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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. IALIEU No. 2 of 1967/68.

Patrol Conducted by P.N. SISLEY Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Part Imbong'gu Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

4 members R.P. & N.G.C.

Natives 1 Interpreter

Duration—From 22/8/1967 to 1/9/1967 and 14/9/67 and 15/9/67

Number of Days 13 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services June/1967

Medical Now in progress

Map Reference Patrol Map 1"=1 mile, Imbong'gu Census Division attached.

Objects of Patrol Organise Council project at PIAMBIL, road construction

KUMING to PERAGAI Plantation, general administration.

Director of District Administration, PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

9/10/1967

Handwritten signature of District Commissioner

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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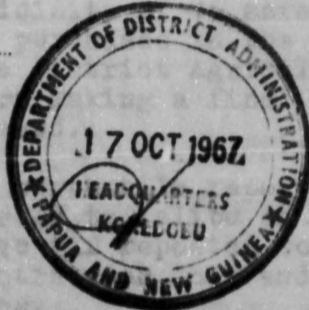
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Our Reference..... **67-3-10**
If calling ask for
Mr.....

Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

9th October, 1967.



The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEBOBU.

Ialibu Patrol No 2 of 1967/68 -
Part IBONG'GU Census Division -
Mr. P. Sisley, Patrol Officer.

Attached please find:-

- (a) Original of report,
- (b) Copy of memorandum 67-2-2 of 27th September, 1967.
- (c) Map of patrol area.

2. The following comments apply;

(a) Political Awareness (Paras 13-15). Relating the functions of the House of Assembly to the functions of the Ialibu Local Government Council is an excellent way in which to initiate and explain what the House is trying to achieve on a Territory wide basis. The complexities associated with the functions of the House are difficult to explain to people living in the more backward areas of the Territory and reliance bias to place on members of the House themselves to get this over to the people. It is unfortunate that certain members do not communicate their ideas, thoughts and what takes place in the House to their Constituents and Mr. KOITAGA-MANO is one of these gentlemen. Perhaps the forthcoming elections will see a new candidate standing for the Ialibu Electorate.

(b) Ialibu Local Government Council (Para 10). The Community centre being established at Ialibu follows the pattern introduced by the Koroba Local Government Council in the Koroba area in 1964. The Koroba community centres have tended to knit the people of the Council area together, community wise, and it is to be hoped that the PIAMBIL Centre will achieve the same success.


(c) Proposed cattle project - Ialibu (Para 23). I would query the costing of the project as indicated by Mr. Sisley but nevertheless the scheme has a lot of merit and I will forward an extract of this section of the report to the District Agricultural Officer. Initially a feasibility report on land suitability should be furnished by this officer and, if this is favourable, I will recommend that the area be investigated with a view to purchase. It is further apparent to me that, as the area is covered with kunai, a larger area

than 30 acres will be required by each landowner to make the project a success. The individual acreage required could possibly be in the vicinity of 75 acres and therefore 400 acres would have to be purchased in the first instance. However, I will wait for the District Agricultural Officer's comments on the project before making a final decision on the amount of land to be purchased.

3. A worthwhile report submitted by Mr. Sisley. He is being reposted to Ialibu on the completion of his recreational leave (if reposted to the District) and he will be able to concentrate on this and other developmental projects in the Ialibu area.

Enclosed herewith report for the above mentioned project carried out by Mr. P. K. Kinyeg.

(14) It is very pleasing to note the improvement in the public attitude in this area particularly with regard to road work. Although most officers at Ialibu were away for the last week of the year this year it seems probable that the improvement in the attitude will be maintained in the future. It is also very pleasing to note that the District Commissioner has been able to visit Ialibu for the first time in his capacity as District Commissioner. This is a very important development and it is hoped that the District Commissioner will be able to visit Ialibu more frequently in the future. It is also very pleasing to note that the District Commissioner has been able to visit Ialibu for the first time in his capacity as District Commissioner. This is a very important development and it is hoped that the District Commissioner will be able to visit Ialibu more frequently in the future.


(D.R. Marsh)
District Commissioner.

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67-2-2.

Sub-District Office IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

27th September, 1967.

The District Commissioner,

MENDI.

IALIBU PATROL REPORT NO. 2, 1967/68.

Forwarded herewith report for the above mentioned patrol carried out by Mr. PO Sisley.

(1) It is very pleasing to note the improvement in the native situation in this area particularly with regard to road work. Although most officers at Ialibu have spent perhaps a little too much time on road work this year it seems justified in the improved native situation and also the slow but steady improvement in the roads. This seems particularly important with the work on the new Ialibu to Mt. Hagen road to be started, we hope, in the new year as this road is Ialibu and Pangia's real hope for rapid development. Where work on projects is to be paid for I have had an officer organise the labour and clearly lay down amount and time of payment. Since this has been done there have been no complaints and Mr. Sisley who now has a very good knowledge of the area, has done a very good job in his organization and dealings with the local population. This is born out by the very high regard that I have noticed the people in this area have for him.

(2) Work on the road into the tea plantation has gone very well in the initial stages. I feel that the estimated date of completion of the end of October is a little hopeful but the majority of the work could well be completed by this date. After completion there will no doubt be alterations and improvements necessary but it is hoped that it will be usable by the new year if the present rate of progress is maintained. With Mr. Sisley and myself proceeding on leave shortly ~~however~~ some delays may come about as staff shortage may mean less supervision. Once this road is in it will mean a great boost to the income of the people in this area and it is hoped that the road can be finished as quickly as possible.

(3) The remarks on the penalties for serious crime and the annual food shortage have been covered in other correspondence and further comment seems unnecessary.

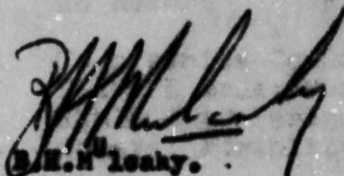
(4) The political education program is being furthered at every opportunity but it is hard to gauge the actual impact that it is having. The fact that both the members for the Ialibu area have shown little or no interest in going around their electorate has not helped but interest has been revived recently when it became known that the Ialibu sub-district

is to become a separate electorate next election. I am hopeful that this will revive interest sufficiently to allow the present educational programs to be absorbed.

(5) Mr Sisley's suggestion for the cattle project in the Kangul valley is well worked out and has a sound chance of success if all the requirements can be met. I have felt for a long time that, even allowing that labour is cheap in this country, it is too much to expect a group to clear, dig, break up and plant by hand an area of 25 acres of pasture. They simply lose interest before the project is finished and a great deal of time and labour goes to waste. By making allowance to hire a tractor to plough the ground I feel that the major drawback to the establishment of successful cattle projects in this area has been overcome.

A great drawback I have found at Laliba recently is that D.A.S.F. clearly laid down that cattle ownership is to be individual. While I agree to this in principle the proposed methods for establishment of projects in the past has been entirely dependant on community assistance. The general attitude has been that if only individuals can own the cattle then let the individuals do all the work on the block. It is not hard to see their reasoning. Now the Council has a tractor consideration will be given next year, if profitable operations come about, to the purchase of a set of disc ploughs to assist in future cattle projects. As soon as Mr. Sisley returns from leave I intend to have him try and establish these projects as suggested if official approval is forthcoming. Preliminary investigations can be started, if staff are available, if you approve the scheme before Mr. Sisley returns.

For your information and forwarding please. Claim for camping allowance is enclosed.


J.H. Leahy.

Assistant District Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegram

Telephone

Our Reference **67 - 2 - 2.**

If calling ask for

Mr. _____

Dept. of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
JALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

20th. September, 1967.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
JALIBU.....S.H.D.

JALIBU PATROL REPORT No. 2 of 1967/68.

PART IMBONG'GU CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Conducted by:

P.N.Sisley (Patrol Officer)

Patrol Accompanied by:

Europeans - Nil
4 members R.P.& N.G.C.
1 Interpreter.

Area Patrolled:

Northern section of the
Imbong'gu Census Division.

Duration of Patrol:

22/8/67 to 1/9/67
14/9/67 and 15/9/67.

Number of Days:

13 days.

Last Patrolled:

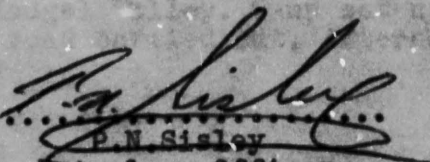
June 1967 D.B.A.

January 1967 D.A.S.F.

No Record P.H.D.

Objects of Patrol:

To organise Council projects in the
PIAMBIL area; road construction
KUMINGE to Peragai Plantation and
General Administration.


P.N. Sisley
Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

1. This Patrol intended carrying out Council functions, road construction and General Administration in the northern section of the Imbong'gu Census Division. However due to weather conditions and the arrival of the Supreme Court at Ialibu much that was planned was not completed. During the first three days rain fell almost continually and the Council projects that were planned for the PIAMBIL area were not finalised as completely as I would have liked.

2. The patrol moved to the Kaugel Valley on the 26th. of August and worked here supervising the construction of the road to the tea estate, Peragai Plantation. The week spent here produced results but once again the writer had to return to Ialibu to organise witnesses etc. for the Supreme Court. As I was a witness in all three cases to be heard at Ialibu the following week was completely taken up with the Supreme Court.

3. The original plan of the patrol was for myself to spend between 3 and 4 weeks organising the road construction and Council projects then to hand over to Mr. G. Salu, Patrol Officer, to complete. However due to the circumstances that arose this was altered slightly and the patrol has already been taken over by Mr. Salu.

FIELD DIARY:

Tuesday 22/8/67:

Organised patrol equipment and after completion of outstanding Council work departed for PIAMBIL. En route carried out road inspection. Arrived PIAMBIL 1710 hrs. Set up camp and explained patrol's objects to locals. Slept PIAMBIL.

Wednesday 23/8/67:

Rain fell for most of day. However work started on marking out the Community centre planned for PIAMBIL. At 1340 hrs rain became too heavy for further work. Returned to rest house. Discussions with Councillors and people during the afternoon. Slept PIAMBIL.

Thursday 24/8/67:

Still raining and only a little more work done on community centre. Marked out sufficient to allow people to build the centre. Further talks and five disputes heard during the day. Slept PIAMBIL.

Friday 25/8/67:

Still raining. No further work done on centre. Returned to Ialibu and held the second meeting of Trade Store Committee. A number of Local Courts during the afternoon. Slept Ialibu.

Saturday 26/8/67:

Patrol returned to Kaugel Valley. Camp set up and an initial inspection of part of proposed road carried out. Afternoon observed.

Sunday 27/8/67:

Observed at Kuminge.

Monday 28/8/67:

Commenced work on the plantation road. A 1000 foot section surveyed and leveled and work commenced on building the road. All of this day spent supervising work and reconnoitring possible road routes. Slept KUMINGE.

Tuesday 29/8/67:

Returned to plantation road. A site for a bridge

over the Kauve Creek selected and a further 1500 feet of road surveyed and levelled. Groups from KUME and TONA organised into gangs and worked on this new section. Slept KUMINGE.

Wednesday 30/8/67:

Organised work for the Kuminge-Imi and Kume-Tona Groups thence departed for Peragai Plantation to survey as yet unmarked sections of the road. All of this day spent investigating possible routes across two rather large creeks. A route finally found and work commenced on surveying road. Camped Peragai Plantation.

Thursday 31/8/67:

Returned to survey of road route from Peragai Plantation. Continued surveying until 1410 hrs. Returned to work near Kuminge and supervised here until 1620. Returned Kuminge, three disputes heard. Slept KUMINGE.

Friday 1/9/67:

Further work on road construction and talks to locals until 1130 hrs. At this time car arrived from Ialibu. Returned to Ialibu arriving 1410 hrs. Remainder of afternoon spent organising for Supreme Court arrival. Patrol temporarily stood down.

Thursday 14/9/67:

Returned with patrol to Kuminge to supervise work on plantation road. All of this day spent on this. Slept KUMINGE.

Friday 15/9/67:

Further work on road supervision. A further 3000 feet surveyed and levelled. Road now completely surveyed to plantation. At 1400 hrs. sent patrol to Ialibu while myself to Nagop to purchase 7.3 acres of land, TUGABUNGI. Returned Ialibu 1720 hrs.

Tuesday 19/9/67:

Returned to road with Mr. G. Salu, Patrol Officer. Explained what was happening and pointed out difficult sections. Patrol handed over to Mr. Salu and myself returned to Ialibu arriving 1830 hrs.

END OF DIARY.

Native Situation:

4. The situation in the northern section of the Imbong'gu Census Division is satisfactory. The most noticeable improvement was the good response to the construction of the road to Peragai Plantation. On my arrival I informed all of the men from Kuminge, Imi and Kume Villages that work would commence on the following Monday but I was not too optimistic about the numbers that would come. However to my surprise nearly all turned up and they were quite willing to work.

5. In previous reports I have mentioned the indifference of these people to work on the new Mt. Hagen road. This has changed, to a marked degree, because they have been paid for work done. This I heard from a number of the locals and also the fact that a second payment was made during this patrol - the last for the work they have carried out - has restored their confidence and when they were told that they would be paid for work on this road as well they have accepted this and are now working quite well. At this stage of their development it is impossible to expect the people to work on roads etc. for the benefit of the whole area. In almost all cases the person in a village like Kuminge is not very interested in his counterpart at say Kisenapoi which is only eight miles away. If the Kuminge inhabitant is content then the troubles of transport etc at Kisenapoi are not his worry. As one moves further from his home so does his concern diminish. If the Kagua or Pangia person has difficulties transporting his produce because there is no road through Kuminge is not his worry.

6. Hence the only methods left to us to develop the area, at present times, are gentle persuasion and if possible payment for work done. These methods can produce good results as long as it is organised. A set of conditions should be laid down first, the reasons for the particular project explained and then this should be followed. Deviations from the original plan should only come about as a last resort. Leaving things un-organised is what caused the indifference to road work early this year but now we see that once conditions are laid down - as they were when the work on the new Hagen road was recommenced - and followed as they have been then we see the improvement in the situation that has resulted.

7. The arrival of the supreme court at Ialibu during the patrol was a topic of conversation amongst the locals. I'm not sure if the supreme court has been to Ialibu before but if it has it was a few years ago. This in itself was an event for the people and during the latter days of the sitting a number of locals filled the court watching proceedings. The main effect the supreme court produced was a revival of a topic raised by the Ialibu Local Government Council recently. This was the people's wish to see persons convicted of wilfull murder jailed for life. The Council passed a motion supporting this and during the patrol a number of locals expressed the same opinion. Consensus of opinion was that the people considered that the small sentences were definitely not acting as deterrants to further such crimes. They listed occasions of men returning to Ialibu, after doing jail terms for wilfull murder, with good clothes, money and often a trade. This they say leads other people to think 'If this is all that happens then I am not afraid of going to jail'. Both the Councillors and the people I have met came out strongly in favour of life sentences for people convicted of wilfull murder. This they consider will act more as a deterrant to further such crimes than the present light sentences.

8. Trade Stores continue to flourish in the area and particularly in the Imbong'gu Census Division. At present there would be approximately 40 stores owned by the locals themselves. Some have been going now for a couple of years and to my knowledge none have gone bankrupt. This leads one to believe that there is no shortage of money in the area as quite a number of men are entering business concerns, trade stores, cattle projects etc., and the local people are supporting the stores. Although they have no cash crop the people still manage to obtain rather large amounts of money. The main sources of revenue to them being road work, Station and Mission contracts, sale of firewood and fresh foods, pit sawing and occasional sale of land. Marketing amongst themselves is very common and the prices charged are exorbitant but are still maintained. Examples being 50¢ for approximately 10 lbs. of small sweet potatoe, \$4.00 for a village fowl, \$30.00 for a pig about 12 inches high and \$6.00 for an eel only 3 feet long. Their concept of value is almost nil as I saw one local drop his price for 4 arrows from \$6.00 to \$2.00 in the space of a breath when the purchaser said that it was too dear. Trading continues though with a bias to cash purchases rather than bartering.

9. Recently I was approached by a group of locals who wished to purchase a vehicle. When told that they would need about \$3000.00 the leader of the group brought forward \$2600.00 and guaranteed the remainder. This particular chap was the most ardent antagonist to the raising of Council tax last tax meeting. His argument then was that the people had no money. He must have struck gold recently.

10. The present cry in the area is that it is a 'time hungry' and that the people are starving. They are requesting time off from road work and all other duties and they say that they cannot assist on any projects at the moment because of this time hungry. However when they are given time off, as they have, there is no attempt made to prepare gardens. One would expect them all to be out madly making gardens to overcome their food problems but one still sees the men sitting down in the villages gossiping or building ceremonial houses for feasts and the women occasionally working in the gardens but most of the time talking and playing with children. I asked for examples of the hungry children to be brought in so I could organise help if necessary. However none have been brought forward. Also a Medical Assistant is at present patrolling the area and he has not reported any cases of malnutrition to my knowledge. A report concerning this will be asked of him.

11. I do believe that there might be a shortage of food but the reason for this lies only with the people themselves and their

laziness. The last two years here have seen almost continual pig kills and ceremonies and no thought has been given to the gardens. Work days on the roads are only two per week and this is not a real handicap. At the request of the people the days worked by the women in gathering sand has been cut to one and in some areas nil. However it is quite obvious that the people prefer talking, dancing and visiting to working their gardens. An Agricultural Assistant is at present patrolling the Kewabe and part of the Imbong'gu Census Division to check the supposed shortage and his report is awaited.

12. If a shortage is found in some areas I would advise against mass assistance by the Administration as was given in 1965 in the Pangia area. This will lead only to create the same situation next year as the people will definitely bank on Administration assistance next year and will not plant up sufficient gardens. Any assistance given should be strictly supervised and only as a last resort. The fault lies only with the local people who have not prepared for a year round supply of food. All attempts will have to be made on patrols by both D.D.A. and D.A.S.F. and through the Council to impress on the people the reasons for the shortage. However continual assistance by the Administration will only breed continual reliance and the people will have to learn to stand on their own two feet.

Political Awareness:

13. During the patrol time was taken to explain the House of Assembly and its functions to the people. The Council at Ialibu was used as a basis of these explanations as the people have a fair idea of it. The approach used was to describe the House of Assembly as a large scale Council with the emphasis on the fact that it covered the Territory as a whole and not one particular section. Explanations of voting procedure, reasons for same, revenue, expenditure and its legislative functions were given using the Council setup as a guide. Most topics received a good response and it appeared that they gained a little more knowledge. The points of revenue and expenditure though had them some what baffled. The Australian Government grant and internal revenue was not too well understood, I'm afraid, and the concept of Territory wide expenditure was answered with the question 'When is the Administration going to spend money at Ialibu?'

14. Knowledge of the House is not overmuch with the ordinary man in the village. I must reiterate again my disgust with the Member for this area Mr. Koitaga-Mano who has done nothing to explain the ways of the House to his constituents nor to ask what they would like brought up nor even explain what he has or has not said on their behalf. His main concerns seem to be in purchasing vehicles and trade stores and in holding large 'sing-sings'.

15. I feel that the people also share this opinion as when they were told that ~~was~~ a new electorate was being formed that would include Ialibu and Pangia only, they greeted this with obvious shows of approval. The chance of having their own Member appeals to them very much. There were a few who wanted an electorate including Ialibu only but it was explained to these that the line had to be drawn some where.

Ialibu Local Govt. Council:

16. One of the objects of the patrol was the setting out of a community centre at PIAMBIL. An area of land had been set aside by the local people for this purpose and during the patrol a rather substantial section was marked out. The centre will include a small football field, Aid Post and Orderly's house, Community Hall, two trade store sites and in the future a Police Post and a school. Also a small forest of some 200 trees will be included in the plan. To date the Aid Post has been constructed and the Orderly's house is under way. The patrol marked out the football field area and a small road to give access to various parts of the centre. Due to weather conditions this was all that could be done. The people have been left to organise their own work forces to construct the centre and this is being done by the Councillors from PIAMBIL, GIA and TONA. Work has been slow starting as the people have again shown themselves to be rather lazy but it is hoped that an improvement occurs shortly.

17. Shortage of time and press of other duties did

not allow me to delve too deeply into the attitude of the people to the Council but personal knowledge and odd snippets of information lead one to believe that the people are quite happy with the progress of the Council in recent years. The completion of a number of works projects last financial year and the completion of two more Aid Posts this year has impressed them and they are beginning to realise what the Council can do for them. They have at last seen that their tax money is not hoarded away but used for their benefit. All in all I would venture the opinion that the majority of people in the Lalibu Council area are quite happy with their Council.

Roads and Bridges:

18. The principal task of this patrol was the surveying and construction of an access road to the tea estate, Peragai Plantation. The plantation is situated in the Kaugel Valley and approximately three miles east south east of Kuminge Village. To connect the plantation with the road network requires the construction of a further four to six miles of road. This was the task undertaken by the patrol and although time was limited a route was surveyed linking the start and end points and work commenced forming the road.

19. In July this year an Officer from the Department of Public Works made a feasibility survey across two thirds of the route. This was used by the patrol as a basis for further work. A survey with an abney level revealed that the grades on the original route were rather high in a number of places and subsequently a better route was found using parts only of the original. On the road there are three sections which will require close supervision. All three are creek crossings and approaches and after a few attempts at obtaining reasonable grades a road could only be put in using 10% grades. These are relative high but they were the only ones able to be used and get the road through. However all three creeks have a plentiful supply of gravel so the approaches will be able to be heavily stoned which will assist to counteract the rather steep grade.

20. The road I would estimate at being between four and six miles long. Of this a half mile was completed at the time of handing over the patrol to Mr. Salu. This half mile contains the first obstacle which only leaves two more to worry about. The remainder of the road will be no bother at all. Grades are below 6% and the country lends itself to road work and there will be no large cuts or fills apart from the two remaining creek crossings. Four large creeks will have to be bridged and two smaller ones with either bridges or culverts. This should not present any problem as the locals have assured me that logs are obtainable and a team has commenced cutting planks. If everything continues as it is I estimate that the road will be completed by the end of October. This will then leave only the bridges and stoning.

21. The completion of this road will greatly assist the manager of the plantation but it is also going to improve the financial position of the people in the neighbourhood. Apart from road payments the people can expect money from the sale of fresh food, firewood etc. to the plantation and also the manager informs me that once the road is through he will increase development of his block and the labour line required will also increase. It is to our advantage to have this road completed as quickly as possible as the benefits to the area over the next twelve months will be indeed great.

Agriculture:

22. While I was in the Kaugel Valley area I spoke with the Councillor from Kuminge who showed me a piece of land where a few men from the Kuminge-Imi-Kume villages plan to start a cattle project. The Councillor was quite anxious to have the project started and in an effort to assist I checked on a few details and put forward the following plan for consideration. Some aspects of it will require further checking but I feel that it has very good chances of succeeding and being ~~and~~ ~~to~~ ~~be~~ increased. The plan is,

23. PROPOSED CATTLE PROJECT - IALIBU.(a) Location:

The scheme will be situated in the Kaugel Valley region of the Imbong'gu Census Division near the census unit of Kuminge. This is some 22 miles north east of Ialibu Station and is in road communication with the centre. The new Mt. Hagen-Ialibu-Mendi road will pass through this area. The altitude of the area is between 4000 and 5000 feet. Rainfall for the area is not known but I would estimate it at being between 100 and 150 inches per year. As the proposed scheme is to be situated on undulating country on the slopes of the valley drainage would not be difficult if required at all. To the layman the soils appear quite good as many types of tropical fruits grow well here and the primary and secondary growths are lush.

(b) Procedure:

(i) The proposed plan is to obtain an area of some 150 acres initially. This could be obtained either by the Administration who could then lease it to locals or have five local men in the first place who can raise \$100.00 each purchase freehold rights themselves from the villagers in the area. A legal document could be drawn up between the five men wishing to start the project and the villagers selling the 150 acres to them at \$3.00 per acre. This would give them freehold rights to the land and would avoid land problems in the future.

(ii) The 150 acres will be subdivided into 5x30 acres blocks. Each applicant will receive a 30 acre block. On this block between 20 and 25 acres will have to set aside for improved pastures and the remaining 5 acres for a cash crop - sweet potatoe in the first instance. The block will be fenced with barbed wire NOT an electric fence. Once pastures are planted up and ready the applicant will purchase five head of cattle.

(iii) Initially this project should only involve the people of the area itself - ie Kuminge-Imi-Kume. If in the future there is scope to increase the project then other villagers of the Ialibu area can be invited to ~~xit~~ apply for blocks. If the scheme is met favourably and the opportunity arises then the purchase of a 1000 acre block of land could be made and this broken up much on the same lines as I have suggested. My information at the moment is that a 1000 acre block could be obtained but the attitude of the people to selling the land for a local industry will have to be enquired into first. The success of the initial 150 acre project will be the deciding factor here.

(c) Finance:

(i) Initially the five applicants will have to raise capital of \$100.00. This will not be difficult for them to raise and it will help to show that although they will be given all the assistance possible they have to contribute both their own money and labour. Once they have their capital they will apply to the Development Bank for a loan of \$400.00 over a period of three years. This will give them a start off capital of \$500.00.

(ii) The five acres set aside for the cash crop will be planted up immediately with sweet potatoe. A contract will then be sought with the nearby tea estate, Peragai Plantation, for the supply of sweet potatoe at a rate of not less than 1¢ per pound. Working on the rate of 1¢/lb. the crop should return each applicant \$336.00. This is calculated as follows,

Estimate of return per acre = 3 tons or 6720 lbs.
Five acres planted ie. 33,600 lbs.
Sell at 1¢/lb. = 33,600 ¢ or \$336.00

(iii) From what I have been told by the Manager of the plantation his development rate on the plantation will be speeded up in the next 18 months. He expects to receive a crawler tractor shortly with which he will plough his property. Once this arrives he will require quite a number of labourers. He estimates between 300 and 400. This is an assured market for the sweet potatoe as I am informed that he has difficulty feeding his present line which is only 60. I am sure that he

(iii Cont.)

would be very agreeable in entering a contract to supply sweet potatoe. Working on the basis that he uses 25 lbs. of sweet potatoe per labourer per week and has 300 labourers to feed then he will require 7,500 lbs of sweet potatoe per week or 420,000 lbs. per year. The five blocks can supply him in one year 168,000lbs.. This does not cover his full needs but this is more of an advantage. Firstly it allows other villages to enter the market and also the purpose of the cash crop on the block is only secondary to the plan.

(iv) The reason for the sweet potatoe crop is only to help pay back the loan to the development bank as quickly as possible. One could consider not taking out the loan but if one does not then there is the wait of 6 to 9 months for the sweet potatoe to bear before work can start on the cattle blocks. The loan allows work to start immediately. Once the loan is paid back the applicant can continue with his sweet potatoe crop or switch to another crop. One suggestion is that he converts the five acres to pasture grasses which is to be allowed to go to seed thus having planting material for extensions to his block or other schemes.

(d) Development of Block:

(i) The blocks will not require much clearing as the country is mainly covered with kunai grass with timber stands in the creeks only. Your only major problem then is preparing the soil for pasture grasses. This can be done by hiring the plantation crawler to plough the five blocks. Being a crawler it will be able to plough areas where wheeled tractors may have difficulty. If this proves un-successful then the applicants can hire the Ialibu Council tractor and if the plough from Kagua cannot be obtained then the Ialibu Council can hire the Mendi Council's plough and re hire to the applicants with the tractor. The crawler, I feel, will be able to be obtained.

(ii) Once the blocks have been ploughed and are ready the five acre sweet potatoe block will be planted up gradually thus allowing the produce to be sold to the plantation over a period and not in one go. Also pasture grasses will be planted on the remainder as soon as possible. Grass will be sought from D.A.S.F. initially but if delays occur then attempts can be made to purchase it from the cattle blocks at Pangia or Ialibu. If this too is un-successful then grass will be purchased from Australia. The trials being carried out privately by Mr. D. Kentish, C.B.O., should be enquired into as a species may be found amongst his trials that will prove successful.

(iii) As soon as pasture has been planted the labour force will commence erecting fences. Timber is available close to the proposed sites and this will not cause any trouble. Once the fencing is completed and pasture has taken hold and growing the cattle can be brought in. I would recommend that the cattle were not brought in until the grass is well and truly growing.

(e) Costs:

Following is a breakup of costs as see it.

Calculated per 30 acre block.

| | |
|---|----------|
| Purchase Land 30 acres @ \$3/acre | \$ 90.00 |
| Hire of Crawler \$4/hour for 6 hours (Fuel supplied by owner of crawler) | 24.00 |
| Labour; | |
| Clearing 10 men for 7 days @ 20¢/day | 14.00 |
| Seeding 10 men for 7 days @ 20¢/day | 14.00 |
| Fencing 10 men for 20 days @ 20¢/day | 40.00 |
| Cash crop 10 men for 7 days @ 20¢/day | 14.00 |
| Plain Wire 10g, 2 coils @ \$8.70 | 17.40 |
| Barbed Wire Heavy duty 5 rolls @ 9.85 | 49.25 |
| Posts 300 7' posts at 30¢ each | 90.00 |
| Grass 5 lbs seed @ \$5/lb. | 25.00 |
| Cattle 5 head @ \$40/head | 200.00 |
| Freight Wire | |
| Australia to Lae | 60.00 |
| Lae to Mt. Hagen 560 lbs @ 4¢/lb. | 22.40 |
| Mt. Hagen to Ialibu 560 lbs @ 4¢/lb. | 22.40 |

Total \$682.45

(e-ii) This costing is looking at things with the view to maximum costs. This could be broken down some what. For example the \$90 for the land may not come into it as they may lease from the Administration at lower cost. Also labour and the fence posts may be gained without any costs. All these taken into consideration would lower costs by \$262.00 which would leave a total cost of \$420.45.

(f) Supervision:

(i) Supervision should be by a D.D.A. Officer and by a D.A.S.F. Officer from the cattle section. The D.D.A. Officer can do most of the supervision like purchasing the ground, arranging for contracts etc. leaving the D.A.S.F. Officer to handle the specialist work. By the time the blocks came up a road will be built almost beside the proposed site. The road leading to Peragai Planation will pass these blocks. This will allow for quick and easy supervision.

(ii) I feel that too much supervision should not be given. Ordering of wire etc. will have to be done for them but I feel that the applicant should also be expected to do most of the work involved. We do not want to hand a set up scheme to them but have them work on it themselves.

(g) Conclusion:

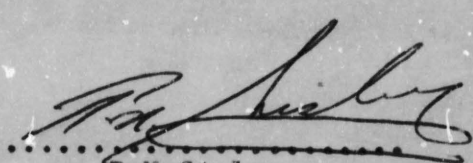
(i) This proposal can work. The country is suitable and I feel sure that applicants can be found from the local area. It will all hinge on the loan from the development bank but the fact that the loan can be repaid in 2 years - cash crop of sweet potatoe - should be a good enough security. Further security can be obtained from the Officers supervising the scheme who can ensure that the applicants keep improving their blocks.

(ii) With proper guidance this could develop into a really large concern. If the 150 acre scheme proves successful, as it should, then there should not be too much difficulty in starting a 1000 acre resettlement style of scheme. Cattle could be the source of income to these people as other cash crops, pyrethrum for example, have not been successful. If this proposal was acceptable I would suggest that preliminary investigations be started as soon as possible and if all goes well then a major effort start on it as soon as the elections for the House of Assembly are over.

Con clusion:

23. This report is rather brief but this is due mainly to the short period spent on patrol and also because of the fact that I am due for leave shortly and wish to have all matters concerned with the Council in order and ready to hand over to the next Officer. As he has not a great deal of experience I am preparing narratives on the respective works projects and functions of the Council so that when Mr. Salu takes over he will know what is happening.

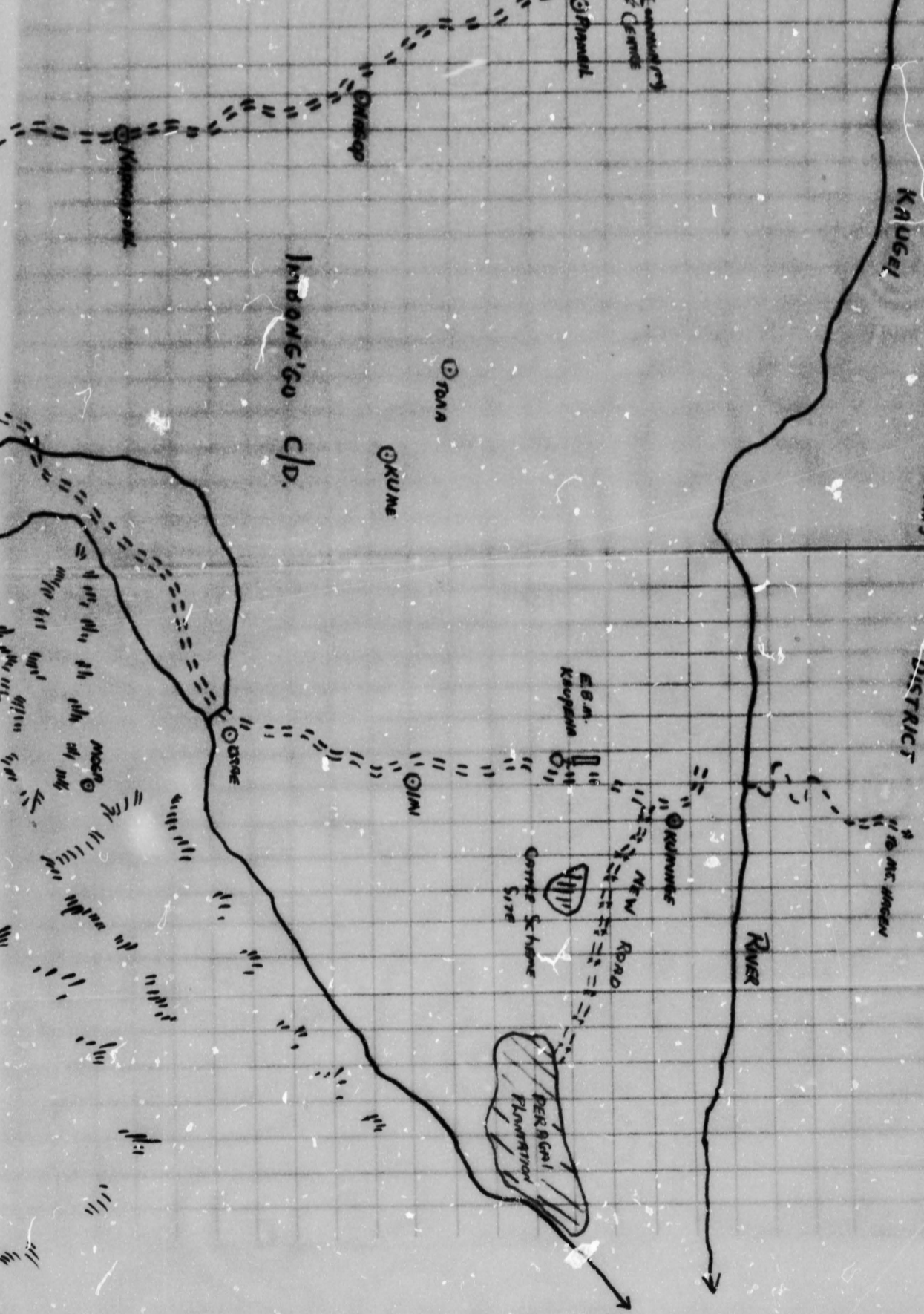
24. The objects set for the patrol were completed to a certain degree. Mr. Salu has taken over the patrol and he will complete what has yet to be done. The proposal put forward re the cattle scheme should be given consideration as I think it can be invaluable in developing the area. This and the plantation would mark the turning point in Ialibu's history and would help in improving further the people's already healthy attitude towards the Administration.

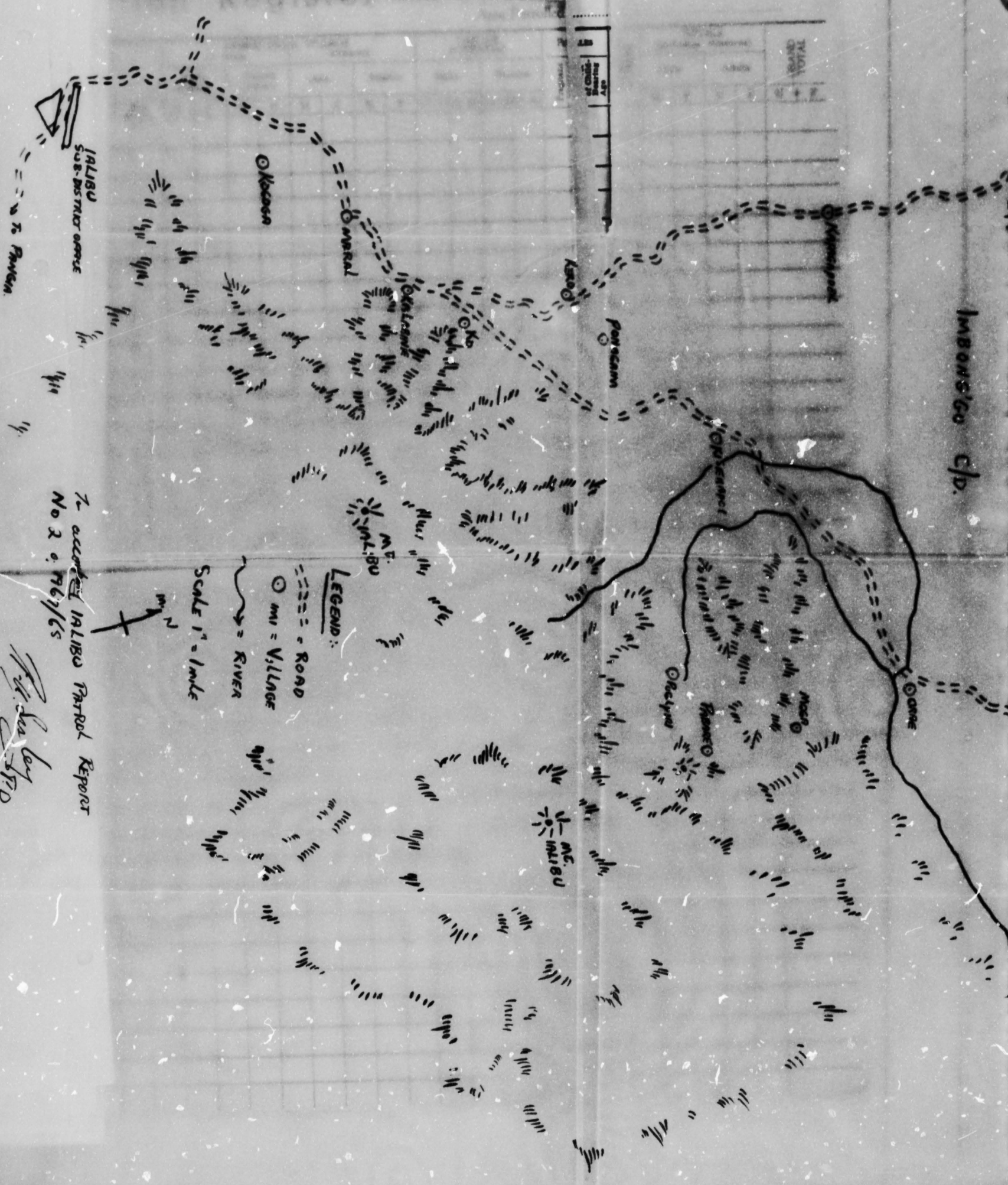

P.N. Sisley
Patrol Officer.

Pop Register

Area Patrolled

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To accompany IALIBU PATROL REPORT
 No 2 of 1967/68

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. IALIHU No. 3 of 1967/68

Patrol Conducted by GABRIEL SALU Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled PART IMBONG'GU CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

5 members R.P.&N.G.C.

Natives 1 Interpreter

Duration—From 19/9/1967 to 29/9/1967 and 2/10/67-21/10/67
30/10/67 - 6/11/67

Number of Days 46 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? Nil

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services Septemb, 1967

Medical Sept. / / 1967

Map Reference Patrol Map 1" = 1 mile Imbongu Census Division

Objects of Patrol (a) Road construction Kuminge to Peragai Plantation,

(b) General Administration.

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

29/11/1967

District Commissioner

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

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

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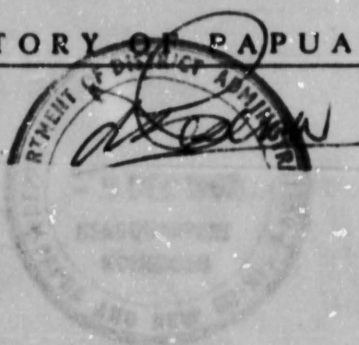
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Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District.

29th November, 1967.

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The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KORORUA.

December 28th, 1967

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

Ialibu Patrol No 3 of 1967/68 -
Part Ialibungga Census Division

IALIBU PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 67/68

Attached please find:-

Receipt of the above report with your comments is acknowledged with thanks.

(3) Copy of memorandum 41-3-3 dated

2. I could have liked to have heard more about the benefits that are expected for the local people by their work on this road. Will any of their land adjoining the new road be suitable and accessible to cash-cropping? Will they be able to sell any products to the plantation by using this road?

3. I am pleased that Mr. Solu has completed this type of work satisfactorily and I feel sure that he is gaining useful experience of what is entailed in developmental work. Please congratulate him.

4. The Assistant District Commissioner should assure himself that the roadworks will not cause food shortages. He should consult with leaders regularly to see that such hardships are not likely to occur.

4. Mr. Solu has done a good job on this patrol and he is to be commended for his enthusiastic approach to his duties. Continual guidance by his senior officers will improve the quality of his report presentation.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

(D.P. Marek)
District Commissioner.

67. 15. 18



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams.....
Our Reference... 67-3-10
If calling ask for
Mr.....



Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

29th November, 1967.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Ialibu Patrol No 3 of 1967/68 -
Part Imbong'gu Census Division
Mr. G. Salu, Patrol Officer

Attached please find:-

- (a) Original of report,
- (b) Copy of memorandum 67-2-2 dated 14th November, 1967 from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.
- (c) Map of area patrolled.

2. The completion of the access road from Kuminge to Peragai plantation will now make it possible to move equipment etc into the plantation by road. Prior to the construction of the road equipment had to be carried to the property for a distance of three miles.

3. There is no objection to the planting of coffee at Kuminge village and I will pass on to the District Agricultural Officer at Mendi an extract of the report dealing with agriculture for his information and attention.

4. Mr. Salu has done a good job on this patrol and he is to be complemented for his enthusiastic approach to his duties. Continual guidance by his senior officers will improve the quality of his report presentation.

(D.R. Marsh)
District Commissioner.

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Sub-District Office,
IALIMU,
Southern Highlands District.

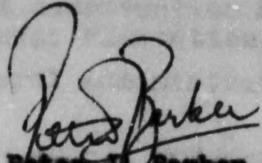
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14th November, 1967.

The District Commissioner,
Dept. of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

IALIMU PATROL NO. 3 OF 1967/68.

1. Three copies of the above report plus maps, claims for camping allowance and my comments herewith.
2. Mr. Gabriel Salu has presented a very reasonable report and his expression will no doubt improve with time. I think perhaps that the seven days taken from completion of the patrol to submission of this report is excessive.
3. Mr. Salu conducted the patrol well and the manner in which he handled the local people as well as the task was very good. The road itself is reasonable. I inspected it on Sunday and found that the camber could be improved, some of the corners should be cut off and it is very soft in spots.
4. However, Mr. Salu will be returning to this work on 20th November, when he will make payments for the work already completed. He will then camber, stone and complete this road.
5. He has been advised to refrain from making such comment on coffee for obvious reasons.
6. A good result to date.


(Peter J. Barber)
Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegram

Telephone

Our Reference 67-2-2.

If calling ask for

Mr.

Dept. District Administration,
Sub-District Office Ialibu,
Southern Highlands District.

7th November, 1967.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBUS.H.D.

IALIBU PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1967/68.

PART IMBONG'GU CENSUS DIVISION.

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| Patrol Conducted by: | Gabriel Salu, Patrol Officer. |
| Patrol Accompanied by: | Europeans - Nil 5 members R.P.&N.G.C. 1 Interpreter. |
| Area Patrolled: | Northern section of the Imbong'gu Census Division. |
| Duration of Patrol: | 19/9/67-29/9/67 2/10/67-21/10/67 30.10/67-6/11/67. |
| Number of Days: | 36 days |
| Last Patrolled: | August & September, 1967 D.D.A. September, 1967 P.H.D January, 1967 D.A.S.F. |
| Objects of Patrol: | (1) Road construction Kumunge to Peragai Plantation, (2) General Administration. |

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Gabriel Salu, Patrol Officer.

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INTRODUCTION:

1. This Patrol was conducted mainly to construct road into Peragai Tea Plantation and to carry out General Administration. The Patrol was the continuation of Patrol No. 2 of 1967/68 conducted Mr. Sisley, Patrol Officer.
2. The initial objects of Mr. Sisley's Patrol were reduced to two because it was suggested after take over that this Patrol should remain at Wangeabu Village to supervise the construction of road work. The road was completed within one month and bridges over four (4) Creeks, namely Kaue, Wile, Kumbugl and Aile were constructed within two weeks after the completion of the road.
3. As it was suggested, the Patrol set up camp at Wangeabu village and remained there until the road was completed. The road is three (3) mile long has no obstacles except two fairly steep grades on opposite banks of Kaue Creek and one on the northern bank of Kumbugl Creek presented fair bit of work. The rest of the road has no obstacles and the work was done without any difficulties.
4. Peragai Tealand is situated in north-easterly direction from the new Ialibu/Hagen road. The whole set up at present comprised of: one staff house, a garage and store room. The employees quarters are under construction and various other buildings are under plan and the work on them will start in due course. Now that the road has been completed building materials and other plantation equipments can be taken in by road from Hagen.

DIARY:

19th September: 0800-1200 prepared patrol gears and continued with the Land Investigation Report. 1300-1500 work on Land Investigation Report. 1500 last minute preparation and departed Ialibu Sub-District Office arrived Wangeabu village 1630. Night at Wangeabu.

20th September: 0800-1200 organised work parties from four groups and inspected the road site. 1200-1230 lunch. 1235-1600 supervised Moga Kume group.

21st September: 0800-1200 after organising police to supervise Ore Kuminge group self continued supervising Moga and Kume groups. 1300-1600 work with Moga and Kume groups for an hour then heard minor court cases.

22nd September: Organised and supervised Ore group with constable assisting. Rain disrupted work at 3pm.

23rd September: 0800-1200 paid out payments for the work on new Ialibu/Hagen road and arbitrated in two minor complaints.

24th September: Observed at Wangeabu.

25th September: Supervised the cutting of steep grade on the Eastern bank of Kaue creek. 100 yards of road completed.

26th September: General supervision of work for all four groups. Rain again disrupted the work.

27th September: Organised and supervised Kume group with L/C Iahu assisting. Not very much of work done.

DIARY CONT.

28th September: Took measurement of road and marked out work boundaries for all groups. Supervised Kuminge group with Constable Iasingan assisting.

29th September: General supervision of all groups. Heard complaints at PM hours. Rain disrupted the work at 2pm. Work closed for weekend. One minor complaint heard today.

30th September: Packed and came into Ialibu for weekend.

1st October: Sunday observed at Ialibu.

2nd October: 0800-1200 worked on Council Tax Receipt. 1300-1500 continued with tax receipt. 1510 returned to Kuminge. Inspected work sites upon arrival.

3rd October: Organised and supervised with constable Iasingan assisting. Fair work was done. Heard one minor complaint today.

4th October: Censused all four groups and carried out general supervision. Discussion with various groups concerning work at late afternoon hours. Complaints on late payment for road work was raised.

5th October: General supervision of all groups. Good turn up from all four groups. About 400 yards of road was completed today.

6th October: Only worked from 0800 hours to 1230. All men returned to their villages for weekend.

7th October: Time spent in hearing complaints.

8th October: Sunday observed at Wangeabu.

9th October: Set two police to supervise Kuminge and Kume groups and self with L/C/Iahu and Constables Allen and Warieti assisting organised and supervised Moga and Ore groups.

10th/October: General supervision of all groups.

11th/October: Organised and supervised Kume group with Constable Iasingan assisting. A better turn up was produced today and work on steep grade near Kaue Creek was completed and further work towards Wile creek was done. Other groups reported to have worked well with their section of the road.

12th October: Organised and work with Kume group with Constable Zuwe assisting. Work towards Wile Creek was completed. The rain disrupted work and minor work of leveling the surface of the road was left out.

13th October: With Constable Warieti supervised Ore group on cutting of the steep grade near Kumbugl Creek at AM hours. Paid out payments ~~to~~ to Moga and Ore group today.

14th October: Time taken in discussions and complaints.

15th October: Sunday observed at Wangeabu.

16th October: Organised and supervised Kume group on their new section of the road. All groups produced good result of the work in their section of the road.

17th October: General supervision of all four groups.

18th October: General supervision as above.

19th October: General supervision as above.

DIARY CONT.

20th October: Organised and supervised Moga group with constable Iasingana assisting. Discussion with all four groups after the close of the work at 1230. Work closed for weekend.

21st October: Discussion with Kuminge group. Two minor complaints settled out of Court action.

22nd October: Sunday observed. Returned to Ialibu by a private vehicle 1300 hours arriving Ialibu at 1445.

23rd October: Time spent at the Ialibu Local Government Chamber reading through Council finance books etc.

24th October: Time spent again at the Council Chamber assisting Mr. F. L. Leibfried, A. D. O. and Mr. C. Liddle in checking Council Tax money.

25th October: Continued assisting in checking Council tax money at am hours (0800-1200). Court work from 1300-1630 hours.

26th October: All working hours ie. from 0800-1200 and 1330-1630, spent on court work.

27th October: All working hours spent as above.

28th October: All working hours spent as above.

29th October: Sunday observed at Ialibu.

30th October: 0800-0850 prepared gears to return to Kuminge. 0900 departed Ialibu Sub-District Office on an Administration vehicle arrived Kuminge 1030. Inspected work done during my absence and with Constable Zuwe supervised the construction of bridge over Wile Creek.

31st October: Continued with the construction of the bridge over Wile Creek. Work completed at late hours.

1st November: After setting two constables to organised and supervised Ore group, self and two others supervised the pulling of logs for Kaue Creek. Five logs were set in place over the creek and awaited planks.

2nd November: Bridge over Kaue Creek completed today at AM hours. Supervised Ore group, road completed today.

3rd November: Logs for ~~the~~ Aile Creek were cut and pulled.

4th November: Constructed and completed the bridge over Aile Creek. Two complaints settled out of court action.

5th November: Sunday observed at Wangeabu.

6th November: 0800-1015 Organised all groups on various work needed straightening and held discussion with various groups after everything has been completed. 1020 packed and returned to Ialibu by PWD Tractor arriving 1245. Patrol stood down.

End of Patrol Diary.

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NATIVE SITUATION:

5. The native situation at this section of the Imbong'gu Census Division visited by this Patrol is quite satisfactory. Good response to the construction of the road to Peragai Tealand as seen by Mr. Sisley was maintained. The attendance to work was very good and as a result the road was completed within reasonable time even though the work was continually interrupted by bad weather conditions.

6. The people were willing and enthusiastic towards building the road and did not show any resentments except that they were bit reluctant to come to work during the first week of my supervision. This is because they were impatient on payment for work done previously on new Ialibu-Hagen road. This payment was paid to them shortly after the complaint was raised. According to this I feel that the people are beginning to be money conscious and as such I suggest there must not be any delays to payment for work done. The reason for delays in payment for work was explained to them but people seem to keep their beliefs that the Administration is never out of fund at Ialibu.

7. Prior to my taking over the Patrol from Mr. Sisley, I heard the rumour that children are starving as a result of food shortage in the area. Through my observation I found no indication of starving children. Although people continually told me that they have no food to eat I found that this was all just a talk to have me agree to their request to have some time off from road work. Number of times they came up asking me to give them time to do their gardening but seeing that they have enough to eat, I am certain that the shortage of food is not seriously affecting the people, I did not allow them until the road was completed.

8. It could be different though in other parts of Imbong'gu and Kewabe Census Divisions regarding the food shortage. The situation could be worse or same as above. I will take the situation will be as same as the situation at the Northern section of the Imbongu Census Division.

TRADE & INDUSTRY:

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9. Trade appear to be the main source of revenue. This is more so in the Imbong'gu Census Division where many natives owned and many others are endeavouring to follow suit. There are of course other source of money income which have been covered in Mr. Sisley's Report and mention of them again is unnecessary.

10. Peragai Tea Plantation although owned solely by European Planters, can, I feel, be regarded as another source of revenue for the people of the area. The plantation under management of Mr. Parkes is developing rapidly and had started employing the people of the area. In future when the plantation grows and increases its activities more people will be employed.

AGRICULTURE: 11. No mention of the Cattle Project proposed by Mr. Sisley was made to me during my discussion with the people. I assume that they are keeping the matter until Mr. Sisley arrives back from his leave and start them on the job. As he, himself knew what to do on the project responsibility on starting the project lies in his hand.

12. My observation reveals that at Kuminge area two to three coffee plots appear to be doing well. Taking this as an example I feel planting of coffee should be encouraged. As pyrethrum which have been tried and I believe failed, coffee should be tried as a substitute. Now that the new Ialibu/Hagen is due to be built in the near future and upon completion will give shorter access to the area, produce of coffee can be taken into Hagen and sold to the Companies.

ROAD AND BRIDGES:

13. The main aim of this patrol was to construct a road into Peragai Tea Estate. The road was surveyed by Mr. Sisley and about half a mile of it was built and completed during his supervision. No alteration was made to the original site although in some sections there appears to exist a more favourable site.

14. The road work took approximately one month to complete after the take over of patrol from Mr. Sisley. The only obstacles that held the work was the cutting of three reasonably high grades and filling of two creek crossings. Continuous bad weather was another factor that held the work. Otherwise the road work should have been completed earlier than this period.

15. Bridges over four creeks were constructed soon after the completion of the road. This left stoning to be done. I have, however, started Kuminge group on this before returning to Ialibu. This group will only put stone on small section of the road. I left stoning to be done later because firstly I intended to give people a break for a week or so and secondly I wanted to pay the people for the further road work before setting them to put stone on the road. The work on this will commence soon after the payment is made. Bridges were built out of bush material and as there were no nails available the timbers placed across the pillars were fastened with bush ropes. The approximate length of bridges are between twenty and forty feet and the approximate width is between 10 and 13 feet.

16. The road can now be opened to traffic but I suggest a continuous use of it must be restricted until stones and gravels are put on the road. As it is now the road is still soft in most part and can be damaged easily if used continually.

17. The survey of the new Ialibu/Hagen road has been completed and the work on it I presume will start early next year. The present condition of the road into Kuminge area is quite reasonable for traffic. The new Ialibu/Hagen road is along the ~~road~~ route of this road.

COMPLAINTS AND COURTS:

18. There were no complaints of serious nature except for that of food shortage which has been covered in the earlier paragraph. Court cases were numerous mostly of pay back of bride price. Most cases were settled out of court action. Considerable number of cases were brought to Ialibu and because of the staff shortage, the ~~writer~~ writer took one week off from patrol and came into Ialibu to deal with them.

PATROL PERSONALS:

19. All patrol personals carried out their duties well despite one incident where a member of RP&NGC, without permission either from me or from an NCO on patrol came into Ialibu. The matter was reported to the Assistant District Commissioner at Ialibu and necessary measures were taken against the constable.

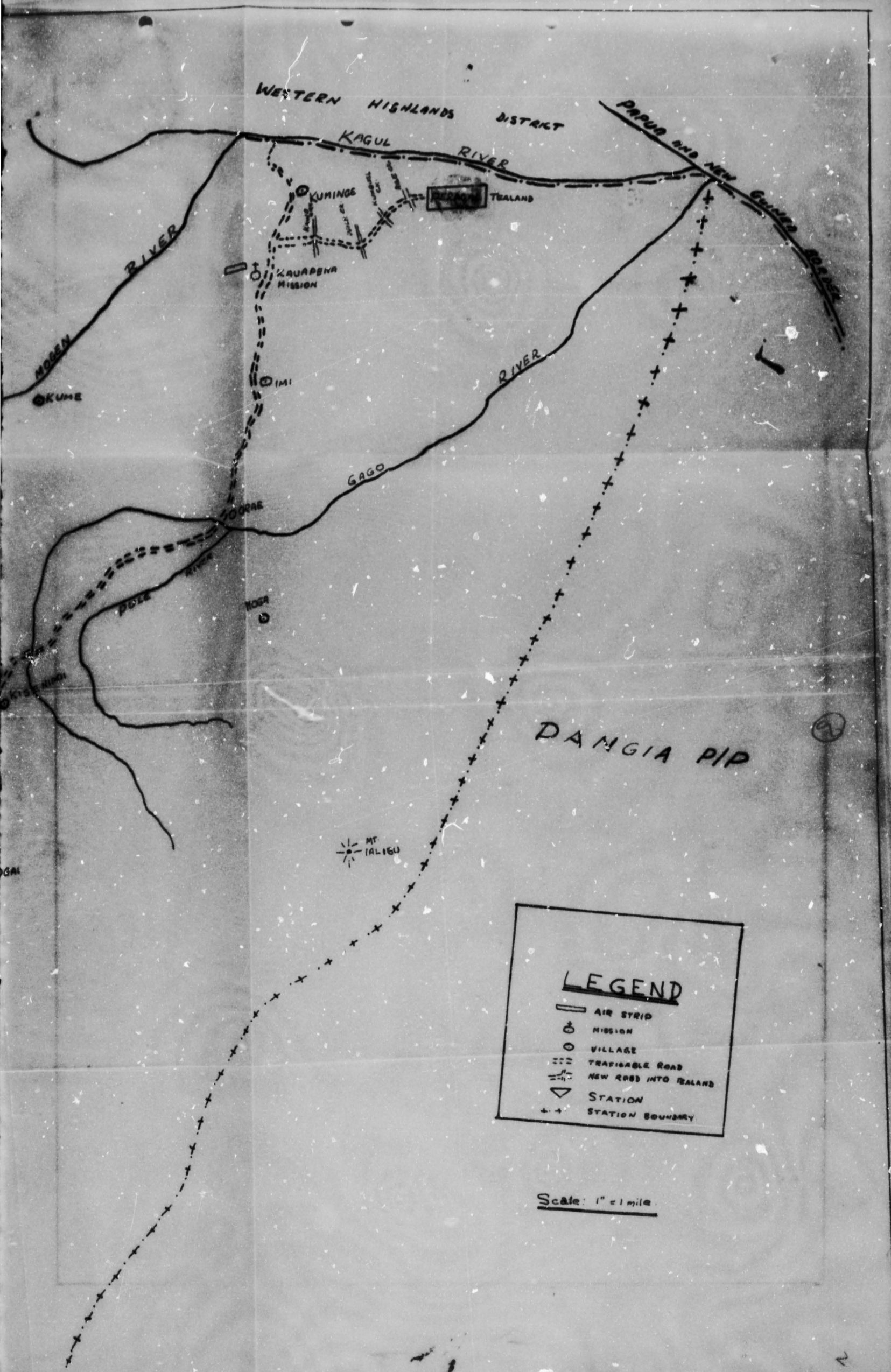
VILLAGE OFFICIAL:

20. Councillors from groups engaged on road work took active interest in the road work co-operated very well in organising and supervising the road work. Village committees also helped. It is pleasing to see that village officials woke up to themselves and carry out their work in executing both the Administration and Council policies.

CONCLUSION:

In spite of stoning left to be done on the road work, the patrol accomplished most of its tasks it set out to do. The information given here is brief because many things which could have been covered here had been covered by many previous patrol reports. As this patrol remained at Kuminge and concentrated mainly on road work most of the time, I am unable to give information on other things besides things I have mentioned here.

G. Salu
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Gabriel Salu, Patrol Officer.



LEGEND

- ▭ AIR STRIP
- ⊙ MISSION
- VILLAGE
- ⋯ TRAILABLE ROAD
- +— NEW ROAD INTO ISLAND
- ▽ STATION
- + + STATION BOUNDARY

Scale: 1" = 1 mile.

WESTERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT

KAGUL RIVER

MOGEN RIVER

RIVER

GAGO

PULU RIVER

TARBUH HAGEN AND MANDI

ROAD
IALIBU/HAGEN

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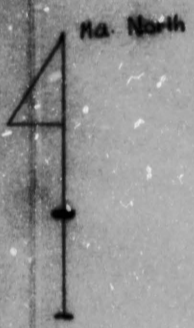
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. IALIBU NO. 5 of 1967/68.

Patrol Conducted by G. Salu Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled Part Imbong'gu Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil.

3 members R.P. & N.G.C.

Natives 1 Interpreter.

Duration—From 20 / 11 / 1967 to 22 / 12 / 1967

Number of Days 30 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? Nil

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services None / 1967

Medical September / 1967

Map Reference Patrol Map 1"=1 mile, Imbong'gu Census Division attached.

Objects of Patrol (a) Construction of Peragai Tealand Road,

(b) 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 £.....

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Ref: 67-15-29

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. Papua.

June 6th, 1968.

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
HEMDI.

PATROL NO. IALIBU 5-67/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of ~~Memorandum~~
* ~~Patrol Report~~ Report covering patrol by G. SALU P.O......
to..... PART IALIBU..... Census Divisions.

Mr. SALU appears to have done a good job on the road
and in ensuring that the tasks given did not interfere with
local gardening cycles.

If there is a likelihood of funds being available for
graveling roads in this area, it might be worth while advising
the people desirous of buying a vehicle to buy one suitable for
both carriage of passengers and gravel.

T.W. Ellis
(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

* Delete as necessary.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams
Our Reference 67-3-10
If calling ask for
Mr.

Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

8th May, 1968.



The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KOWLOBU.

Patrol No 5 of 1967/68 - IALIBU
Mr. G. Salu, Patrol Officer.

Attached please find:-

- (a) Original of report,
- (b) Copy of patrol instructions issued by Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu on memorandum 67-1-2 dated 20th November, 1967.
- (c) Copy of memorandum 67-2-2 dated 2nd January, 1968 from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.
- (d) Map of area patrolled.

2. The following comments are submitted:

Native Situation (Paras 8 and 9)

It is pleasing to know that the Ialibu people are considering starting a passenger vehicular service in the Ialibu area. The establishment of such businesses as this indicates that some of the people are accepting a sophisticated way of life in preference to the traditional and further indicates that a cash economy is evident in the area.

Political Awareness (Para 12).

Mr. Salu should know that the House of Assembly is the law making body of the Territory and that Local Government Councils confine their activities to Council Areas and are mainly concerned with supplying services within their individual Council boundaries at present. The Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu should assist Mr. Salu in attaining more knowledge about the functions of the House of Assembly and Local Government Councils.

Complaints and Courts.

All land disputes should be referred to Demarcation Committees for settlement and, if this fails, disputes should be referred to the Land Titles Commissioner for hearing. Demarcation Committee members from Ialibu, will, I hope, be able to visit Goroka in June/July for training and, at the completion of the course, these committees will become actively engaged in adjudicating in disputes. The Kume and Kuminge clan dispute should be referred to the Committee, for arbitration, when the course is completed.

Regretably this report is not as well thought out as has been the case with previous reports.

E. J. Emanuel
(E. J. Emanuel)
a/District Commissioner.

C.C.
Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBU.

Mr. G. Salu,
Patrol Officer,
IALIBU.

PJB/uj

Sub-District Office,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

2nd January, 1968.

67-2-2

The District Commissioner,
Dept. of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
M E N D I.

IALIBU PATROL NO. 5 OF 1967/68.

The above report together with Camping Allowance claims and maps are forwarded herewith.


Mr. Salu has submitted his report in good time. The report itself could be improved somewhat with a bit more attention being paid to typing, spelling and expression.

Mr. Salu is a bit disappointed that stoning and gravelling of the entire road was not completed. Actually he has finished a little over half and done it very well. Under the circumstances it was not possible for him to achieve much more.

Funds for this project are fully expended and we owe money on it for this last work. I imagine that Mr. Kirin Poga, P.O., or Mr. Kentish will complete this stoning fairly soon.

Once again Mr. Salu has performed his task well and conducted his patrol efficiently and has created a good impression with the local people. He may be attending the Admin. College this year but should he return I strongly recommend he be given training in office and agency work and also in Council financial control. It appears he had done nothing but build roads in his only year in the field.

Reference to people being taken to the Wahgi Valley and political awareness have been dealt with in other correspondence.


(Peter J. Barber)
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. Mr. Gabriel Salu,
Patrol Officer,
IALIBU.

pjb/uj

Sub-District Office,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

67-1-2

20th November, 1967.

Mr. Gabriel Sala,
Patrol Officer,
IALIBU.

IALIBU PATROL NO.5 OF 1967/68.

As per my verbal advice please be ready to depart on patrol tomorrow.

2. The Interpreter and police to accompany you have already been selected.
3. Your task is to proceed with the Ialibu Tealands road. It seems that only half the promised allocation for this road is to be forthcoming so you will have to do the best you can.
4. The road so far is not bad at all but as you proceed with the stoning cut off a few corners, camber properly and remove black soil. The red clay is a good foundation and will hold up. The black soil won't.
5. I expect this section of your patrol to be completed by Christmas. You may return to Ialibu for weekends if you wish but it is not a good idea to leave your patrol too often. Policemen are not roadworks foremen and are not to be used as such.
6. On the completion of this patrol I imagine that three full days will be time enough for you to submit your report and associated documents.


(Peter J. Barber)
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. District Commissioner,
Dept. of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
M E N D I.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67-2-2

If calling ask for

Mr.

Dept. of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.
27th December, 1967.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBU.....S.H.D.

IALIBU PATROL NO. 5 of 1967/68
PART IMBONG'GU CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Conducted by:

G. Salu (Patrol Officer)

Patrol Accompanied by:

European - Nil
3 members R.P.&N.G.C.
1 Interpreter.

Area Patrolled:

Northern Section of the Imbong'gu
Census Division.

Duration of Patrol:

20th/11/67 - 21st/12/67.

Number of Days:

30 days

Last Patrolled:

D.D.A. SEPTEMBER, 1967.
P.H.D. " 1967
D.A.SF. January, 1967.

Objects of Patrol:

To proceed with the construction
of Peragai Tealand Road and
General Administration.

G. Salu, Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION:

1. This Patrol is the continuation of my Patrol No.3 of 1967/68. The Patrol set out on the 20th of November to continue with the work on Peragai Tealand Road and to carry out general Administration
2. The Patrol based itself at Wangeabu village for 30 days and supervised stoning, cambering the road and straightening some steep corners as per attached Patrol Instruction.
3. Despite favourable weather condition and good turn ups for work, the work was unsatisfactorily done. It was expected that the job of stoning, cambering etc. should be accomplished within the period that the Patrol camped out but this expectation failed due mainly to shorter time people took to do the work. Out of four villages working on the road, three are between two to five hours walk from the road site. This resulted with majority of people ~~to~~ coming to work at late hours of the morning.
4. As too much effort is required in transporting gravels, sand and stones three to five hours of work proves insufficient. People used barks of trees, buckets, string bags and pots to carry sand and gravels and such one can imagine the slowness of the work. I regretted that I was unable to get a tractor to help me for a week as it was committed heavily on improving roads and air strip at Ialibu.

FIELD DIARY:Monday, 20th/11/67:

0800-0845 prepared patrol gears. 0850 departed Ialibu by Administration vehicle to Kero Rest house thence proceeded to Kuminge arriving 1230. Inspected work upon arrival. 1250-1300 lunch. 1315-1330 held meeting and discussion with all groups. Talk mainly on road work and other Administrative matters.

Tuesday, 21st/11/67:

0800-1200 began stoning the road from Ialibu Kuminge road to Kaue Creek. Approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ of the road stoned. 1300-1645p discussions and courts. Three minor complaints settled out of court action.

Wednesday, 22nd/11/67:

0800-0815 awaited Kume group to arrive. 0818-1145 organised stoning of road with all patrol personals assisting. 1150-1200 lunch. 1215-1600 carried out general supervision.

Thursday, 23rd/11/67:

Work poorly done. Carried out general supervision of Ore group.

Friday, 24th/11/67:

Organised and supervised Moga group. Work again was poorly done. Investigated disputed land near Kauapera Bible Mission.

Saturday, 25th/11/67:

0800-1245 paid out \$1,000.00 to all four groups and dealt with two minor court cases.

Sunday, 26th/11/67:

Sunday observed at Kuminge.

Monday, 27th/11/67:

Carried out general supervision of all groups. Three minor cases settled arbitrarily.

Tuesday, 28th/11/67:

Organised and supervised

FIELD DIARY CONT.Tuesday, 28th/11/67:

Organised and supervised Moga group. Two minor civil complaints settled out of court action.

Wednesday, 29th/11/67:

Organised and supervised Ore group. Had discussion with two disputing groups from Ore over a land.

Thursday, 30th/11/67:

Organised and supervised Kume group. One minor civil complaint settled out of court action.

Friday, 1st/12/67:

While waiting for the car to take Patrol to Ialibu for weekend organised and supervised Kuminge group. Departed Wangeabu 1115 arrived Ialibu 1255 pm. Work on court matters.

Saturday, 2nd/12/67:

General office duties and court matters at the Sub-District Office.

Sunday, 3rd/12/67:

Sunday observed at Ialibu.

Monday, 4th/12/67:

Work in the Sub-District Office for some time and departed for Kuminge. Supervised work upon arrival.

Tuesday, 5th/12/67:

Organised and supervised Kume group with all patrol personals assisting. Two civil complaints settled out court action.

Wednesday, 6th/12/67:

Continued stoning with Moga group. One complaint settled arbitrarily.

Thursday, 7th/12/67:

Organised and supervised Kuminge group. Arbitrated in minor land dispute.

Friday, 8th/12/67:

After organising and supervising Ore group departed Wangeabu village and stayed overnight at Kisenopoi village.

Saturday, 9th/12/67:

Departed Kisenopoi on foot to Kou village travelled on PWD tractor to Ialibu.

Sunday, 10th/12/67:

Sunday observed, returned to Wangeabu village by an Administration vehicle.

Monday, 11th/12/67:

Organised and supervised all four groups. Two civil complaints settled out of court action.

Tuesday, 12/12/67:

Organised and supervised all four groups.

Wednesday, 13th/12/67:

Organised and supervised Kuminge group.

Thursday, 14th/12/67:

Organised and supervised Ore, Moga and Kume groups. Because of the meeting at Kero held by ADC Ialibu and R Neville M.H.A. work closed today to let people to attend the meeting.

FIELD DIARY CONT.Friday, 15th/12/67:

Continued with improving culverts, and drains with handfull of detainees at AM hours and visited Kuminge Kaulenge and Imi villages at PM hours.

Saturday, 16th/12/67:

Arbitrated in two minor civil cases and attended the Mission Convention at Kauapapa Evangelised Bible Mission.

Sunday, 17th/12/67:

Sunday observed at Wangeabu village.

Monday, 18th/12/67:

Organised and supervised all groups. One minor complaints settled out of court action.

Tuesday, 19th/12/67:

Organised and supervised all four groups.

Wednesday, 20th/12/67:

Organised and supervised all four groups.

Thursday, 21st/12/67:

Organised and supervised all four groups at AM hours and heard minor complaints. Had discussions with people after the work. Work closed today at 4 pm.

Friday, 22nd/12/67:

Packed and returned to Ialibu by an Administration vehicle. Patrol stood down.

END OF PATROL DIARY.NATIVE SITUATION:

5. The food situation has been greatly improved since my last visit to the area. There was less talk of 'taim bilong hungry' than before. During my last patrol to the area I was continually told that there was shortage of food and that people had not enough food to eat.
6. The only complaint was that they were being pressed too much by the Administration with project viz. Road work, which deprived them of the liberty to work in their gardens, build and renew houses etc. This is, however, is not true because I feel that enough time is given to the people for gardens and other activities. During this patrol I organised the work days in such a way that enough time was given to the people to work their gardens.
7. People showed good reception to the patrol and were quite happy to have Patrol assist them in building the road. Their assistance and co-operation were very much appreciated by the Patrol. There was no resentment made to the Patrol's objectives for as people carry out the work quite happily.
8. One or two people approached me with an intention of starting a business. They wished to get truck owned by one of their relatives in Hagen and have it licesed to carry out trucking service within Ialibu Sub-District. The demand for transport in the area for moving travellers from place to place can make this business very profitable. At present one business man truck is operating in the area and is quite a profitable asset to the owner whom I believe is making quite a lots of money.

NATIVE SITUATION CONT.

9. I was very pleased that Mr. Paul Gele, Assistant Field Officer visited the area and gave talks to the people about starting the business. I feel that many people have sufficient money to start some small businesses but have not enough background knowledge to start and I think they need assistance and Mr. Gele's participation in this matter should be recommended. He has already organized to take thirty-two men from Imbong'gu to Hagen and Minj for observation.

10. Rich alluvial soil along the Kagul River is a benefit to the people of Kuminge area. Here bananas, taroos, Chinese taroos, cassava, sweet potatoes as well as the tropical crops such as pineapples and pawpaws thrive well. During the 'time hungry' people of this area were not seriously affected because of this lavish growth of native food.

11. Peanut is now the main cause of continuous flow of people from upper Kagul Valley to the Kuminge Area. People around Ialibu flock down to this area to buy peanuts and resell them at the market at Ialibu. This clearly indicates that peanut can be another cash earner to this part of the Imbong'gu Census Division.

POLITICAL AWARENESS:

12. While discussing with some interested persons on the functions of the House of Assembly, I found that people that are still ignorant of the work of the House. Although they are quite aware of the functions of their council, they are very doubtful of the close relationship of the function of the House and the work of the Local Government Council. Most people have the opinion that the work of the House of Assembly is quite different from that of Local Government Council.

13. A day before the Patrol returned to Ialibu Mr. Turi, one of the ten candidates standing for the oncoming elections for Ialibu/Pangia Open Electorate visited the area. The work was closed for the day to have people listened to Mr. Turi's speech. People were very attentive during the talk and asked many questions. Much disapproval was made when Turi mentioned that there were ten (10) candidates standing for the elections. This was because at the last election there was probably a much confusion with the names of the candidates as there were probably too many names to remember. The disapproval was made mainly ~~made~~ by the aged people.

ROADS AND BRIDGES:

14. This was the main aim of the Patrol to proceed with the work on the road into Pearagai Tealand road. The aim was to stone, camber and straighten some sharp corners, as per attached Patrol Instruction. It was a shame that this task was half completed, although sufficient time was spent on it.

15. Much of the road, however, has been stoned i.e. the section of the road beginning from Ialibu/Kuminge road to about three hundred yards from Kobiboi Creek in the direction of the Tealand and the section of the road between Aile Creek and Kombugl Creek. This left about a third of the road to be stoned and cambered. As I am due for leave on the 15th/1/68 I will not be available to go back to finish the work and another officer should be sent to accomplish the work.

16. Much of the sharp corners were cut but still two three are as yet to be cut. These remaining corners are not steep and the work on them is no bother. I have shown the remaining jobs to Mr. Oga, Patrol Officer, ~~in case~~ in case he goes out to complete the work on the road.

ROADS AND BRIDGES: COME.

17. The payment for the bridges over four creeks has not been made yet due to the shortage of fund. I was continually asked about the payment despite my explanation to the people that there is no fund available. I suggest a special fund be allocated to meet this payment soon. I estimated the following payment to be made: Kaue Creek-\$70.00, Aile Creek-\$60.00, Wile Creek-\$50.00, and Kumbugl Creek-\$40.00. The payment should be made in this following manner: \$70.00 to Kuminge group, \$60.00 to Ore group, \$50.00 to Kume group and \$40.00 to Moga group. My estimate of the amounts are made according to the size of the bridges.

PATROL PERSONALS:

18. All Patrol personals performed their duties well. ~~_____~~

HEALTH AND HYGIENE:

19. People are in good health and quite well. Clinic at Kauapena, runned by Mrs. Werhman, wife of the Missionary incharge of the Mission station, and her assistants is doing well in looking after the health of the people of the area. No serious disease to be mention in this report-as there are none to be reported. Minor illness such as scabies and minor malarial diseases are under the control of the Clinic at Kauapena.

COMPLAINTS AND COURTS:

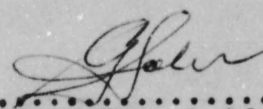
20. Numerous minor court cases were brought to my notice most of which were settled out of court action. No serious cases were brought before the patrol.

21. Three complaints on land were brought before the patrol. They were only a minor cases and were settled arbitrarily except to a complaint made on a land known as KUMEBUGU. This land is situated near the Kagul River and is about three(3) miles from Kaulenge village. The land appears to me to have no real owners. For few past years one clan from Kume and one clan from Kuminge work gardens on it. There was no complaint until recently these two clans sharing the land disputed over it and brought the matter to me. This matter is now temporarily settled. The decision has been that no other people except twenty-eight men from Kuminge and five from Kume who have been working on the land can make gardens until the matter is settled.

22. As there are many land disputes arrising at present there is an urgent need for the Demarcation Committee to be formed. The Committee can then mark in boundaries on clan land and thus will lessened the number of disputes arrising now.

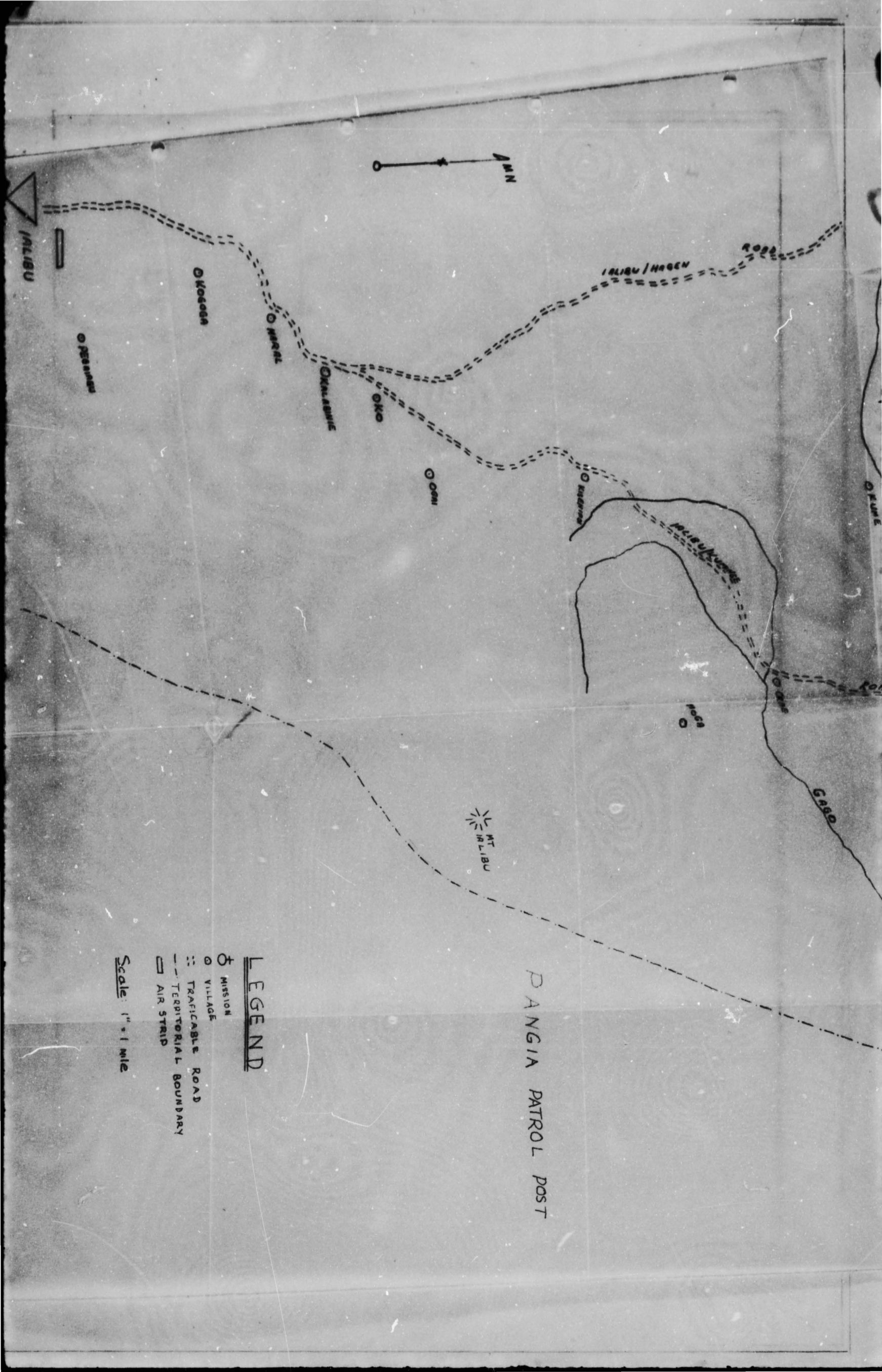
CONCLUSSION:

This patrol only accomplished half of its objective ie. road building in particular. The reason for this please refer to my introductory note. This patrol has been quite enjoyable despite the hardship it underwent on road work.


G. Salu, Patrol Officer.



PANGIA PATROL POST



PANGIA PATROL POST

LEGEND

- ♀ MISSION
- VILLAGE
- == TRAFFICABLE ROAD
- - - TERRITORIAL BOUNDARY
- ▭ AIR STRIP

Scale: 1" = 1 mile

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. Ialibu Patrol no. 6 of 1967-68

Patrol Conducted by L. R. Dickson, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled Ialibu Sub - District.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Mr. P. Gele, Field Assistant.

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

1 Interpreter

Duration—From 30/10/1967 to 16/12/1967

Number of Days 36 days (31 nights camped out)

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? Nil

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services DEC./1967

Medical NOV./1967

Map Reference Patrol map enclosed

Objects of Patrol To investigate all available land in the Ialibu Sub- District.

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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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Ref: 67-15-31

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. Papua.

11th July, 1968

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI

PATROL NO. IALIBU 3 OF 1967/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Memorandum
* ~~of Patrol/Patrol Report~~ covering patrol by Mr. L. R. DICKSON P.O.
to IALIBU Sub-District Census Divisions.

As you recently advised the Principal Lands Officer the
term "alienated" was incorrectly used throughout this correspondence.
The availability of land for alienation only was investigated and
no land was purchased on this patrol. The term "alienation" refers
to transference of ownership and this should be made clear to Mr.
Dickson.



(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

* Delete as necessary.

c.c. Mr. L. R. Dickson P.O.,
MENDI,
Southern Highlands District.

economic security in the short term and, as I see it, this sacrifice is only related at first to a reasonable rather than excessive price for their land initially but subsequently the advantages will far out weight this initial financial loss. I sum the whole situation up as this. Either the owners of land accept the fact that the Administration will pay them an equitable price for their land and thus pave the way for economic development or they hold out and demand an excessive price for their land, and as a consequence, fail to achieve any worthwhile development.

The above comments do not detract from the overall value of this patrol and Mr. Dickson is to be complemented on the enthusiastic manner in which he has applied himself to the task of acquiring land for economic development in the Ialibu area.

Emanuel
(E.J. Emanuel)
a/District Commissioner.

C.C.
Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBU.

Mr. L. Dickson,
IALIBU.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference..... 67-3-10
If calling ask for

Mr.....

Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

9th May, 1968.



The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Patrol No 6 of 1967/68 - IALIBU
Land Investigations - MR. L.R. DICKSON, P.O.

Attached please find:

- (a) Original of Report,
- (b) Copy of patrol instructions issued to Mr. Dickson on memorandum 67-1-2 dated 7th November, 1968 from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.
- (c) Copy of memorandum 67-2-2 dated 20th December, 1968 from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.
- (d) Map of area patrolled.

2. The patrol was successful in that three thousand acres of land in the Ialibu area was alienated for economic development purposes. I do, not however, agree with paragraph 8 of the report. It appears to me that for European agricultural development to succeed at Ialibu land must be made available by the people. The people have to face up to two important facts and these are:-

- (i) There can be no large scale economic development in the area without European capital and management techniques.
- (ii) To achieve (i) land must be made available to encourage European settlement which will bring with it employment opportunities for the people and will allow the people to engage in economic development projects themselves, such as tea, with European supplying the main need of the people, an expensive factory. I cannot therefore see why the people should demand an excessive price for their land. Land, in its virgin state has value if unused but, if used for economic development purposes has advantages to many, including Europeans and the indigenous people. The Ialibu people have to sacrifice something if they desire

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Sub-District Office,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.
20 - 12 - 67

The District Commissioner,
MENDI.

IALIBU PATROL NO. 6 OF 1967-68

Please find the original and two copies of the above report submitted by Mr. L. Dickson, Patrol Officer. Also his camping allowance claim and patrol map. Investigation reports of the land surveyed will be forwarded at a later date.

Police camping allowance claims and R.S. form 1's have been completed and forwarded to Police Mendi and Kenedebu respectively.

Mr. Dickson's report is brief but to the point. He was wholly involved with land investigations hence the heavy bias in that direction.

This officer is displaying a gratifying attitude to his work and the results of this patrol are most pleasing; three thousand acres in five weeks is good going.

Correspondence arising from Patrol no. 7 of 1967-68 support most of Mr. Dickson's observations and no further comment on them from me is necessary.

I expect that Mr. Dickson will be required full time to investigate land in this area for at least another six months. I hope he will be permitted to complete this important task and also to supervise the Recreation Committees.

For your consideration and comment please,

Peter Barber
Assistant District Commissioner



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegram

Telephone

Our Reference 67 - 1 - 2

If calling ask for

Mr.

Sub-District Office,

IALIBU,

Southern Highlands District.

18 - 12 - 67.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

IALIBU PATROL NO. 6 OF 1967-68

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

: L. R. Dickson, Patrol Officer.

AREA PATROLLED

: Ialibu Sub-District.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY

: Mr. P. Gele, Field Assistant.
2 members of R. P. and N. G. C..
No. 10537
No. 10918
1 Interpreter

DURATION OF PATROL

: 30 - 10 - 67 to 3 - 11 - 67
14 - 11 - 67 to 16 - 12 - 67
36 days (31 nights camped out).

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA

: Last D.D.A. patrol December 1967
Last P.H.D. patrol November 1967

OBJECTS OF PATROL

: To investigate all available land in the
Ialibu Sub-District.

L. R. Dickson

L. R. Dickson
Patrol Officer



TERRITORY OF PAFUA AND NEW GUINEA (8)

Telegram

Telephone

Our Reference 67 - 1 - 2

If calling ask for

Mr.

Sub-District Office,

IALIBU,

Southern Highlands District.

7 - 11 - 67

Mr. L. Dickson,
Patrol Officer,
IALIBU

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS: PATROL NO. 6 OF 1967/68

As per your verbal instructions from the Acting Deputy District Commissioner, Mendi, please conduct land investigations in the general Ialibu administrative area.

I am chiefly interested in large blocks (ie. 1000 acres or more) but I am also interested in anything 200 acres or larger.

Our aim is to alienate 10,000 acres in the Ialibu area and personally I feel that this can be done after the local people become aware of the necessity and reason for such alienation. I need not stress the importance of your task - it is quite apparent.

Please refer to me any problems or requirements and staff needs.

I expect an interim report prior to Christmas.

Peter Barber
Assistant District Commissioner

PATROL DIARYIALIBU PATROL NO. 6 OF 1967/68OCTOBER 1967

Monday 30th AM. Departed Ialibu for Piambil.
PM. Discussions with Piambil people about undisputed land.
 Slept Piambil.

Tuesday 31st AM. Departed Piambil for Tona.
PM. Discussions with the Tona people re undisputed land and viewed the boundaries of the land to be investigated.
 Slept Tona.

NOVEMBER 1967

Wednesday 1st All day spent walking around the proposed boundaries of land to be investigated.
 Slept Tona.

Thursday 2nd AM. Departed Tona for Piambil.
PM. Nothing can be achieved at the moment due to preparation for a large "sing-sing".
 Slept Piambil.

Friday 3rd AM. Departed Piambil for Ialibu.
PM. Nothing can be achieved for the next week due to large native celebrations in the area.

Tuesday 14th AM. Departed Ialibu for Piambil.
PM. Rained all afternoon.
 Slept Piambil.

Wednesday 15th AM. Departed Piambil for Tona.
PM. Commenced chain and compass survey of the land to be investigated.
 Slept Tona.

Thursday 16th All day spent on chain and compass survey of land being investigated.
 Slept Tona.

Friday 17th All day spent on chain and compass survey of land being investigated.
 Slept Tona.

Saturday 18th All day spent on chain and compass survey of land being investigated.
 Slept Tona.

Cont.

NOVEMBER 1967

- Sunday 19th All day spent recording names of land owners and listing improvements.
Slept Tona.
- Monday 20th Departed Tona for Nagop, departed Nagop for Bimbini. Discussions re available land.
Slept Bimbini.
- Tuesday 21st AM. Departed Bimbini for Ponowi.
PM. Discussions with Ponowi people re available land.
Slept Ponowi.
- Wednesday 22nd Walked around the boundaries of the land to be investigated.
Slept Ponowi.
- Thursday 23rd Many minor disputes over the land boundaries, some riotous behaviour and the resulting court hearing.
Slept Ponowi.
- Friday 24th Further discussions with the land owners and most of the minor disputes settled.
Slept Ponowi.
- Saturday 25th First permanent marker placed and further discussion with the land owners resulting in complete agreement to sell the land.
Slept Ponowi.
- Sunday 26th Departed Ponowi for Ialibu. Local court held at Ialibu. Departed Ialibu for Ponowi.
Slept Ponowi.
- Monday 27th All day spent on chain and compass survey of land being investigated.
Slept Ponowi.
- Tuesday 28th All day spent on chain and compass survey of land being investigated.
Slept Ponowi.
- Wednesday 29th All day spent on chain and compass survey of land being investigated.
Slept Ponowi.
- Thursday 30th Further disagreements amongst land holding groups. Attempts by outsiders to claim land rights.
Slept Ponowi.

DECEMBER 1967

- Friday 1st All day spent recording names of land owners.
Slept Ponowi.
- Saturday 2nd Departed Ponowi for Ialibu. Heard local court and some native complaints at Ialibu.
- Monday 4th All day spent recording names of land owners at Ponowi. Returned to Ialibu.
- Wednesday 6th Departed Ialibu for Muli-discussions re available land.
Slept Muli.
- Thursday 7th Viewed boundaries of proposed land to be investigated but the area was too small.
Slept Muli.

DECEMBER 1967

- Friday 8th AM. Departed Muli for Iate.
PM Discussions with the Iate people re available land.
 Slept Iate.
- Saturday 9th AM. Departed Iate for Ponowi.
PM. Listed agency agreement committee. Returned to Ialibu.
- Sunday 10th AM Departed Ialibu for Iate.
PM Slept Iate.
- Monday 11th AM. Further discussions with the Iate people about
 available land.
PM. Walked around part of proposed boundary of land to
 be investigated.
 Slept Iate.
- Tuesday 12th All day land surveying of block being investigated
 Slept Iate.
- Wednesday 13th All day surveying land of block being investigated.
 Slept Iate.
- Thursday 14th All day completing survey of land being investigated.
 Slept Iate.
- Friday 15th All day listing land owners and improvements to land.
 Slept Iate.
- Saturday 16th AM Departed Iate for Ialibu.
PM. Arrived Ialibu and patrol stood down.

END OF PATROL DIARY

IALIBU PATROL REPORT NO. 6 OF 1967-68LAND INVESTIGATION PATROLINTRODUCTION

1. The purpose of this patrol was to investigate all available land in the Ialibu Sub-District. The object of these investigations is to alienate land for private enterprise and so provide a foundation for real economic development in the area.

LAND INVESTIGATIONS

2. Three blocks of land were alienated and these cover an estimated area of 3,000 acres. The patrol met with an excellent response and all available land has not yet been investigated.
3. However, in order to obtain the 10,000 acres as per memo 35 - 1 - 1 of 14th november, then it will be necessary to take some of the old land owners to economically advanced areas such as Banz and Minz. While the young people are all interested in selling land, the old land owners have never been outside their own underdeveloped area. The land is being held back simply because of uncertainty about the future. It can be argued that this is "just a matter of time", but we no longer have plenty of time.
4. Land-rights in the Ialibu Sub-District are incredibly complicated. Constant tribal warfare of the past has had the effect of scattering clans and Sub-clans far and wide. Sometimes these fugitive groups have become accepted members of other clans and Sub-clans, but do not relinquish their original sub-clan obligations. In fact some family groups have land rights with four or five other completely unrelated sub-clans.
5. Karl J. Franklin of the Summer Institute of Linguistics has written a very relevant article on the KEWA social organisation. Although all the separate cultures involved in the Kewa group have many similar features the resulting mixture is an amazing hotchpotch of clan and sub-clan relationships.
6. There is no real feeling of solidarity amongst clan members and some families feel that they don't owe allegiance to any particular group. One result of this is that villages quite often form the social unit as opposed to clan groupings. Marriages occur within the village.
7. Defeated sub-clans have in many cases re-established their land rights on disputed land by paying the victorious clan with shells and pigs. Some have received rights of permissive occupancy on disputed land and have not been required to make any payment whatsoever.
8. Previous payments for land in the Ialibu Sub-District have been unsatisfactory to the local people. In all three of my investigations I have been advised by the local people, "we are willing to sell only if the price is right". I was told by one group that if the purchase price was too low then I could take the money back to Sub-District Office. So it looks as though the Department of Lands Surveys and Mines will have to pay a reasonable price for the land instead of as previously, a mere token payment.

DEMARCATIION COMMITTEES

9. The demarcation process should take place separately to any land investigations to avoid confusion over functions of members of demarcation committees.
10. There is a dire need for this work to proceed in the Ialibu Sub-District especially because of the breakdown in clan relationships. In addition, this will prevent illegal squatting on large areas of vacant land and so facilitate future land investigations in the area.
11. Funds for demarcation cements have been applied for, re (ref. 35 - 6 - 3 of 10th Oct. 1967).

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

12. Quite obviously no economic development can take place anywhere until large areas of land have been purchased by the administration from the local people. This work can only be conducted successfully if all departments co-operate. Anything less than full co-operation is virtually sabotage.
13. The local people from Iate expressed the opinion that despite dozens of previous patrols through the area, my patrol was the only one that had achieved anything worthwhile. This is indicative of current thought in the area and provides proof that these people will respond to positive constructive administration, despite their chronic laziness and the "half-baked" ideas that emerge in all developing societies.
14. At present it appears from agricultural experiments that tea and grazing show the greatest promise in the area. Coffee grows well but pyrethrum has failed as a cash crop. However coffee growing is not encouraged due to agricultural policy. Diversification of cash crops obviously provides the safest long-term agricultural policy in this country. Therefore I believe that it is advisable to send an agricultural technical advisor to Ialibu to experiment with other crops. It would be tragic if crops that we encouraged suffered the same fate as the Malaysian rubber industry.
15. Main roads in the Sub-District are surfaced with large stones and are in fair condition but all require maintenance. However there is a singular lack of minor trunk roads throughout the area. Access roads will need to be constructed to two of the three blocks investigated and funds should be applied for now. Ialibu is fully staffed with Department of District Administration field officers and there is no reason why this work cannot proceed without delay.

POLITICAL SITUATION

16. The large number of ceremonial native dances interferred with the patrol and one week was lost on this account. However this is normal for this time of the year.
17. Food was in short supply throughout the whole of the Ialibu Sub-District and while famine is not evident at present it would be well to keep an eye on the situation. The chronic laziness of the people is partly due to this food shortage. Males do very little gardening while the female section of the community provide most of the labour for subsistence agriculture. The male section of the community have failed to adjust to peaceful co-existence under administration influence. Constant warfare of the past regulated population, now the population explosion under peaceful living conditions requires both male and female sections of the community to provide labour for subsistence agriculture.
18. A keen interest is being shown in the forthcoming general election. At present it appears that the candidates who attracted the largest number of votes in the previous general election will attract the same votes in this election. There are a large number of " Johnny come latelies " this time, but none of these persons appear to have any chance of success at this juncture.

CONCLUSION

19. It is a pleasure and a privilege to be able to achieve something worthwhile of a permanent nature. Quite obviously nothing can be achieved economically in any District until land has been alienated. Services improve with time but do not advance the people
20. towards the ultimate goal of prosperity and the ability to pay taxes.
- The land that was alienated on this patrol is the beginning of the foundation for future large scale economic development in Ialibu. I believe that a lot more land will become available and that the next constructive forward step will be the utilisation of demarcation committees in establishing permanent clan boundaries. If the recommendations of this report are followed then I have no doubt that the target of 10,000 acres can be achieved.

END OF PATROL REPORT



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. Ialibu Patrol No. 8 of 1967/68

Patrol Conducted by L. R. Dickson, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled Kewabe Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil
2 members of R.P. and N.G.C..

Natives 3 Interpreters

2 Poll Clerks

Duration—From 16/2/1968 to 11/3/1968

Number of Days 25 days (24 nights camped out)

Did Medical Assistant Accompany No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services DEC/...../1968

Medical NOV/...../1968

Map Reference Patrol Map Enclosed

Objects of Patrol (1) Conduct general elections , (2) Political Education ,
(3) Routine Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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orders have been issued, ~~in respect~~
~~to land disputes.~~

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at N.D. D.S. 24/6/04

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Ref: 67-15-27

Department of District
Administration,
KONEDOHU, Papua.

June 27th, 1968.

The District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

PATROL NO. IALIBU S-67/68

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It is noted that the patrolling officer 'arbitrated' certain land ownership disputes; however it appears fairly evident that land ownership should not be handled by arbitration. Where a person is seeking compensation for damages then it is possible to settle out of court by arbitration but where two parties dispute ownership of a piece of land it is just not possible to obtain agreement, and furthermore any informal decision has no force at law.

In these cases the correct procedure is to register the dispute in the Sub-district registry, telling the people it will be referred to the demarcation committee or, where it is a pressing matter, take action under Section 15A(1) of the Land Titles Commission Ordinance which reads:

"A Local Court having jurisdiction over an area in which is situated any land, water or reef which is the subject of a dispute as to ownership, by native custom or to the right to use it by native custom, may, on the application of a party to the dispute, make an order authorising the use or occupation of the land, water or reef by one of the parties to the dispute and restraining the other party to the dispute or other persons from interfering with the use or occupation of the land, water or reef by the party authorized by the order".

The collection of pandanus nuts would also amount to a use of the land, I believe.

Note that the depositions under this section must be forwarded to the Land Titles Commission which "shall hear and determine the matter".

It is desirable that details of land and land use disputes brought to the attention of the patrol are listed in the patrol report. If the name of the land, its area, the names of claimants and a locality sketch at least are given following officers have immediate knowledge of previous action and may be saved time and trouble. There is also a valuable historical record preserved in the departmental library.

c.c. L.R. Dickson,
Southern Highlands
District,
IALIBU.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegram Reference 67-3-10
if calling ask for Mr.

Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

10th May, 1968.



The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONELOBU.

Ialibu Patrol No 8 of 1967/68
House of Assembly Elections - MR. L.R. DICKSON, P.O.

Attached please find:-

- (a) Original of Report,
- (b) Copy of memorandum 67-2-2 dated 11th April from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.
- (c) Map of area patrolled.

2. The Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu has commented fully on the report and I have nothing further to add to his remarks.

3. Another good patrol by Mr. Dickson.

Emanuel
(E.J. Emanuel)
a/District Commissioner.

The District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

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T. W. Ellis
(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

67-2-2.

Sub-District Office IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

11th April, 1968.

The District Commissioner,
MENDI.

IALIBU PATROL REPORT NO. 8, 1967/68.

Forwarded herewith report for the abovementioned patrol carried out by Mr. PO Dickson. The patrol's main purpose was to carry out the House of Assembly elections and I have the following comments on the report.

(1) The native situation seems reasonable in the Kevabe census division except for the usual disputes over pandanus. However, there have been fewer disputes than usual this year and it is hoped that this will continue.

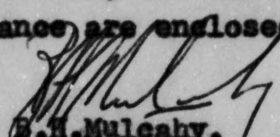
(2) The Catholic Mission do have a number of boarders from the Kevabe at their school at Ialibu however a school at Mali is badly needed to balance the facilities available in the two census divisions of the Ialibu Administrative area. This has been requested several times in the past and I intend to take the matter with the District Inspector and see if a school can be started next year.

(3) While there is a lack of trunk roads throughout the sub-district I am not keen to get these constructed until such time as the main roads come up to standard. This is because the labour to construct them is utilised on the main roads and an all out effort to construct a number of minor trunk roads would only lead to a deterioration of the main road.

(4) With regard to economic development it is hoped to put in a number of cattle projects into the census division before the end of the year. Several very promising sites have been located and these will be developed as soon as possible as this seems the only thing we can do in this census division for the time being. I also hope to obtain several blocks of land with a total area of several thousand acres in the area and if these are taken up by outside interests then more extensive projects may be possible.

(5) THE elections went off smoothly and the high percentage of voters was pleasing to see.

For your information, comment and onforwarding please. Claims for camping allowance are enclosed.


B.H. Mulcahy.
Assistant District Commissioner.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Telephone

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Our Reference

If calling ask for

Mr.

Sub - district Office,
IALIBU,

Southern Highlands District.
March 14th 1968.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

IALIBU PATROL NO. 8 OF 1967/68

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

All day attempting to arbitrate a land dispute at KIBIWA between the
and KASAL: L. R. Dickson, Patrol Officer.
Slept KIBIWA.

AREA PATROLLED

All day at: Kewabe Census Division.
Slept KIBIWA.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY

All day conducting general elections.
Slept KIBIWA: 2 members of R. P. and N. G. C.
No. 2437
No. 1086
3 Interpreters
2 Poll Clerks
Departed KIBIWA. Arrived KIBIWA
and a murder
occurred at KIBIWA for
KIBIWA and examined the body. Cremation
taken into custody for questioning.
Departed KIBIWA for KIBIWA. Arrived KIBIWA
Slept KIBIWA.

DURATION OF PATROL

: 16 - 2 - 68 to 11 - 3 - 68
25 days (24 nights camped out).

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA

: Last D.D.A. patrol December 1957
Last P.H.D. patrol November 1967

OBJECTS OF PATROL

- : (1) Conduct general elections.
- : (2) Political education.
- : (3) Routine administration

L. R. Dickson

L. R. Dickson

PATROL OFFICER

PATROL DIARYIALIBU PATROL NO. 8 OF 1967/68FEBRUARY 1968

- Friday 16th **AM.** Departed IALIBU for KEBIGI on IALIBU patrol no. 8 of 1967/68.
PM. Set up camp. Discussions with the local people re the general election timetable.
Slept KEBIGI.
- Saturday 17th **AM.** Conducting general elections.
PM. Compiling election statistics.
Slept KEBIGI.
- Sunday 18th All day attempting to arbitrate a land dispute at KOMBIATA between the MOI'I and WANGAI clans.
Slept KEBIGI.
- Monday 19th All day conducting general elections.
Slept KEBIGI.
- Tuesday 20th All day conducting general elections.
Slept KEBIGI.
- Wednesday 21st Departed KEBIGI for MULI. Arrived MULI and a murder was reported to have occurred at MUKU. Departed MULI for MUKU and examined the body. Three men taken into custody for questioning. Departed MUKU for MULI, arrived MULI 8-30 PM. Departed MULI for IALIBU by car with the body and the three men to be questioned. Reported to A.D.C. at 10-00PM.
Slept IALIBU.
- Thursday 22nd **AM.** Departed IALIBU for MULI at 7-00 AM.. Arrived MULI and commenced the general election.
PM. Compiled election statistics, arbitrated several native disputes. At 8-00 PM a man presented himself as being the person who committed the murder of the woman whose body I had sent to IALIBU the previous day. The man was detained in the police guard-house for the night.
Slept MULI.
- Friday 23rd All day conducting general election.
Slept MULI.

PATROL DIARY CONTINUEDFEBRUARY 1968

- Saturday 24th All day conducting the general election. Some native disputes arbitrated. Slept MULI.
- Sunday 25th All day arbitrating a land dispute at IATE. Slept MULI.
- Monday 26th All day conducting general elections at MULI. Slept MULI.
- Tuesday 27th AM. Departed MULI for PAWARI.
PM. Arrived PAWARI. Discussions with the local people re election schedule. Slept PAWARI.
- Wednesday 28th AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Arbitration of disputes over ownership of pandanus nut trees. Slept PAWARI.
- Thursday 29th AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Arbitration of disputes over ownership of pandanus nut trees. Slept PAWARI.

MARCH 1968

- Friday 1st AM. Departed PAWARI for KOMBEMI.
PM. Arrived KOMBEMI, discussions with the local people re election schedule. Slept KOMBEMI.
- Saturday 2nd AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Arbitrating disputes over ownership of pandanus nut trees. Visit to IALIBU station to obtain sundry materials for general elections. Slept KOMBEMI.
- Sunday 3rd Observed all day. Slept KOMBEMI.
- Monday 4th AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Arbitrating native disputes. Slept KOMBEMI.
- Tuesday 5th AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Arbitrating native disputes. Slept KOMBEMI.
- Wednesday 6th AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Arbitrating native disputes. Slept KOMBEMI.

PATROL DIARY CONTINUED

MARCH 1968

Thursday 7th AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Dealing with native complaints.
Slept KOMBEMI.

Friday 8th AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Dealing with native complaints
Slept KOMBEMI.

Saturday 9th AM. Conducting general elections.
PM. Dealing with native complaints.
Slept KOMBEMI.

Sunday 10th AM. Observed.
Slept KOMBEMI.

Monday 11th AM. Departed KOMBEMI for IALIBU.
PM. Patrol stood down.

END OF PATROL DIARY

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

(4)

There are no educational facilities in the KOMBEMI area. This is typical of at least half of the census divisions within the Southern Highlands District. Lack of teaching staff is an example of what I have almost everywhere of villages way more on this topic.

(5)

At KOMBEMI we were very lucky to see a man who had his child in school for treatment. KOMBEMI is about 3000 miles from IALIBU, there is no access by road.

EDUCATION

(3)

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PATROL REPORTIALIBU PATROL NO. 8 OF 1967/68NATIVE SITUATION

- (1) Due to the start of the pandanus - nut harvesting season the native situation is unsettled. There has been no open fighting as yet but no doubt this will eventuate.
- (2) There appears to be a large number of disputes at PAWARI. One of the reasons for this is the relative isolation of the area. There is no access by road. The other reasons are well known in the Ialibu Sub - district; There have been many disputes over boundaries between the Ialibu and Mendi people and between the Ialibu people themselves. These disputes have been dealt with by Mr. P. Sisley, Patrol Officer and court orders have been issued. As usual the local people prefer to continue arguing after a decision has been reached but I sincerely doubt whether anything more can be done.
- (3) Probably the situation could be improved by finishing the road from the IARO river bridge to PAWARI. This road was surveyed several years ago and its continued construction would at least give the local people something to think about other than disputes. Once the road is completed then contact will become easier and the area will become less isolated.

MEDICAL SERVICES

- (4) Child welfare services are provided for most census centres along the Ialibu / Kagua road. However large sections of the population are receiving no services at all because the administration has failed to build roads.
- (5) At PAWARI it was necessary for me to order a man to take his child to IALIBU for treatment. PAWARI is about seven hours walk from IALIBU, there is no access by road.

EDUCATION

- (6) There are no educational facilities in the KEWABE census division. This is typical of at least half of the census divisions within the Southern Highlands District. Lack of teaching staff is so appalling that I have almost despaired of writing any more on this topic.

EDUCATION CONT.

- (7) Perhaps the missions could be approached about establishing a school in the area .

ROADS

- (8) There is a singular lack of minor trunk roads throughout the KEWABE census division . These roads are necessary for broad administrative reasons such as the administration of law and order and the supply of medical services . Also in the years to come they may also become useful for access to village schools .
- (9) It appears that some trunk roads were surveyed many years ago. However very little construction has been done and there are few signs of recent work. One road was surveyed to IATE and one was surveyed to PAWARI.
- (10) The section of road between IALIBU and the IARO river bridge is very rough . Although it still remains an all weather road it must wreak havoc with administration vehicles . In fact one administration vehicle recently lost a sump on this road .

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- (11) There are a few small plots of pyrethrum and coffee and a few small cattle projects in the area but no large scale economic development. Until the HAGEN/ IALIBU / MENDI main road is constructed then this situation will not improve .
- (12) It remains for the administration to alienate large areas of land now so that private enterprise may step into an encouraging situation at a later stage . Then real development will occur as a natural thing .
- (13) I dont think that IALIBU COUNCIL should apply for any large areas of land for economic development at this stage . The council is a low income one and will not have the resources or capital or incentive to make an economic proposition of a large business concern . Most of the good land that becomes alienated should be reserved for private enterprises who have the necessary capital . Any efforts by the IALIBU COUNCIL at economic development would be best directed by working with private enterprise rather than by starting separate schemes .
- (14) The same thing applies to native owned projects supported by D.A.S.F.. Land requirements should be restricted to immediate usage in case these minor projects interfere with large scale development at a later stage . Land rationalisation schemes in co-operation with private enterprise would of course be excepted.

LAW AND ORDER

- (15) Dozens of disputes over ownership of pandanus - nut trees were arbitrated. Two disputes over land ownership were heard, one at KEBIGI and one at IATE. The people at IATE arrived at a satisfactory compromise but the people of KEBIGI refused to sit down and arbitrate sensibly.
- (16) One murder was reported at MUNKU. This was investigated and the body of a woman was sent to IALIBU for examination by Dr. W. Vickers.

PERSONNEL

- (17) No trouble was experienced with patrol personnel and moral was maintained at a high level. Copies of R.S. form 1's have been forwarded to Police Headquarters, Mendi.

TYPE AND DURATION OF PRE - ELECTION CAMPAIGN

- (18) The pre - election campaign has been a continuing process for the administration. Every patrol through the area since the 1964 elections has given some type of political education to the people. There have been twelve patrols through the area since 1964.

MANNER OF ELECTIONS

- (19) The election patrol lasted from the 16 - 2 - 68 to the 11 - 3 - 68 and four polling places were used. The only assistance required was the use of interpreters for the purpose of understanding and recording the illiterate electors votes. Almost every voter was illiterate. No scrutineers were nominated by candidates. Elections were conducted as instructed by the book "Instructions to Presiding Officers".
- (20) All polling was conducted inside native material huts built especially for this purpose. This was necessary due to the inclement nature of the weather and the high rainfall of the area.

FEMININE INTEREST IN THE ELECTIONS

- (21) Feminine interest in the elections was very high as can be seen by the statistics. No women stood for election.

INCIDENTS

- (22) One murder was investigated during the course of the patrol but fortunately this did not interrupt the polling schedule .
- (23) Some people under twenty one years of age claimed that they were eligible to vote because they had paid Local Government Council Tax. It was explained that in local government elections the age of responsibility was eighteen whereas in general elections the age was twenty one and in any case the payment of taxation had no connection with the right to vote .

ABSENTEEISM

- (24) There were a small number of short term absentees from the census division and these were mostly highland labourers employed under the Highland Labour Scheme .

ANALYSIS OF STATISTICS

- (25) The statistics reveal that a high rate of interest was shown in the elections . The excess of female voters over male voters can be accounted for by taking into consideration the absentees males who are working under the Highland Labour Scheme .

SUMMARY

- (26) Interest displayed in the elections by both sexes was very high and the electors attendance at polling places was most gratifying. Even though some polling days were extremely cold and windy and sometimes raining , nobody absented themselves for this reason .
- (27) Most electors would not commit themselves any further than a third preference even though there were ten people standing as candidates .

END OF PATROL REPORT

Sub-District Office IALIBU,
 Southern Highlands District,
 12th February 1968.

Mr. [Name],
 [Address],
 [Location].

As previously advised, you will be presiding over the
 forthcoming [event] of the following stations.

Following [event] and the dates that various villages will hold
 are as follows. These are subject to change in unusual circumstances without
 notice. If holding places or dates have to be changed, as much notice
 as possible, will be given to the affected villages.

| | |
|-----------|--------|
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |

LIST OF APPENDICES FOR IALIBU PATROL

NO. 8 OF 1967/68

| | |
|--------------|--------|
| 1) [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |

" A " PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

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|--------------|--------|
| 2) [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |

" B " PATROL MAP

| | |
|--------------|--------|
| 3) [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |

Appendix [Number] will provide [information] for the [event].
 These will include all reports, statistics and other data
 to be used to compile the [report] of the [event].

Your police force will be as follows:

| | |
|-----------|--------|
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |

The following [information] reports will be made to you.
 These are [information] and [information] which are listed
 for your information and use. They will be sent to you as received
 from the [station] unless otherwise stated.

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|-----------|--------|
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |
| [Station] | [Date] |

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Sub-District Office IALIBU
Southern Highlands District.

15th February 1968.

Mr. L. Dickson,
Presiding Officer,
IALIBU.

As verbally advised, you will be presiding officer for the forthcoming House of Assembly elections.

Polling places and the dates that various villages will poll are as follows. These are to be adhered to unless circumstances otherwise dictate. If polling places or dates have to be changed, as much advance warning as possible must be given to the affected villages.

| | | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------|
| 1) KEBIGI (Marali) | Kebigi | 17/2/68 |
| | Wangai | 19/2/68 |
| | Riro | 19/2/68 |
| | Iarena | 20/2/68 |
| | Isole | 20/2/68 |
| | Proceed Kebigi - Muli 21/2/68 | |
| 2) MULI | Muli | 22/2/68 |
| | Paibo | 23/2/68 |
| | Iate | 23/2/68 |
| | Padl | 24/2/68 |
| | Kabubinie | 24/2/68 |
| | Mambi | 26/2/68 |
| | Pundura | 26/2/68 |
| | Proceed Muli - Pawari 27/2/68 | |
| 3) PAWARI | Pawari | 28/2/68 |
| | Munku | 28/2/68 |
| | Tiri | 29/2/68 |
| | Mankera | 29/2/68 |
| | Proceed Pawari - Kombemi 1/3/68 | |
| 4) KOMBEMI | Kombemi | 2/3/68 |
| | Iamala | 4/3/68 |
| | Ponowi | 4/3/68 |
| | Kireni | 5/3/68 |
| | Maimebi | 5/3/68 |
| | Pongoma | 6/3/68 |
| | Tuli | 7/3/68 |

Kombemi Booth will remain open until 10/3/68 for late arrivals. Team will finalise all reports, statistics etc. prior to its return to Ialibu on the 12th. or 13th. of March, 1968.

Your polling teams will be as follows.

Mr. J. Uraiasa Towosawa
Mr. P. Gele

Poll Clerk

" "

Mr. Loplepi Kawa
Mr. Ula Iagumbu
Mr. Iaba Oru

Interpreter

" "

The following equipment, papers etc. are on issue to you. Some are accountable and these should be obvious while others are listed for your information and also so that you can check that you have received them. The following ballot papers have been supplied.

| | |
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| 5,500 | Ialibu Open |
| 30 | Regional Blanks |
| 10 | Open Blanks - Long |
| 20 | Open Blanks - Short |

The following ballot boxes are also being supplied.

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|------|------|------|------|
| Nos. | 1273 | 1307 | 1315 |
| | 1319 | 1423 | 1628 |
| | 1418 | | |

The boxes are locked and sealed and the following keys, to the outside locks only, are supplied.

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| Nos. | 3419 | 1334 | 3426 |
| | 4265 | 4239 | 3496 |
| | 4259 | | |

The following papers, forms, booklets and envelopes are supplied.

| | | | |
|-------|-------------------------------------|--|----|
| E.1 | Equipment Presiding Officer | | 1 |
| | Ialibu Electoral Roll | | 1 |
| E.13 | Electoral Form | | 70 |
| | Polling Booths Collapsible | | 2 |
| E.11 | Electoral Form | | 80 |
| E.14 | Electoral Form | | 30 |
| | Village Directories | | 1 |
| E.4 | Electoral Form | | 2 |
| E.2 | Electoral Form | | 8 |
| | Photos of Candidates | Sheet 1 | 30 |
| | | Sheet 2 | 30 |
| F.3 | Electoral Form | | 8 |
| F.2 | Electoral Form | | 15 |
| F.42c | Electoral Form | | 2 |
| F.18 | Electoral Form | | 2 |
| F.42a | Electoral Form | (One has been pasted in (each polling booth | |
| F.42b | Electoral Form | | 2 |
| | Electoral Ordinance | | 2 |
| F.22n | Electoral Ordinance Form | | 6 |
| | Supplementary Roll | | 1 |
| F.23 | Hints to Presiding Officer | | 2 |
| F.13 | Instructions to Presiding Officer | | 2 |
| | Official List of Candidates | | 4 |

(CERTIFIED) LIST OF VOTERS PRINCIPAL ROLL NO. 5. SUPPLEMENTARY ROLL NO. 5

Some additional forms may have been forwarded; these were received today are not accountable and therefore have not been listed.

All Presiding Officers are to ensure that there is not the slightest suggestion at the conclusion of the elections that anything untoward occurred. Any incidents however minor are to be reported in writing at the conclusion of the election. This is for your own protection. Anything serious is to be reported immediately to me by runner.

In case of illness, provision exists for you to appoint a substitute Presiding Officer. Forms have been supplied. If necessary you may appoint extra Poll Clerks and interpreters. Advise me of the name and date of appointment by runner and I will make the necessary appointment

On Saturday the 16th. of March, 1968, all Officers involved in the elections will proceed to Ialibu early am. bringing all electoral equipment with them. I expect each Presiding Officer to have completed and checked all returns etc. by this date. Assistant Returning Officers will be responsible to see that this is done. As a number of Officers will have additional work to perform in the count, claims for payment of services should only be documented; however for Officials such as Interpreters I expect to receive finalised claims for payment by this date.

The work involved in this is tedious but not hard. If you balance and bring you books up to date each day you should have no trouble.

Beer, Bar-B-Q, tennis, dance and other sundry ebertainment is laid on at Ialibu on Sunday the 17th. of March.

Please acknowledge receipt of this memorandum on the duplicate and return to me.

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B.H. MULCAHY R.O.





Register

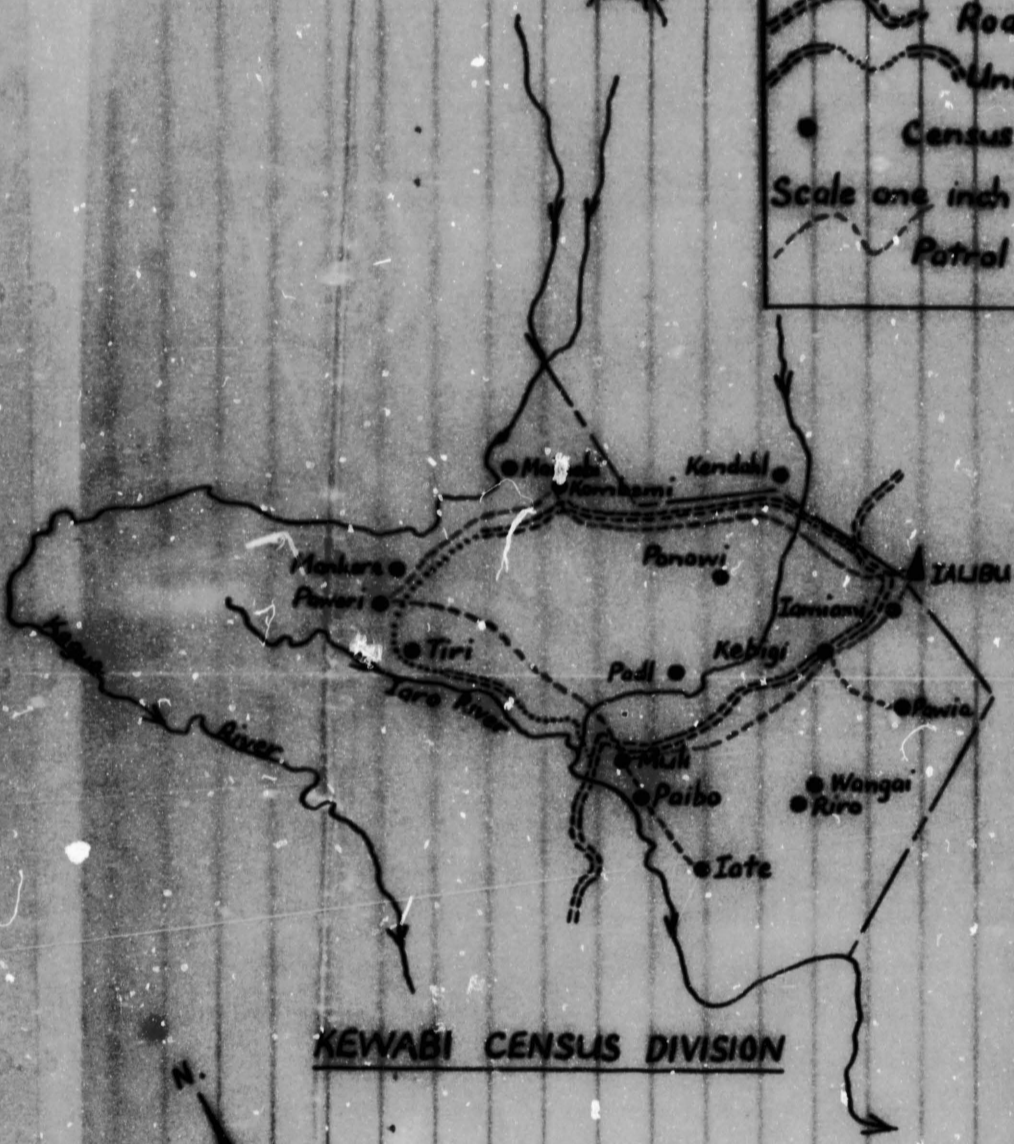
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Area Patrolled

| VILLAGE | STUDENTS | LAB | TOTALS | TOTALS | |
|---------|----------|-----|--------|--------|-------|
| | | | | Child | Adult |
| Yalibu | | | | | |
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Yalibu Patrol No. 9 of 1967-68
 Patrol Conducted by **L. R. Dickson P.O.**
 Duration of Patrol **16-2-68 to 11-3-68**

-  Roads
-  Uncompleted Roads
-  Census Centres
- Scale one inch to four miles
-  Patrol Route



KEWABI CENSUS DIVISION



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No..... 9 of 1967/68

Patrol Conducted by..... P.N.Sisley (Patrol Officer)

Area Patrolled.....IMBONG'U Census Division.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... D.J.H. Kentish (C.P.O.) 16/2 to 8/3/68
R. Thatcher (A.O.) 19/3/to 22/3/68

Natives..... 1 Poll Clerk
2 Interpreters
2 members R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration—From 16./2./19.68 to 12/3/19.68 and 19/3/68 to 22/3/68

Number of Days.....Thirty (30)

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services December 19.67.

Medical November /19.67

Map Reference..... Patrol map 1" = 1 mile attached.

Objects of Patrol..... House of assemblt elections 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

67-15-28

18th June, 1968.

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

PATROL NO. IALIBU 9-67/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report covering patrol by P. Sisley, Patrol Officer, to Imbong'gu Census Division.

2. Economic Development.

It is requested that you watch the situation in the Kuminge area. There is no objection at all to economic development on customarily held land, but any scheme should obtain the full participation and support of the people, and not be something imposed by government officers. There is a great danger that any scheme not having the full support of the law will lead to injustice and do more harm than good. However, if it is fully sanctioned by public opinion the legal case is strengthened and the danger minimized.

3. Spelling.

Despite an apparently determined effort by Mr. Sisley and Mr. Mulcahy to convince me to the contrary I still favour "preferential", "definitely", "energetic", "candidates", "demarcation" and "itinerary" as used in the Oxford dictionary.

T.W. Ellis
(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

67-15-28

Director of District Administration
Southern Highlands District.

18th Jan, 1968.

67-15-28

18th Jan, 1968.

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
MEWDL.

The Director,
Department of
AGRICULTURE

PATROL NO. IALIBU 9-67/68

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(T. W. ELLIS)
Director



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams.....
Our Reference..... 67-3-10
If calling ask for

Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

10th Kay, 1968.



The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOHU.

Ialibu Report No 9 of 1967/68
Imbong'gu Census Division
Mr. P. Sisley, Patrol Officer.

Attached please find:-

- (a) Original of Report;
- (b) Copy of memorandum 67-2-2 of 11th April, 1968 from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.
- (c) Map of area patrolled.

2. Mr. Sisley has reported well on his observations during the patrol. His proposed plan for indigenous land utilisation within the Telgi Clan boundaries has been passed on to the District Agricultural Officer, Mendi, for his comments. I am also pleased to see that further land can be alienated in this rather fertile valley.

Emanuel
(E.J. Emanuel)
a/District Commissioner.

67-2-2.

Sub-District Office IALIBU, n,
Southern Highlands District.
11th April, 1968.

The District Commissioner,
MENDI.

IALIBU PATROL REPORT NO. 9, 1967/68.

Forwarded herewith report for the above mentioned patrol carried out by Mr. PO Sisley accompanied by CPO Kentish. The patrols main work was the House of Assembly Elections.

(1) The attitude of the people towards economic development schemes and road work is general in the area and stems, I think, from the fact that the station has been opened for many years without much development in the area which has given rise to apathy. ~~xxxxxxxx~~ I have noticed an improvement in some areas recently however and I feel that once work starts on the Hagen road the people will realize that the area is developing and will make a genuine effort on several economic development schemes we are at present introducing. With more money coming into the area from road work in the future it is hoped prices will become more realistic. At the moment the price of any article is more dependant on the cash the owner requires for some purpose or other than its actual monetary value.

(2) The fact that Mr. Sisley has been posted back to Ialibu I feel will help to lead to a more stable native situation in the future. Ialibu has had a very large turnover in staff in recent years and little can be achieved even with first class staff if this continues. Mr. Sisley is keen and energetic and the next two years at Ialibu under staff that the people know should achieve much improved results. Paul has definitely shown the effects of having a keen officer on the station consistently for several years.

(3) Law and order is satisfactory in this census division at the moment. With the exception of the recent riot at Iombi (which developed because of a misunderstanding) all other cases requiring Court action have been few, widely spread and unconnected.

(4) Since I put Mr. Dickson on full time land duties a mad run of land disputes developed however this is now subsiding as the people realize that it will take some time for cases to be heard. The first dispute has been documented and forwarded to Mr. M. Orken for hearing and I anticipate that the demarcation committee should be well into the work by the end of this year. A number of pressing land disputes should also have been heard by then.

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(5) The elections went off smoothly in all areas and not one incident was reported. The high percentage of voters was very pleasing to see. The failure of people to mark preferences may be due in part to a lack of understanding of the preferential system but definitely is also due to a complete failure by most candidates to campaign outside areas where they are known.

Proof of this was shown in XXXXX cases where women had married into a village from a distant area. In most of these cases they voted for the candidates favoured by their husbands village but also voted for candidates from their own area giving up to 4 or 5 preferences. As this happened in over 75% of all cases that I dealt with I consider it can be taken as conclusive evidence that lack of knowledge of the candidates was more the factor that dictated the lack of preferences than ignorance of the preferential system.

(6) I have great hopes for native economic development in the Kaugul valley. As mentioned by Mr. Sisley the plan suggested is not rigid and can and will be changed if circumstances dictate. Until the scheme actually commences little comment can be made but it is hoped that three months will be sufficient to get an indication of the likely success of the scheme.

For your information, comments and forwarding please.

Claims for camping allowance are enclosed.

E.H. Mulcahy.

Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67 - 2 - 2.

If calling ask for

Mr.

Dept. of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

25th. March, 1968

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBU.....S.H.D.

IALIBU PATROL REPORT No. 9 of 1967/68.

IMBONG'GU CENSUS DIVISION.

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|------------------------|---|
| Patrol Conducted by; | P.N.Sisley (Patrol Officer) |
| Patrol Accompanied by; | D.J.H. Kentish (C.P.O.) ANDOP WARINGI PANGANU SUMA TORANAGI IAGEBA IOBORO KENDAGL Const. ABA Const. TORI. |
| Area Patrolled; | IMBONG'GU Census Division. |
| Duration of Patrol; | 16/3/1968 to 12/3/1968 19/3/1968 to 22/3/1968. |
| Number of days; | Thirty (30) days. Patrol Officer Twenty-two (22) days C.P.O. |
| Last Patrolled; | D.D.A. December 1967 P.H.D. November 1967 |
| Objects of Patrol; | House of Assembly elections and general administration. |

P.N. Sisley
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P.N.Sisley
Patrol Officer.

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INTRODUCTION:

1. This patrol conducted the polling for the House of Assembly elections for the majority of people in the Imbong'gu Census Division. This region is the biggest controlled from Ialibu both in size and population. Lying to the north and east of the Station this division contains 30 Census Units of which 23 were contacted by the Patrol in the course of its work. These Census Units are located on, or near, the two minor roads which cover the Census Division.
2. The Ialibu-Tambul road, after leaving the Station, proceeds along the eastern side of the lower part of the Census Division then cuts across the region at KERO to continue on to Tambul following the lower slopes of Mt. Giluwe. The Ialibu-Kaugel Valley road joins the former approximately 1 mile south of KERO then skirts Mt. Ialibu before dropping into the Kaugel Valley. The road head for this road is, at present, KUMINGE Village but one day it will be the main connection for the Southern Highlands with the Mt. Hagen area.
3. While the main aspects of this patrol were the House of Assembly elections and General Administration the Patrol was also able to delve into fields, in particular economic development. A number of these are unfortunately brief because the Patrol did not have sufficient time to delve into various points raised but all will be followed up in the next few months.

FIELD DIARY:

Friday 16/2/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. Polling groups after elections organised further work on Community Centre. Slept PIAMBIL. Patrol moved to KO Village. Polling Booths setup and people advised of polling itinerary. General discussions with locals. Slept KO.

Saturday 17/2/68:

Heavy rain during afternoon scattered voters. Complete KOA voters on Tuesday. Slept PIAMBIL. Polling from 0800 until 1800 hrs. People of KO Village voting this day. Slept KO.

Sunday 18/2/68:

Sunday observed at KO.

Monday 19/2/68:

Polling booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. People from MARAL and KALIBINIE Groups voting this day. Slept KO.

Tuesday 20/2/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. Kisenapoi and OGAI Groups voting this day. Slept KO.

Wednesday 21/2/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. People of KOBIRI and PUGADL plus stragglers from KISENAPOI Voting this day. Slept KO.

Thursday 22/2/68:

Patrol departed KO for ORAE arriving 1215 hrs. During afternoon prepared booths organised polling days and spoke with locals and Councillors. Slept ORAE.

Friday 23/2/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. Members of ORAE AND MOGA Villages voted this day. Slept ORAE.

Saturday 24/2/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. People of Pabare and Puglpiri Villages voting this day. Slept ORAE.

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Sunday 25/2/68:

Patrol departed ORAE for KUMINGE at 0930 hrs. arriving 1140 hrs.. Camp and polling booth set up and locals advised of polling itinerary. Afternoon spent at PERAGAI Plantation discussing tea growing and local topics with Manager, Mr. W.P.Parks. Slept KUMINGE.

Monday 26/2/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. Kuminge Group voted this day. During afternoon spoke to locals re economic development. Discussions with A.D.C. re road work in area. Slept KUMINGE.

Tuesday 27/2/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. IMI Group voting this day. Slept KUMINGE.

Wednesday 28/2/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. KUMI Group voted during morning and Plantation and Kaupena Mission people during afternoon. Slept KUMINGE.

Thursday 29/2/68:

Patrol dispatched direct to PIAMBIL while myself proceeded by road for road inspection. Arrived PIAMBIL 1410 hrs. Remainder of afternoon spent setting up camp and booth and talks with locals and inspection of Community Centre. Slept PIAMBIL.

Friday 1/3/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. Piambil groups voting this day. After elections organised further work on Community Centre. Slept PIAMBIL.

Saturday 2/3/68:

Elections for GIA and TONA Groups held between 0800 and 1800 hrs. Heavy rain during afternoon scattered voters. Patrol decided to complete TONA voters on Tuesday. Slept PIAMBIL.

Sunday 3/3/68:

Sunday observed at PIAMBIL.

Monday 4/3/68:

Nagop voters voting between 0800 and 1800 hrs. Slept PIAMBIL.

Tuesday 5/3/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. for TONA Group and stragglers. Slept PIAMBIL.

Wednesday 6/3/68:

Patrol departed PIAMBIL at 0830 hrs. for KERO arriving 1305 hrs.. Set up booth and took votes from the KERO Group. Slept KERO.

Thursday 7/3/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs for PONOGAMA and KAPAGAPOBIL Voters. Slept KERO.

Friday 8/3/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. for BIMBINIE and KONGIBUGL Voters. Slept KERO.

Saturday 9/3/68:

Booth opened all of this day for late voters. Closed 1800 hrs. Slept KERO.

Sunday 10/3/68:

Observed at KERO.

Monday 11/3/68:

Booth opened 0800 until 1800 hrs. for late voters. During this day work organised on road. One large bridge at KERO and a smaller one at KO replaced. Road work in general area. Slept KERO.

Tuesday 12/3/68:

Patrol commenced compiling paper work connected with elections during this day. Further work carried out on roads and bridges. The large bridge at KERO Completed and another small bridge at KO converted. At 1500 hrs. the patrol returned to Ialibu and was temporarily stood down until after count.

Tuesday 19/3/68:

Patrol commenced again. Party, accompanied by Agriculture Officer-Ialibu, departed for KUMINGE. En route inspected road work. Arrived KUMINGE 1240 hrs. The remainder of afternoon with A.O. and locals inspecting land and discussing economic development. Slept KUMINGE.

Wednesday 20/3/68:

Further talks with locals re economic development outlining proposed plan. At 0930 hrs. left people to discuss this amongst themselves and started mapping clan land for future reference. This continued until 1300 hrs. 1300 until 1630 hrs. spent discussing tea growing and soil suitability with Manager of Peragai Plantation Mr. W.P.Parks, with Director of Ialibu Tealands Pty/ Ltd, Mr. K.Levy and with Mr. A. Hartley, Soil Economist and A.O., Ialibu. Returned KUMINGE for further discussions with locals. Slept KUMINGE.

Thursday 21/3/68:

First few hours of morning spent working out Clans and Sub-Clans in KUMINGE area, and listing respective males in their Sub-Clans. At 1000 hrs. through until 1315 hrs. investigated possible sites for starting economic development projects. 1330 until 1415 hrs. with locals marking boundaries of land offered for sale near Peragai Plantation. 1500 until 1620 hrs. Local Courts. Slept KUMINGE.

Friday 22/3/68:

Continued survey of area for mapping purposes. More talks with locals then departed for ORAE at 1200 hrs. Remainder of afternoon until 1540 local courts. Returned to Ialibu 1720 hrs. Patrol stood down.

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Native Situation:

4. The attitude of the people, on the whole, has not changed over much during the writers absence on leave. The people are still very vocal about starting economic development schemes but will require prodding from the Administration before they actually start. They are still rather keen on obtaining the highest return possible from a minimum of work. The unrealistic pricing of foodstuffs pigs, and general items is not helping to create a attitude of hard work to produce a stable cash cropping system. The people demand and obtain \$50 for a medium size local pig, \$30 for Bird of Paradise feathers \$6 for a three foot eel and other high prices for various articles. When asked why they charge so much the usual reply is that ' I have no business so I must charge high prices to obtain money.* However when an avenue of starting up a cash crop is explained the usually comment that a lot of hard work is involved and are not too keen to start. The wheel has then reached its full circle and one is back where one started. A slight departure from this has occurred at KUMINGE and here we may have started the first large scale development project yet started in the Southern Highlands. This is commented on in a seperate section.

5. Little change has also occurred in the people's attitude to road work. Over the last four months the people have had a spell from this aspect of development but now they are not too keen to return to a new effort in this field. One noticeable change however is that some of the people are now realising that the roads are benefiting them. A number of the locals now own trade stores and at least these people see the advantages of road communication in the supply of their stock. Whether they hire a car to bring in their goods or purchase it from Ialibu based stores or Missions they realise that without the roads they would have a long walk or no trade store. This is a breakthrough in the field of explaining the importance of a road network in economic development, even if it is only a small one.

6. A few people I have met on this patrol expressed surprise to see that I had returned to Ialibu after leave. They were expecting a replacement Officer as they said ' no Patrol Officer has ever stayed very long at Ialibu'. They were, no doubt, basing their ideas on the previous history of Ialibu when few Officers stayed longer than twelve months in the place. They appeared happy with the present staff here at Ialibu and were pleased to see a few known faces instead of having to face a period of re-adjusting to a new Officer's methods.

7. It has now become possible here at Ialibu to tell the religion of certain people merely by the appearance. This applies mainly to the Lutheran and Evangelical Bible Mission. If one is in the field around the Ialibu area and one sees a rather well dressed local wearing sun glasses you can be almost positive that he is a Pastor or Teacher or a follower of the Lutheran Mission. A few of the Station people do have sun glasses but most locals are Lutheran Mission followers. I do not know why but it appears that they have adopted it as a unofficial uniform that is worn in bright sunlight, overcast weather or rain.

8. Female members of the Evangelical Bible Mission are also easy to classify. They are usually those members of a village that are covered from neck to knee in ' Meri Blouses' and skirts or lap-laps. While I think it is noble of the Mission to see that the females of the area are suitably clothed I think that they should also see that they are taught the rudiments of cleanliness as at present these people ~~wash~~ the clothes until they become rigid with filth and rot off of their body. The advantages of clean clothes ~~wax~~ were outlined during the patrol and will be in further ones and through the Council. This with the help of the respective Missions should teach the people some aspects of cleanliness.

9. The planning of pig killing ceremonies is still going on in the area with the emphasis now on the people in the Imbong'gu Census Division. For the last couple of years the Kewabe has been the centre of attraction but as they recede the Imbong'gu region has taken up the call. Things are still in the planning stage as yet as the people tell me that despite the amount of activity going on now there will not be any actual ceremony until late 1969 or early

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1970. In the meantime pigs are being killed and long houses are being built in preparation. The centres of interest so far are at ORAE, MOGA, NAGOF and KAPAGAPOBIL. Quite a number of long houses have been built at these places and numerous men can be seen wearing the red hat denoting them as being amongst the influential group that will be killing pigs during the ceremony.

10. The ceremony that will fill the prime position is what the locals call a 'MOGA'. In this one Group will invite their previous enemies to the ceremony and will exchange pearl shell with them as compensation for the deaths, in days gone by, caused by tribal fighting. After this a number of pigs are killed and all people at the ceremony receive a share. This usually last two or three days during which time dancing is the main form of entertainment. The decorations of individuals and groups causes keen rivalry with each individual or group trying to outdo the others. Despite the long waiting period interest in these ceremonies very rarely slackens and each ceremony is keenly awaited.

11. Law and order in the area visited remains good. With the exception of the KONGIBUGL area the Census Division has remained free of all major crime. In the last two years only one grievous bodily harm case has required Supreme Court attention from this division. There has been the occasional bashing but only a couple which has involved the use of axes. The KONGIBUGL exception occurred a few months ago when they and the IOMBI Villages were involved in a riot during which a few arrows were fired. All offenders were quickly rounded up and dealt with rather severely in the Local Court. The prompt action by the Police in this case was appreciated by the majority of people in the area who have expressed their disapproval of the riot.

12. Basically the people are law abiding and request nearly all of their minor disputes to be heard and settled by a Magistrate. The most common complaints brought up are over the return of bride price and failure to pay debts. These more often than not are very involved and take up a great deal of the Magistrates time. It is necessary for the Magistrate to hear these however as the people will abide by the decisions given and will not take the law into their own hands and obtain the return of the debts by force which results in more serious crimes.

13. Another common complaint here at Ialibu is land disputes. These are rife throughout the whole area and cause quite an amount of friction. The most effervescent disputes are in the Kewabe but the Imbong'gu has also a few touchy problems. These problems are being tackled by the staff here at Ialibu, in particular by Mr. L. Dickson, and it is hoped that by the end of the year major breakthroughs will have been achieved.

House of Assembly Elections:

14. The polling conducted by this patrol was very successful. No hitches occurred to mar the smooth running of the polls and at each centre the people wishing to vote appeared promptly to record their votes. No incidents occurred and the only factor that caused any annoyance was from the weather. While the patrol was at PIAMBIL rain scattered the voters of the Tona Group. The patrol remained at PIAMBIL a further day to cater for these voters. The lost day was made up and the planned itinerary was followed at the KERO booth.

15. Interest in the elections was very good. From information obtained at each polling place visited we find that 81% of the people on the Certified List of Voters for the area visited actually voted. This does not include Section Voters who, if included, would raise slightly this percentage. Of the 19% who did not vote approximately 5% would include deaths, duplications and people who have permanently changed their address - mainly females. A further 7% would include members of the Highland Labour Scheme and people outside of their village areas working for Missions and other private people. The remaining 7% include those who were in jail, the aged, the sick and those who did not want to vote. These figures speak for themselves and prove that interest in the elections here at Ialibu was very good indeed.

16. Following is a list showing the percentage of Certified Voters who actually voted at each polling booth.

| <u>Polling Booth:</u> | <u>Village:</u> | <u>% Voted:</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| KO | KO | 71 % |
| | MARAL | 84 % |
| | KALISINIE | 86 % |
| | KISENAPOI | 80 % |
| | OGAI | 60 % |
| | PUGADL | 85 % |
| | KOBIRI | 80 % |
| | | Average 78% |
| ORAE | ORAE | 70 % |
| | MOGA | 81 % |
| | PAEARE | 98 % |
| | PUGLPIRI | 79 % |
| | | Average 82% |
| KUMINGE | KUMINGE | 88 % |
| | IMI | 85 % |
| | KUME | 91 % |
| | | Average 88% |
| PIAMBIL | PIAMBIL | 83 % |
| | GIA | 76 % |
| | TONA | 86 % |
| | MAGOP | 82 % |
| | | Average 81% |
| KERO | KERO | 80 % |
| | KAPAGAPOBIL | 86 % |
| | PONOGAMA | 87 % |
| | KONGIBUGL | 75 % |
| | BIMBINIE | 79 % |
| | | Average 81% |

17. In four of the five polling places voting followed a set pattern with only slight variations in occasional villages. The people were very set in their method of voting. Before they entered the booth their minds were made up and they were quick to call their vote. The females were the easiest to handle and they had, in most cases, a clear idea of their candidate and they were the voters who marked the most preferences. Preferences were given to 2 men only in most cases with a few going to three or more. An estimate on how the area voted in regard to the preferential system would be approximately,

- 30 % marked only 1 candidate.
- 60 % marked only 2 candidates
- 10 % marked 3 or more.

18. I would not say that the main reason for this was the lack of the people's understanding of the preferential system but due mainly to the lack of campaigning by the candidates. It was obvious that the people only marked the candidates they knew well and if the candidates had conducted a thorough campaign and made themselves known to the people they might have obtained more preference votes and improved their chances of winning.

19. It appears that the only areas where any sort of campaigning was conducted was around the polling centre of PIAMBIL. None of the Ialibu candidates have any close ties with the people of this area and apparently a few did tour around PIAMBIL. It appears that campaigning, in the main, was restricted to the candidates known haunts that is the villages where he has family or clan ties, and that it was considered against etiquette to campaign in another candidates' area.

20. These elections have shown us that greater care will have to be taken in compiling future census records for the area. The number of duplications and unknown names found by this patrol was really too much to accept. In the next patrol that carries out census work all duplications will have to be tracked down and the unknown names accounted for. A list of these has been made by this patrol and this should assist further census work.

21. All in all I would say that this has been a very

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successful election for the Ialibu Sub-District. The people are pleased that the electorate now covers only the Sub-District and that any ~~winner~~ candidate that is elected can be called their own. The Poll Clerks and Interpreters on this patrol did an excellent job and well deserve a mention. It now remains to be seen who the actual successful candidate will be and it is hoped that he will do more for the area than those who previously held the position.

Local Government Council:

22. It is difficult to go anywhere in the Imbong'gu Census Division and not see the influence of the Ialibu Local Govt. Council. Over the last two years the Council has grown from an ideal into a actual working organisation. The people are now seeing a return for their tax and are taking an ever increasing interest in the Council. Attendance by the rank and file local at Council meetings is increasing every month and the Council has become the go between of the Administration and the people. All departments here use the Council as the sounding board for projects and ideas and the people channel their requests and complaints through it.

23. The works carried out by the Council ~~is~~ in the Imbong'gu are mainly community services. So far these include four semi permanent Aid Posts at PIAMBIL, NAGOP, KERO and ORAE. A Primary T School at KERO which so far includes a Prep and Standard 1 Class, and a Community Centre at PIAMBIL. By the end of this financial year the Council will have added a teacher's house a KENDAGL Primary T School and a second house at the KERO School to its list. Considering that it is a low income Council this is, I feel, an impressive list.

24. The quality of the Councillors varies from fair to good. A few like Councillors POI'IA, PILIEMBO and SUBIO have grasped the meaning of their work and realise that they are more than just a replacement for the old Village Constable. These three are all pro Administration and are very keen to see the area develop. It is the example of men like these three that is helping to improve the quality of the others.

Economic Development:

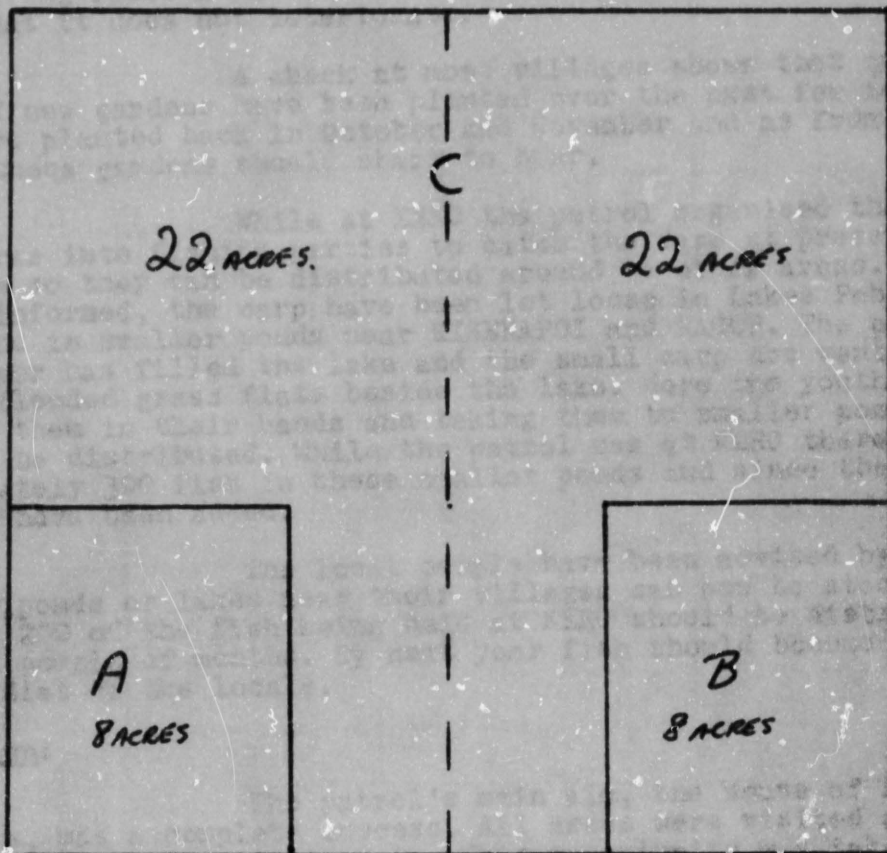
25. During this patrol investigations were made, in the Kaugel Valley area, re the starting of economic development schemes along the lines of land rationalisation. The subject village being KUMINGE which is located in the centre of this valley and some 22 miles by road from Ialibu. To date the approach has been the explanation of the advantages of organised cash cropping to the locals. The writer and Mr. R. Thatcher, Agricultural Officer - Ialibu, spent four days with the KUMINGE people explaining planned methods, suitable crops and looking for possible sites to start the schemes.

26. This initial work has been directed towards the TELGI Clan of KUMINGE Census Unit. This Clan has 4 Sub-Clans - TELGI-MARAWA, TELGI-KALIBINIE, TELGI-KUMINGE and TELGI-PONGOMO - and of these the first three will be the possible instigators of economic development at Ialibu. These three Sub-Clans have 25 adult males and from them we hope to obtain a dozen or so men whom are willing to start the scheme. From these, over the years, the future plan is to extend the scheme to the whole of the TELGI Clan, then all of KUMINGE and subsequently all Census Units having land in the Kaugel Valley.

27. The land owned by the TELGI Clan has been investigated and found to be sufficient for the planned project. An area of some 300 acres known as MARAWA and MUMU was seen by us and appears very fertile and lends itself to our ideas. It is here that the project should start.

28. Briefly the plan we have in mind is as follows. We intend subdividing the land owned by the Sub-Clans so that each member of the Sub-Clan is living on land owned by his respective Sub-Clan. Each man will start off with a mixed farm of 30 acres. Of this 22 acres will be set aside for cattle and 8 acres for cash crops and his home. Initially two family units will share the grazing land of their combined farms, that is 2 ~~forty-~~ twenty-two acre blocks. This will

help in the early stages to cut costs in fencing. Later they can fence it again so that there are two separate 22 acre blocks or keep it the same. On their separate 8 acre blocks the owner will plant eventually an acre or two of tea and the remainder will be for food crops and living area. The following diagram should help to clarify this.



29. This plan shows the 44 acres of pasture and the broken line is a future sub-division if required. A and B are the two 8 acre blocks for the cash crop etc.

30. This plan is not a rigid one and we still have further investigations to make. It may be that some people will want to have a cash crop from tea only or from cattle only. These points have yet to be finalised. Present indications are favourable and after further explanation we hope to have the full support of the locals. As the scheme is still very new there is not much to report on. In a couple of months a clear picture should be available and a further report can be forwarded. At the moment things are going well and we are hopeful for future developments.

Land:

31. During this patrol approval from received from a group of the KUMINGE people to purchase a further area of land in the Kaugel Valley. I was advised that all owners of the land are prepared to sell this land. The land lies astride the Peragai Plantation road and is situated about three quarters of a mile from the plantation. A rough estimate of the area involved would be in the vicinity of 500 acres. We should be able to survey and investigate this land in the next two or three weeks.

32. While on patrol I was informed by a Priest of the Catholic Mission that he intended to apply for a Mission lease in this area. This land, about 5 acres required, is situated about one mile from the turnoff on the Plantation road near a hamlet known as WANGIABUGL. The patrol that surveys the 500 acres could also do this and save us the trouble later on.

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Agriculture:

33. The people are still complaining that they are short of food. This shortage is true but it is not as bad as some of the locals are claiming. The patrol enquired if there had been any loss of life to the people themselves or to their pigs and they were not able to quote any cases. From the elections it was seen that the number of deaths since the last census, November 1966, is not above normal. The condition of the people seen does not give the impression of a starving race. A watch will still be kept on the situation to ensure that it does not deteriorate.

34. A check at most villages shows that quite a number of new gardens have been planted over the past few months. These were planted back in October and November and as from May onwards these gardens should start to bear.

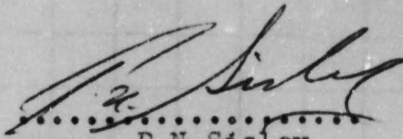
35. While at KERO the patrol organised the youths of the area into fishing parties to catch the carp at present in Lake Bune so they can be distributed around to other areas. So far, so I am informed, the carp have been let loose in Lakes Pabare and Onime and in smaller ponds near KISENAPOI and NAGOP. The present wet weather has filled the lake and the small carp are venturing into the now flooded grass flats beside the lake. Here the youths are catching them in their hands and taking them to smaller ponds until they can be distributed. While the patrol was at KERO there were approximately 300 fish in these smaller ponds and since then a further 50 or so have been added.

36. The local people have been advised by the Council that any ponds or lakes near their villages can now be stocked and at least 200 of the fish being held at KERO should be distributed in the next couple of months. By next year fish should become part of the regular diet of the locals.

Conclusion:

37. The patrol's main aim, the House of Assembly elections, was a complete success. All areas were visited and all people had a opportunity to vote. This opportunity was taken up by the people and hence our excellent results.

38. The patrol could not devote too much of its time to other aspects of the job but subsequent patrols and field trips will remedy this. The Council and economic development will be the main items on the agenda for the next few months and it is hoped that bright reports on their progress can be forwarded in the future.


P.N. Sisley
Patrol Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. 10 of 1967/68.

Patrol Conducted by K. Poga Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled IMBONG'GU & KEWABI Casuarina Divisions

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives Six

Duration—From 19./3./1968 to 24./5./1968

Number of Days 55 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services/2./1968

Medical/9./1967

Map Reference Patrol Maps: 1" = 4 miles

Objects of Patrol (1) Reconstruction of Bridges (2) Road Construction
(3) 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 \$.....

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

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16th August 1968.

The District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
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PATROL NO. IALIBU. 10 Q2 1967/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt Patrol Report covering patrol by Mr K. Poga, P.O., to Imbong'gu and Kewabi Census Divisions.

2. As in many other reports from the Southern Highlands District food shortage is stressed as a problem. Again it occurs in conjunction with road works.

3. Mr Poga states that fifty-five days were spent in the field supervising road works, on which local men and women worked up to five days a week. In view of this, the shortage of food and the fact that premium prices prevail is understandable.

4. I feel that before any further roadwork is undertaken, the availability of food should be carefully assessed (in that area) and if necessary, additional planting up of food gardens; both in the villages and at road heads, should be encouraged. Surplus food could then be purchased at a reasonable price to feed personnel engaged in development work.

(T. W. ELLIS)
Director

c.c Mr K. Poga, P.O.,
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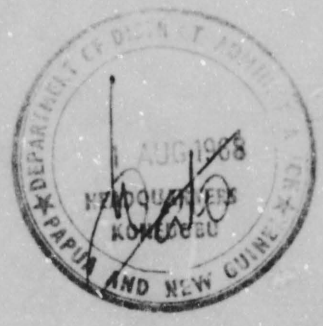


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23rd July, 1968.



The Director,
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Ialibu Patrol No 10 of 1967/68
Ibong'gu and Kewabe Census Divisions
Mr. K. Poga, Patrol Officer.

Attached please find:-

- (1) Original of report,
- (2) Copy of memorandum 67-2-2 dated 28th June, 1968 from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.

2. All aspects of the report have been covered fully by the Assistant District Commissioner and no further comments are necessary.

E. J. Emanuel
(E.J. Emanuel)
a/District Commissioner.



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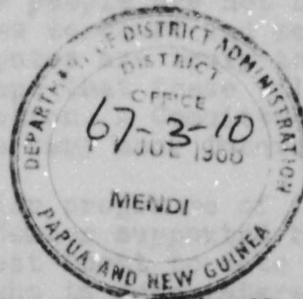
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IALIBU PATROL REPORT No. 10 of 1967/68.

Attached please find in triplicate, copies of Mr.K. Poga's patrol to the Imbong'gu and Kewabe Census Divisions. Attached also are his claims for camping allowance. Those of the Police Members of the patrol were forwarded separately.

2. The main purpose of this Patrol was to supervise maintenance and bridge construction on the Ialibu-Kaugel Valley road. By the end of the third quarter of 1968/69 this road will be the main route to Mt.Hagen for the Ialibu, Pangia, Kagua and eventually Mendi areas. In order to have the road in a suitable condition for this patrol was undertaken. The present needs - a plantation in the Kaugel and the economic development projects started there - also necessitated urgent improvements to the road which had broken up in quite a few sections. The people were not working on it themselves until the Patrol re-organised them.
3. The results achieved by the Patrol were very good indeed. Quite a number of the bridges in the KO - ORAE section have been replaced and the example shown by the Patrol has been carried on by the people themselves. At the present moment only 6 bridges need replacing and the locals are preparing to do these.
4. The presence of the Patrol has greatly improved the standard of the road in the area. All previous broken sections have been resurfaced and are in good enough condition to cope with all local traffic.
5. The period spent in the Kewabe Census Division on roads was only brief and was to replace a bridge that was close to collapse. This bridge across the KUNI Creek was the last to be replaced on the Ialibu-Kagua road and all now are either earth culverts or strengthened log bridges. The surfacing of this road is a problem which is being slowly overcome. Lime stone quarries are available and where this surfacing has been used the road is good. However we have been required to transport timber to Pangia and Kagua recently and this has slowed the resurfacing of the road. July should see a return to this. By the end of this year the road will be in excellent order from Ialibu to the KUNI Creek which is half way to the Iaro River.
6. Payment for roadwork has always been a complaint of the local people here at Ialibu. Funds allocation is no where near sufficient to pay each individual a reasonable sum but I do not think that this should be done. The people will have to realise that it is their own country they are developing and that this will not come about unless they work hard for it. This is elementary, I know, but we have to keep hammering the point to prove it to the people. The present practise here at Ialibu is to use road and bridge maintenance money for the replacing of bridges only. The present rates being \$10.00 for a bridge between 5 and 15 feet and \$20.00 for bigger bridges. This allows us to pay for most bridges we replace and all but 4 on this road have been paid for.

7. On the Ialibu-Kagua road the funds have been spent mainly on labour to quarry lime stone 5 days a week for resurfacing. A labour line with the tractors have done more to the road than the ~~many~~ people could do themselves. We feel that these are the only ways that results can be achieved with the funds available. To try to give each person a fair share would not work as the ratio of people to funds bares no comparision. Until the locals realise that only a lot of self help will develop their area we will always have theses complaints over road payments.

8. The Pandanus nut season has passed without any major flareups mentioned in the report. It is common to see the many minor quarrels but as Mr. Poga has said the people are not backward in ~~bringing their~~ bringing their disputes to court and most quarrels were settled that way. These and laud disputes are truly the main bones of contention in the area. However we hope that these will be eased as the Demarcation Committee commences operation. A Committee has been set up and should commence operations in the very near future.

9. The Political Education programme of the area is based mainly on the Council and the Local Member supported by patrol talks and ~~at~~ Station gatherings. Our greatest boost to date is the new Member of the House, Mr. TURI WARI, who is very interested in his work and is touring the electorate explaining what happens in the House. With this valuable assistance the task of political education will be easier in the future.

10. Medical and Child Welfare services to both Censur Divisions are improving. The Ialibu Council has built 6 Aid Posts, 2 in the Kewabe and 4 in the Imbong'gu, and there ~~is~~ is another of local materials at KIRENI in the KEWABE. Lack of support from the people at MAMBI, in the KEWABE Censur Division, forced the closure of another Aid Post. The road system of the area is such that nearly all serious cases can be picked up by car and transported to Ialibu Hospital where the services of a Doctor are available. The Child Welfare Nurses cover the area each month and as each centre provides access to their village they are included on the list.

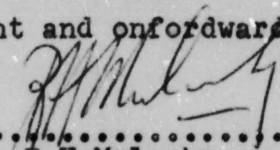
11. The main economic development projects at Ialibu are at present centred in the Kaugel Valley area of the Imbong'gu Censur Division. This is because these people have shown the most interest in these types of projects. Throughout the remainder of the area cattle schemes have been proposed but only a few people have responded. Those who have are receiving assistance but for the others we can only educate them more in the hope that we can reach them. They all know that we will help them if they show that they are interested. Projects will not be handed out to anybody all prepared and ready to go; they MUST help themselves.

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12. Two more schools are planned for the area once teachers become available. The Council is prepared to build schools in the Kewabe and far north of the Imbong'gu when teachers can be supplied. The Mission schools referred to in the field, teach on Pidgin and the Local Languages to help promote their teachings.

13. All in all a good patrol which achieved its aims. The Officer will have to improve his reporting however as he is prone to copying other people's thoughts and repeating himself verbatim in his Reports. This Report was re-submitted and hence the delay from writing to these comments. Further practise should develop in the Officer an improved style.

14. For your information, comment and on forwarding, please.



 B.H. Mulcahy
 Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Southern Highlands District.

5th May, 1968.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBU.
Southern Highlands District.

IALIBU PATROL No. 10 OF 1967/68.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

: K. Poga, Patrol Officer.

AREA PATROLLED

: Imbong'gu & Kewabi Census Divisions.

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY

: 3 members of R.P. & N.G.C.
No. 0415 i/c Tungapik
No. 2439 Kera
No. 2437 Allen
1 Interpreter.

DURATION OF PATROL

: 19-3-68 to 2-5-68 & 15-5-68 to 24-5-68
55 days (36 nights camped out).

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA

: Last D.D.A. patrol February, 1968.
Last P.H.D. patrol September, 1967.

OBJECTS OF PATROL

- : (1) Reconstruction of Bridges.
- (2) Construction of Roads.
- (3) Routine Administration.

K. Poga.
PATROL OFFICER.

PATROL DIARYIALIBU PATROL No. 10 OF 1967/68.MARCH 1968Tuesday 19th

Patrol led by Patrol officer K. Poga, accompanied by three members of the Royal Papua and New Guinea Constabulary and an interpreter left IALIBU for KISENAPOI 1100 hours. Before proceeding to Kisenapoi, the patrol stopped at KERO to supervise the reconstruction of the Kero Bridge.

Wednesday 20th

AM. Discussions with the local people re the works programme.
PM. One bridge was reconstructed at KOU.

Thursday 21st

All day worked on two bridges at Kou.

Friday 22nd

AM. Gathered all the men to pull logs for bridges and all the women to lay gravel on the road.
PM. Had the KAKO Bridge built.

Saturday 23rd

Went into IALIBU.

Sunday 24th

AM. Observed at Ialibu.
PM. Returned to Kisenapoi.

Monday 25th

All day supervised roadwork from Kisenapoi to KOKOGA and back to ORAE.

Tuesday 26th

Spent all day on building a bridge at OGAI.

Wednesday 27th

AM. Supervised roadwork.
PM. Heard some minor complaints.

Thursday 28th

Spent all day at NAGOP trying to settle a dispute between the Nagpps and the BIMBINES.

Friday 29th

Went there again as all the people involved didn't turn up.

Saturday 30th

Went into Ialibu to report a hanging.

Sunday 31st

Observed at Ialibu.

APRIL 1968Monday 1st

Supervised roadwork all day.

Tuesday 2nd

All day supervised roadwork from Kisenapoi to KUMUNGE.

Wednesday 3rd

AM. Paid people for various bridges.
PM. Cleared boundary for land given to private enterprise.

Thursday 4th

Cleared boundaries all day.

Patrol Diary Continued:APRIL 1968

Friday 5th AM. Supervised the reconstruction of the KOUANGIL Bridge.
PM. Went into Ialibu.

Saturday 6th AM. Observed at KAGUA.
PM. Returned to Ialibu.

Sunday 7th AM. Observed at Ialibu.
PM. Returned to Kisenapoi.

Monday 8th Supervised roadwork all da y.

Tuesday 9th Supervised roadwork at MARAL and KALPINE all day.

Wednesday 10th All day building a bridge at Kisenapoi.

Thursday 11th Went into Ialibu for EASTER.

Friday 12th Observed at Ialibu.

Saturday 13th Ialibu Station.

Sunday 14th Ialibu Station.

Monday 15th Ialibu Station.

Tuesday 16th Ialibu Station.

Wednesday 17th Returned to Kisenapoi.

Thursday 18th Sent word out to the Maral and Kalpine people to cut logs for the Maral Bridge.

Friday 19th Spent all day getting logs down to the bridge site.

Saturday 20th Went into TAMBUL for a soccer match.

Sunday 21st Observed at Ialibu.

Monday 22nd Spent all day building the Maral Bridge.

Tuesday 23rd Supervised roadwork at Maral and Kalpine.

Wednesday 24th AM. Gathered all the people who didn't turn up for work on that Tuesday.
PM. Returned to Ialibu with them.

Thursday 25th ANZAC DAY at Ialibu.

Friday 26th General office work at Ialibu.

Saturday 27th General office work from 8.00 am to 12.00.

Sunday 28th Left for Nagop.

Monday 29th All day pulling logs for the PAWENDA Bridge.

Tuesday 30th All day replacing the logs on that bridge.

Patrol Diary Continued:

MAY 1968.

Wednesday 1st

All day completing that bridge.

Thursday 2nd

Spent all day building the KUNITUBU River Bridge.

Friday 3rd

Returned to Ialibu.

End of Patrol Diary.



K. Poga.

PATROL OFFICER.

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PATROL REPORT

IALISU PATROL NO. 10 OF 1967/68.

NATIVE SITUATION

- (1) The native situation on the whole has been very good, that is no fights or disputes. The only thing the patrol ~~has~~ faced was food. The food situation has been bad up this way. Every time someone brings some sort of food up to the patrol, he or she would demand high prices. They would not give anything free of charge to the patrol. As we had shortage of funds in the Treasury ~~department~~, sometimes we had to go to work without food.
- (2) We do get full attendance on the roadwork every Mondays and Tuesdays but during the other week days the size seemed to diminish rapidly. This ~~is~~ due to the start of the ~~peanut~~ ~~harvesting~~ ~~season~~. Nevertheless when we did want them to work they showed great ~~co~~-operation. These people can't work on their own. When they are left alone to do a certain job just tend to go to sleep and disregard their councillors.
- (3) ^{they} Most of the people in this area could be seen wearing red hats which denote their wealth. It shows how many pigs a man has and other wealth as well. They build long huts of about thirty to sixty feet in length for the mass killing of pigs. The actual pig killing takes place ^{at} about three to six years. Before that they usually have numerous singsings. At such singsings each man usually climbs up a post at intervals and announce how many pigs he will kill and ~~is~~ calls the names of those whom he will give the pigs to. After the pigs are killed and eaten the hospital is the main centre of exhibition. Numerous people become sick after eating so much pig meat.
- (4) Polygamy is very common in the area. Some men may marry up to thirteen wives. When a husband wants a second wife the first wife pays the bride price for him. The wives don't have a slight quarrell. How many wives a man has depends on his wealth. Most people with long hats mentioned in paragraph three marry the most women.

POLITICAL EDUCATION

- (5) Some people approached me wanting to know the functions of the House of Assembly and why they elect members for their electorate. I found out that many people are still ignorant of the functions of the House of Assembly. Although they are quite aware of the functions of their Local Government Councils they are very doubtful of the very close relationship of the two bodies. Most people have the belief that Local ~~Government~~ Government is quite different from the House.
- (6) I explained to them that the House of Assembly is the same as their Local Government Councils but has a larger range of functions. The members form a law making body for the whole Territory just as the council makes laws for the electorate. It was explained that they elect members to speak for them in the House of Assembly of what has been done in their electorate and what has not been done and what has ~~not~~ yet to be done. If they wanted anything done in their district they would have to talk to their members and they would bring it up in the House. The people are very proud of their Council. As they are one of ~~the~~ those last people to have a council they reckon they have progressed very rapidly through their council.

PATROL REPORT Continued:

ROADS AND BRIDGES

- (7) This was the main aim of the patrol to proceed with the work on the IALIBU-KAUGEL ROAD. The aim was to reconstruct bridges and maintain sections of that road. The procedure on the roadwork was as this, the women would carry gravel from eight in the morning to twelve noon, while the men would work on the bridges from eight till half past four in the afternoon. Most of the worst sections of this road has been repaired and the road is in good condition.
- (8) Most of the smaller bridges were replaced with drums. This method is done this way; after removing the old planks, drums are placed in the waterway. Then rocks are placed on both sides of the drums to support them from ^{being} carried away by flood. The gap between the drums and the road surface is filled by placing big rocks. The very last process is the spreading of sand on the very surface of the road.
- (9) Most of the bigger bridges were converted into earth ^{culverts} and planks. The earth bridges are built this way. After the old ~~plank~~ logs are removed, new ones are put in their place very ^{skimming} closely together. Then the gaps between the logs are filled up with big rocks and brought up to the surface. After that sand is spread on the very top to even up the road surface.
- (10) Plank bridges are self-explanatory. The old ~~plank~~ were replaced and ^{used} ~~material~~ planks were used for planks as we had shortage of planks at our sawmill. On the whole seventeen bridges were built, four plank-bridges and ~~two~~ two earth bridges and eleven drum bridges.
- (11) The people had received payment for some of these bridges but the rest haven't been paid yet as we had shortage of fund. These will have to wait awhile yet.

PATROL PERSONEL

- (12) All patrol personnel performed their duties well. No trouble was experienced with patrol perscnel. Except one morning we woke up late about half past eight after having a late discussion with the locals re the works programme.

HEALTH AND HYGIENE

- (13) This area is situated between two aid posts, one at KAUPENA and another at KERO. There is no serious disease to be found in this area. All the people in this area are well and strong. Minor sores such as scabies are taken care of at these aid posts. Infant-welfare services are provided once a month by the Department of Public Health at Ialibu.
- (14) The missions have done quite a lot in the cleanliness of these people. Any person seen wearing clean clothes may be classed as a follower of ~~the~~ the Lutheran Mission or the Evangelical Bible Mission. The patrol outlined the rudiments of cleanliness while it stayed out there as these people wear the clothes until the clothes rot off their body. If anyone is seriously hurt he or she is taken care of at the Ialibu Hospital which is about ten miles away from the area.

PATROL REPORT Continued:LAW AND ORDER~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~

(15) Numerous court cases were brought up before me. Most of them were settled without court action. The court were mostly concerning pigs breaking into gardens or someone being in debt to another. On the whole the people are most law abiding. They always bring complaints before a court to be settled. The whole census division is quite peaceful except for the Kongibugi and the Iombi incident. The Kongibugi and Iombi exception occurred a few months ago when the two villages fired a few arrows at each other, after a big singsing. The prompt action by the police stopped the fight and brought the offenders before the court at Ialibu. Apart from this the whole census division is very peaceful.

(16) ^{of} Quite a few land disputes were brought up as well. Most ~~to~~ the land complaints were about boundaries. After seeing so many of these land disputes it is thought that a Demarcation Committee be formed so that it could solve some of the problems. Land disputes is the most outstanding complaint in the Ialibu Sub-District. The average number of land complaints brought before the court each day is ten. Pandanus trees is another. Not long ago the ~~Iamix~~ Pagluga people and the ~~Kahamix~~ Kombeni people had a rather short fight concerning pandanus trees. Once again the police intercepted and brought the offenders before the court.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

(17) There are a few plots of pyrethrum in the area but not to a greater extent. There is a great potential for economic development in the area but the people are not too ~~waga~~ ^{willing to} sell land. In the Kumunge area there is a great developmental project ~~being~~ underway. The main crop being tea. Private enterprise has bought most of the lands there. In future this area would be the centre of exporting cash crops. The climate of the area is moderate which is just suitable for everything. I am pretty sure that plenty of people will be pouring in to live there. These people would of course be business entrepreneurs. There is plenty of water and food, as well. This is the ~~only~~ area in the Ialibu Sub-District which has a large developmental project being carried out. Some people in other villages are beginning to realise that business is a good thing and they are starting to sell lands to the Administration for private enterprise. Most of the staff at the Ialibu station obtain their vegetables and ~~fresh~~ fresh foods from this area.

(18) ~~ix~~ The price of food stuffs at the Ialibu market is very expensive. A bag of kaukaus would cost a dollar and fifty cents, a bag of potatoes would rise to two dollars. The people would charge fifty dollars for a fair size local pig, and sixty dollars for a Bird of Paradise feather. All these things put together slows down the economic development of the area. It is recommended that the council should put up set prices or if it can't then do something about it.

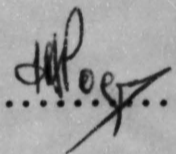
Patrol Report continued:COMPLAINTS

(19) I faced quite a few complaints from the feminine side of the work gang. After the payment for the bridges were distributed to the men, all the women came up, to me and demanded for payment as well. It was explained that the payment was only for the bridges and not for the work they did. However despite my explanation they still insisted on being paid so I ordered a police constable to march them into Ialibu so that they could ask the Assistant District Commissioner about getting paid. However they changed their minds on the way and went home.

(20) The men complained that they worked from eight in the morning and finished at half past four in the afternoon and that they had no time to obtain their food. I told them that the women finished work at twelve and that they had plenty of time to get some food. Other complained that they had never ~~worked~~ worked five days a week before. I explained to them that this road-work was very urgent and that they had to work five days a week. I told them that the only key to economic development is road and if they did not fix their road they would not have any economic development at all.

CONCLUSION

(21) Although the patrol had food problems it enjoyed the work. It is thought that ~~perhaps~~ the Council should encourage the villagers to give food free of charge or if not to try and reduce the price of food stuffs.

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K. Poga.
PATROL OFFICER.



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IALIBU PATROL No.10 OF 1967/68.

APPENDIX 'A':

This Appendix has been included to cover the period 15/5/68 to 23/5/68, which this patrol spent in the MEWABI Census Division. This was to complete urgent bridge works and road repairs in the Muli area.

PATROL DIARY.

MAY 1968

Wednesday 15th

Patrol left IALIBU 1500 hours for MULI.
Arrived at MULI 1600 hours. Camp was set up quickly. Discussions with the local people re the works programme.

Thursday 16th

AM. Waited for people from IATE, PAIPA, and MULI to come and record their names for labour.
PM. Names were recorded after all the people had arrived.
Slept MULI.

Friday 17th

All day cleared bush for road site.
Slept MULI.

Saturday 18th

AM. Observed at MULI.
PM. Left for IALIBU.
Slept IALIBU.

Sunday 19th

AM. Observed at IALIBU.
PM. Returned to MULI.
Slept MULI.

Monday 20th

All day did actual construction of road.
Slept MULI.

Tuesday 21st

AM. Supervised roadwork from
PM. Supervised the reconstruction of the RIVER KUNI BRIDGE.
Slept MULI.

Wednesday 22nd

AM. All day supervised road construction.
Slept MULI.

Thursday 23rd

All day supervised road construction.

PATROL REPORT OF 'APPENDIX 'A'.NATIVE SITUATION.

(1) The Kewabi's as a whole are the laziest and the most talkative people in the Lalibu Sub-District. The people don't believe in progress or economic development. They feel that they have been left out altogether. They were not prepared for this patrol. They believe they have been given poor advice and to suffer as a consequence. They have done nothing to help themselves & do not consider development a possibility.

(2) Due to the start of the pandanus-nus harvesting season the native situation is unsettled. There is no open fighting as yet but no doubt this will soon eventuate. Quite a few minor quarrels have been brought up before the patrol but no bigger ones have come up yet.

*** EDUCATION

(3) As I have pointed out in paragraph one that the Kewabi's don't believe in economic development or progress, they don't have very many schools. There is no Administration schools to be found in the Kewabi Census Division. At the present there are a few mission schools being put up. There aren't very many mission schools either. The Patrol outlined to them that school is a very good thing and that they should send all the children eligible for school enrolment to school. I myself explained to them that I wouldn't have obtained such a job as a Patrol Officer if I hadn't gone to school. It was explained too that through school one learns to communicate with people of different countries, school is the only key to progress in the country.

*** HEALTH AND HYGIENE:

(4) Health and hygiene situation in the Kewabi is very shocking to think of. The people are very filthy. They wear their clothes until the clothes rot off their body. The main belief which the people have is that the filth on their body keeps them warm and that if they wash the filth off they would become cold. While the patrol was there it outlined the rules of cleanliness to them.

(5) Infant-welfare services are provided for the area by the Department of Public Health once a month. Most of these places could not be reached by road therefore the Infant Welfare Officers or nurses have to walk some hours before they could reach the destination. As the Infant-welfare Officers are females they find it rather difficult to carry their gear to such places. There are of course a few Aid Posts in the Census Division. These Aid Posts are built at a central point to many ~~places~~ villages. There is no serious disease to be found in the area.

APPENDIX 'A' continued.LAW AND ORDER:

- (5) The Kewabis bring so many complaints a day that a magistrate would be bored hearing them. They would bring a case up and it would be settled. They would let go the case for a while and when the magistrate who heard the case goes somewhere or goes on leave the people would bring the same case up again. It's very incredible you wouldn't believe it. They feel one magistrate had not judged fairly so they would try the decision of another magistrate.
- (6) Everything taken into consideration, the Kewabis are fairly law abiding. Pigs, women, brideprice and land are the main things which stir them up. There has been a few axe wounds in the area lately.
- (7) Recently there was a large land dispute between the KEBIGI people and the WANGAI people. This dispute concerned the boundary between the two groups. It was that big that the Land Titles Commissioner was called to come and settle the matter. After a rather long hearing, the land was given to the Kebigis. While the Land Titles Commissioner was here he called in people from various council wards and gave talks on land and business.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

- (8) As mentioned earlier, the Kewabi don't consider economic development as a possibility, there is no cash crop in the area. The Department of Agriculture Stock and Fisheries has provided some pyrethrum for them but they had made no attempt to grow the stuff. Prospects in the Kewabi seemed to be hopeless under the present conditions. For a proper developmental project to be carried out, the people should improve the roads in the area.
- (9)- Land, surprisingly is available. I had the belief that the Kewabis would not sell any of their lands but after a few discussions with the locals they did sell some to a private enterprise at MULI. Very recently we have purchased a block of land near the IARO RIVER for the purpose of a cattle project. The area measured approximately 9.753 acres of land. The area had some spruce trees which cost twenty-eight dollars and the overall payment of the land was sixty-eight dollars. There were six owners to the land and they all received a fair share of their land's worth. They received the payment happily without any grumbling about it.
- (10) The B.P. Petroleum Company has been in the area for oil research. The company has struck no luck so far but its still trying. They have blown quite a fair bit of ground in the area and it is hoped that the people would get compensation for any damage done during the blastings. ~~One~~ ~~name~~ has been hurt so far in the blastings. The Company usually gives warnings to the surrounding villages to look out for themselves whenever the Company wanted to do a blasting. The Company based its main camp at KAGUA and works into the Ialibu sub-District as well.

Appendix 'A' continued:ROADS AND BRIDGES:

- (11) The roads in the Kewabi Census Division are very shocking indeed. The Kagua-lalibu Road is the only one in the Kewabi. It's rather stoney but reasonable. Most of the rest houses in this census division are many miles away from the main road. This means that a lot of walking has to be done. It appears that some trunk roads ~~have~~ ^{have} been surveyed many years ago but no actual construction has been done. A few signs of recent work could be seen on these roads but not to a great extent.
- (12) One road was surveyed to IAK from MULL. Only a few signs of recent work could be seen but the rest has been left untouched. When the patrol ~~was~~ ^{was} at Mull it constructed part of it. Unless the road system in the area is improved the Kewabis will stay as they are ~~millions~~ for many generations.
- (13) Some people in the area visited own trade stores. They realize that without roads they wouldn't ~~possibly~~ possibly have a store. Whether they buy their goods from lalibu based stores or from Hagen, they have to transport them by road.
- (14) The River KUNI Bridge was constructed in three days. If it was in the Imbon'ga it would have taken one day. Although four villages combined to build this bridge it took them that many days to complete it. The old logs were pulled out and two ~~logs~~ ^{were} left in order to pull the new logs over them. After the new logs were put in place, the two old ones were cut down. ~~Supporters~~ ^{Supporters} were placed on either sides of the bridge and then planks were nailed on. After that both ends of the bridge was covered with sand to level with the road. Mr Rielly from the Department of Public Works is putting up a few steel bridges in the Kewabi area recently. He is building these bridges along the Lalibu-Pangia Road. Some progress is coming up lately.

COMPLAINTS:

- (15) ~~While building this road from Mull to late~~
 While building this road from Mull to late some men complained that they had done a lot of work and that they should be paid for the work they did. However it was explained that it was part of their work. Despite my explanation they usually grumbled and talked a lot during work which took up most of their time. I just disregarded what they were saying. Another complaint was that they didn't have enough time ^{to} walk home as some of them lived quite a long way from the road site. This was answered that those people who lived some miles away from the road site would have to finish work at half past three. The actual work itself was well carried out according to instructions.

Appendix 'A' continued:PATROL PERSONEL:

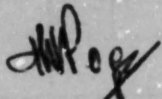
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All patrol personels performed their duties well. No trouble was experienced with the patrol.

CONCLUSION:

More patrols should go into the Kewabi. As people are beginning to sell lands, more encouragement should be given, in the way of cash crops although the soil is rather poor. However experimental schemes should be carried out as well. It would be a good idea if some able and young men from the Kewabi should work along with the Department of Agriculture Stock and Fisheries and learn some ideas about looking after cows or cash crops. Thus when they go back to their villages they could make good use of their knowledge.

End of Patrol Report.



K. Foga.

PATROL OFFICER.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. labu no. 11 of 1967/68.

Patrol Conducted by C. P. Dangerfield P.O.

Area Patrolled Part IMBONGI

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 1. Interp.
2. POLICE

Duration—From 7/5/1968 to 9/5/1968, 13-14/5/68 & 16-17/5/68

Number of Days 7

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services April /1968

Medical NOVEMBER /1967

Map Reference Attached two sketch maps.

Objects of Patrol Land investigation only

Director of District Administration,
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District Commissioner

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

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

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Ref: 67-15-45

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. Papua.

July 22nd, 1968.

District Commissioner,
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MENDI.

PATROL NO. IALIBU 11 OF 1967/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Memorandum
* ~~of Patrol~~ Patrol Report covering patrol by ~~MR. C.P. DANFIEL~~
to..... ~~PART. INDOBU~~..... Census Divisions.

J.W. Ellis
(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

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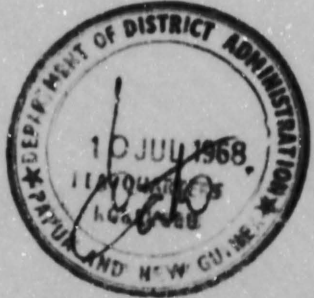


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2nd July, 1968.



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Ialibu Patrol No 11 of 1967/68
Land Investigation - MR. C.P. DANGERFIELD
Patrol Officer.

Attached please find.

- (a) Original of patrol report,
- (b) Covering memorandum 67-2-2 of 18th June, 1968 from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.
- (c) Map of area visited.

2. The Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu has commented fully on the report. I await only the land investigation report from Mr. Dangerfield and will follow this up.

E. J. Emanuel

(E.J. Emanuel)
a/District Commissioner.

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18th. June, 1968.

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IALIBU PATROL REPORT No. 11 of 1967/68.

Attached please find four copies of Patrol Report No. 11 conducted by Mr. C.P. Dangerfield, Patrol Officer, to the Imbong'gu Census Division. Claims for camping allowance for Mr. Dangerfield have not been made out and he has been requested to submit his. Those for the Police Members have been sent direct to Police Mendi.

Mr. Dangerfield's Report is very short but when one considers the reasons for the Patrol and pressure of work it can be understood. The Patrol was purely to investigate and survey land. No other work was undertaken by the Patrol and since Mr. Dangerfield has not worked in this area before one cannot expect him to start commenting at great length on the local situation. Also he was anxious to return to Nipa to complete outstanding duties there and hence restricted himself to land matters in order to complete his work as soon as possible.

Two blocks were surveyed and investigated by the Patrolling Officer and a further block surveyed to ascertain its area. This latter one will be finalised by the present Officers at Ialibu. The first at Tona in the northern corner of the Imbong'gu Census Division was an extension to an original survey carried out late last year. Although the area is still only small, 270 acres, it will allow us scope for expansion as one boundary now borders on the land of the Nagop Clans and although they are not keen to sell at the moment we hope to be able to alter this attitude in the near future. Our aim here is to increase the size to 700 acres by the end of this year.

The 300 acres at Kiserapoi will also have attempts made on it for expansion. The minimum area we want here is 500 acres and by the end of the year we may have at least this. It is hoped we can obtain it adjoining the present block but it may be that a second block of the same area can be obtained within a miles distance of this centre. A contiguous would be most desirable but in the meantime if this is not available then any land offered will be surveyed.

It was hoped that a block of some 1000 acres could be ~~obtained~~ obtained between Maral and Kero Census Units. The eastern corner of the Ialibu basin cuts into this area and it was on this that the land was to be obtained. However the people were unable to decide how much each particular village should give and negotiations broke down. Much of the spade work has been done here and this block should be obtained during 1968/69.

The acquisition of land at Ialibu is proceeding slowly but surely. At present we have approximately 950 acres available for leasing and a further 2700 acres are in the process of alienation and should be available in 1969. These plus the 1200 acres already leased, Peragai Plantation in the Kaugel Valley of the Imbong'gu Census Division, gives the area a total of 4850 acres for development.

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The next six months should see the addition of a further 2350 acres. These include extensions to Tona and Kisenapei blocks, the Maralokero block, one near Peragai Plantation and one near Kebigi Village about five miles from Ialibu on the Agua road. In June 1969 there should be 7200 acres available for leasing. This will be the start of the complete development of the Ialibu area if we can obtain Companies to start as soon as possible on their land after alienation.

Mr. Dangerfield's Patrol has considerably helped us here at Ialibu. He has enabled us to purchase more land as well as keep the other necessary duties going. His investigation reports and plans of surveys will be forwarded as soon as his maps are sun printed in Mt. Hagen.

For your information, comment and on forwarding, please.

.....
G.H. Mulcahy
Assistant District Commissioner.

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File : 67-2-2

Department of District
Administration.

Sub/District Office,
I A L I B U,
Southern Highlands.

4th. June, 1968.

The Assistant District
Commissioner.
I A L I B U.

I A L I B U PATROL REPORT No. 11 of 1967/68
to the I M B O N G ' G U C E N S U S DIVISION

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|-------------------------|---|
| Patrol conducted by : | C.P. Dangerfield (P.O.) |
| Patrol accompanied by : | 1 Pat. Interpreter. Const. KBA. Const. FTPAI. |
| Area patrolled : | Part I M B O N G ' G U C. D. |
| Duration : | 7 - 9/5/68. 13-14/5/68. 16-17/5/68. Seven (7) Days. |
| Last Patrol : | April/May 1968. D.D.A. November 1967. B.H.B. |
| Objects : | Land Investigation. |

C.P. Dangerfield
C.P. Dangerfield P.O.

Introduction

1. The writer carried out the patrol while on temporary transfer from NIPA to assist with a large number of pending Land Investigations at Ialibu. Other land work has been done on a field day basis since the patrol. As the task was specific the report is brief.

Diary - May 1968

Tuesday 7th : Drove with Mr P.N. Sisley to Kesenapoi Rest House, arriving at noon. After talks with people Mr Sisley P.O. returned Ialibu and self commenced survey. Finished work 1700. Slept Kesenapoi.

Wednesday 8th : Continued and finished chain and compass survey. Spent later afternoon recording owners and improvements, and talking with the locals regarding the extension of the area suggested to them by Mr Sisley, as it appeared obvious that the originally estimated 300 acres was not there. Slept Kesenapoi.

Thursday 9th : Morning spent checking names and improvements, and placing hardwood corner posts. Returned to the station by car arriving 1500.

BROKEN

Monday 13th : Driven by Mr. Sisley to Piambil R.H. Mr Sisley returned Ialibu and self proceeded on foot to Tona Rest House arriving in an hour at 1300. Surveyed Murulel extension to present Tabol-ye lease at Tona. Slept Tona.

Tuesday 14th: List of owners and improvements compiled. Surveyed further extension - Walamabu, and compiled lists. At 1400 walked to Piambil to await car. Arrived at Ialibu 1600.

BROKEN

Thursday 16th : Mr Sisley having spoken to Kesenapoi, and they being willing to extend Kumbegul, drove to Kesenapoi and camped. Finished survey and lists in afternoon. Slept Kesenapoi.

Friday 17th: Checked further on ownership. Patrol walked to Maral Rest House. Vehicle took patrol to Ialibu, arriving 1720. Patrol stood down.

Comments and Observations.

2. Willingness to sell was established prior patrol.

3. The larger lease - Kumbegul - covers 300 acres. This is located adjacent to Kesenapoi, 8 to 9 miles N.E. of Ialibu, and easily accessible by road. The two other leases were extensions to the Tabol-ye Lease at Tona. Their area being, Murulel 60 acres, Walamabu 20 acres, this extending the present lease from 190 to 270 acres. This lease lies 20 miles north of Ialibu along the Hagen Road. It lies off the main road at the end of a 4 mile access road from Piambil to Tona. Only bridges are required to open the access road to vehicles.

4. The groups who have parted with the land seem to want development to happen rapidly. They feel that if private people move in that they will be the first to benefit. In the case of Tea it may be the less progressive groups, who have land but have not parted with any, who will have land to spare for their own tea blocks. As far as employment is concerned the owners think that they will have to be given preference as labour by private enterprise using the land.

5. Kumbegul may be suitable for tea if two other blocks of similar size are obtained at points between Kesenapoi and Talibu. Three-quarters of this block is very level, and although swampy the top-soil appears deep, and drainage problems reduced by the deep trench cut by the Kabanouvi Creek. The Tabdi-ye block due to isolation would probably be more suitable for cattle projects.

C.F. Dangerfield
 C.F. Dangerfield P.O.

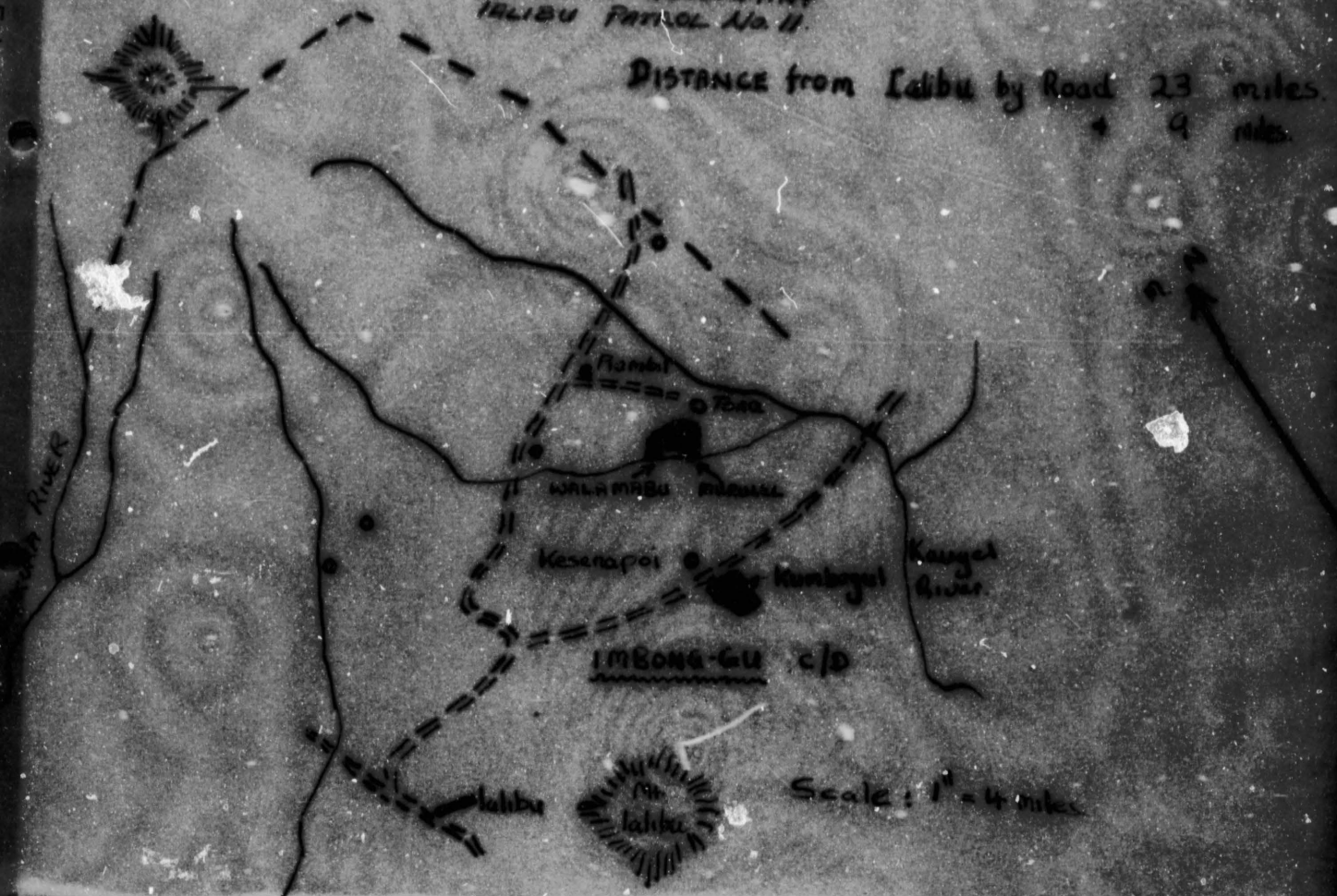
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MAP to ACCOMPANY
LALIBU PATROL No. II.

DISTANCE from Lalibu by Road 23 miles.
9 miles





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....Southern Highlands..... Report No.....14.....

Patrol Conducted by.....K. Poga, Patrol Officer.....

Area Patrolled.....IMBONG'GU Census Division.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans...One.....

Natives.....Five.....

Duration—From 16.../...2.../1968...to 21.../...2.../1968....

Number of Days 5 days (4 nights).....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../21/1967..

Medical /9/1967..

Map Reference...Patrol Map: 1" = 4 miles.....

Objects of Patrol.....(1) Conduct General Elections.....

.....(2) 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 \$.....

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

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Ref: 67-15-44

Dept. of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. Papua.

6th August, 1968.

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
HEMELI.

PATROL NO. IALIBU NO.14 OF 1967/68

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of ~~the~~ Mr. E. Poga
of Patrol/Report covering patrol by.....
to..... Census Divisions.

A satisfactory report by Mr. Poga with a clear
picture of the conduct of the elections.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

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c.c. Mr. E. Poga, P.O.,
Sub District Office,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.



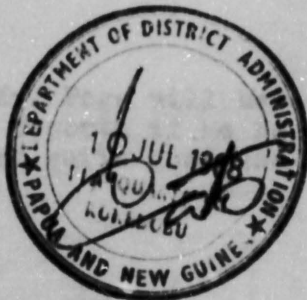
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Department of District Administration
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

3rd July, 1968.



The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Ialibu Patrol No 14 of 1967/68
IBONG'GU CENSUS DIVISION -
Mr. K. Poga, Patrol Officer.

Attached please find:-

- (a) Original of report.
- (b) Copy of memorandum 67-2-2 dated the 18th June, 1968 from Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu.

2. I have the following comments to add.

- (a) DAIRY. This patrol was of six days duration with five nights spent off Ialibu Station. Not five days duration as stated.
- (b) EDUCATION (Paragraph 4). As this patrol only visited one Rest House in the Ibong'gu Census division, remarks should have been confined to that Census Division. In actual fact there are six certified Primary "T" schools in the Ibong'gu Census Division. These are:- On Ialibu Station, the Administration, Capuchin and Lutheran Missions each have recognized schools. The additional schools are Administration Khdagl and Kero and the Evangelic Bible Mission has one at Kaupena. All in all this is quite a good score. Officers at Ialibu should realize that there is no distinction between Administration and Missions if they are recognized by the Department of Education. The above are. The matter of schools for the Kewabe Census Division has not been overlooked and schools will be established there in the future when teaching staff is available.

3. When the Assistant District Commissioner suggests that "WE" hope to supply a tea factory for economic I assume that he is inferring that private enterprise will be erecting one if sufficient land is alienated and taken up by them. If not, then more information will be required by me if it is the intention that the Ialibu Local Government Council becomes involved in the purchase of one. A tea factory requires a large capital outlay and I am certain it is outside the scope of the Council.

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4. Mr. Poga will become more individual in his presentation of reports if he is assisted by senior officers I find his report quite good and it is certainly neatly presented.

Respected Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District
Koror.

E. J. Emanuel
(E. J. Emanuel)
a/District Commissioner.

Attached please find a copy of Poga's report No. 14 by Mr. E. Poga, District Officer, as part of the District Report. I have also enclosed a copy of the District Report for the District Officer, Poga, which should be submitted to the District Officer, Poga, and I have the pleasure to inform you of this copy. H.M.S. and the District Officer, Poga, are also attached.

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Mr.

Dept. of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
IALIBU,
Southern Highlands District.

18th. June, 1968.

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
MENDI.

IALIBU PATROL REPORT No. 14 of 1967/68.

Attached please find three copies of Patrol Report No. 14 by Mr. K. Poga, Patrol Officer, to part of the Imbong'gu Census Division. After the completion of the election period Mr. Poga went back to the Imbong'gu area to continue road work and it was decided that he should combine both Patrols in one Report. However he has submitted two distinct Reports and hence the apparent late submission of this one. This was not any fault on his behalf.

Mr. Poga's election team carried out the poll mainly on Ialibu Station but the period of five days at IOMBI Village was also included. His comments are further proof of the excellent results achieved throughout the whole Electorate. This I feel was due largely to a persistent propaganda programme carried out on Patrols, through the Council and in general meetings. The belief of some people that since they pay Council Tax they can vote will need further thought by the House of Assembly. Allowing people to vote once they pay tax would standardise the electoral system in the Territory.

Mr. Poga's comment about the possibility of opening fighting resulting from the disputes over Pandanus Nuts is some what overstated. This time of the year always brings its disputes and minor assaults but to date nothing serious has occurred. A close watch is always kept on this and disputes are looked into and decisions reached by arbitration wherever possible.

Since this Patrol to the Iombi area a further Patrol has re-organised work on the Kombeni-Lebera-Iombi road. A route has been surveyed through and work has again started on all sections of this road. By September it will be possible to drive through to Iombi. Once this has been completed the connection Iombi-Bimbinie-Kero can be started on. This will give access to this region and also open it to Medical and Infant Welfare Services. Also it will open up two large areas of land that been surveyed near Iombi and Lebera.

The only recognised school in the area is the Administration School at Kero. This is staffed by Administration Teachers while the School is being built by the Ialibu Council. Prep and Standard 1 are presently being taught and this will develop each year. The other Schools referred to are mainly Bible Schools in which the respective Missions teach their followers Pidgin English and so that they can read religious books. Some teach the people to read and write the local language for the same purpose. The lack of Schools in the Kewabe Census Division is fully appreciated both by the Administration and the Council. However the shortage of teachers is the trouble and once this is overcome in this District the Council and the Administration will start a school at MULI Village on the Ialibu Kagua road.

Present indications for economic development in this area hinge around tea and cattle. For the former a factory is required close to the projects and this we hope to be able to supply on either of the two blocks of land alienated or ~~in~~ in the process of alienation near Iombi. If this does not eventuate then cattle can be tried by the locals.

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The locals have been told often that assistance will be given to any person wishing to start cattle projects but to date the people have not done much more than talk. As there are others in the Sub-District who are doing a lot more to develop themselves our time is taken up and apart from further propaganda we cannot force them into development to the disadvantage of others who are working constructively to this end.

The law and order comments have been referred on previous Patrol Report comments.

Mr. Poga has conducted a satisfactory patrol but he tends to rely too much on other Officer's observations than his own. A few points raised in this are the thoughts of others instead of his own. Experience in the Service will develop this Officers reporting.

Claim for camping allowance for Mr. Poga has been attached plus two copies of a patrol map. Other claims by his patrol staff were forwarded direct to Mendi after the close of the elections.

For your information, comment and on forwarding, please.

REPORT MADE BY

K. Poga, Patrol Officer

DATE FORWARDED

Assistant District Commissioner,

DESCRIPTION OF CASE

REPORT ACCOMPANIED BY

- 1. Reference to the case
- 2. Copy of the report
- 3. Copy of the map
- 4. Copy of the claim
- 5. Copy of the receipt

DATE FORWARDED

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Sub-District Office,
IALIBU.
Southern Highlands District.
28th May, 1968.

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

IALIBU PATROL No. 14 OF 1967/68.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY

: K. Foga, Patrol Officer.

AREA PATROLLED

: IMBONGU CENSUS Division.

DURATION OF PATROL

: 5 days (4 nights camped out).

PATROL ACCOMPANIED BY

: 1 Returning Officer, (Mr B. Mulchey, ADC)
2 members of R.P. & N.G.C.
No. 2081, Pipai
No. 2439, Kera
3 Interpreters

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA

: Last D.D.A. patrol November, 1967.
Last P.H.D. patrol September, 1967.

OBJECTS OF PATROL

: (1) Conduct General Elections.
(2) Political Education.
(3) Routine Administration.

K. Foga

K. FOGA.

PATROL OFFICER.

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PATROL DAIRY.

FEBRUARY 1968.

Friday 16th AM. Departed IALIBU for IOMBI on IALIBU
Patrol No. 14 of 1967/68.
PM. Set up camp. Discussions with the
local people re the general election
timetable.
Slept IOMBI.

Saturday 17th AM. Conducting General Elections.
PM. Compiling election statistics.
Slept IOMBI.

Sunday 18th Observed at IOMBI. Heard a few minor
arbitration cases.
Slept IOMBI.

Monday 19th All day conducting general elections.
Slept IOMBI.

Tuesday 20th All day conducting general elections.
Slept IOMBI.

Wednesday 21st Departed IOMBI for IALIBU. Arrived
IALIBU 1600 hours.

End of Patrol Diary.

K. POGA

K. POGA.

PATROL OFFICER.

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PATROL REPORT.

NATIVE SITUATION.

- (1) Due to the start of the pandanus-nut harvesting season, the native situation is unsettled. There has been no open fighting as yet but this will eventuate. There has been many disputes over clan boundaries as well. The unrealistic pricing of foodstuffs, pigs and other general ~~items~~ items is not helping to create an attitude of hard work to produce a stable cash cropping system. The people demand and obtain \$60.00 for a Bird of Paradise feather fifty dollars for a medium size local pig and etcetra.
- (2) Any person who is well dressed could be classed as a follower of the Lutheran Mission or the Evangelical Mission. While the writer thinks it is noble of the Missions to see that their followers are clean, the writer also thinks that the people are taught the rudiments of cleanliness-as at present these people wear the clothes until they become rigid with filth and rot off their body. The advantages of clean clothes were outlined during the patrol and will be in further ones, and through the council. This with the help of respective Missions should teach the people the aspects of cleanliness.

MEDICAL SERVICES

- (3) Child welfare services are provided for most census centres which could easily be reached by road. As for this area there is no proper road therefore Medical Patrols usually go out every four months. Probably this situation could be improved by putting a road through the area. This road should give services to all the villages between KERO and KUMBEMI and this includes TOMBI, PACUGA, LAWIANGIL, KIREMI and BUMBINE.

EDUCATION

- (4) In the IMBONG'GU Census Divission there are many schools operated by both the Missions and the Administration. In the area patrolled there is a school run by the Lutheran Mission. In this Census Division, schools are fairly well distributed throughout. The percentage of children attending schools is fairly high. Whereas in the KEMABI Census Divission, schools are only run by Missions. No Administration schools could be seen in this latter census division. As a result the IMBONG'GUs are advancing far more quicker than the KEMABIs.

ROADS

- (5) Most places in the IMBONG'GU could be reached by roads which could be used by cars. However a road has been surveyed to this area but no actual construction has taken place yet. It appears that some trunk roads have been surveyed many years ago. However very little construction has been done and are few signs of recent work. One noticeable change however is that some of the people are now realising that the roads are benefiting them. A number of the locals now own trade stores and at least these people see the advantages of road communication in the supply of their stock. Whether they hire a truck to bring in their stock or purchase it from IALIBU based stores or missions they realise that without the roads they would have a long walk or no trade stores.

Patrol Report Continued.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

(6) There are a few plots of pyrethrum and other ~~are~~ cash crops but not to a large scale. The Administration has purchased a few thousand acres of land in this area but the writer doesn't think this area will develop unless the trunk road branching from KERO to this area is completed.

(7) It remains for the Administration to alienate large areas of land now so that private enterprise may step into an encouraging situation at a later stage. Then real development will occur as a natural thing.

(8) The writer doesn't think that TALIBU Council should apply for any large areas of land for economic development at this stage. The Council is a low income one and will not have the resources or capital or incentive to make an economic proposition of a larger business concern. Most of the good lands alienated should be left for private enterprise who have the necessary capital. Any efforts by the TALIBU Council at economic development would be best directed by working with private enterprise rather than stating separate schemes.

LAW AND ORDER.

(9) Law and order in the area visited remains good. With the exception of the KONGIBUGL area the Census Division has remained free of all major crimes. The KONGIBUGL exception occurred a few months ago when they and the IOMBI Villagers were involved in a riot during which a few arrows were fired. All offenders were quickly rounded up and dealt with rather severely in the Local Court. The prompt action by the police in this case was appreciated by the majority of the people in the area who have expressed their disapproval of the riot.

PERSONEL

(10) No trouble was experienced with patrol personel, and moral was maintained at a high level.

MANNER OF ELECTIONS

(11) The election patrol lasted from the 16/2/68 to the 20/2/68, and one polling place was used. The only assistance required was the use of interpreters for the purpose of understanding and recording illiterate electors' votes. Almost every elector was illiterate. No scrutineers were nominated by candidates. The elections were conducted as instructed in the hand book "Instructions to Presiding Officers".

(12) All poll was conducted inside native material buildings built especially for this purpose. This was necessary due to the nature of the weather and the high rainfall of the area.

FEMININE INTEREST IN THE ELECTIONS

(13) Feminine interest in the elections was very high as can be seen by the statistics. However no women stood for the elections.

Patrol Report Cont.INCIDENTS

(14)

Some people under twenty-one years of age claimed that they were eligible to vote because they had paid Local Government Council Tax. It was explained that in Local Government elections the age of responsibility was eighteen whereas in general elections the age was twenty-one and in any case the payment of taxation had no connection with the right to vote.

ABSENTEES

(15)

There were a few absentees from that census division and these were mostly highland labour employed under the Highland Labour Scheme.

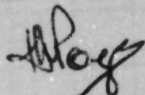
SUMMARY

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Interest^{as} played by both sexes in the elections was very high and the electors attendance at polling places was most surprising. Even though some polling days were extremely cold and windy and sometimes raining, nobody absented themselves for this reason.

(18)

Most people would not put any further than a third preference even though there were ten people standing as candidate

End of Patrol Report.


K. POGA.

PATROL OFFICER.