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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of **SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS**..... Report No. **2-4/65**.....

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

Area Patrolled..... **WIRU CENSUS DIVISION**.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... **NIL**.....

Natives..... **2 R.P.N.G.C.**..... **1 INTERPRETER (D.N.A.)**

Duration—From **5**...../.....**10**...../.....**1964**.....to.....**12**...../.....**10**...../.....**1964**.....

Number of Days..... **7 Days**.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... **1**...../.....**9**...../.....**1964**.....

Medical **1**...../.....**10**...../.....**1964**.....

Map Reference..... **DISTRICT MAP**.....

Objects of Patrol..... **As per Patrol Instructions**.....

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

67-15-12

23rd February, 1965.

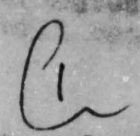
The District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
M E W D I

PATROL REPORT NO. 2 - 1964/65 - PANGIA

Receipt of the above mentioned report together with covering memorandum is acknowledged with thanks.

I refer Mr. Briggs to Paragraph 18 - Page 44 of Departmental Standing Instructions. I quote: "Finally, every Officer is reminded that a Patrol Report is a most important document, not a routine chore. It constitutes a direct link between the Officer doing the job in the field and his Director at Headquarters".

I look forward to much improvement in Mr. Briggs' work.

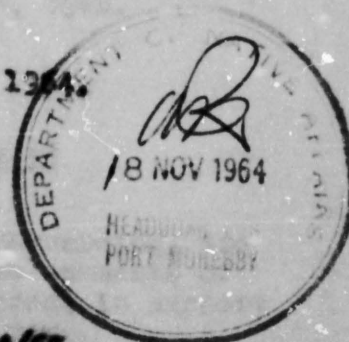

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

67-3-10

Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District.
MENDI.

5th November, 1964.

a/Assistant District Commissioner,
Patrol Post.
IALIBU.



PANGIA PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1964/65.

Thank you for the abovesmentioned Report which was received on the 3rd November, 1964.

I concur with your criticisms of Mr. Briggs work. His work does lack depth and he does not appear to utilise the constructive criticism levelled at his work.

The vexed question of land disputes awaiting hearing and determination is not confined to your Sub-District alone. Given the best will in the world, the present staff of the Lands Commission could not handle the District land disputes under ten years. I am of the opinion that with the passing of time and increased numbers of educated people, the descendants of the present day litigants will resolve their own disputes.

Minute to:
Director,
Department of District Administration.
KONEDOBU.

R. I. Skinner.
District Commissioner.

For your information please.

R. I. Skinner.
(R. I. Skinner.)
District Commissioner.

67-1-4

Department of Native Affairs,
Patrol Post,
IALIBU.

30th October, 1964.

District Officer,
Southern Highlands District,
M E N D I.

PANGIA Patrol No. 2 of 1964/65

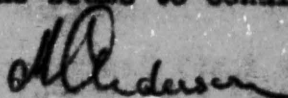
I forward for your comments and onforwarding, the report of the above patrol. Copies of the comments of Officer in Charge, PANGIA are also forwarded, in support of my observations in last para. of this memo.

2. Land Purchase Instruments LA 5140 (P) and LA 5090/5141 (P) are also forwarded. A cursory check of these reveals that they are in order.

3. Mr. Briggs found time to register the KATIMBU Land Dispute whilst he was on patrol, and the relevant papers are attached.

4. I forward these, together with a claim for Camping Allowance, for your comment and onforwarding, please.

5. Mr. Briggs' work is disappointing. For a Cadet who has almost completed a full term, his presentation, approach to this patrol, and general casual attitude are a reflection upon him, and not upon the training he has received. I am aware that Mr. Briggs' work has received unfavourable comment on several occasions, but he seems to consider his work beyond reproach.



M. J. E. ANDERSON
a/Assistant District Officer.

PJB/uj.

67-2-1

Sub-District Office,
PANGIA,
Southern Highlands District.

24th October, 1964.

et.

a/Assistant District Officer,
Sub-District Office,
IALIEU.

PANGIA PATROL NO. 2 OF 1964/65.

Please find attached 4 copies of the above Patrol Report by Mr. C.P.O. Briggs.

The patrol as a whole was conducted satisfactorily but it appears to me that Mr. Briggs did not give himself sufficient time to follow instructions:

(1) Ombrei Ck - satisfactorily completed. The bridge has a span of some 70-75 feet and is now very solid.

(2) The assessment of Koia owned land of 400-500 acres is not good news. The Koia group numbers approximately 150 and one may expect serious shortages to provoke incidents in the not-too-far distant future. Negotiations with the Kame and Yungiri groups may result in the Koia gaining more land.

(3) The investigation of the boundary between land known as Lomoi and Lenoge did not go far enough. I should like to know the basis of the claim by the Borona group in the face of the 6 year old tanket - marked boundary. Both parties agree that Lomoi belongs to Borona and that Lenoge belongs to Taguru but the actual boundary is in dispute.

(4) Mr. Briggs was not asked for a settlement of this dispute, he was asked to investigate disturbance between Marabin and Pugi over the land known as Webo. He does not appear to have done this.

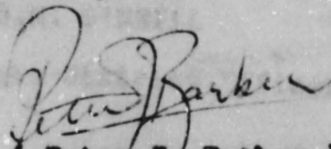
(5) Kiembin land dispute is registered and forwarded with this report.

(6) This has been done and documents are attached.

(7) Purchase of Yaraporei has been completed and documents attached.

Mr. Briggs typing, spelling, spacing and grammar leave a good deal to be desired but, no doubt, will improve in due course.

For your information and comment please.


(Peter J. Barker)
Patrol Officer-in-Charge.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PJB/uj/
Telegram

Telephone

Our Reference 67-1-2

If calling ask for

Mr.

Sub-District Office,
PANGIA,
Southern Highlands District,
1st October, 1964.

Mr. P.A. Briggs,
Cadet Patrol Officer,
PANGIA.

PANGIA PATROL NO.2 OF 1964/65.

Please prepare to depart on patrol in the Wiru Census Division
on 5th October, 1964.

The purposes of your patrol will be:

1. To rebuild the Omberl CK. bridge.
2. Roughly assess the acreage of land held by the Keia group of the Lega Census Division bearing in mind that the Perigo CK is the Tindua/Keia boundary.
3. Investigate the boundary between land known as LOMOI and LONGGO which is also the boundary between the Borona and Taguru census units.
4. Investigate reported disturbance between Marabin and Pugi census units over land known as WEBO.
5. Investigate dispute over land known as KAIEMBIN the boundary and ownership of which is causing trouble between the Mele and Apenda census units.
6. Carry out the purchase of that area of ground known as Mele, the investigation report of which may be found on Pangia file 35-3-3.
7. Purchase land known as YARAPAROI.

You will take two members of RP&NGC and one interpreter.
Any background information required will be available from
Mr. P.O.3 BARBER.

Good luck on your first patrol in this area.

B.M. O'NEILL
Assistant District Officer.

Patrol Diary.

Sub-District Office,
PANGIA,
Southern Highlands District.

20th October, 1964.

Monday 19th October: Departed Pangia at 0700 hrs. by car arrived at Marabin at 1200 hrs and began the task of replacing it. Three bearers renewed today all in position awaiting tomorrow's decking. Slept Mandanda.

Tuesday 20th October: Worked at 0745 hrs. assistants repaired the decking. Began nailing the decking at 1130 hrs. Guard rails and runners also installed. Work finished at 1500 hrs. Slept Mandanda Southern Highlands District.

Wednesday 21st October: Departed Mandanda for Lega West house at 0600 hrs. Investigated the area of ground owned by the Lega group. Arrived Lega at 1500 hrs and had a discussion with the Nolas concerning number of plots owned by a family.

PANGIA PATROL REPORT NO 2 1964/65

Thursday 22nd October: Departed Lega: Wiru Census Division. Discussion with Mr. Carter concerning Patrol plan then onto Marabin arrived at 1200 hrs. (Mile 1200 already in camp here). Unable to start my plan for: Nil day due to disrupting Medical Patrol's work.

Friday 23rd October: Arrived with 5/10/64 to 12/10/64. Discussion with the Lega group over the area of ground shown as owned. A group of 10 men, found what appeared to be the original mark between these two areas. Arrived at Marabin at 1200 hrs. Last D.N.A patrol to area: Pangia Patrol 1-6/65 September 1964.

Saturday 24th October: Today held discussions with the Marabin and Lega groups over the area of ground shown as owned. Discussions occupied all of the morning and most of the afternoon, however no solution satisfactory to both parties reached. A few minor complaints heard.

Sunday 25th October: Departed Marabin at 0700 hrs, arrived Lega at 1230 hrs. No one present and the (Peter A. Briggs) Cadet patrol officer was also present. An effort made later in the afternoon. Also a minor discussion over the current land dispute.

Monday 26th October: Called up all the owners of the Misale lease ground and provided to carry out the purchase of plots, no trouble. This finished, adjourned to Lega house area and held a discussion with the Lega's and Nolas' over disputed land. Once again no solution reached. Discussion finished and returned to Pangia, arrived 1230 hrs. Patrol stood down.

Patrol Diary.

Monday 5th October: Departed Pangia for Mondanda at 0930, by car arrived at Omburi Cr. at 1010 hrs and began the task of replacing it. Three bearers renewed today all in position awaiting tomorrow's decking. Slept Mondanda

Tuesday 6th October: Work began at 0745 hrs, abutments repaired where needed and bearers levelled. Began nailing the decking at 1030 hrs and finished at 1430 hrs. Guard rails and runners also no creosote available. Work finished at 1500 hrs. Slept Mondanda

Wednesday 8th October: Departed Mondanda for Lega rest house at 0800hrs investigated the area of ground owned by the Kolia group. Arrived Lega at 1500 hrs and had a discussion with the Kolia concerning number in each family and number of gardens owned by a family.

Thursday 9th October: Departed Lega for Taguru via Pangia, discussion with Mr. Barber concerning Patrol plan then onto Taguru arrived at 1100 hrs, Mr. Vincin (Med Asst) already in camp here. Unable to carry out my plan for the day due to disrupting Medical Patrol's work.

Friday 9th October: Walked with a group of Taguru men to a point shown to me as the boundary of the Ikonogo Lomoi areas, here met a group from Borona, found what appeared to be the original mark between these two areas. Returned to Taguru and then moved on to Marabin, arrived 1230 hrs.

Saturday 10th October: Today held discussions with the Marabin and Fugi groups over the area of ground known as Wembo. Discussions occupied all of the morning and most of the afternoon, however no solution satisfactory to both parties reached. A few minor complaints heard.

Sunday 11th October: Departed Marabin for Mele at 0700 hrs, arrived Mele at 1230 hrs no one present and the place in a horrible mess an effort made later in the afternoon to redeem themselves. Also a minor discussion over the current land dispute.

Monday 11th October: Called up all the owners of the Mission lease ground and proceeded to carry out the purchase of same, no trouble. This finished adjourned to Rest house area and held a discussion with the Mele's and Apenda's over disputed land MELE, once again no solution reached. Discussion finished and returned to Pangia, arrived 1230 hrs. Patrol stood down.

The attitude of the groups concerned in the removal of this bridge was very pleasing, there being plenty of willing and able workers of both sexes available at all times; not to mention the group of reverend gentlemen who loaned their walking sticks and exhorted the youngsters to greater efforts.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Since this is my first patrol in this Sub-District, I do not feel qualified to make any comments, on a comparative basis, of the native situation in the Wiru Census Division.

From what I have observed and the way in which the patrol was treated by the groups it visited it seems that the Administration and its officers is very well accepted indeed. At all Census Units a crowd of people were always in continual attendance for the duration of the Patrol's stay in that particular place.

The only cause of dissatisfaction appears to be land issues and these seem to be everywhere, in every village that we visited, a dispute was brought to my notice. The facts appertaining to the most serious of these disputes are outlined in the accompanying appendices.

The illfeeling brought on by these disputes must tend to lower the good Native situation over a period, unfortunately it is beyond the D.N.A officer's control, but not his ability to settle these matters and so the situation drags on rarely improving but almost certainly becoming worse as time passes.

There were not many disputes brought to the attention of the Patrol and those that were were dealt with and settled to the satisfaction of all concerned. Cases requiring legal action were referred to Pangia for settlement.

In general the native situation in the Wiru Census Division appears to be very satisfactory, with the people showing a keen interest towards the Government and also an awareness that they too must assume a degree of responsibility in the development of their area.

ROADS and BRIDGES.

The first object of the patrol was to reconstruct the bridge over the Omberl Ck.

The work was begun on the morning of the 5th of October and completed on the afternoon of the 7th. Three new bearers were placed and the decking was completely renewed. All decking and bearers were painted with Creosote to help in the prevention of rot which seems to be the cause of the short life of most wooden constructions.

The abutments of the old bridge appeared to be in good condition and so they were not replaced, but were strengthened in places.

The attitude of the groups concerned in the renewal of this bridge was very pleasing, there being plenty of willing and able workers of both sexes available at all times, not to mention the group of reverend gentlemen who leaned on their walking sticks and exhorted the youngsters to greater efforts.

NATIVE LAND:

Apart from the construction of the bridge previously mentioned this Patrol was concerned almost solely with Native Land disputes and purchases. The facts of these various disputes are outlined in the accompanying appendices.

From what I gather these and many other disputes have been awaiting settlement for quite some time. Unfortunately the Patrol Officer may not interfere with these matters and so they drag on. The natives expect a settlement of these disputes and when they do not come it only serves to irritate the matter. In all cases I attempted to settle their grievances by arbitration and in all cases I was unsuccessful, each side will not give an inch so vital is the matter to them. After these unsuccessful discussions it is usually possible to get the disputants to agree to leave the land vacant this serves to prevent any violent incidents which may occur if the dispute was simply forgotten about.

Even so it seems a waste to leave large areas of ground lie vacant and unused for long periods especially when these people are dependant upon it for their well being.

During the Patrol two land purchases were made. The first at MELE has been the cause of a deal of discussion now for some time ref Pangia file 35-3-3. However on approaching the owners of the land while the patrol was at ele I found no signs of reluctance to part with the area which had been marked off accordingly the sale was completed with no trouble at all and everyone appeared satisfied with their payment.

The second purchase was at Yaraparo and this went ahead very smoothly, the sale being completed on Friday 16th of October. The relative transfer instruments have been completed and will be submitted with this report.

Conclusion: Although the Patrol was only for a week a good deal of ground was covered in which I saw most of the Census Division and many of the people. The patrol personnel were pleasant and helpful and the tasks of the patrol were all completed to the best of our ability.

Peter A Briggs

Cadet Patrol Officer.

Appendix NO.1 To Accompany Patrol Report No. 2/64-65.

KOIA LAND - BOUNDARIES AND AREA

The Koia-Yungili and the Koia-Tindua boundary is the PERIGO Ck. which runs in a general East-West direction, at a point on its bank approximately one to one and a half miles past Koia there is a mark which is the starting point of a line which runs in a North-South direction to the IAROMBINU Ck. this line forms the Koia-Warababe boundary the IAROMBINU Ck runs in a East-West direction almost parallel to the PERIGO Ck. and forms the boundary between the Koia-Tindua land on its lower reaches and the Koia-Pegiagu land higher up.

The Koia -Lega boundary is an undefined line starting from where the Perigo Ck. rises and travelling roughly North until it intercepts the IAROMBINU Ck. This line cuts the Koia-Lega walking track some threequarters of a mile past Koia in the direction of Lega.

At a fairly conservative estimate I would say that the land lying between these boundaries would be something like four or five hundred acres, to which the people of Koia have access. Details of its utilization are as follows:

(a) There are some forty seven families in the group and I counted fifty two food gardens, if each of these is one and a half acres in area this means that at any given time there is seventy five acres of land under active cultivation, but on a three year rotation it would need 225 acres.

(b) There is one area of land of at least one hundred acres which is lying waste and vacant the reason being, so I was told that it has proven itself useless for gardens, it has been tried by the ancestors of the Koia group and all gardens have failed I spoke to one man present who told me he had tried it with no success.

(c) There is also an area of bush of approximately 400 acres of which the Koia group have a quarter share. The rest being split up between the Lega, Yungili and Kauwo groups.

The gardens and housing of the group are in the majority concentrated in the one area, that is close to the Perigo Ck. and opposite the Koia ceremonial grounds. This may substantiate the claim that the large area of ground previously mentioned is unsuitable for gardening.

Under the present conditions and the ever ~~increasing~~ decreasing mortality rate it would appear that the Koias will soon be hard pressed for sufficient land.

Appendix NO.2 To Accompany Patrol Report No.2/64-65.

BORONA - TAGURU LAND BOUNDARY

On the morning of the 9th of October 1964 I walked to what was shown to me as the boundary of the Taguru and Borona Census Units, this is also the boundary between two areas of ground known as Lomoi and Lomogo.

I was shown by the Taguru men a plot of Tanket trees which appeared to be some five or six years old, at this spot I took the following magnetic bearings; to Mt. Ialibu 3310 ; to Borona 231.50 . From this point the boundary continues generally on a bearing of 149.50 until it intercepts the Karue-Taguru boundary.

While walking to this spot I was shown a post which had been placed in the ground, I estimate that this post has been in position some five or six months and had been placed there by the men from Borona to delineate the Taguru-Borona mark, this post was on the Taguru side of the older mark and some ten minutes walking time from it.

The basic facts of the dispute are as follows, there are three parallel sections of ground, starting from Taguru, the first is Lomogo, the second Lomoi and the third Purabin the Tagurus say the boundary is between Lomogo and Lomoi, Lomogo belonging to them and Lomoi and Purabin belonging to Borona . However the men from Borona claim that the mark is the post which they have recently placed, hence they wish to take possession of all the land known as Lomogo.

The facts on which the two disputants base their claim were not investigated, and the dispute will not be registered until further information is at hand.

Appendix NO3 to Accompany Patrol Report No 2/64-65.

WEBO LAND DISPUTE-PUGI-MARABIN

On the afternoon of the 9th of October and the morning of the 10th I discussed with the Pigi and Marabin Census Units their present dispute over land known as WEBO. No effective solution was reached.

This dispute was registered in August 1962 and as yet no action has been taken towards settling it. The facts of the dispute will not be discussed here as they are on record in this office, ref. 3546-1.

Appendix NO+hto Accompany Patrol Report No.2/64-65.KALEMBIN LAND DISPUTE - MELE-APENDA

The dispute over the land known as Kalembin has been going on for some time now, it has caused previously cordial relations between the Lede clan of Mele and the Lailedo clan of Apenda to deteriorate .

I have discussed this matter with the disputants twice on the previous occasion no agreement could be reached except that the ground should not be used ~~from~~ by either group.

On the second occasion discussions went on for several hours with no progress being made it appeared to be a waste of time discussing the whole thing. Both sides confused the issue by making false statements which they had denied on the previous occasion. As soon as an exaggeration was made by one side it would be pointed out by the other and vice versa.

For this reason the dispute has been registered and the documents will be submitted with this Report. Information concerning what went on in times long since gone is on file in this office ref 35-6-1.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of..... Southern Highlands..... Report No..... Pangia No. 3 of 1964/65.

Patrol Conducted by..... P.N. Sisley..... Cadet Patrol Officer.....

Area Patrolled..... Wimu Census Division.....

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

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

Natives..... 1 Interpreter.....

1 Labourer.

Duration—From 26./1./1965 to 12./2./1965

Number of Days..... 18 days.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services. October/1964....

Medical May...../1963.

Map Reference..... Patrol map 1" = 4 miles attached.....

Objects of Patrol..... As per patrol instructions.....

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

22/3/1965


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

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT PATROL REPORTS

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<u>Report No.</u>	<u>Officer Conducting Patrol</u>	<u>Area Patrolled</u>
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2 - 1964/1965	P.A. Briggs	Wiru Census Div.
3 - 1964/1965	P.N. Sisley	Wiru Census Div.
4 - 1964/1965	P.N. Sisley	Eastern Sec. Wiru Census Div.
<u>IALIBU</u>		
1 - 1964/1965	J.S. Hicks	Part Kewabe Census Div.
2 - 1964/1965	J.S. Hicks	Imbong'gu Census Div.
3 - 1964/1965	P.N. Colton	Kewabe Census Div.
4 - 1964/1965	L. Gari	Imbong'gu Census Div.

67-15-31

June 4th, 1965.

The District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
NORFOLK.

PANGA PATROL REPORT No. 3/64-65

Receipt of the above report forwarded by
your memorandum 67-3-10 of 22nd March 1965, is acknowledged.

2. The report is adequately covered by the comments
by yourself and the Assistant District Commissioner. I agree
that Mr. Sisley is displaying commendable enthusiasm and
is obviously doing his best to obtain a good appreciation of
the problems in the difficult areas in which he has been
working.

T. G. Atkinson
(T.G. ATKINSON) (D)
Director



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67. 15. 31

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



Department of District
Administration
Southern Highlands District
MENDI

22nd March 1965

The Director
Department of District
Administration
KONEDOBU. PAPUA

SUBJECT: Pangia Patrol 3 of 64/65

Attached please find, in duplicate, copies of a report on the above patrol conducted by Mr. P.N. Sisley, Cadet Patrol Officer to the WIRU Census Division, PANGIA Sub-District.

2. The patrol was of a routine nature and the report has been adequately by the Assistant District Officer PANGIA. Where necessary administration action on the various matters arising out of the patrol is underway.

3. Mr. Sisley is enthusiastic and with guidance and experience should develop into a competent officer.

D. R. Marsh
(D. R. Marsh)

A/DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

*See
Sisley is a very good officer and is doing his best to
deal with the problems of the area
which he works*

67-2-2

Department of District Administration,
Patrol Post,
IALING.

16th March 1965.

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
M E A D I.


PANGIA PATROL no. 1 of 1964/65

Forwarded for your perusal and onforwarding are
copies of Mr. Sisley's report, with relevant contingencies.

Following Mr. Barber's exhaustive analysis of this
Patrol Report, I feel that I can only endorse his remarks
and agree that Mr. Sisley shows a pleasing degree of
enthusiasm.

It is only with experience, and proper appreciation
of the requirements of objective reporting that criticisms
such as that contained in 1. and 2. may be avoided.

For your comment etc. please.


H.J.E. ANDERSON.
a/Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Mr.

Sub-District Office,

PANGIA.

Southern Highlands District.

18th February, 1965.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Patrol Post,
I A L I B U.

PANGIA PATROL REPORT NO. 3-64/65.

Please find attached hereto three (3) copies of the above report and Camping Allowance claim submitted by the patrolling officer, Mr. P.N. Sisley, C.P.O.

Mr. Sisley, a 'contract' Officer, appears to be keen and enthusiastic and I consider he conducted this patrol quite efficiently.

The people in this area are initially suspicious of new faces but this was overcome to some extent by having known policemen and, of course, a reliable interpreter accompany Mr. Sisley.

I have minor criticisms only about the report:

(1) The report is, perhaps, too much based on vague impressions and insufficiently on fact. However, during the initial familiarisation of an area this may be expected.

(2) The spelling in the report leaves one with the impression that a little more care and thought would benefit the writer. This is relevant too to his profligate use of the near - sweeping statement and conclusions which may lead the reader to false conclusions:

eg. (a) Parties to disputes over ownership of land were not ordered to remain off the land. They were advised that it would be better, cause less ill feeling and strife, should they agree to remain off it. This suggestion was met by a sensible attitude and the disputants agreed.

(b) The Pangia section of the Ialibu - Pangia road is far from completed. Bridges need widening, need pitsawn decking and, in many cases, need new bearers and repair to retaining walls. To ensure the road is all weather stoning is essential. Only about 40% of the road has thus far been stoned - and this only initially requiring second stoning and gravelling.

(c) Although large sections of walking tracks will be discarded when a road is surveyed into the Wiru large sections will be used after widening and patrol re-routing.

(d) I can't agree that Village Officials, in the main, are negative. I agree that the two men mentioned are good leaders but so too are several others. I also agree that some have not developed yet but I can't see that a valuable estimate of their worth can be made after fleeting acquaintance. Further, new appointees (approval not yet received from Headquarters) may not have come under scrutiny.

(3) Mr. Sisley has used hamlet names in several instances. This is confusing and he has been instructed to use the acknowledged census unit name with, if necessary, the hamlet name in brackets.

(4) The Kewa - speaking groups in this Division are few but can hardly be described as an overflow from Kagua. They are situated on their ancestral lands and the Andawi Creek and the Iaro River are traditional fighting boundaries. They may certainly be described as an extension of

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Sub-District Office,

The other Kewa speaking groups in the Taimbu and Kagua administrative areas but not as an overflow.

Mr. Sisley has conducted a useful patrol and no doubt he will benefit from it personally as will his value and work in this area.

Information in regard to handicapped children was not included in the report because the people did not bring forward cases when requested to do so. This is understandable at this stage of acquaintance. This information will be detailed by the next patrol. I am aware of at least ten handicapped children but I dare say there are more.

Generally an efficiently and well conducted patrol with all objects accomplished satisfactorily. It appears to me that with experience Mr. Sisley will be an asset to his department.

For your comment and forwarding to the District Commissioner please.

Clearance and complete survey and investigation of land known as MORA. This land has been applied for by the Wesleyan Methodist Mission the leader of whom resides at ARLA. I refer you to file 35-0-13.

Investigate, record and clear all land the ownership of which is in dispute in this Division. Please ensure that the people are aware of the fact that they are not settling their disputes just gathering information as (Peter E. Barber) has - which you shall do upon your return to **Assistant District Officer.**

General familiarization with the area. As you are now posted to Papua it is most important that you know the area and that the people know who you are.

I will select four reliable members of the MORA and an interpreter to accompany you. You should appreciate the fact that these people tend to become heated in discussion over ownership of land.

Good luck on your first patrol in this area. I think you will find the people cooperative enough.

If you are not clear about anything please do not hesitate to see me.

I should think five clear days at the end of the patrol will be sufficient for you to complete your patrol report, MORA land investigation report and the registration of all land visited.

[Signature]
 District Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference... 67-1-2

If calling ask for

Mr.

Sub-District Office,

PANGIA,

Southern Highlands District.

18th January, 1965.

Mr. P. N. Sisley,
Cadet Patrol Officer,
PANGIA.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS: PANGIA PATROL NO.3 OF 64/65.

Please be prepared to depart on patrol to the Wiru Census Division on 25th January, 1965, duration 2 - 3 weeks.

The purposes of this patrol will be:

1. Commence and complete survey and investigation of land known as MORO. This land has been applied for by the Wesleyan Methodist Mission the leader of whom resides at ARIA. I refer you to file 35-3-13.

2. Investigate, record and survey all land the ownership of which is in dispute in this Division (about 20). Please ensure that the people are aware of the fact that you are not settling their disputes just gathering information necessary to record them - which you shall do upon your return to Pangia.

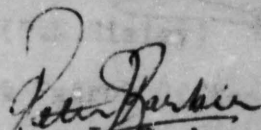
3. General familiarisation with the area. As you are now posted to Pangia it is most important that you know the area and that the people know who you are.

I will select four reliable members of the RP&NGC and an Interpreter to accompany you. You should appreciate the fact that these people tend to become heated in discussion over ownership of land.

Good luck on your first patrol in this area; I think you will find the people cooperative enough.

If you are not clear about anything please do not hesitate to see me.

I should think five clear days at the end of the patrol will be sufficient for you to complete your patrol report, MORO land investigation report and the registration of all land claims.


(Peter J. Barber)
Officer-in-Charge



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67 - 2 - 1.

If calling ask for

Mr.

Sub-District Office,
PANGIA,
Southern Highlands District.

16th. February, 1965.

Assistant District Officer,
Sub-District Office,
PANGIA.

PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1964/65.

WIRU CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol conducted by:	P.N.Sisley (C.P.O.)
Patrol accompanied by:	Nil.
Area patrolled:	Wiru Census Division.
Duration of patrol:	26/1/1965 to 12/2/65.
Number of days:	18 days.
Objects of patrol:	General familiarisation of area, land investigation and investigation of land disputes.
Patrol Map:	Patrol map 1" = 4 miles attached.

P.N.Sisley
.....
(P.N.Sisley)

Cadet Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION.

The whole of the Wiru Census Division was covered by this patrol. The census division is the only area controlled from the Government station at Pangia but it consists of an area of approximately 500 square miles and supports a population of about 15,500 people. The division lies roughly to the east of Mt. Ialibu bounded in the north by the Kaugel river, by the Tua in the east, by the Iaro in the south and by the Andawe river in the west. The great bulk of Mt. Ialibu has a large influence on the drainage of this area as all the small rivers and creeks drain into the four previously mentioned rivers which flow roughly east eventually joining the Erave river.

Large areas of the census division have been cleared of timber by the local people thus leaving expanses of pit-pit and kunai plains. The remaining forest now lie on the out-skirts of the area and are gradually being cut out to make way for gardens. Owing to the heavy rainfall and the large number of creeks the ground of the area has been well leached and this probably accounts for the continual use of new land, by the locals, for gardens.

The population of this area is split into two linguistic groups, the Wiru and the Kewa. The Wiru is by far the largest and covers about 80 percent of the census division. The Kewa group is restricted to the western corner of the division and is largely an overflow from the Kagua Sub-District. The heaviest concentration of people live in the southern portion of the Administrative area within the boundary of the Poru, Andawe and Iaro rivers. This section, consisting of about half of the census division's area, supports close to 80 percent of the total population with the remaining 20 percent living north of the Poru river.

FIELD DIARY.

Tuesday 26/1/65.

After carriers had been organised walked from Pangia to Pondi. On arrival at Pondi held general discussion with people before departing for Kumien. At Kumien investigated land dispute between this group and Pondi completing this at 1420 hrs.. During the rest of the afternoon held general discussion with people and inspected village. Slept Kumien.

Wednesday 27/1/65.

Departed Kumien at 0800 hrs. and walked to Mele arriving 0845 hrs.. Sent cargo ahead to Moro while myself investigated and surveyed land dispute between Mele and Apenda villages. Completed this at 1230 hrs. after which walked to Moro arriving 1450 hrs.. During remainder of day spoke to people and inspected village. Slept Moro.

Thursday 28/1/65.

After talk with local Missionary commenced survey of proposed mission lease for the Wesleyan Mission. Work slow as no preparation had been carried out on lease boundaries but by afternoon survey and investigation completed. Slept Moro.

FIELD DIARY (Cont.)Friday 29/1/65.

Commenced work on second mission lease survey this day. Survey and investigation completed at 1400 hrs after which investigated land dispute between Moro and Apenda. Slept Moro.

Saturday 30/1/65.

After placing permanent markers on the corners of both surveys departed Moro for Aria. On the way investigated land dispute between Moro and Aria. Arrived Aria at 1430 hrs. and during the remainder of the afternoon spoke to the people and inspected the village. Slept Aria.

Sunday 31/1/65.

Sunday observed at Aria.

Monday 1/2/65.

Departed Aria 0800 hrs. and walked to Moria. On arrival spoke to people on general topics and inspected village before walking to an associated village of Pondiabu. At this village investigated and surveyed two land disputes. Slept Pondiabu.

Tuesday 2/2/65.

Walked from Pondiabu to Noiya via the two villages of Apenda and Pogari. Investigated one land dispute at Apenda en route to Noiya. Arrived Noiya at 1420 hrs. and for the rest of the afternoon until 1540 hrs., when rain fell, held general discussion with people and inspected the village. Slept Noiya.

Wednesday 3/2/65.

Departed Noiya at 0800 hrs. and walked to Undiapu. En route investigated two land disputes. One being between Noiya and Timbari and the other between Undiapu and Timbari. Arrived at Undiapu at 1430 hrs. and after a short break investigated another land dispute between Timbari and Ioga. This plus a general discussion with the people lasted until 1650 hrs.. Slept Undiapu.

Thursday 4/2/65.

Sent cargo direct to Pugi village while myself proceeded to this place via the villages of Koia, Wembu and Laue. General discussion and village inspection took place at each centre. Arrived Pugi at 1510 hrs. and after village inspection gave a short talk to the people until 1600 hrs when rain commenced. Slept Pugi.

Friday 5/2/65.

Cargo proceeded to Tunda at 0800 hrs. while myself remained to investigate land dispute between Pugi and Marabin. After completing this walked to Tempikeni and investigated two more land disputes between this centre and Tunda. Walked from here to Tunda via the village of Kerabari finally arriving at 1450 hrs.. General discussion with people and village inspection occupied rest of day. Slept Tunda.

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FIELD DIARY (Cont.)Saturday 6/2/65.

Departed Tunda at 0800 hrs. and walked to Marabin. After setting up camp spoke to the people and inspected the village. At 1030 hrs. walked to the site of a land dispute between Marabin and Noliya. Investigated and surveyed this dispute returning to Marabin at 1400 hrs. Rest of the day spent compiling investigated land disputes. Slept Marabin.

Sunday 7/2/65.

Sun. observed at Marabin.

Monday 8/2/65.

Departed Marabin at 0800 hrs. and walked to Maubin arriving 0840 hrs.. After a general talk to the people and village inspection departed for a land dispute site. On arrival investigated and surveyed the dispute between Kerabari and Maubin after which walked to Karue arriving 1205 hrs.. At 1330 hrs., after a heavy storm, walked to another land dispute between Karue and Kabele. Investigated and surveyed the dispute returning to Karue at 1530 hrs.. Slept Karue.

Tuesday 9/2/65.

Returned to the Kerabari-Maubin^{Dispute} to settle a disturbance which arose yesterday afternoon. At 1100 hrs. Had completed this so departed for Porogo. At 1200 hrs. arrived at a land dispute between Taguru and Porogo. Investigated and surveyed this dispute completing it at 1420 hrs.. From here walked to Porogo arriving 1510 hrs.. Slept Porogo.

Wednesday 10/2/65.

Departed Porogo at 0800 hrs. and walked to Karani. At 0925 hrs. after general talk to the people departed for Poreia arriving 1105 hrs.. After a talk to these people left for Warababe arriving at 1540 hrs. in heavy rain. Slept Warababe.

Thursday 11/2/65.

Before leaving this centre investigated and surveyed a land dispute between two groups of Warababe. Completed this at 1130 hrs. after which walked to Tindua arriving 1200 hrs.. Was to investigate another land dispute but rain from 1300 hrs. until 1540 hrs. cancelled this. Slept Tindua.

Friday 12/2/65.

Sent cargo direct to Pangia while myself and two police walked to Mondanda to investigate a land dispute. On completion of this assisted a "D" Grader along the road as far as Tindua. At Tindua investigated another land dispute between Tindua and Lega villages. Completed this and walked towards Pangia and was met just passed Loluabo By Mr. P. Barber in the station land rover. Drove to Pangia where the patrol was stood down.

END OF DIARY.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.1. Native Situation:

This was my first patrol in this area and my initial impressions of the people are quite good. The assistance given to the patrol was excellent both in regards to carriers and fresh food supplies.

A point often brought to the patrol's attention was the people's keen interest in economic development. This type of development at present is almost non-existent and the people have realised, I feel, that this is where their future lies. In a number of villages this question was raised and the people have asked when the Government intends starting something in this area. At two places, Aria and Maubin, I was shown blocks of land which the people are willing to sell for the purpose of starting plantations. The people do not know exactly what would be the best venture to try but the interest is definitely there and no difficulties would be met in starting any worthwhile crop. The advent of a Local Government Council to this area, which could be a reality very shortly, would certainly benefit if it had a firm economic basis to work from.

One of the greatest preoccupations of the local people at the present time is land disputes. A large proportion of the villages of the census division are at loggerheads over different areas of ground. As most of the disputed ground is virgin timber land there is a keen interest in the outcome of the disputes both from social and economic points of view. None of the disputing groups are desperately short of ground but in all cases both parties to the dispute have no intention of allowing their domains to be decreased if possible. During the patrol no actual violence took place. Many heated discussions occurred. I feel that early settlements to these disputes would help to prevent any violence which could arise. In nearly all cases the disputed ground has been "tambued" to both parties until the matter has been settled by the Lands Titles Commission.

The people's attitude to health appeared quite good. The villages were all found to be in good order and definite signs were evident of the people's attempts to keep them in this condition. All the Aid Post Orderlys of the area informed me that they were receiving good attendances each day for medical treatment and that no major sickness was evident in the area. The Orderly at Timbari stated that the people were not helping him to any great extent in the supply of food but the people have agreed to give further assistance after a talk given by myself.

2. Law and Order:

No serious complaints were brought to the patrol's attention during the course of the patrol. A few cases which were reported had been heard at Pangia as a result of the action taken by the respective Village Constables almost as soon as the offence occurred.

Disputes which were heard by the patrol were of a very minor category only and were settled by the people themselves with the patrol acting as mediator. These being mainly in the nature of marriage disputes.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.3 Native Leaders:

The whole of the Wiru area is well covered with Village Constables and Village Councillors. Each village usually has a Constable plus three or four Councillors depending on the population. The overall standard of these men could be classed as a bit above average with a sprinkling of impressive characters. Two Village Constables who impressed me on this patrol were PINE/YAROME of Aria and KEROA/LEBONGO of Tunda. Both of these men are respected by the people who willingly follow the directions given by them. The remainder of the Village Constables are all pro-Administration but few gave the impression of having strong leadership qualities.

4. Land:(a) Land Investigations:

During the patrol two blocks of land were surveyed and investigated for the purpose of leasing. Both of these blocks were in the Moro area of the census division and are both proposed Mission leases.

One block, of approximately 19 acres, was surveyed for the Wesleyan Methodist Mission which has its headquarters at Aria. The Mission intends to use this site for an airstrip. The survey differs slightly from the original application as the proposed attached mission house site has been excluded. This reason for this being that a former associate of this Mission, a Mr. Graves, who was to build his house near this airstrip, now wishes to take out a separate lease. As a result a second and complete investigation has been carried out.

This second lease, of approximately 12 acres, adjoins the Wesleyan's site at Moro but as yet has not been applied for. Some details of Mr. Graves' establishment have yet to be finalised but he expects to have this settled soon and to forward his application. In the meantime the investigation will be held on file at Pangia.

(b) Land Disputes:

During the course of the patrol twenty-one land disputes were investigated and surveyed. Some had been investigated before but these were again seen to as well as all new ones. Detailed sketches were also completed and will be forwarded to the Lands Titles Commission with the Disputes.

A schedule of all the land disputes has been compiled and will appear as Appendix A to this report.

It appears that some of these disputes have risen as a result of the advent of the Administration. In a few cases the disputes are the claims of small groups to the land lost by them in group fights of by gone days. These smaller groups have realised that since the Administration has forbidden fighting they have a chance of retrieving their lost land without the risk of having a few arrows fired at them. This claim often appeared along with the usual claims of previous ownership etc..

Attempts at reconciling these disputes among the people themselves, I feel, would be advantageous as no doubt it will be a good few years before the Lands Titles Commission could come and settle them.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.5. Roads and Bridges:

At present the only vehicular road in the area is the Pangia-Ialibu link. This consists of about fifteen miles of road of which about ten lie in the Pangia area. The road is in fairly good condition and only a few minor repairs are required to keep this road in good operational standard. Completion of the stoning of the road will greatly help to keep to the standard required for all weather use by light vehicles.

All the major bridges of this road are also in good condition and only periodic checking will be necessary to ensure that they remain that way. A few of the smaller bridges on the road were found in rather poor order and these have been shown to the people who have been told to correct the trouble. A couple of weeks spent in this area by a road patrol could improve the position considerably.

Access to the remainder of the census division is by walking track. The local people have, in the majority of cases, improved the condition of these tracks and in many places it would be possible to traverse them on a motor cycle. Now and then one finds oneself walking along sections which the people proudly call roads. These sections meet the standards of being the necessary width and flatness but I am afraid that they fall short in regards to grading. Full credit must be given to the people for trying but in many cases these efforts are in vain because of the grades and as a result will remain only good walking tracks.

As things now stand it appears that there would be little difficulty in building a road system in this census division from the labour point of view. If the terrain allowed it the people would soon build a road, if given initial guidance, as their interest is keen.

6. Police:

The patrol's police personnel consisted of four members of the R.P. & N.G.C., S/Major KARI plus Constables MONDO, GATAU and NARA. The conduct of all four members was excellent and gave valuable assistance to me. Further comments have been entered in their Records of Service and their R.S. Form 1 sent to headquarters.

7. Conclusion:

As this was my first patrol in this area one of the main objects was familiarisation with the area. The patrol visited all but three of the villages of the census division thus accomplishing this to a degree.

Once this patrol report is completed the land investigations and land disputes will be completed and forwarded under separate cover.

P.N. Sisley
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P.N. Sisley (QPO.)

ATTACHED.

APPENDIX A.

Schedule of Land Disputes.

SCHEDULE OF LAND DISPUTES.

<u>DISPUTING GROUPS.</u>	<u>GROUND NAME.</u>	<u>AREA.</u>
1. Mele Vs. Apenda.	Kaiſembin	50 acres. (Approx.)
2. Moro Vs. Apenda.	Moro	100 " "
3. Moro Vs. Aria	Nabena	35 " "
4. Mcria Vs. Apenda	Ware'ia	25 " "
5. Tengai Vs. Pondiabu	Lendemo	35 " "
6. Noiya Vs. Timbari	Kagai	35 " "
7. Undiapu Vs. Timbari	Pili	40 " "
8. Ioga Vs. Timbari	Tongobini	8 " "
9. Pugi Vs. Marabin	Webo	35 " "
10. Tunda Vs. Tempikeni No.1 Komo		8 " "
11. Tunda Vs. Tempikeni No.2 Buamini		25 " "
12. Noiya Vs. Marabin	Wariwango	35 " "
13. Porogo Vs. Taguru	Lomo	40 " "
14. Kerabari Vs. Maubin	Werulu	7 " "
15. Karue Vs. Kabele	Nangagago (or) Kaibaguni.	30 " "
16. Warababe Vs. Umbureba	Utu	50 " "
17. Pomdi Vs. Kumien	Turuno	60 " "
18. Mondanda Vs. Pegai'ialu (Ialibu)	Kamogari	150 " "
19. Tindua Vs. Lega	Perigo (and) Pondea	60 " "
20. Lega Vs. Kauwo	Pilibaro	80 " "

Total area in dispute = 908 acres (Approx.)

P.N. Sisley
P.N. Sisley (C.O.P.O.)

Register

Area Patrolled

TOTALS		GRAND TOTAL
(Excludes (w/enters))		
Child	Adoles	
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ADMINISTRATIVE

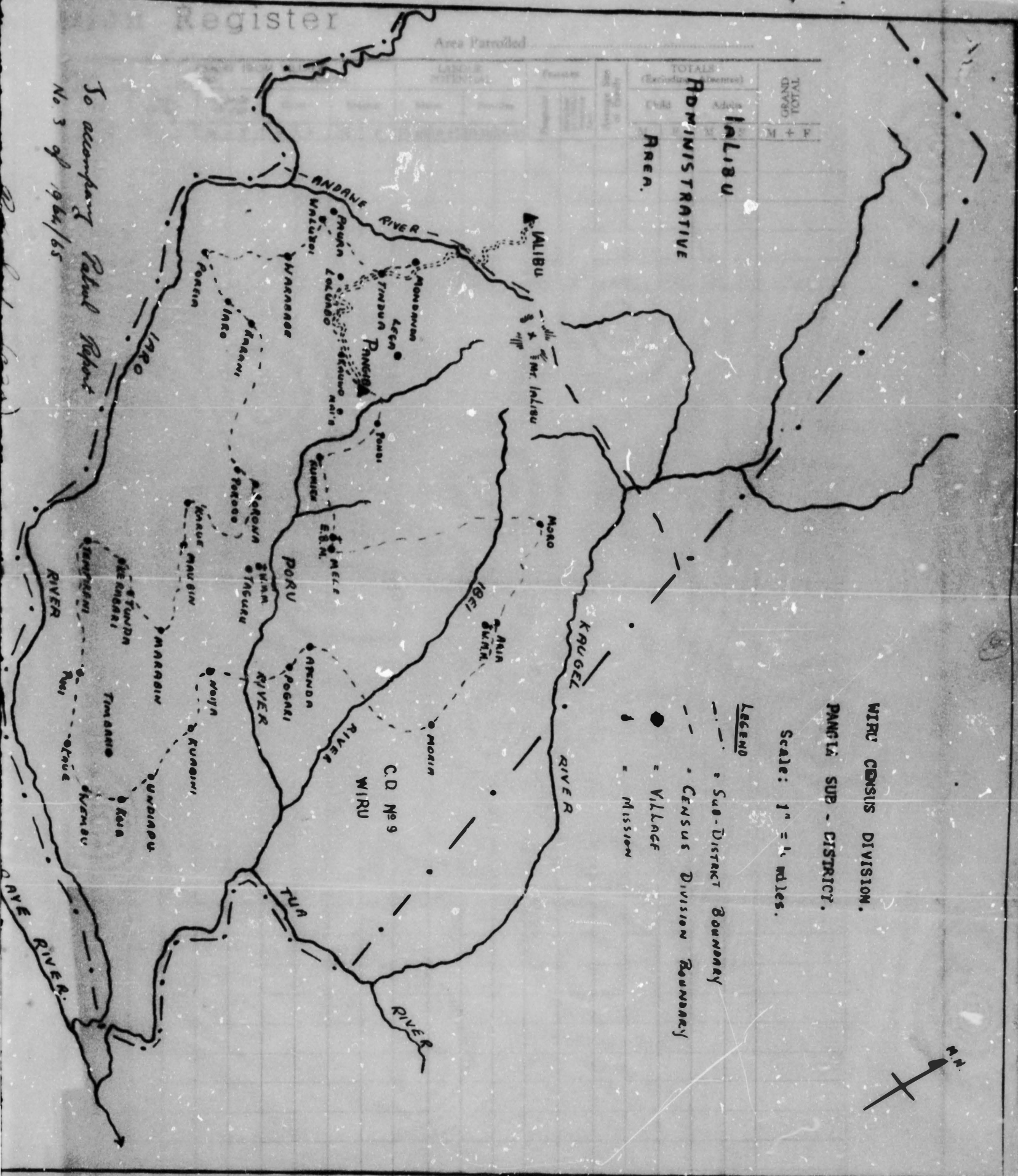
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ADMINISTRATIVE AREA.

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To accompany Patrol Report
No. 3 of 1964/65





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of **SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS.** Report No. **Pangia No. 4 of 1964/65.**

Patrol Conducted by **Peter Neville Sisley (C.P.O.)**

Area Patrolled **Eastern section of Wiru Census Division.**

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans **Nil.**
2 members of R.P. & N.G.C.
Natives **1 Interpreter.**

Duration--From **8 / 3 / 1965** to **23 / 5 / 1965** (Broken from **12/3/65** to **16/3/65**
and from **15/4/65** to **21/4/65.**)
Number of Days **65 days.**

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? **No.**

Last Patrol to Area by--District Services **February 1965**

Medical **February / 1965**

Map Reference **Patrol map 1" = 4 miles attached.**

Objects of Patrol **As per patrol instructions.**

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

67-15-41

24th June, 1965.

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
NSW.

PAEGIA PATROL REPORT NO. 4/64-65:

Your memorandum 67-3-10 of 10th June 1965, refers.

2. Thank you for Mr. Sisley's report.
3. All comments made on the report have been noted.
4. A good patrol accomplished in a competent manner.
5. Mr. Sisley would be well advised to note the Assistant District Officer's comments in paragraph 3.

(T.G. Aitchison)
A/DIRECTOR.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegram
Telephone

Our Reference 67-3-10

If calling ask for

Mr.



Department of District
Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
WENDI.

10th June, 1965.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONDOBU...Papua.

SUBJECT: Pangia Patrol No. 4 of 1964/65.

Attached please find a report on the above patrol conducted by Mr. P. N. Sisley, Cadet Patrol Officer to the WIRU Census Division together with copies of Patrol Instructions from the Assistant District Officer, Pangia and covering memoranda from the Assistant District Officer, Pangia, and Assistant District Commissioner, Ialibu, respectively.

2. Some comments follow:-

(i) NATIVE SITUATION: Excellent as evinced in favourable reception of Patrol; interest shown in patrol's activities by the people; requests for mediation in dispute over disposal of land at Wambi for mission activities; the attitude towards banking; the almost complete absence of breaches of the law; the keen interest and enthusiasm in the proposed establishment of tea estates and the subsequent willingness to dispose of large tracts of land for such ventures.

(ii) LAND INVESTIGATIONS: These were undertaken with the approval of the Director of Lands, Surveys and Mines. Of the 2,300 acres investigated and surveyed investigation reports together with recommendations for purchase in respect of 1,001 acres have been forwarded to the Director of Lands. The investigation Report on the second block is expected in the near future.

(iii) VILLAGE OFFICERS: The majority appear to be doing a reasonable job. Assessment of their capabilities would indicate that leadership potential in the proposed Pangia Local Government Council is assured.

(iv) ROADS AND BRIDGES: Road and bridge location and construction is essential for the economic development of the area.

(v) A good patrol which accomplished it's objectives in a competent manner.

3. Forwarded for your information, please.

(A. J. Zweck)
a/DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PJB/uj

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Our Reference

If calling ask for

Sub-District Office,

PANGIA,

Southern Highlands District.

67-2-2

Department of District Administration,
Patrol Post,
IALIBE.

2nd June 1965

District Commissioner,
Southern Highlands District,
N.E.H.D.I.

PANGIA PATROL No. 4 of 1964/65

Forwarded please is a Report on the above Patrol conducted by P.E. Sisley, Cadet Patrol Officer, along with claims for Camping Allowance and Assistant District Officer Pangia's comments.

Mr. Sisley reflects favourably the training and direction he has received through his first term.


M.J.E. ANDERSON.

a/Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67-2-1

If calling ask for

Mr.

Sub-District Office,
PANGIA,
Southern Highlands District.

27th May, 1965.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Dept. of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
I A L I B U.

PATROL REPORT NO. 4 OF 1964/65.

Please find attached hereto four (4) copies of the above patrol report and map submitted by Mr. Sisley today. His camping claim is enclosed for costing at Mendi.


Mr. Sisley has performed a most necessary task - chain and compass survey of the Pangia - More road and investigations of 2300 acres of tea land. He has completed this work in good time and his report has been submitted promptly.

I would only criticise his spelling, grammar and phraseology as far as this report goes. It gives a fair coverage of his activity and thoughts.

Mr. Sisley is proving to be an enthusiastic and sensible officer and I have no doubt that he will be an asset to the service.

A well conducted patrol which performed its duties diligently.

For your information, please.


(Peter J. Barber)
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference

If calling ask for

Mr.

67-1-2

Sub-District Office,
PANGIA,
Southern Highlands District.

6th March, 1965.

Mr. P. N. Sisley,
Cadet Patrol Officer,
PANGIA.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS, PATROL NO. 4-64/65.

Please be ready to depart on patrol to the Eastern section of the Wiru Census Division on 8th March, 1965.

You will take Interpreter RANGUMA and 2 members of the RP&NGC. Please see me in regard to their choice.

Your main task is to survey (chain and compass) a vehicular road route from Pangia to Apenda via Pondi, Kumien and Mele, and, if possible, to continue this from Apenda to Aria with arms to Moro and Moria.

I should prefer the road to run direct from Pangia to Pondi from the Northern end of the station. If no suitable bridge site is available near Pondi you may have to bridge the Poru near Maia.

You will also continue supervision of the Maia road to the Poru River gravel supply.

I would not anticipate much difficulty in pegging this route - the main problem, of course, is getting over the Poru.

I suggest you endeavour to follow, as closely as possible, the present walking track. Also that you supervise at least one drain dug along the entire route as these people tend to move markers and continue haphazardly.

Routine administration is, as always, important. Any court matters please refer to Pangia on Friday only as I shall be on our part of the Pangia - Ialibu road for 3 days each week.

Please let me know your progress at the end of the second week. I should think 3 weeks would be ample time in which to complete this patrol.

Upon completion of the patrol you will have 3 clear days in which to submit your patrol report.

For your information, please.

Peter J. Barber
(Peter J. Barber)
Assistant District Officer.

c.c. District Commissioner,
MENDI.

NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.)2. Native Leaders:

The system of village officials in this area consists of a Village Constable assisted by a number of Councillors, usually two or three depending on the population of the village. The majority of these men are good and were a valuable assistance to the patrol. Listed below are brief comments on the leaders of the respective villages of the area.

Pondi Census Unit:

The Village Constable, MAMBU/OBOLU, is an elderly chap but is loyal and co-operative and appears to hold the respect of the village people. Another up and coming leader of this unit is this man's son, WARIA/MAMBU. He is only a young fellow but his opinions are considered by many of the people of the village. He has also the added advantage of a knowledge of Pidgin English.

Kumien Census Unit:

Here the Village Constable, KE'AI/MARA, does not appear to be too influential. He is loyal and a good tryer but does not appear to hold the full support of his people. One man who does have a big say in local affairs is the Councillor, KIBOI/MARA. He is most prominent in all discussions and his points of view considered by the people. However these two men are working well together and there does not appear to be any clash of personalities.

Mele Census Unit:

This unit consists of two villages built close together. The Village Constable, TURI/KEWA, is followed and respected in his home village of Mele but not as strongly in the neighbouring village of Talibigo. In this village TUA/PIA is a most promising leader. He is young and energetic and has the added advantage of being able to speak Pidgin English. However these two men also work well together.

Apenda Census Unit:

Here we have a definite case of the true leaders not being the Village Constables. In this unit the two Councillors, WERU/TUBAI and WABA/PU'OLO, are by far the most influential men. This unit has two Village Constables, WAIRIA/KABOLO and KIBOI/WANUE, but neither of them show the capabilities of true leaders. The former is not much more than a "yes" man while the latter hardly ever takes part in the activities connected with the unit.

Pogari Census Unit:

The Village Constable of this unit, TOGOL/LUMBI, appears to be the acclaimed leader. He is energetic and loyal and was a big help to this patrol. The brother of this man, IRONOMA/LUMBI, while holding no official position still has a fair say in the matters happening in the area. I feel sure that the Village Constable confides in his brother and is influenced by what he says.

More Census Unit:

Here the Village Constable, WINDI/NABU, is definitely ahead of the rest of the people as the leadership position goes. He is energetic and capable and is doing his job well.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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26th May, 1965.

Mr. P. W. Sisley,
Cadet Patrol Officer,
PANGIA.

PART II - PATROL INSTRUCTION: PATROL NO. 4-64/65.

Since your departure on patrol to the Eastern section of the Wira Censes Division several further matters requiring attention in that area have been received.

1. Land investigation of teablocks in the general Apenda area. I should think two or three 1000 acre blocks will be available for investigation.

2. Land investigation of mission leases for the Coral Sea Union Mission (S.D.A.); for the Wesleyan Methodist Mission airstrip site either at Moro or Aria. The documents are forwarded herewith.

3. There may be additional matters requiring attention in which case I shall notify you.

This additional work will extend your patrol. The total period may now be in the vicinity of 2 months so if you require to restock or change staff feel free to visit the station or take action you consider necessary. Ration request etc. may be done through the clerk.

For your information, please.

(Peter J. Barber)
Assistant District Officer.

NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.)2 Native Leaders (Cont.)Aria Census Unit:

In ~~this~~ this unit the Village Constable, PINEI/GIBU, is also the most prominent leader. Beside this man there did not appear to be anybody else who could fill the role of the village official.

Moria Census Unit:

In this unit there did not appear to be anybody who could lead this group. The present Village Constable, WENGEMBO/TUEA, is only a average leader and is not greatly respected by the people. This is not entirely his own fault as these people are very strong willed and do not react well to orders or suggestions.

3. Alienated Land:

During the course of the patrol four blocks of land were investigated and surveyed with the view of alienation. Two of these blocks were connected with the proposed establishment of tea estates while the remaining two were the results of applications for Mission leases by the Seventh Day Adventists and Wesleyan Methodists Missions. Of the four blocks one of the tea leases has been finalised from this office and the remaining reports will be sent in on completion of this report.

The first tea block consists of an area of about 1001 acres and is situated about seven miles east of Pangia at the census unit of Apenda. The second block consists of approximately 1297 acres and is situated in the Kunien-Mele-Pogari area about four miles from Pangia. It is thought that this block will be broken up into one large estate with a few 50 acre native blocks.

The lease applied for by the Seventh Day Adventists Mission was over an area of about 8 acres in the Pogari census unit area about four miles east of Pangia. The history of this block is a long and involved one. A minority group from Wambi village (Pogari C/U.) invited this Mission in but when I carried out the investigation I found that a large percentage of the land owners did not want to sell the land. This I thought had finished the matter but about two weeks later the attitude of the people had completely reversed and all the owners were willing to sell the land. Thus on the second visit to the area I carried out the survey and investigation of the lease site.

The second mission lease application was by the Wesleyan Methodist Mission who were seeking an extension to their present lease at Aria. On this extension the Mission intends to build a airstrip. The investigation and survey was carried out for an area of approximately 19 acres and will be forwarded in due course. Previous to this, this Mission had applied for a lease at Moro, about three miles north west of Aria, on which they intended to build an airstrip but now they have apparently changed their minds. The airstrip they intend building at Aria will be only marginal and will not come up to Commercial standards.

4. Roads and Bridges:

The primary task of this patrol was to survey a road from Pangia to Apenda and thence on to the centres of Moro, Aria and Moria. The road will serve a two fold purpose as it will open up the tea land plus providing vehicular access to the general east Wiru area.



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24th. May, 1965.

Assistant District Officer,
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PATROL REPORT No. 4 of 1964/65.

PART WIRU CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol conducted by:

P.N.Sisley (C.P.O.)

Patrol accompanied by:

Nil Europeans

2 members R.P. & N.C.C.
1 Interpreter.

Area patrolled:

Eastern section of the
Wiru Census Division.

Duration of patrol:

8/3/65 to 23/5/65
(Broken from 12/3/65 to 16/3/65
and from 15/4/65 to 21/4/65.)

Number of days:

65 days.

Objects of patrol:

As per patrol instructions.

Patrol map:

Patrol map 1" = 4 miles
attached.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.)4. Roads and Bridges (Cont.)

The terrain through which the road had to pass did not make the job an easy one. The area consists of a series of ridges running roughly east west and the area is riddled with small creeks. As the road runs in a northly to north-easterly direction for much of its distance most of the ridges had to be crossed instead of being followed. This necessitated a continuous use of grades and all attempts were made to keep these grades around or below 5%. Where the country forced the use of steeper grades they were still kept as far as possible below 10%. There were only a few places where grades of over 10% were used and this was in the Aria - Moria section of the road where it was necessary in order to put a road into these centres.

The total distance of road surveyed would be approximately twenty miles. Work has already started on the road by all the census units of the area but it will still be some time before the road is open to traffic. The section of the road from Pangia to Apenda is being developed to a width of 30 feet while the section from the Ibei river to Moro will be about 25 feet wide. This is because of the large amount of cutting that will be required on this section of the road. Once the road has been completely opened it will be stoned to keep it up to all weather standards.

Following are further details on the two sections of the road.

Pangia - Apenda Section:

In the immediate future this will be the most important section of the road as it will give access to the proposed tea estates in the Mele and Apenda areas.

The initial survey of this road took it from Pangia thence via Pondi, skirting Kumien, through Mele thence on to Apenda. Since the survey there has been some second thinking on the route of the road as the Department of Public Works does not think it will be able to build the bridge over the Poru river because of the cost involved. The two bridge sites proposed are respectively 120 and 170 feet spans and would probably have to be of a ~~xx~~ suspension type.

The alternative bridge site across the Poru is below the station and this will necessitate grading down to the river level and grading out again. From my investigations of this site the nature of the country is very difficult and will provide many grading obstacles to overcome. Of the two sites I feel that the bridge sites above the station are the best and although the bridge will cost a fair amount of money I feel that not much money will be saved by using the site below the station as the maintenance here will be great and the standard of the road will not be as good.

No matter which bridge site is chosen over the Poru the present surveyed road will be used from the Nana creek on to Apenda. There are no major difficulties on this section of the road and all the bridges will be able to be built ~~xx~~ from local supplies.

Apenda - Moro Section:

This section of the the road will link up the remaining census units of the east Wiru area with the station. The three centres being Moria, Aria and Moro.

INTRODUCTION.

This patrol's objectives took it to the eastern section of the Wiru Census Division. This sector being the area roughly north and east of the Poru river and south of the Kaugel river. A fairly large proportion of the area consists of undulating ridges running approximately east & west and covered by kunai grass and pit - pit cane. Due to the system of agriculture of the people the timber stands now exist only on the outskirts of this part of the Census Division mainly in the unpopulated areas. The people's desire for virgin garden land has caused this as they ruthlessly cut out the forests to make way for gardens.

The division is well drained by numerous rivers and creeks, the biggest creeks being the Luna, Nama, Lua and Poi'io. The great bulk of Mt. Ialibu, approximately 11,000 ft., which is situated in the north western corner of the Census Division considerably effects the drainage of the area as most of the creeks originate either on this mountain or on its foothills then drain roughly eastwards before entering either the Poru or Ibei rivers. These two rivers also rise on Mt. Ialibu then flow eastwards eventually joining before entering the headwaters of the Parari river.

Although the eastern section of the Wiru Census Division covers almost half of the Census Division's total area it supports only about 20% of the population. This percentage is centered around the eight census units of Pondi, Kumien, Mele, Apenda, Pogari, Moro, Aria and Moria. All of these people belong to the Wiru linguistic group and have the short stocky ~~xxx~~ ^{PHYSICAL} psychological characteristics of the highland peoples.

Field Diary:Monday 8/3/65.

After carriers had gathered set out for Pondi. On reaching Poru river sent carriers ahead while myself remained to mark road. After a survey of Poru george decided on a bridge site then commenced marking road out of the george. Continued until 1440 hrs when I had marked the road to the station. Thence walked to Pondi arriving 1525 hrs.. Slept Pondi.

Tuesday 9/3/65.

Returned to Poru george and commenced marking road towards Pondi. Continued on until 1230 hrs. when the road had been marked through Pondi to the Luna creek. After a short break commenced clearing of road site until 1415 hrs. when rain stopped further work. Slept Pondi.

Wednesday 10/3/65.

Sent cargo ahead to Mele hile myself remained to start local people off on road work in Pondi area. After this walked to the Luna creek and started marking the road in the Kumien area. Continued with this until 1540 hrs. when rain fell so departed for Mele. Slept Mele.

Thursday 11/3/65.

Continued on with marking the road until 1100 hrs. when I was informed that I was required for the Supreme Court at Mendi. Returned to the station, arriving 1340 hrs., after proceeding via Maia to inspect work on this road. The patrol was temporarily stood down while I was in Mendi.

NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.)4. Roads and Bridges (Cont.)

It was originally planned that this section of the road would run from Apenda to Aria thence with branch roads to Moro and Moria. However after several attempts this was found to be impracticable because of the nature of the country. After investigations of the area it was found that it was possible to mark the road from Apenda to Moria thence back up to Aria and Moro.

The sections of this road from Apenda to the Ibei river and from Moria to Moro were fairly easy to mark and should be easy to construct. However the section from the Ibei river to Moria might prove difficult. This is only a distance of about three quarters of a mile but the fact that it has to climb up a ridge is why it is difficult. This section of the road will possibly need constant maintenance to keep it open to traffic.

Only one major bridge will be required on the Apenda-Moro section of the road. This will be a bridge of about 90 feet over the Ibei river. If the necessary materials can be obtained this bridge might be able to be spanned by a "A" frame type. The other bridges on the road will be able to be constructed from local supplies.

A list of distances between census units and information on the bridges will be given as Appendix A to this report. Because no definite decision has been made on the Poru bridge site and thus on the final road route the information contained in Appendix A will be from the section of the road from Male to Moro. This position will also hold up the drawing of a map of this road which will be based on a chain and compass survey carried out by this patrol.

5 Patrol Personnel:

The patrol commenced with two members of the R.P. & N.G.C., Const. 1/C WENEKAVE and Const. KOTUME, and a patrol interpreter. Const. KOTUME was replaced on the forth of May after he had developed severe headaches and was replaced by Const. GUNUA. All members of the patrol conducted themselves well and comments on each member have been entered in their Records of Service and their RS Form 1 sent to Police Headquarters.

The work done by the two Interpreters on this patrol needs mentioning. Both the first Interpreter, RANGUMA/OMA, and the second, WAPU/KEMA, carried out their work well and were a very great help to the patrol. It is a great pity that the work done by Interpreters is not recognized in their pay scale.

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Cadet Patrol Officer.

Attached.

APPENDIX A
Appendix B
APPENDIX C

Information regarding Pangia-Moro road.
Health.
Missions.

FIELD DIARY (cont.)Friday 12/3 to Tuesday 16/3/65.

These five days spent at Mendi as Supreme Court witness plus one day acting as Court Interpreter.

Wednesday 17/3/65.

Departed Pangia and walked to Pondi inspecting progress on road and issuing further instructions for future work. Left Pondi and walked to Kumien arriving 1040 hrs. and spent the rest of the day on road work at Kumien. Slept Kumien.

Thursday 18/3/65.

Sent cargo ahead to Mele while myself remained in Kumien area and marked the road. Continued until 1320 hrs. when the road was marked to the Kumien-Mele land boundary. Had only progressed a small distance past here when heavy rain stopped further work. Returned to Mele in heavy rain arriving 1415 hrs.. Slept Mele.

Friday 19/3/65.

Returned to the road marking near the Kumien-Mele boundary. After investigating several approaches finally choose one and commenced marking road towards Mele. At 1410 hrs. had road marked as far as Mele village but rain for the rest of the afternoon stopped further work. Slept Mele.

Saturday 20/3/65.

Continued on with marking of road from Mele village to the Mele-Apanda land boundary. On arrival at this point spoke to the Ape da men about a large land investigation proposed for their area and on completion of this returned to Mele in light rain at 1440 hrs.. Intermittent rain for the rest of the afternoon. Slept Mele.

Sunday 21/3/65.

Observed at Mele.

Monday 22/3/65.

After a discussion with the local people on future road work sent the cargo ahead to Apanda while myself followed marking a road route. Work relatively easy and had the road marked to Apanda by 1100 hrs.. For the rest of the day until 1430 hrs. spoke to the people on the proposed land purchase and carried out preliminary work on the survey. Rain from 1430 hrs. onwards stopped further work. Slept Apanda.

Tuesday 23/3/65.

Continued on with land survey at Apanda. Rain until 0900 hrs. delayed the start but had a good go until 1440 hrs. when rain again stopped work. By this time had one leg of survey completed. Slept Apanda.

Wednesday 24/3/65.

Further work on Apanda survey occupied day from 0800 hrs. until 1500 hrs. when rain stopped work. During remainder of day heard two complaints. Slept Apanda.

Thursday 25/3/65.

The present situation in this section of the census division is that there are six Missions all trying to lead their followers to Christianity. Except for the villages of Male and Aria - which are close followers of the Evangelised Bible Mission and the Wesleyan Methodists Mission respectively - the remaining villages are usually split with small sections following one of these six (xxxxxx) Missions. The people seem to have a fair interest in the Missions and there is evidence of some success in their religious teachings in most of the villages.

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FIELD DIARY (Cont.)Thursday 25/3/65.

This day from 0800 hrs. until 1550 hrs. spent on Apenda land survey. Block nearly completed. Slept Apenda.

Friday 26/3/65.

At 0800 hrs. returned to land survey and continued on finally completing it. Rain for a couple of hours delayed work but finally completed it at 1835 hrs. Slept Apenda.

Saturday 27/3/65.

Departed Apenda and walked to Pangia to discuss progress so far obtained on patrol and also future objects. Part of day also spent cleaning up paper work connected with patrol. Slept Pangia.

Sunday 28/3/65.

At Pangia- four hours spent completing some outstanding work. Rest of day observed.

Monday 29/3/65.

Departed Pangia and walked back to Apenda arriving 1420 hrs. On the way inspected work on road at the centres of Pendi, Kumien and Mele and also paid these centres for the work so far carried out. Arrived at Apenda in heavy rain and after storm had finished heard two complaints which were held over for court action at Pangia. Slept Apenda.

Tuesday 30/3/65.

Most of day spent marking road from Apenda towards Aria. A couple of steep gorges caused a bit of trouble but were finally crested. Part of the day also spent on land investigation. Slept Apenda.

Wednesday 31/3/65.

Walked from Apenda to Wambi (Pogari C/V) hamlet to investigate proposed mission lease by the Seventh Day Adventists. After a late start due to rain arrived at Wambi at 1010 hrs. and for the next three hours discussed the lease with the people but found that a large proportion did not want to sell. After a general talk with the people departed for Apenda arriving 1450 hrs. Slept Apenda.

Thursday 1/4/65.

Commenced further marking of road to Aria until 1200 hrs. when I returned to Apenda to meet Mr. P. Barber who had just arrived. For the rest of the afternoon discussed the land purchase with Mr. Barber and local people. Slept Apenda.

Friday 2/4/65.

Walked back to Mele with Mr. Barber, A.D.O. and discussed with the Mele people the boundaries of the land they wished to sell. Discussed this matter with the Kumien people also before Mr. Barber returned to Pangia. Myself returned to Apenda after making a closer inspection of the land finally arriving at Apenda at 1515 hrs. Slept Apenda.

Missions.

All the religious sects operating in the Wiru Census Division have either stations or bush churches in the east Wiru area. The Evangelised Bible Mission and the Wesleyan Methodist Mission both have permanent stations built while the Capuchin Mission and the Lutheran Mission have only bush churches dotted about the area. Just recently the Seventh Day Adventists have applied for a lease at the village of Wambi (Pogari C/U.) and here they intend to build a permanent station.

The Evangelised Bible Mission has an establishment at Mele village about five miles north east of Pangia. At present Mr. G. Lytle is in charge here and is assisted by his wife and a female teacher, Miss E. Troupe. Besides their normal religious duties this Mission also runs a small clinic and school. The school which is held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays each week caters for children from Prep grade to Standard 2. Apart from this there is also a school conducted in Pidgin English but this is mainly for older children. This Mission appears strongly adhered to in the Mele area but its influence appears to be dying in other areas. An example of this was the loss of nearly 100 followers to the Seven Day Adventists in the Pogari area.

The arrival of the Seventh Day Adventists appears to have shaken the Bible Mission and the Missionaries appear to have forgotten their belief of "Love thy neighbour", and have adopted a new approach of informing the people of all the "bad effects" of the Adventists belief. Things like having to give up their pigs and having to work on Sundays have been stressed. No doubt this latest approach must be confusing to the local people who have had the belief of loving their neighbours drummed into them. On the other hand the followers of the Adventists have not been behaving in this manner but follow the idea of just being left to follow their own choice of religion.

Further to the north east of Mele, at Aria, is the headquarters for Papua and New Guinea of the Wesleyan Methodist Mission. From here is controlled the activities of their other stations at Taguru in the Wiru Census Division and in the Duna Sub-District of the Southern Highlands District. Mr. K. Ridgeway is in charge here and he is assisted by his wife and a teacher, Mr. R. Gladwin. A small clinic and school are also run here besides their mission work. This Mission has strong following in the centres of Moro, Aria and Moria but has only scattered adherence in other places.

Associated closely with this Mission is another organisation at Moro about three miles west of Aria. This Mission which is run by a Mr. G. Graves is concerned mainly with translation work but does also hold services. At present Mr. Graves is on leave in America and is not expected back until November this year.

The Capuchin Mission and Lutheran Mission have only bush churches erected throughout this area. The Lutherans are mainly only in the Pondi Kumien area whereas the Capuchins have different sized followings in nearly all the census units. Both of these Missions have their stations built near Pangia.

FIELD DIARY (Cont.)Saturday 3/4/65.

Morning spent surveying extension to Apenda lease plus erection of a few of the corner posts. During the afternoon carried out investigation of the block with the local people. Slept Apenda.

Sunday 4/4/65.

All day spent on compiling the land investigation report for the block plus associated maps. Slept Apenda.

Monday 5/4/65.

At 0800 hrs. commenced placing corner boundary posts on Apenda lease. Continued with this all day returning to the rest house at 1815 hrs.. Slept Apenda.

Tuesday 6/4/65.

Sent cargo ahead to Mele while myself remained at Apenda to finish off the boundary marks. Completed this and after a short talk to the people set out for Mele arriving 1330 hrs.. For the rest of the day drew the survey maps for the Apenda lease. Slept Mele.

Wednesday 7/4/65.

At 0800 hrs. commenced work on the second land investigation in the Mele area. Completed the eastern side of this lease at 1510 hrs. then returned to Mele to complete the maps for the Apenda report. Slept Mele.

Thursday 8/4/65.

Resumed work on Mele land at 0800 hrs.. Survey mainly in the Pogari area. Continued until 1610 hrs. when I had this section of lease completed. Slept Mele.

Friday 9/4/65.

Continued on with survey in the Mele area. Completed a further 100 chains before returning to the rest house at 1520 hrs.. Slept Mele.

Saturday 10/4/65.

Continued on with the Mele survey at 0800 hrs.. During the day also surveyed the Kumien and Maia sections of the land returning to the rest house at 1800 hrs.. Slept Mele.

Sunday 11/4/65.

Observed at Mele.

Monday 12/4/65.

At 0800 hrs. walked to the final section of the survey and set about completing it. Completed it at 1230 hrs. then returned to the rest house arriving 1340 hrs.. During the remainder of afternoon drew up the survey and calculated its area. Slept Mele.

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Health.

The general health of the people of the east Wiru appears quite good. There are the usual cases of cuts and scratches but there was no evidence of any serious illness while the patrol was in the area. Just prior to the patrol's arrival at Aria there was a out-break of Chicken Pox but the Nurse at the Mission station said that it was only a mild one.

At a few places the patrol heard reports of cases of diarrhoea in young babies which was suspected to have been caused by the mother eating "Maretai" fruit while still breast feeding their babies. The effect appears predominant in young mothers who have their first baby but it does not seem to occur in older mothers or if young children eat the fruit directly. The Nurses at the two Missions in this area believe that the Maretai is the cause of the trouble because in nearly all the cases reported to them the mother of the baby had been eating the fruit the previous day. They say that the number of cases of diarrhoea has greatly fallen as the result of the education of the young mothers to stop eating the fruit while they are breast feeding their first babies.

The east Wiru area is well covered in regards to the initial treatment of illness. Besides the Government service there is also treatment available from two Missions operating in the area. The Departemnt of Public Health has a hospital at Pangia which is supervised by a European Medical Assistant and it also has an Aid-Post at the centre of Apenda. The positioning of these two centres enables all the villages to be within an hours walk of treatment.

The two Mission stations, the Evangelised Bible Mission and the Wesleyan Methodist Mission, both provide limited medical services to the people. The Bible Mission, situated at Male about five miles north east of the station, has a small clinic which is run by Mrs. S. Lytle who has a Nursing certificate. About another ten miles north east of here at Aria is the Wesleyan Mission which also runs a clinic each day of the week. Mrs. K. Ridgeway is in charge here and she has just built a new clinic which is a credit to her. Just recently Mrs. Ridgeway and a visiting nurse, Miss P. Leak held a week long course on first aid for the local people. Nearly twenty young local men attended the course.

This medical coverage of the area places nearly every village within an hours walk of aid. The people seem to appreciate the service as little trouble occurs when patients require transport from the villages to the hospital.

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FIELD DIARY (Cont.)**Tuesday 13/4/65.**

Walked from Mele to Wambi hamlet (Pogari C/W.) and carried out the survey and investigation of a piece of land applied for by the Seventh Day Adventists Mission. Surveyed an area of about 8 acres and carried out the investigation completing it at 1640 hrs.. Slept Mele.

Wednesday 14/4/65.

Returned to Pangia and inspected work carried out so far on the road. Arrived at Pangia at 1040 hrs. and the rest of the day spent on patrol paper work and inspection of Poru river bridge site with Mr. Barber, A.D.O.

Thursday 15/4/65. TO Wednesday 21/4/65.

These seven days spent at Wendi for the Easter holidays. Returned to Pangia on the 21st.

Thursday 22/4/65.

At Pangia- All day spent investigating the banks of the Poru river for another bridge site. Found a good site and did a rough survey of the road back to the station. Slept Pangia.

Friday 23/4/65.

At Pangia- Returned to the new bridge site and carried ^{OUT} a survey of the road back to the station. Completed this at 1400 hrs.. and the rest of the day spent on the Wambi and Mele land investigation reports. Slept Pangia.

Saturday 24/4/65.

At Pangia- All morning until 1100 hrs. spent on Wambi land report. At 1100 hrs. took part in station Anzac Day observance. Afternoon observed.

Sunday 25/4/65.

Observed at Pangia.

Monday 26/4/65.

After carriers had gathered departed for Mele arriving 1420 hrs.. On the way inspected and paid for work on the Pangia-Apanda road and also rerouted a section of the road to the new Poru bridge site. Remainder of day spent in the Mele area inspecting work on the road. Slept Mele.

Tuesday 27/4/65.

All day from 0800 hrs. until 1610 hrs. spent on Mele land placing in corner posts. Slept Mele.

Wednesday 28/4/65.

All day from 0800 hrs. until 1655 hrs. spent placing marks on the Mele tea land. Slept Mele.

Information Regarding Pangia-Moro Road.1. Road Distances:

Pangia to Mele	5 mls. (Approx.) &
Mele to Apenda	2.21 "
Apenda to Moria	7.13 "
Moria to Aria	2.47 "
Aria to Moro	3.48 "

Total= 20.29 " (Approx.)

(# (&)) This distance is only approximately this figure because this section of the road was not surveyed because the final route across the Prou river has not yet been decided.

2. Bridge Information:

<u>Section.</u>	<u>Creek Name.</u>	<u>Width of Bridge.</u>
Pangia to Mele.	Not known as yet .	
Mele C/U.	Nana Creek.	40 feet.
	Komoni "	10 "
	Kangue "	14 "
Apenda C/U.	Palalua "	20 "
	Tu'ia "	15 "
	Kakara "	27 "
	Luwa "	40 "
Moria C/U.	Tole No1.	26 "
	Tole No2.	23 "
	T'iga	14 "
	Aimbarini	10 "
	Ibei River	90 "
	Tungabin No1	12 "
	Tungabin No2	17 "
Moro C/U.	Lora Creek	26 "
	Ambunabiko "	18 "
Aria C/U.	Nil.	

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P.M. Sisley.
Cadet Patrol Officer.

FIELD DIARY (Cont.)Thursday 29/4/65.

Morning until 1130 hrs. spent on the investigation of the Mele tea block. At 1200 hrs. commenced the remarking of a section of road in the Mele area and had it almost completed at 1550 hrs.. Slept Mele.

Friday 30/4/65.

Morning spent completing Mele land investigation and placing of boundary marks. At 1130 hrs. walked to Wambi and began the re-survey of the mission lease there. Completed this plus the erection of boundary posts at 1640 hrs. then set out for Apenda arriving 1720 hrs.. Slept Apenda.

Saturday 1/5/65.

The first part of the day spent re-marking part of the Apenda-Aria road. On completion of this at 1310 hrs. returned to the rest house and spent the rest of the day writing up the Mele land investigation report. Slept Apenda.

Sunday 2/5/65.

Observed at Apenda.

Monday 3/5/65.

At 0800 hrs. commenced marking a road from Apenda towards Aria. Country very difficult and progress slow. Continued until rain stopped work at 1320 hrs. by which time had road marked as far as the Poi'io creek. Returned to Apenda in heavy rain. Slept Apenda.

Tuesday 4/5/65.

Continued on with marking of road towards Aria. At 1200 hrs. decided against trying any further on this route as country extremely difficult. Returned to Apenda and discussed a possible route to Aria via Moria. People agreed that it was a better route. At 1400 hrs. set out for Aria arriving at 1510 hrs. in light rain. Slept Aria.

Wednesday 5/5/65.

Walked from Aria to Moria to investigate possible road route to Apenda. Shortly after arrival I was informed of a alleged assault by a husband on his wife. On hearing this I set out for the scene of the assault but met the two parties on the track. The woman was suffering ~~xxx~~ from a bad cut on her left hand and a cut on the back of the head. I carried out first aid as the woman was bleeding badly then took her and the husband to Aria. On arrival at Aria placed the woman in the care of the Mission Nurse then investigated the matter. As a result of the investigation sent the accused to Pangia for court action. Slept Aria.

Thursday 6/5/65.

At 0800 hrs. commenced marking the road from Aria towards Moro. Continued on until 1600 hrs. when the road had been marked to about half way. Slept Aria.

▲ = Sue District Office
● = Village
- - - = Completed Road
... = Surveyed "

ϕ = MISSION
W.M.W. WESTEVAN METHODIST MISSION
E.B.M. EVANGELISED BIBLE "
S.D.A. SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST.

SCALE: 1" = 4mils (Approx)

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At 0800 hrs. continued on with the marking of the Aria-Moro road. Completed the marking and commenced the chain and compass survey back to Aria. At 1610 hrs. had this half completed then returned to Aria arriving 1640 hrs.. Slept Aria.

Saturday 8/5/65.

Continued on with survey of road. During the morning found a better site for a section of the road and so remarked this part. At 1415 hrs. had completed the survey to Aria but light rain developed into heavier stuff and stopped further work this day. Slept Aria.

Sunday 9/5/65.

Observed at Aria.

Monday 10/5/65.

All of this day spent on the survey and investigation of an extension to the Mission lease at Aria. Except for an hours delay due to rain was occupied with this from 0800 hrs. to 1815 hrs.. Slept Aria.

Tuesday 11/5/65.

At 0800 hrs. sent cargo ahead to Moria while myself remained to complete the land investigation at Aria. Completed this at 1000 hrs. then commenced marking a road from Aria to Moria. Completed this at 1610 hrs. and the next hour spent talking to the local people plus the hearing of two complaints. Slept Moria.

Wednesday 12/5/65.

Conducted a chain and compass survey of the Aria-Moria road completing it at 1320 hrs.. For the rest of the day investigated the banks of the Ibei river for a possible bridge site. Slept Moria.

Thursday 13/5/65.

All day from 0800 hrs. until 1510 hrs. spent marking a road from the Ibei river up to Moria. Slept Moria.

Friday 14/5/65.

Sent cargo ahead to the small hamlet of Pondiabu (Moria C/W.) while myself remained to mark the road from the Ibei river towards Apenda. At 1500 hrs. had the road marked to near Pondiabu but rain stopped further work. Slept Pondiabu.

Saturday 15/5/65.

Continued on with marking of road in the Pondiabu area. Two routes investigated before one of them was chosen. Continued on marking on this route until 1540 hrs.. Slept Pondiabu.

Sunday 16/5/65.

Walked to Pangia to restock patrol supplies plus to clear up another patrol objective with the A.D.O. and with the Surveyor. Slept Pangia.