and cultivation of their temporary garden plot.

LITERACY.

a) At present there are no Administration or Mission Primary Schools within the area. The Australian Baptist Missionary Society does run a series of adult literacy classes. These classes only teach basic pidgin. They are staffed by mission trained locals for four(4) years and they are then sent out to their respective areas to begin classes. These areas are usually the candidates home village area. The school usually operate for four(4) days per week, but it was noticed that none were in operation whilst the patrol was in the area.

A submission has been made for a primary school to be constructed and set-up at MIANMIN Airstrip, but this as yet has not passed the District Education Board level.

b) Pidgin English as a result of the Mission conducted literacy classes is known by approximately 12% of the populus. English is ~~xx~~ known by only one(1) person at TIMEIMIN, although several other males can speak a very broken sort of English.

c) No persons within the area have received any form of higher education.

d) Not applicable.

e) Mission bibles and hyme books were sighted by the patrol. A few 'Our News' were seen, these being the pidgin edition. There are five(5) known radios within the census division, these being two(2) at TIMEIMIN, and one(1) each at WAMEIMIN, TEMSAPMIN and FIAK River. There are possibly several other radios within the area.

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STANDARD OF LIVING.

a) The houses within the Mianmin area are usually square of an approximate size of from 15' x 15' up to 20' x 20'. The walls are made of split timber banded together by vines, they are lined with tree bark. The floors are small logs with a covering of bark. The roofs are either constructed of small leaves woven together or in the lower regions of the census division, made of sago palm leaves. In the centre of every house is located a fire place which usually has several shelves used for smoking or drying of food.

Latrines have been constructed in most villages, and are apparently being used. It was noted that if a latrine was present it was for use by the male population, whilst the females used a suitable position in the bush whenever nature called.

European clothing is worn by most of the men, except for the elderly males who continue to wear their penis gourds. The women at TIMEIMIN and TEMSAPMIN wore european clothing except for about 20%. In the other villages small grass skirts which only cover the bare essentials of the lower body are worn, by both young and old.

European Artifacts are used to a degree, these mostly being plates and spoons. Several cups were also sighted and a few pots.

b) The staple diet of the area is Taro, Bananas and Sweet Potatoes which have only recently become accepted. Their diet has only been supplemented by pineapples, paw paws, pigs, birds, possums, tree snakes, and in the villages to the north, Sago. Introduced foodcrops such as beans, pumpkins and cucumbers are grown in very small quantities and rarely eaten.

The previous mission store at Mianmin Airstrip is now defunct.

c) There are no community centres, organisations or organised sports within the area.

MISSIONS.

a) The Australian Baptist Missionary Society at TELEFOMIN is the only mission operating within the area. The Mission is now situated in every village within the census division. The strength of the missions influence is only moderate, with many people not taking any interest in the mission at all.

b) As stated above the Australian Baptist Missionary Society with its headquarters situated at TELEFOMIN is the only Mission operating within the area, and as such it appears to be only supplying a certain amount of services as required. The mission runs Adult Education Classes at TIMEIMIN, TEMSAPMIN, USARIMIN, SOGAMIN, FIAK RIVER and WAMEIMIN Villages. The mission has trained an indigenous person from each of these areas to act as teacher within the Village. They mainly concentrate on teaching pidgin english and a very simple form of arithmetic.

The Mission also has a clinic situated at MIANMIN Airstrip and supply an infant welfare service on the last Tuesday of every month. Attendance at these clinics is mainly confined to the Villages in close proximity to the airstrip, these being TIMEIMIN and TEMSAPMIN.

There are no non-indigenous people working for the mission within the area.

c) Judging by the members who attend the mission schools and church services on Sunday, it would appear that the Baptist Mission is looked upon favourably. Although I am of the opinion that the people attend church services because it is there and not because they believe in the faith.

NON-INDIGENES.

- a) There are no non-indigenes working within the census division.
- b) Not applicable within the census division. It should be noted that several Mianmins are employed by Carpentaria Exploration Company which is operating just outside of the census division.
- c) Not applicable in regard to the area within the census division. If Carpentaria ever got to an economic stage there may be an outlet for East Mianmin grown vegetables.
- d) In view of some prospecting carried out in the area of the last few years, it now appears that no development is likely to occur in the area in the foreseeable future.

COMMUNICATIONS.

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a) There are no main or secondary roads within the area and the prospects of such roads are extremely limited. The only mode of movement is by foot over walking tracks.

b) Not applicable.

c) There is only one(1) airstrip in operation within the area and this is at Mianmin. It is a category D airstrip. The only aircraft permitted to land are Missionary Aviation Fellowship aircraft, unless permission is granted by the Baptist Mission and DCA approval is granted, then other aircraft may be permitted to land. The airstrip at the moment would measure about 2000 feet in length, but expansion would be possible for a considerable distance. The surface of the strip is rough, grass covered and undulating in places.

The FLAK River airstrip reported in the last Area Study, has progressed to the stage where 800 feet has been completely cleared. It would appear that another 200 feet can be cleared quite ~~with~~ easily, after ~~which~~ a small ridge will have to be removed. The keenness shown by the people is encouraging.

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TECHNICAL AND CLERICAL SKILLS.

a) Only two(2) tradesmen exist in the area. Both men have had experience as carpenters but do not hold any trade certificates. The TIMELMIN man worked for the Government at TELEFOMIN and the SOGAMIN man worked for the Lutheran Mission in MADANG.

There are a considerable amount of bush carpenters within the area, but these have had very little experience.

(4)

THE STAGE OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

The stage of political development within the census division is fairly low. The people have very little idea of the functions of the House of Assembly. The fact that the House of Assembly existed appeared to amaze quite a few. They have very little comprehension of the machinery of the present form of government.

Several men did show interest in the talks, but the majority sat stary eyed and I was of the opinion that they were completely bored, and could not wait for the talks to end.

It would prove more profitable for talks to be given to selected individuals rather to a group in the future.

Interest in local government appears to be present, but I feel no form of local government should be introduced at this stage. The people are definitely not ready for it.

THE ECONOMY OF THE AREA.

- a) There are no economic trees within the area.
- b) Not Applicable.
- c) Not Applicable.
- d) Very little market gardening takes place within the area, the only outlet to sell their goods is to government patrols, or occasionally to the TELEFOMIN Station. The latter is only done by TIMELEMIN Village. Total income for the area per year would not exceed \$100.00.
- e) With a reduction in staff by Carpentaria Exploration one of the few sources of income for the area has been decreased. The other sources of income are from labouring at TELEFOMIN Station, government patrols and the Baptist Mission.
Wage earnings from the Station and Baptist Mission is calculated at approximately \$1700 00. Government patrols have been few since the last area study and only about \$450.00 has been injected into the economy. A further \$1300.00 has entered the area with returned plantation labourers from the Highlands regions, and the few men working with Carpentaria.
- f) There are no co-operatives operating within the area.
- g) No entrepreneurs at this stage.
- h) There is only two(2) passbooks held within the area, with a total savings of less than \$25.00. One of the holders is working at TELEFOMIN.
- i) Tax has never been collected within the area.
- j) It is estimated that the average per capita income figure would still stand at \$3.00. Unless something occurs to inject further income into the area, this figure will remain as such.
- k) Not Applicable.

POSSIBILITIES OF EXPENDING THE ECONOMY.

- a) There is sufficient arable land within the area for the increasing economic crops, but the expense of getting goods in and out far exceeds any profit expected. It would be an uneconomical proposition to attempt any large scale economic development within the area.
- b) Market gardening could be increased but only on a small scale, again the lack of facilities for transporting the goods out of the area to a market outlet is the barrier. As it is a three(3) day walk from MIANMIN Airstrip (let alone the gardens) to TELEFOMIN, goods would perish before arriving at the market. Another method could be by backloading the mission aircraft, but this only makes one(1) trip per month.
- c) Very little extra money can be injected into the system by the Government, a possibility may occur if the mining industry goes ahead, but this is presently in doubt. The only source of revenue for the area would be by the Highland labour scheme.
- d) It is believed that no possibilities exist for introducing cash crops into the area, the area like the rest of the TELEFOMIN Sub-District is plagued by high transportation costs. Such things as fish could be introduced, but only as a source of protein in their diets.
- e) There does not appear to be very much chance of Government programmes being introduced to the area.

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ATTITUDE TOWARDS LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

The people did show an interest towards local government, but at present it is felt that the formation of a council, or their entry into the present TELEFOMIN Local Government Council, would be a premature move. The TELEFOMIN Council is having difficulty in operating as it is and such ~~xxxxxx~~ a move would only create further difficulties. The income of finance into the area would only warrant a low-income Council, and as such, could achieve little for the area.

I feel that once the present TELEFOMIN Local Government Council can prove itself as a body, then and only then, should consideration be given for the inclusion of the East Miannin into the Local Government system.

PATROL REPORT

Report number: 3 of 1972/73

District: **West Sepik**

Patrol conducted by: **P. SIREH**

Area patrolled: **Part Telefomin/Part
Urapmin-Tifalmin**

Duration of patrol: **19.10.72 - 24-10.72**

Last D.D.A. patrol: **22/6/72**

Last O.L.G. patrol:

Map reference: **See attached**

Objects of patrol: **Rural Development Road Investigation**

Station: **Telefomin**

Subdistrict: **Telefomin**

Designation: **Patrol Officer**

Personnel accompanying: **2 Councillors & 1 DDA**

Number of days: **Five (5)**
Interpreter

Total population of area: **644**

Council area: **Telefomin**

House of Assembly Electorate: **Upper Sepik**

The District Commissioner,

West Sepik District,

VANIMO

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To	(2)
Patrol Instructions,	(3)
The Report and my comments,	(8)
Area study,	(-)
Updating of area study,	(-)
Situation Reports No's 1- 3,	(3)
Patrol map,	(2)

DATE: **5/12/72.**

[Signature]
Assistant District Commissioner

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	()
Updating of area study,	()
Situation Report No's. 1- 3	(✓)
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.....	()
District Headquarters assessment of Patrol & Report.....	Above average Average - Below average

Date: **29/12/1972.**

[Signature]
District Commissioner

P.O. Box 2396
KONEDOBU

67-16-11

7th February, 1973

The District Commissioner
West Sepik District
P.O. Box 42
VANIMO

TELEFOMIN PATROL NO.3 OF 1972/73

Reference your Minute of 29th December, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 3 arising out of the above patrol of Part TELEFOMIN and Part URAPMIN/TIPALMIN Census Divisions, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by MR. P. SIREH, Patrol Officer.

The matter of Rural Development Funds has been referred to the Co-ordinator of Works. It is unlikely however, that any funds will be provided due to the low priority rating given this road by your District Co-ordinating Committee.

Please draw Mr. Sireh's attention to the requirements of the Situation Report. The matters referred to under Sitrep 1, should have been made in Patrol Report form, terminating at your office.

C.G. LITTLER
a/Secret

P.O. Box 2396
KONEDOBU

67-16-11

7th February, 1973

The Co-ordinator of Werks
Department of Treasury
P.O. Box 2043
KONEDOBU

RURAL DEVELOPMENT FUNDS - TELEFOMIN - TIFALMIN ROAD,
WEST SEPIK DISTRICT

... Attached please find relevant ^{ex} contracts from a recent Patrol Report from Telefomin concerning a request for funds for this road.

The District Commissioner at VANIMO has been advised that it is up to the District Co-ordinating Committee to allocate its priorities and to revise them where necessary. It is unlikely therefore that much help can be given on this road while it is given such a low priority rating by the District Co-ordinating Committee.

On the effchance that you may be able to assist in this matter, I am referring it to you.

C.G. LITLER
a/Secretary

West Sepik District,
P.O. Box 42,
VARLEI.

67-3-4

ESG:lt

29th December, 1972.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
TELEFOMIN.



TELEFOMIN RURAL REPORT NO. 3-1972/73
ROAD : TELEFOMIN TO TIFALMIN ; UNVEI

Your memorandum 67-2-1 dated 1st December, 1972, refers.

Thank you for this report on which my comments are as follow :

- Aspects of this road survey were conducted in 1968 and 1969 culminating in a visit to Telefomin by Mr. J. Lee, then local Government engineer. It was decided that when an alignment survey was finalised, a surveyor would be made available to peg an actual, optimum alignment. I would suggest that the Telefomin Local Government Council write to the local Government engineer reminding him of this, and providing detail of the rural development submission for the 1973/74 financial year. The Council may also care to write to the Co-ordinator of Works informing him that this matter has been under consideration since 1968, that it is one of few viable rural development propositions for the Telefomin Council area, and asking whether, under the circumstances, it might be granted special consideration. As you are aware its priority otherwise on the District 1973/74 Rural Development programme is number 20.

Mr. Birch has made a constructive and practical effort culminating in the rural development submission and is to be commended accordingly.

- ... Copies of my comments on situation reports are attached.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
District Commissioner.
BB

Minute to :

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

Relevant copies of the report are forwarded herewith.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
District Commissioner.
BB

PATROL REPORT ^{DOB 67. 16. 48.}

Report number: **TELEFOMIN NO 4.** Objects of patrol: **AS PER ATTACHED INSTRUCTIONS**
 District: **WEST SEPIK** Station: **TELEFOMIN**
 Patrol conducted by: **SA HAZLEWOOD** Subdistrict: **TELEFOMIN**
 Area patrolled: **WEST MIANMIN/ATBALMIN** Designation: **PATROL OFFICER**
 Duration of patrol: **131 DAYS** Personnel accompanying: **CONST. YARAGAWA, SANAP.**
 Last D.D.A. patrol: **6/4/72 to 16/8/72** Number of days: **133 DAYS**
 Last O.L.G. patrol: **NOT APPLICABLE** Total population of area: **EST 2800**
 Map reference: **BORDER SPECIAL 3/4** Council area: **NON COUNCIL**
 House of Assembly Electorate: **UPPER SEPIK OPEN**

The District Commissioner,
WEST SEPIK District,
Verlino.....

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 1 To 56,	(1)
Patrol Instructions,	(3)
The Report and my comments,	(1)
Area study,	(-)
Updating of area study,	(-)
Situation Reports No's 1- 2,	(3)
Patrol map,	(-)

DATE: 21/5 1973.

[Signature]
 Assistant District Commissioner

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



In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	()
Updating of area study,	()
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District Headquarters assessment of
 Patrol & Report.....

Above average	()
Average	(✓)
Below average	()

Date: 17/6/1973.

[Signature]
 District Commissioner

The District Commissioner
West Regia District
P.O. Box 42
VANUATU

13th September, 1973.
67-16-48
R.S. Gavin
a/d.D.O.

THREPMEN PATROL NO. 4/1973-73

Reference your Minute of 13th June, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 and 2 covering part of the above patrol of Parts of WEST HIAHIN and ANAKIN Census Divisions, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. A.J. BALEWOOD, Patrol Officer.

Situation Reports have been distributed to appropriate Headquarters' Branches for information and any action required.

I regret the delay in acknowledging this Report.


W.P. RYAN
a/Secretary

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PR 4/72-73

- 5. The District Government Liaison Officer will take up the possible supply of a slide projector and its potential use at Yapsiei in particular and will advise you further.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
District Commissioner.

6.9.
The Secretary,
Department of the Chief Minister &
Development Administration,
KON-DOBU.



Relevant portions of the report are forwarded herewith in duplicate.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
District Commissioner.

Original files

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West Sepik District,
VANIMO.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Officer,
TELEFONIA.

13th June, 1973

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P.S. BALL

a/D.S.O.

67-2-1

16/5/73

TELEFONIA PATROL REPORT No. 4 of 1972-73
PART WEST MIARMIN, PART ATRALMIN CENSUS DIVISIONS

The following comments are made:

1. I would suggest that your patrol reports be numbered at the completion of patrols when the report is written, since in the case of an extended patrol such as this it is received after your report number 10.
2. In view of the problems associated with air drops and air supply to Yapsiei generally, and in view of the vagaries associated with the arrival of aircraft on scheduled dates, a continuous rations' stock for a two (2) month period catering to a number of personnel determined by yourself should be established there and maintained. Stock holding is a normal procedure on Outstations and is especially applicable to Yapsiei.
3. The lack of adequate communications in the latter part of the patrol is unfortunate and regretted. The current "squadcell" circuit - Telefonia/Yapsiei/Green River - should prove adequate, but a Grammond will be forthcoming in the immediate future, with battery charger, etcetera, from Newak. Subsequently again, if the recommended designation of Yapsiei as a Rural Police Post is approved, the Station will have 24 hour communications with Vanimo.
4. The problem concerning outboard motors is noted. Outboard units are repaired at Vanimo by the Vocational School, the Johnson agency, as you are aware. The School Manager confirms that units are operating and tested before return to Outstation. The alternative to this form of repair would be the lengthy absence of units at Madang. Taking transport and standards generally into account I do not see that this or other alternatives would provide more quality in servicing than Vanimo offers. Likewise radio units are checked by Army Communication Centre, Vanimo (even after repairs by Posts and Telegraphs Newak and transit Vanimo) before despatch to Outstations.

One point I would make here is that outboard servicing problems occur with most frequency for units from Yapsiei and Green River and I would feel that the intervening stretch of water is not most suited to outboard usage. In this regard the river-truck, for use between those Stations (currently at Newak) might overcome much of this problem.

PATROL REPORT

Report number: 5 - 72/73
District: WEST SEPIK
Patrol conducted by: D. van R. Claassen
Area patrolled: Part Telefomin Local
Duration of patrol: Seven Days
Last D.D.A. patrol: July, 1972 (part)
Last O.L.G. patrol: 1970
Map reference: Blucher Fourmil

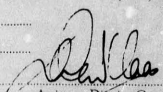
Objects of patrol: Political Education,
Routine Administration.
Station: TELEFOMIN
Subdistrict: TELEFOMIN
Designation: District Officer/A.D.C.
Personnel accompanying: I.B. Lewis, P.O.
Number of days: 2 days
Total population of area: 275
Council area: TELEFOMIN L.G.C.
House of Assembly Electorate: UPPER SEPIK

The District Commissioner,
WEST SEPIK District,
VANIMO.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To	(2)
Patrol Instructions, Patrol By A.D.C.	(-)
The Report and my comments,	(2)
Area study,	(-)
Updating of area study,	(-)
Situation Reports No's 1- 2,	(3)
Patrol map,	(-)

DATE: 5/ 21/73.

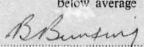

Assistant District Commissioner

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	()
Updating of area study,	()
Situation Report No.s. 1- 2	(✓)
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District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average ✓
	Below average

Date: 8/ 3 /1973.


District Commissioner
P.S.

The District Commissioner
West Sepik District
P.O. Box 42
VANUATU

3rd July, 1973
67-16-23
R. Orwin
a/D.D.C.

TELEFOMIN PATROL NO. 5 1972/73

Reference your minute of 8th March, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 and 2 arising out of the above patrol of part of TELEFOMIN Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments as submitted by Mr. D. VAN R. CLAASSEN, A.D.C.

I will take up the question of the need for a continuing health presence in this area with P.H.D. Headquarters.

I regret the delay in acknowledging this Report.

W.P. Ryan
W.P. RYAN
a/Secretary

67-3-4

PSG:lt



West Sepik District,

P.O. Box 42,

KORORUA.

8th March, 1973.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
TELEFOMIN.

TELEFOMIN PATROL NO. 5-1972/73 : TELEFOMIN CENSUS DIVISION (FAM)

Your memorandum 67-2-1 dated 5th February, 1973, with attachments, refers.

Thank you for this report on which the following comments are made :-

1. The accepted name of the census Division is Telefomin not Telefomin Local (Patrol Report Jacket). Refer my memorandum 14-1-2 dated 26th January, 1973 to Departmental Headquarters copy to you.
2. Please insert commencement and completion dates of patrol in that section of the front page of the patrol jacket designated 'duration of patrol', as the number of days is shown further on.
- ... 3. Copies of comments on situation reports are enclosed herewith.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTLING
District Commissioner.

Minute to :

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

The above refers.

- ... Two copies of relevant aspects of the report are forwarded herewith.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTLING
District Commissioner.

PATROL REPORT

Report number: 6. of 1972/73.	Objects of patrol: Investigate Measles Epidemic.
District: West Sepik.	Station: TELEFOMIN.
Patrol conducted by: I.E. LEWIS.	Subdistrict: TELEFOMIN.
Area patrolled: EAST MIANMIN.	Designation: PATROL OFFICER.
Duration of patrol: 12.1-27.1.73.	Personnel accompanying: I POLICEMAN.
Last D.D.A. patrol: August, 1972.	I INTERPRETER.
Last O.L.G. patrol: N/A.	Number of days: 15
Map reference: May River Fourmil.	Total population of area: 859
	Council area: N/A.
	House of Assembly Electorate: UPPER SEPIK.

The District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
VANIMO.

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Field Officers Journal Folios 1 To 4 ,	(1)
Patrol Instructions,	(1)
The Report and my comments,	(3)
Area study,	(-)
Updating of area study,	(-)
Situation Reports No's 1- ,	(3)
Patrol map,	(-)

DATE: **20/3 1973.**

[Signature]
 Assistant District Commissioner

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

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

Date: **6/4/1973.**

[Signature]
 District Commissioner

The District Commissioner
West Sepik District
P.O. Box 42
VANUATU

26th July, 1973.
67-16-33
T.J. Downes
District Officer

TELEFUMIN PATROL NO. 6-1972/73

Reference your minute 67-3-4 of 6th April, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report 1 arising out of the above patrol of EAST MIAMIN (Consus Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. I.E. LEWIS, Patrol Officer.

The report is of a general nature and matters contained therein should be satisfactorily handled at District level.

W.P. HAN
a/Secretary

DDA 67.16.33

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Minute to :

The Secretary,
Department of the Chief Minister & Development Administration,
KONEDOBU.

... Relevant part of the report is forwarded herewith.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING 906
District Commissioner.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

West Sepik District,
P.O. Box 42,
VANIMO.

67-3-4

BSG:lt

6th April, 1973.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
TELEFOMIN.

TELEFOMIN PATROL REPORT NO. 6-1972/73 ;
EAST MIANMIN CENSUS DIVISION

Your memorandum 67-2-4 dated 20th March, 1973, refers.

Thank you for this report on which the following comments are made:-

1. Communications - planning is in hand with the District Superintendent (Education) with respect to primary education extension in the West Sepik District. In this respect he will include a visit to the Fiak and East Mianmin generally in his 1973/74 helicopter utilisation request. Please advise when the Fiak Strip might be finished and also the present situation with respect to an East Mianmin primary school application as requested by the Deputy District Commissioner in 1972.
2. Social - each year a number of deaths occur in this area at the turn of season attributable mainly to pneumonia. This is the period at which inter group animosity reaches its peak with charges and counter charges of sanguana.
3. There is no need for field officers journal to be typed. An additional copy can be written during periods of patrol to be submitted with the report. The original is to be forwarded each month with F.O.J. submissions. Prior to his departure on leave did Mr. Lewis submit his outstanding field officers journals as I have requested.
4. The aid post at Fiak airstrip is certainly warranted to cater to the lower or northern sector of the East Mianmin Division. Can health department provide an orderly? with the resettlement of several of the villages ^{near} it might be more appropriate for the school referred to above than the existing peripheral Mianmin airstrip. Please advise.
5. Certainly patrols should proceed Telefomin/Mianmin and return by aircraft to reduce patrol costs and allow more time with the people being visited.
6. A copy of my comment to the situation report is attached.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
District Commissioner.

PATROL REPORT

Report number: No. 7 of 1972/73	Objects of patrol: General Administration and Tax Summons issues.
District: West Sepik District	Station: Telefemia.
Patrol conducted by: J.H.Sauka	Subdistrict: Telefemia.
Area patrolled: Eliptamin Census Division	Designation: Patrol Officer.
Duration of patrol: 6/2/73 to 9/2/73	Personnel accompanying: Const. 1/c Dahapio and Ses. (Interpreter)
Last D.D.A. patrol: 18/12/72 to 21/12/72	Number of days: 4 days.
Last O.L.G. patrol:	Total population of area: 2,500.
Map reference: Blucher	Council area: Telefemia L.G.Council.
	House of Assembly Electorate: Upper Sepik.

The District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
Vamimo.

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Field Officers Journal Folios 6 To	(2)
Patrol Instructions,	(2)
The Report and my comments,	(2)
Area study,	(-)
Updating of area study,	(-)
Situation Reports No's 1—	(-)
Patrol map,	(1)

DATE: 22/2/ 19 73.

[Signature]
 Assistant District Commissioner

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

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

Date: 2/3/1973.

[Signature]
 District Commissioner

District Commissioner.

The District Commissioner
West Coast District
P.O. Box 42
VANUATU

16th May, 1973
67-16-25

J.N. Sant
Deputy District
Commissioner
67-3-4

12th March, 1973

TELEPHONE PATROL NO. 7 of 1972/73

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the Patrol Report Jacket
sent out of the above patrol of the KLIPTAKH Commis Division,
as undertaken by Mr. J.N. Sant, Patrol Officer.

N.P.R.
W.P. J
Secretary



67-16-25

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West Sepik District,
P.O. Box 42,
VANIMO.

67-3-4
PUG:lt

12th March, 1973.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
TELEFOMIN.

TELEFOMIN PATROL NO. 7-1972/73 : PART TELEFOMIN CENSUS DIVISION

Your memorandum 67-2-1 dated 28th February, 1973, refers.

Thank you for this report on which the following comments are made :-

1. Is it the Telefomin Local Census Division or Telefomin Census Division in accordance with the submission for the revised Village Directory.
2. The patrol was a routine one, the objectives of which were apparently effectively carried out.
3. One point which could have been noted in the report was the extent to which Council tax was underpaid, attitudes of the people towards tax action and the extent to which Court action may be invoked to effect recovery of these debts.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
District Commissioner.

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Minute to :

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

The above refers.

One patrol jacket forwarded herewith as your record of the patrol.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
District Commissioner.

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PATROL REPORT

Report number: **No.8 of 1972-73**
District: **West Sepik District.**
Patrol conducted by: **J.H. SAUKA.**
Area patrolled: **Urapmin/Tifalmin & Part Telefomin Local.**
Duration of patrol: **7/3/73 to 16/3/73.**
Last D.D.A. patrol: **5/3/71 to 15/3/71**
Last O.L.G. patrol: **N/A**
Map reference: **Blucher Fourmil.**


Objects of patrol: **Council Election, Political Education & Routine Administration.**
Station: **Telefomin.**
Subdistrict: **Telefomin.**
Designation: **Patrol Officer.**
Personnel accompanying: **Council Clerk. Michael Bratahe.**
Number of days: **10 days.**
Total population of area: **1458. Refer Appendix as attached.**
Council area: **Telefomin Council.**
House of Assembly Electorate: **Upper Sepik Open.**

The District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
VANIMO.....

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 10 To 12	(1)
Patrol Instructions,	(2)
The Report and my comments,	(/)
Area study,	()
Updating of area study,	()
Situation Reports No's 1—	()
Patrol map,	()

DATE: **8/4/1973.**


Assistant District Commissioner

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	()
Updating of area study,	()
Situation Report No's. 1—	()
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District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average ✓
	Below average

Date: **27/4/1973.**


District Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY, WEST SALEM DISTRICT, VANUATU

File: 100-1
Major: [Name]
West Salem District
Vanuatu

23rd July, 1973
67-16-44
I.J. Deane
District Officer

The District Commissioner
West Salem District
P.O. Box 42
VANUATU

TELEPHONE PATROL NO. 8 - 1973/73

Reference your minute of 27th April, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket arising out of the above patrol of URAFIN/TIVILAN and part TELEPHONE LOCAL Census Divisions, as submitted by Mr. J.H. SAHA, Patrol Officer.

I am glad to hear that all visits were conducted peacefully and that particularly that provocative reactions may not have been observed.

It is noted that you met a high level of professional competence in the conduct of the patrol. It is noted that you have made a number of suggestions for improvement in the conduct of the patrol and I am sure that you will continue to make such suggestions in the future. I am sure that you will continue to make such suggestions in the future.

N.P. [Signature]
a/Deane

I am sure that you will continue to make such suggestions in the future. I am sure that you will continue to make such suggestions in the future.

67.16.44.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

File: 67-3-4

District Headquarters,
West Sepik District,
VARINGO.



26th April, 1973

~~Assistant District Commissioner,~~
~~Sub-District Office,~~
~~TAL-FORIN~~

TELEFOMIN PATROL REPORT No. 8 of 1972/73
PART TELEFOMIN CENSUS DIVISION

Your memorandum 67-2-1/42-1-6 dated 4th April, 1973, refers.

Thank you for this report on which the following comments are made:

1. It is pleasing to note that all wards were contested indicative of the possibility that pre-election selections may not have been determined.
2. Although the area has not a high developmental potential there is certainly enough in subsistence diet improvement, animal husbandry education and improvement, fish culture and vegetable marketing between Telefomin and Okapmin to keep an active interested Rural Development Officer busy. I am still awaiting a Headquarters reply to early report comments concerning the need for an active agricultural presence in rural areas.
3. The area patrolled should, I feel, have been designated 'Part Telefomin Census Division' on the report jacket. My earlier memorandum 67-3-4 dated 12th March, 1973, raised this point.
4. The Australian Baptist Mission has performed a sterling task in the developmental spheres in the Telefomin Sub-District as a whole. It has also established a communications network of airstrips which has not only been beneficial to the people but has also assisted Administration tremendously in carrying out its field functions - and continue to do so.
5. The Telefomin Patrol Report number 4 is still not to hand and I should appreciate its early submission.
6. Mr. Sauka has submitted a thoughtful report and as you note his presentation is noticeably improving.

J. S. Young Wharford
F. ST. J. YOUNG-WHARFORD
s/District Commissioner.

J. S. Young Wharford
F. ST. J. YOUNG-WHARFORD
s/District Commissioner. *204*

MINUTE TO:
The Secretary,
Dept of the Chief Minister
& Development Administration,
KONE DOBU.

... The above refers. Two report jackets are forwarded for your records please.

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PATROL REPORT

Report number: 9 of 1972/73

District: WEST SEPIK

Patrol conducted by: C. AMGAPI

Area patrolled: ELIPTAMIN

Duration of patrol: 6/3/73 To 20/3/73

Last D.D.A. patrol: 6/2/73 To 9/2/73

Last O.L.G. patrol:

Map reference:

Objects of patrol: L.G. GENERAL ELECTIONS.

Station: TELEFOMIN.

Subdistrict: TELEFOMIN.

Designation: LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER.

Personnel accompanying: MR. KAMI & SUNEI.

Number of days: FIFTEEN.

Total population of area: 1,879.

Council area: TELEFOMIN COUNCIL.

House of Assembly Electorate: UPPER SEPIK.

The District Commissioner,

WEST SEPIK District,

VANIMO

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 4 To 6, (1)

Patrol Instructions, (2)

The Report and my comments, (/)


Area study, ()

Updating of area study, ()

Situation Reports No's 1- , ()

Patrol map, ()

DATE: 5/4 1973.


Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study, ()

Updating of area study, ()

Situation Report No's. 1- ()

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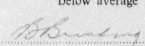
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District Headquarters assessment of Above average

Patrol & Report..... Average

Below average

Date: 27/4/1973.


District Commissioner

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICE,
VANIMO.

DATE: 29 JUN 73

District Commissioner,
West Sepik District,
VANUATU.

22nd April 1973

Assistant District Commissioner

The District Commissioner
West Sepik District
P.O. Box 42
VANIMO

June 29th 1973
67-16-39
R.G. Orwin
a/D.D.C.

RE: VANIMO ... 1972/73

Your memorandum of 27th April 1973, regarding ...

TELEFOMIN PATROL NO. 9/1972/73

Reference your Minute of 27th April 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket arising out of the above patrol of part of Eliptamin Census Division, as submitted by Mr. C. Amgapi, Local Government Officer.

H. P. Ryan
H.P. RYAN
a/Secretary

Secretary
Dept of the Head Registrar
Development Administration
VANIMO

The two copies of the report jackets are forwarded for your reference.

C.C.
District Local Government Officer,
Office of Local Government,
VANIMO.

C.C.
Mr. C. Amgapi,
Local Government Office,
VANIMO.

File: 67-3-4

District Headquarters,
West Sepik District,
VANIMO.

26th April, 1973

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
TELEFOMIN.

TELEFOMIN PATROL REPORT No. 9 of 1972/73
PART TELEFOMIN CENSUS DIVISION

Your memorandum 67-2-1/42-1-6 dated 4th April, 1973, refers.

Thank you for this report on which the following comment is made:-

1. Agreed that the matter of delineation of Wards 8 and 9 should be debated by Council and if necessary redefined by variation of Constitution.
2. For a first report the submission has been creditably done. It is brief, concise and neatly presented.

F. S. J. Young Whitford
F. S. J. YOUNG-WHITFORD
a/District Commissioner. *RS*

MINUTE TO:

The Secretary,
Dept of the Chief Minister
& Development Administration,
KONEDOBU.

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... The above refers. Two report jackets are forwarded for your records.

F. S. J. Young Whitford
F. S. J. YOUNG-WHITFORD
a/District Commissioner. *RS*

c.c.
District Local Government Officer,
Office of Local Government,
VANIMO.

c.c.
Mr. C. Amgapi,
Local Government Office,
VANIMO.

PATROL REPORT

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Report number: 10 of 72/73.
 District: West Sepik.
 Patrol conducted by: I.E.Lewis.
 Area patrolled: Feramin Valley.
 Duration of patrol: 8.3.73 - 15.3.73
 Last D.D.A. patrol: December, 1972.
 Last O.L.G. patrol: Nil.
 Map reference: Blucher Fourmil.

Objects of patrol: Council Elections.
 Station: Telefomin.
 Subdistrict: Telefomin.
 Designation: Patrol Officer.
 Personnel accompanying: 1 Interpreter.
 Number of days: EIGHT.
 Total population of area: 1459
 Council area: Telefomin.
 House of Assembly Electorate: Upper Sepik.

The District Commissioner,
 West Sepik District,

VANIMO.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To	To	(1)
Patrol Instructions,		(2)
The Report and my comments,		(1)
Area study,		(-)
Updating of area study,		(-)
Situation Reports No's 1—		(-)
Patrol map,		(-)

DATE: 5/4 19 73

[Signature]
 Assistant District Commissioner

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	To	()
Updating of area study,		()
Situation Report No's. 1—		()
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District Headquarters assessment of
 Patrol & Report.....

	To	Above average
		Average: ✓
		Below average

Date: 27/4/1973

[Signature]
 District Commissioner

THE DISTRICT COMMISSIONER
WEST BEPIK DISTRICT
VANIMO

2nd July 1973

The District Commissioner
West Sepik District
P.O. Box 42
VANIMO

2nd July, 1973
67-16-40
R.G. Crwin
a/D.D.C.

TELEPHONE PATROL NO. 10 - 1972/73

Reference your minute of 27th April, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket arising out of the above patrol of part of TELEPHONE Census Division, as submitted by Mr. I.E. LEWIS, Patrol Officer.

W.P. Kwan
W.P. Kwan
a/secretary

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

District Headquarters,
West Sepik District,
VANIMO.

File: 67-3-4

26th April, 1973



Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
TELEFOMIN.

TELEFOMIN PATROL REPORT No. 10 of 1972/73
PART TELEFOMIN CENSUS DIVISION

Your memorandum 67-2-1/42-1-6 dated 4th April, 1973, refers.

Thank you for the report on which I comment as follows:-

1. The defeat of Fensep is interesting particularly in view of his substantial land holding authority. It is even more interesting that he stood as a candidate.

J. S. J. Young Whitford
F. ST. J. YOUNG-WHITFORD
a/District Commissioner. *JWS*

MINUTE TO:

The Secretary,
Dept of the Chief Minister & Development Administration,
KONEDOBU.

... The above refers. Two report jackets are forwarded for your records.

J. S. J. Young Whitford
F. ST. J. YOUNG-WHITFORD
a/District Commissioner. *JWS*

PATROL REPORT

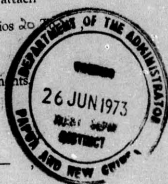
Report number: TELEFUMIN 11-1972/1973
 District: WEST SEPIK
 Patrol conducted by: D. VAN R. CLAASSEN
 Area patrolled: NENATUMAN - PU
 Duration of patrol: 22/5 - 3/6/1973
 Last D.D.A. patrol: 1970
 Last O.L.G. patrol: NOT APPLICABLE
 Map reference: MAY RIVER 1:250,000

Objects of patrol: 1) VISIT DUREANIN TO ELECTORATE
 LOCATION OF CHIEF
 2) ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION
 Station: S.D.O. TELEFUMIN
 Subdistrict: TELEFUMIN
 Designation: DISTRICT OFFICER, A.D.C.
 Personnel accompanying: 1) R.P.N.C. 1) H.O.
 1) INTERPRETER
 Number of days: 13 DAY
 Total population of area: 270
 Council area: NON COUNCIL
 House of Assembly Electorate: UPPER SEPIK

The District Commissioner,
 WEST SEPIK District,
 VANIMO

In respect of this patrol, I attach

- Field Officers Journal Folios 20 (2)
- Patrol Instructions, (-)
- The Report and my comments (2)
- Area study, (-)
- Updating of area study, (-)
- Situation Reports No's 1- (3)
- Patrol map, (-)



DATE: 20 / 6 1973.

[Signature]
 Assistant District Commissioner

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

- Area study, ()
- Updating of area study, ()
- Situation Report No's. 1- ()
- ()
- ()

District Headquarters assessment of Above average
 Patrol & Report..... Average ✓

Below average

Date: 8 / 8 / 1973.

[Signature]
 District Commissioner

The District Commissioner
West Sepik District
P.O. Box 42
VANUATU

27th August, 1973
67-16-57
R.G. Orvin
a/D.D.G.

TELEPHONE PATROL NO. 11 - 1972/73

Reference your minute of 3rd August, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report 1 arising out of the above patrol of part of KEMATERAN Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. P. Van R. Clauson, Assistant District Commissioner.

I note appropriate action on matters raised in Situation Report is to be taken up separately by your office.

W.F. Ryan
W.F. RYAN
a/Secretary

800 67-16-57



West Sepik District,
VANIMO.

~~Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
IADENIN.~~

3rd August, 1973
67-324

P.S. GALL
a/D.O.C.

67-2-8
20th June, 1973

TELECOMMUNICATOR REPORT No. 11 of 1972/73
NENA AND FU RIVERS

Thank you for this report on which the following comments are made:-

1. It is unfortunate that due to this other commitment with the Constitutional Planning Committee the census could not be completed. When in fact at a later patrol a complete census is done the census for the groups DURANIN and SUARIN might be included. A recommendation will be made that these groups be included with the NENATUMAN villages as you have requested.
2. Thank you for the interesting general comments contained in the body of the patrol report concerning the social changes which have occurred within the census division as a result of the migration to it of these ON River groups.
3. The matter of alteration of Census Division boundary, as raised in your Situation Report No. 1 to this report will be recommended as a submission to Departmental Headquarters.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
District Commissioner.



MINUTE TO:
The Secretary,
Department of the Chief Minister
& Development Administration,
KONEDOBU.

... Two copies of the relevant aspects of this report are forwarded
herewith. Due to the interesting information contained therein
... I am also forwarding a copy of the patrol report itself.

B. Bunting
B. BUNTING
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER