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KOROBA

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3-66-67	B. Munn	Part Koroba Census Div.
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. NO. 1 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by R. MUNN, CADET PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled LAVANI CENSUS DIVISION and TUMBUDU CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans LAVANI - Mr. P. JONES, C.P.O.

LAVANI - Mr. D. ANGU, Medical Assistant.

Natives 3 members of R.P. & N.U.C.

Duration—From 22/7/1966 to 13/8/1966

Number of Days TWENTY THREE

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? YES

Last Patrol to Area by—LAVANI District Services 12/7/1965 TUMBUDU - 8/11/65

TUMBUDU Medical 8/11/1965 LAVANI - NIL.

Map Reference PATROL MAP ATTACHED

Objects of Patrol Census Revision, Lavani Local Government Council Report.

Speak about Demarkation Committee, Check roads, General Administration.

Director of ~~Native Affairs~~, DA
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

22/9/1966

District Commissioner

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

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

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

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14th December, 1966.

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

KOROKA PATROL REPORT NO. 1 OF 1966/67:

Receipt is acknowledged of Mr. Munn's report of his patrol to the Lavani and Tumbudu Census Subdivisions.

2. Clear and concise Patrol Instructions were issued by the Assistant District Commissioner, Koroka; these must have been invaluable in guiding Mr. Munn in his field activities.
3. Covering memoranda forwarded with report from yourself and the Assistant District Commissioner, Koroka, amply cover matters raised in the report, and shows matters requiring action have or are receiving the necessary attention.
4. The patrol was a valuable experience for Mr. Munn and for a second solo effort was well carried out. Documentation of the patrol was an excellent training exercise as well as being an excellent reference on conditions in the area. Mr. Munn has shown an inquiring mind and has set out his facts clearly.
5. The impatience of the people is a good sign. Perhaps this can be maintained when a council gets underway in the area. Efforts should be made to have council representation in the area as soon as practicable and in this matter the report by the Assistant District Commissioner, which will follow his Local Government survey of the area later in the year, will be awaited with interest.

(J. E. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

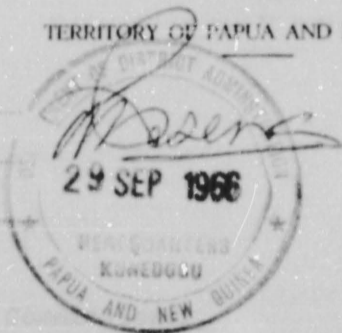


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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Our Reference: 67-3-11
If calling ask for
Mr.



Department of District Administration,
Southern Highlands District,
M E N D I

21st September, 1966

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
K O N E D O B U ... PAPUA

Subject: Koroba Patrol No. 1 of 1966/67

Attached please find the following documents relating to the patrol conducted by Mr. B. Munn C.P.O. to the Lavani and TUMBUDU Census Division:-

- (i) Koroba memorandum, 67-2-1 of 21st July 1966 - Patrol Instructions;
- (ii) Patrol Report;
- (iii) Covering memorandum, 68-5-3 of 6th September, 1966 from the A.D.C. Koroba.

2. Some comments follow:

- (i) In view of the decided drift of population out of the Lavani Census Division I support the A.D.C.'s suggestion that the four remaining Census Units be absorbed by the TUMBUDU Census Division. A separate submission to this effect will be made;
- (ii) The matter of deaths at Tangi is being investigated. It is obvious that something is seriously amiss and I have brought the matter to the attention of the District Medical Officer;
- (iii) Should the Lavani Census Division be absorbed into the TUMBUDU Census Division the Local Government Survey undertaken by Mr. Munn will not be entirely wasted. The survey report has been received at this office and is being dealt with under separate correspondence;
- (iv) Village Population Register sheets in respect of the Census Revision of the Lavani and TUMBUDU Census Division are being forwarded under separate cover.

3. A routine patrol undertaken in an efficient manner.

(D.R. MARSH)
District Commissioner,

c.c.
Assistant District Commissioner,
K O R O B A

c.c.
Mr. B. Munn,
KOROBA



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

68-5-3.

Our Reference.....

If calling ask for.....

Mr.....

Department of District Administration.

KOROBA, Duna Sub-District.

6th September, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
MENDI.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 1/1966/67 LAVANI AND TUMBUDU C/D's.

Forwarded herewith report for the above mentioned patrol carried out by Mr. CPO Munn. This is Mr. Munn's second solo patrol and he has done a good job both with the patrol and the report.

(1) The drift in population from the Lavani has continued since the last patrol and it is now no longer worthwhile having it as a separate census division. I suggest that it be incorporated in the future with the Tumbudu census division as the TUMBUDU LAVANI census division.

(2) The rape case mentioned on page 9 was not proven and the defendant was convicted on a lesser charge of unlawfully striking.

(3) The deterioration of the bridge over the TUMBUDU river is quite unexpected as I inspected this bridge some months ago and found it quite safe and likely to last for some time. There is no way of repairing the washed away banks and if the deterioration continues, which seems likely, the bridge will have to be replaced thus closing the road to Kelablo for some time. No funds were requested for the replacement of this bridge this financial year and I consider that Mr. Munn's estimate of cost of \$80 is too low. I think it would take at least \$120 to replace the bridge. An application for funds to replace the bridge will be made as I feel that the people will not replace a bridge of this size without some sort of payment.

(4) The comments re the hospital at Tangi have been looked into and there does appear to be a substantial number of deaths there in comparison with other hospitals in the area. This may only be a coincidence but I will request Mr. Halliman of the Baptist Mission to try and forward more serious cases to Koroba so that they can when necessary go on to Tari hospital.

(5) The Local Government survey of the Lavani did not give Mr. Munn much scope for writing but the report is well presented and was good practice for him. I consider that as the population is drifting out of the area and the people wish to join with Tumbudu villages in electing Councillors that they be allowed to do so. I also checked the attitude of both Lavani and Tumbudu people to this suggestion and found that they all favour this. The suggested grouping of people into wards submitted by Mr. Munn took into account traditional affiliations and ~~existing animosities~~ animosities.

Mr. Munn also did preliminary work for the Local Government survey for the Tumbudu census division as well as giving explanatory talks on the Council. Information collected is contained in appendix A.

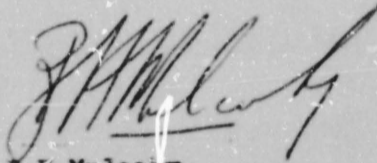
In October I will be ~~starting~~ doing a Local Government survey for all areas of the Duna Sub-District not yet included in the Council and a full report with recommendations will be submitted then.

(6) I will also submit recommendations for the Demarkation committee after my patrol in October and due note will be taken of Mr. Munn's suggestions as contained in appendix B.

(7) Until a suitable economic crop is found for this area the people are doomed to disappointments and frustrations in their endeavours to ~~xxxx~~ produce a cash income in the area. The comments by Mr. Munn are virtually the same for the entire area. Now that an Assistant Agricultural Officer has been posted to the sub-district I hope things will improve and it is hoped to get at least a few decent sized coffee gardens established in the area near the road over the next year. However as stated the real solution lies in a suitable low weight high value crop if one can be found.

For your information.

Claim for camping allowance is attached.



B.H. Mulcahy.
Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams.....

Our Reference..... 67-2-1.

If calling ask for.....

Mr.....

Department of District Administration.

KOROBA. Duna Sub-District.

21st July, 1966.

Mr. B. Munn, CPO,
KOROBA.

PATROL LAVANI AND TUMBUDU CENSUS DIVISION.

Please be prepared to depart on patrol to the above mentioned census divisions tomorrow. During the patrol please carry out the following duties.

- (1) Amend census and compile tax census registers for the two census divisions.
- (2) Prepare a survey report for the extension of the Koroba Local Government Council for the LAVANI census division only. Take Circular Instruction 304 and the District Commissioners 39-2-2 of 16th May, 1966 with you. Inform the people that I will be doing a follow up patrol shortly after you return explaining the extension of Councils to their area and choosing wards etc. Include in your report when you return an indication of how the people reacted to the proposal to incorporate the area under Councils. Whilst in the TUMBUDU census division compile as much general information as you can in accordance with C.I. 304 and give me a report on it when you return. This will assist me when I do a survey report and follow up patrol after you return.
- (3) I have already spoken to most of these people about Demarkation committees. Explain to the people about the committees as I have verbally instructed you and give me your recommendations when you return as to likely candidates. You can inform the people that the committee will be chosen during my follow up patrol.
- (4) Investigate and settle all complaints that you can and any requiring Court action forward on to Koroba. Try and ascertain that there is a definite case to answer before sending them in.
- (5) Check all roads in the area and issue instructions for their improvement where necessary. If some sections are really bad stay a day in the area and work with the people showing them what is required. Please list all instructions given so that follow up action can be taken. Make a list of, and estimate the cost, of any bridges requiring replacement or repair.
- (6) Due to the poor attendance at census in the past give ample warning of the patrols arrival. If people blatantly avoid the census please apprehend and forward to Koroba.

(2)

Mr. CPO Jones will accompany you in the LAVANI census division before doing a patrol of the MOGOROFUGWA census division. He can assist you with the survey report.

You may take as long as you like with the patrol and if any difficulties arise you can let me know by runner and I will do what I can to assist.



B.H. Mulcahy.

Assistant District Commissioner.

cc The District Commissioner Mendi.

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(B)

Sub-district Office,
Duna sub-district,
Koroba.
SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS
1st. September 1966

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-district Office,
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 1 of 1966/67.
LAVANI and TUMBUDU CENSUS DIVISIONS

Patrol Conducted by: B. Munn. Cadet Patrol Officer.

Patrol Accompanied by: Mr. P. Jones. C.P.O. (LAVANI)
Mr. D. Angu. Medical Assistant. (LAVANI)

Area Patrolled: Lavani and Tumbudu Census Divisions.

Duration: 22/7/66 - 13/8/66.

Number of Days: Twenty Three.

Objects of Patrol: 1. Amend census and compile tax census registers.
2. Prepare Local Government Survey Report for Lavani Census Division and compile information for Tumbudu.
3. Speak to people about Demarkation Committee.
4. Check all roads in area.
5. Routine Administration.

.....B. Munn.....

B. Munn.
Cadet Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION

The Lavani and Tumbudu Census Divisions occupy between them, more than half the area of the Duna Sub-district. They contain however, only one-sixth of the total population. Neither census division has as yet experienced much development, and because of their isolation and the ruggedness of the terrain, they are unlikely to for some years. The introduction of a Local Government Council will no doubt spur them forward.

The purpose of the patrol was two-fold. The main reason was to conduct the census. The second reason was to conduct a Local Government Survey of the Lavani Valley, and also to accumulate as much information as possible about the clan groupings in the Tumbudu Census Division. The people were also spoken to about the proposed formation of a Demarkation Committee, and were informed of the follow-up patrol by Mr. Mulcahy.

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DIARY

22nd July 1966

Minor duties and final preparation for patrol. Arrived Aluwini 12.30 pm. however carrier line not ready and by the time they arrived it was too late to depart for the valley. Had discussions with Village Constables from Piangongwa and Ereba, about possible new rest house at Aluwini. Slept Aluwini.

23rd July 1966

Departed 8.00 am. and climbed steadily for four hours before reaching the top of the valley wall. Arrived at rest house 1.00 pm. and spent afternoon settling in. Slept Lavani.

24th July 1966

Sunday observed. Spoke to Village Constables from Gwali and Huguni, and explained to them the reason for holding the census at one rest house only. Spoke to some of the village leaders regarding the council, and also spoke to some of the people and questioned them in order to gain information for the Local Government Council Survey.

25th July 1966

Held census and spoke to people about the Council and Demarkation Committee. Questioned village leaders again and then departed for Huguni. One hours easy walk across grassland. Slept Huguni.

26th July 1966

Departed 8.00am. and following 6 hours hard walk, arrived at Hanai. Found only eight people left in area; the rest having moved into Gwali. Were told that the next rest house Gerero, was completely deserted, the people having gone into the Lake Kopiago Sub-district. We had been told at the previous rest houses that this was so, and as Gerero lay another hard days walk ahead, we decided to travel from Hanai direct to Kelabo. Slept Hanai.

27th July 1966

Departed Hanai 8.00 am. and climbed to top of valley wall in 2 hours. Path little used and from here on was very mountainous and overgrown. Unable to camp because of terrain, therefore moved straight through to Kelabo. Arrived 8.20 pm. Slept Kelabo.

28th July 1966

Spent day resting. Paid carrier line and did some work on compilation on tax census sheets for Lavani. Spoke to Village Constable and told him to call up men for roadwork the next day. Also spoke to Luluai from Lake Kopiago and verified that the people from Gerero had indeed migrated into the Kopiago area. Slept Kelabo.

29th July 1966

Men came forward for roadwork. Mr. Jones and myself walked along the road and gave instructions for work to be done at various sections. Two courts heard in afternoon. Some work on census figures. Slept Kelabo.

30th July 1966

Day spent doing tax census sheets for Lavani. Heard some minor complaints. Slept Kelabo.

31st July 1966

Sunday observed. Slept Kelabo.

1st August 1966

Held census in morning, 4½ hours. Had talk with Village Constables and other leaders from Kelabo and three other rest houses. Invited and received several questions from them. Compiled census figures. Slept Kelabo.

2nd August 1966

Moved to Kudiebi and held census. Spoke to village leaders and people concerning the Demarkation Committee and the Council.

questioned people and held general discussion. Moved to Hauwienda and held census. Spoke to people and questioned leaders. Inspected road being built by these people to join with main road. One court sent to Koroba. Compiled census figures. Slept Hauwienda.

3rd August 1966

Moved to new rest house, Kogaidia. Held census and spoke to and questioned people. Only 139 people here so moved on to Aienda and held census. Spoke to and questioned people. Some opposition to suggestion of both Committee and Council. Slept Aienda.

4th August 1966

Moved to Kagoma, held census and spoke to people. Once again met opposition to council and committee. People divided in opinion but gradually swung to support idea. Moved to Uiamu. Settled one minor dispute and compiled census figures for Kagoma. Slept Uiamu.

5th August 1966

Held census in morning and noticed that there was no sign of opposition. Questioned leaders. Was approached by leaders from Aienda and Kagoma. They claimed that opposition in their groups had been overcome; and following further discussion they left to investigate possibility of these two rest houses joining with Uiamu under two councillors. Compiled census figures. Slept Uiamu.

6th August 1966

Work done on tax census sheets and Lavani Council Survey Report. Informed Village Constable that all men from Uiamu, Kagoma and Aienda were to work on the road on Monday. Slept Uiamu.

7th August 1966

Sunday observed. Work done on Lavani Report. Slept Uiamu.

8th August 1966

Worked on road. Spent morning giving instructions as to work to be done on various sections. Spoke to Village Constables from Kogaidia, Aienda, Kagoma, Uiamu and Warakumun. After some discussion they had decided to join. Slept Uiamu.

9th August 1966

Moved to Warakumun, spoke to people and conducted census. The village leaders had ^{spoken} to me before of their willingness to join with Uiamu. Departed Warakumun 12.30pm. and walked to Piangongwa. Spoke to village leaders about council and committee. Slept Piangongwa.

10th August 1966

10th August 1966

Held census at Piangongwa and spoke to people. Moved to Aluwini and spoke to people and held census. This is a new rest house, made up of people from Piangongwa and Ereba. Departed Aluwini at 3.30 pm. and arrived Iagwabi at 4.45 pm. Slept Iagwabi.

11th August 1966

Conducted census and spoke to people about council and committee. Spoke to village leaders about their relations with other groups and also informed them that I would be stopping the next day to work on the road. Afternoon spent completing census figures for census division. Slept Iagwabi.

12th August 1966

Worked on road for most of day. This is a new road connecting Koroba and the present Koroba-Kelabo road, at the Tangi Baptist Mission. In the afternoon did some work on Council Survey for Lavani. Slept Iagwabi.

13th August 1966

Departed for Koroba 8.30 am. Arrived Koroba 11.15 am. Patrol stood down.

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NATIVE AFFAIRSNative Situation:

The people of the Lavani and Tumbudu are among the least regularly contacted in the sub-district. The Lavani, because of the small population and geographic isolation, has no direct Administration contact, apart from the census patrols. They do however have some contact with missions in the Tumbudu. The people in the Tumbudu have slightly more contact with both the missions and the Administration. This lack of contact is due to the distance from Koroba and the lack of development, agricultural or otherwise.

Partly because of this isolation and partly because of past ventures by the Administration, which were terminated, the people feel that they have been neglected, and that they will therefore never progress. This is particularly true of the section not in immediate proximity to any of the three missions.

For all this however, the majority of the people still believe that the Government is their only way to development and are therefore willing to forget past failures, and support new schemes. This was their attitude to both the Council and the Demarkation Committee.

Hereunder I will describe reception given to the suggestion of the Local Government Council, and the Demarkation Committee in both the Lavani and Tumbudu Census Divisions.

Local Government Council

The population of the Lavani is only 240 people, and as they all live within two hours walk of one of the two rest houses, I held the census at one place to speak to them all at once. Their reaction to the council was one of complacence, mere acceptance of the Council as part of the Administration. When questioned the village leaders claimed that they would go to the Tumbudu Census Division when the Council was brought in. This is because their true places are in Tumbudu and the Lavani is merely a feeding ground for their pigs.

In the Tumbudu I spoke to the people at every rest house and questioned the village leaders as to their

friendship with each other and with adjacent groups. All the groups had doubts about their ability to pay taxes, however after I had discussed this with them and told them of the possible allowances made by the Government with regards to taxes, they acknowledged their readiness to accept the Council. At two rest houses, Aienda and Kagoma, I was strongly opposed by several men who held some sway over the general attitude.

They opposed the move on the grounds that previous schemes in this area, such as coffee, pyrethrum and the introduction of villages along the road, had either been dropped or neglected by the Government. The truth of this could not be denied, and even after an explanation that the plans of local officers are subject to change by their superiors, and that the lack of a council in the area had led to the abandonment of the schemes; I was still unable to dislodge all of the opposition. I was however, successful in bringing forward the real headmen of the groups, and in obtaining their support. They brought with them the majority of the people.

Under Appendix A I have listed the rest houses and groups, in the groupings which they indicated as possible electorates. I have also compiled under separate cover, a Local Government Survey Report for the Lavani Census Division in accordance with Circular Instruction 304.

Demarkation Committee

The discussion about this committee were received quite well. At the two rest houses mentioned above, those opposed to the committee claimed that they had not progressed sufficiently to be capable of forming the committee. At all other rest houses however the idea was accepted, and at eight rest houses the leaders insisted on nominating candidates for the committee.

These, as well as my own nominations are listed under Appendix B.

On the whole I would say that the attitude of the people to the Administration is one of slight disappointment, but retaining a rather wary faith which makes them willing to assist further Administration schemes.

Village Officials.

There are now only two rest houses being used in the Lavani Census Division. Of the two Village Constables, Hambuano Moli of Gwali is the most impressive and effective.

In the Tumbudu there are eleven Village Constables and three are noticeably above average in intelligence and in the understanding of their duty. These were:-

Iagwa Kaieli Kudiebi Rest House.

Iote Hagoba Uiamu Rest House.

Lai Webodia Iagwebi Rest House.

At Kagoma rest house I found that opposition to the council and the committee was led by the Village Constable Urulu Andubwa. On past criticisms of him and from my own observations, I would suggest that he be dismissed as he is of no help, and is indeed a hindrance to any Government scheme in the area.

Agriculture

Throughout the Tumbudu the people claim that this aspect of development is one which for them will never improve. The people are subsistence farmers, growing kau-kau and sugar cane and in recent years also growing potatoes, cabbage, tomatoes, pumpkin and corn. The European vegetables are sold in small quantities at the missions and at Koroba station. There is a small pyrethrum plot at Kelabo which will produce little and do little for the people. Apart from this plot there are no cash crops in the area.

The attitude of the people towards plans to improve their agriculture is one of cynicism. On various occasions previously, these people have been told to ready their ground for the planting of coffee or pyrethrum, and when they had done this, they were informed that the Administration had changed its' mind. On one occasion they were told by an Administration Officer that their ground was no good and that it could not grow anything. This has all served to engender the idea that the area is inferior and the people are now unwilling to attempt improvement.

Based on the variety and quantity of vegetables brought to me for purchase, my opinion is that the area is capable of producing quite a few useful crops.

Law and Order.

During the patrol, eight disputes were brought forward for settlement. Of these only two were of a sufficiently serious nature to warrant their being sent to Koroba.

The first of these was brought forward at Hauwienda and concerned a charge of rape. On being sent to Koroba the accused was found guilty and convicted.

The second, a case of assault from Iagwabi also resulted in conviction.

A third case involving an assault was forwarded to the Lake Kopiago sub-district for settlement.

The people of these areas, Lavani and Tumbudu, are relatively settled and do not appear to have much serious trouble amongst themselves. The Village Constables settle small disputes concerning pigs etc. and even settle marital quarrels.

The people seem to realize and appreciate the importance of accepting the law, and of bringing their disputes to the Administration Officer.

Health.

As with all the people in the sub-district, the people of the Lavani and the Tumbudu are quite healthy. There is of course the ever present cold, and a small percentage of leprosy.

There is a small hospital at both the C.M.M.L. Mission at Kelabo and at the Baptist Mission at Tangi. There is also an aid-post at Lienda. While at Uiamu I noticed that several small children had died in the past year. On questioning the people I found that the children had died either in the hospital at Tangi or on the way home from the hospital, and that they had died of colds. I found later that during the recent measles epidemic there were five deaths at the Tangi hospital. These were the only deaths in the district. It seems likely therefore that the children said to have died with colds are those that died during the measles epidemic. In this case the colds would more likely be Pneumonia contracted after the measles.

There are no trained orderlies at Tangi and all work is done by the European in charge. He is not always available and is only semi-trained. This may be only an isolated instance but perhaps it would be worthwhile requesting him to forward more serious cases onto the hospital at Koroba in future.

Roads.

There are no roads in the Lavani Census Division. This is because of the extremely rugged mountain range surrounding the valley. The local natives have cleared the track which leads in from Aluwini and it is now a fairly easy 5 hour walk to the large, as yet unnamed, rest house near the lakes. The tracks within the valley are in no way improved and consequently walking is fairly difficult.

There are two roads in the Tumbudu Census Division. The Koroba-Kelabo road is completed between these two places, and from Kelabo to the Lake Kapiago border there has been extensive work done by the local natives. One day was spent working on the road around Kelabo and instructions were left that the work was to continue on every Monday.

From Kelabo to Aienda, the road is quite good. However from here to Aluwini; and particularly from Aienda to Uiamu, the road surface has obviously had little or no care. One day was spent working here and although no specific instructions were issued, the people were told to concentrate on the road in this section and to keep it in good repair. They were also told to work every Monday. At Piangongwa and Aluwini were also given these instructions.

The second road, which stretches from Koroba to join the Koroba-Kelabo road at the Tangi Baptist Mission is as yet uncompleted. From the Baptist Mission to within sight of Koroba it has been marked and cleared, the final section has however had no work done on it. One day was spent working here and instructions were issued for gutters to be dug, so as to facilitate better drainage.

The people of Hauwienda have also undertaken the construction of a section of road about three-quarters of a mile long, and joining their rest house to the Koroba-Kelabo road. I inspected this road but did not give any instructions.

Bridges.

All the bridges in the Tumbudu have recently been repaired by a patrol from Koroba, and consequently most of them are now in a satisfactory condition.

There are however two bridges which require further attention. The first is a small bridge next to the Uiamu rest house. It is usually covered with earth and the timber

underneath is beginning to rot. The local natives have brought forward 13 plitches for its' repair and eight of them have already been placed in the bridge. Cost of repairs to the bridge would be about £9.00.

The second bridge lies just below the Kagoma rest house and is about 40 feet in length. The pylons on one bank of the river have become undermined, and are in danger of being carried away in the next high water. I think that the condition of the bank is such that reinforcement of the pylons is impossible. The only solution would be to sink another set of pylons further up the bank and reinforce these. Cost of this operation would have to cover new pylons, timber for reinforcing the bank around these, and depending on how far into the bank the new pylons have to be set, perhaps the purchase of new bearers for the bridge. I would estimate the cost to be about £80.

Missions.

There are three missions in the Tumbudu Census Division and none in the Lavani. Neither do any of the Tumbudu missions have any influence in the Lavani.

The Christian Mission of Many Lands.

This mission, situated at Kelabo, has the greatest influence in the Census Division. It has a European staff of three, and operates a small hospital and a trade store. It would have some influence over approximately a third of the people in the Census Division.

Summer Institute of Languages.

A very small mission situated about 1 mile from the C.M.M.L. Mission at Kelabo. This is staffed by two Europeans. They exercise a relatively small religious influence over the people, being seemingly more interested in the study of the language than in the spiritual welfare of the people.

Sovereign Grace Baptist Mission.

This mission is situated at Tangi, approximately 12 miles from Koroba on the Kelabo road. It is staffed by an American missionary and his wife and services about 200 natives. They also operate a small hospital.

Census.

The combined population of the Lavani and Tumbudu Census Divisions, is 3636 people, only 240 of these being in the Lavani.

There was during the patrol, quite a bit of migration within the census division. Census was taken at two new rest houses which were made up of people from within the census division. These were at Kogaidia with the people coming from Kudiebi and Aienda, and at Aluwini with the people coming from Piangongwa and also from Ereba in the Mogorefugwa Census Division.

Two rest houses in the Lavani have now been abandoned. These are Hanai and Gerero. The people from Gerero have moved into the Lake Kapiago sub-district and the people from Hanai have moved to either the Tumbudu Census Division or to Gwali or Hugini in the Lavani. There is a strong population drift out of the Lavani Census Division.

At all rest houses the attendance was good and there were no cases of people purposefully evading the census. There are now only two rest houses in the Lavani and eleven in the Tumbudu Census Division.

CONCLUSION

Throughout the patrol I was constantly aware of the impatience of these people to attain some degree of development, no matter how small. The negative attitude evident in one small area is something which has been caused by the lack of planning, in, and consequent termination of previous agricultural schemes.

The patrol succeeded in carrying out all its patrol instructions.

.....B. Munn.....

B. Munn.

Cadet Patrol Officer

Patrol Personnel
Royal Papua and New Guinea Constabulary

Const. Maliupa. No. 6994

Quite willing however not of very forceful character. Rather slow in understanding instructions.

Const. Karok. No. 7814

Extremely conscientious but does not show much initiative. Gets on very well with the people.

Const. Ukambani. No. 8983

Quite a capable and a very forceful officer. Shows initiative and common sense.

.....*B. Munn*.....

B. Munn.

Cadet Patrol Officer.

APPENDIX "A"

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Rest Houses and Lineage Groups in the Tumbudu
Suggested Groupings for Wards.

Rest House	Population	Main Groups	Sub-groups
KELABO	687	KIBARIA	ANINIA ANUPAI'IA MUNDOUBA
KUDIEMI	317	HAGAI	PENE WIRIA
HAUWIENDA	208	LIWIDIA	HINIA OGWALI
KOGAIDIA	139	HETENE	MINGU PIAUIWI MI'ANGU
AIENDA	253	IANDIGIA	IALU PATARA
KAGOMA	296	PUIENA	TOLEI'IA IDANOWA
		PUNI	KATAU
UIAMU	316	WALALI	PAIDIA WAIDIABA
		ULAMU	HIDENE IARI KAWA
		KUNIA	BIRI LANGA
WARAKUMUN	371	KENAMU	TALA'AUWI TALINA HAGI
		HUGUNI	PATARA NANEI
		ELA	PIENE
PIANGONGWA	225	NONE PARIA	PAGARI ARUBA IEBIA TINDAGA

APPENDIX "A" (cont.)

Rest Houses and Lineage Groups in the Tumbudu.
Suggested Groupings for Wards.

Rest House	Population	Main Groups	Sub-groups
ALUWINI	280	MUKWA TELAIDIA	GIDIA OGARIA HAIDIERE
IACWABI	304	KANE IAGABA	PERABUDIA TIA KUAGUA NABIDIA KERIA

Nominations for Demarcation CommitteeLAVANI CENSUS DIVISION

+ Hambuano Moli	-----	
+ Kidinabe Kurumali		GWALI REST HOUSE

TUMBUDU CENSUS DIVISION

+ Mengano Nabidia	-----	KELABO REST HOUSE
+ Iagwa Kaieli	-----	KUDIEBI REST HOUSE
Kogaidia Hai'iaba	-----	KOGAIDIA REST HOUSE
Terebe Kungai'iali	-----	AIENDA REST HOUSE
Limbidia Hadiatugu	-----	KAGOMA REST HOUSE
+ Iote Hagoba		UIAMU REST HOUSE
Lera Iuni	-----	
Tere Kaline		
Aiabe Arago		WARAKUMUN REST HOUSE
Undiale Paiwa	-----	
+ Ibagu Godabe		
Langabe Mungabe		PIANGONGWA REST HOUSE
Hadiabe Komia	-----	
Aliwa Hurulu		ALUWINI REST HOUSE
Lembo Lebali	-----	
+ Lai Wabadia		
+ Hadieni Paralia		IAGWABI REST HOUSE
Hundia Kane	-----	

+ These are my own nominations. The others are those nominated by the people of the above-mentioned rest houses.

APPENDIX "C"

Census Statistics for Lavani and Tumbudu Census Divisions

LAVANI CENSUS DIVISION

Rest House	Children		Adults		Totals
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Gwali	36	34	47	63	180
Huguni	15	13	15	17	60
Totals	<u>51</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>240</u>

Deaths		Absent Workers		Births	
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
2	-	8	-	3	4

TUMBUDU CENSUS DIVISION

Rest House	Children		Adults		Totals
	Male	Female	Male	Female	
Kelabo	152	128	208	199	687
Kudiebi	65	52	114	86	317
Harwienda	47	46	53	62	208
Kogeidia	23	28	47	41	139
Aienda	49	58	73	73	253
Kagoma	60	45	94	97	296
Ujumu	65	53	102	96	316
Warakumun	76	70	113	112	371
Piangongwa	50	35	77	63	225
Aluwini	48	40	104	88	280
Iagwabi	62	58	85	99	304
Totals	<u>697</u>	<u>613</u>	<u>1070</u>	<u>1016</u>	<u>3396</u>

Deaths		Absent Workers		Births	
Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
15	8	64	2	37	41

DUNA SUB-DISTRICT

(1)

Papua

LAVANI C/D

Gerero ●

Hanai

Kalaboa
Mission Station

TUMBUDU C/D

WESTERN DISTRICT

MOTOR ROADS

WALKING TRACKS

● CENSUS CENTRES

▲ ADMINISTRATION CENTRE

⊕ MISSION STATION

✈ AIRSTRIP

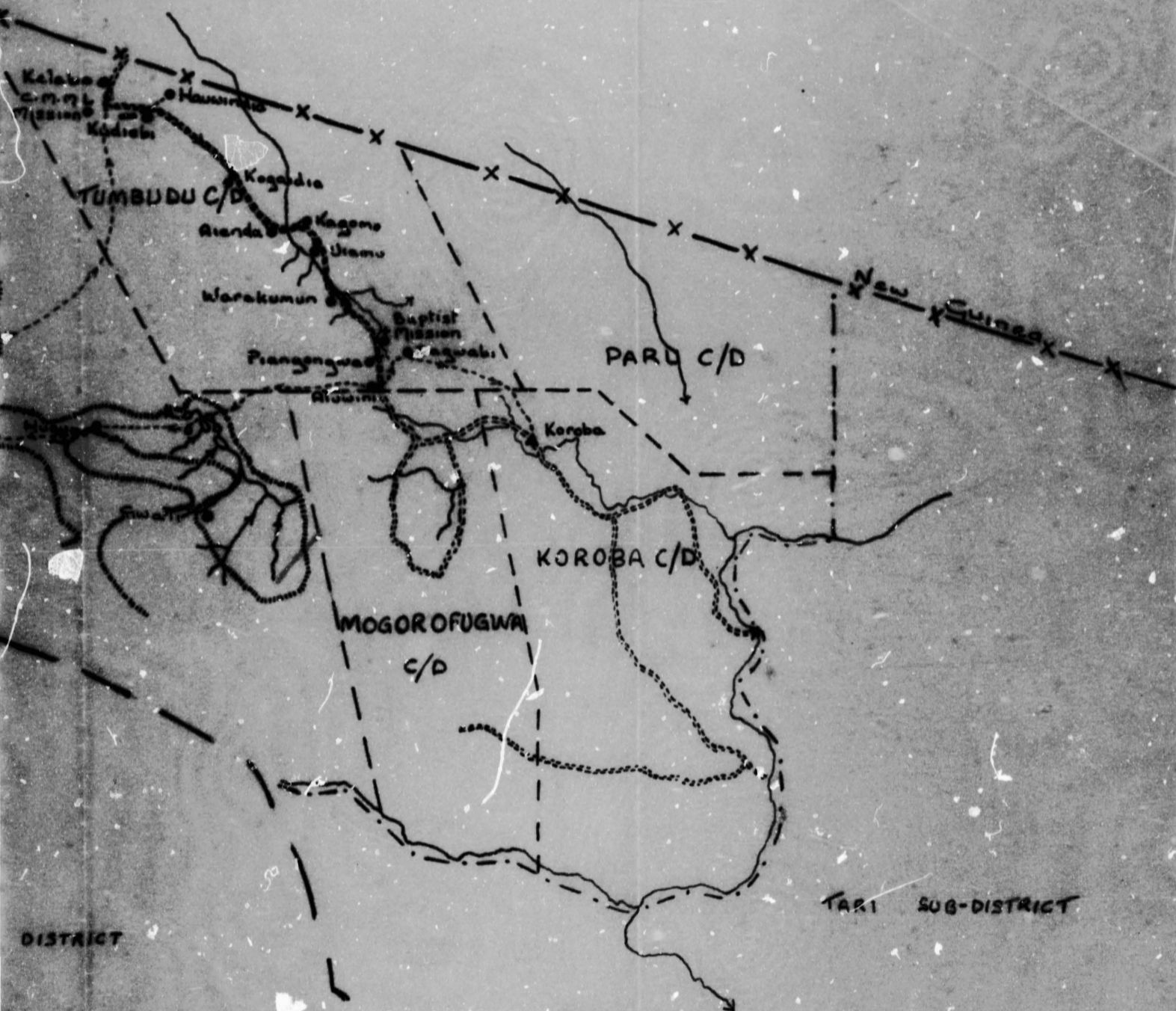
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- - - SUB-DISTRICT BOUNDARY

DISTRICT

S. H. D.

(17)



DISTRICT

TARI SUB-DISTRICT

Scale 1" = 4 miles



--- DISTRICT BOUNDARY
 -.-.- SUB-DISTRICT BOUNDARY
 --- CENSUS DIVISION BOUNDARY
 ~~~~~ MAIN RIVERS  
 Drawn by B. Nunn



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. 2 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by P.O. JONES CADET PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled MOGOROFUGWA CENSUS DIVISION and portion of LAVANI C/D

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans D. ANGU ( MEDICAL ASSISTANT ) LAVANI.

Natives MOGOROFUGWA 3 Members of R.P. & N.G.C  
1 Interpreter.

Duration—From 22 / 7 / 19 66 to 15 / 8 / 19 66

Number of Days TWENTY FIVE DAYS.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? YES ( Lavani portion only )

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 3 / 7 / 19 65 ( Lavani & 25/1/66 (Mogorofugwa)

Medical NIL / / 19 ( Lavani and Mogorofugwa )

Map Reference SKETCH MAP ATTACHED

Objects of Patrol Census Revision. Inform the people about Local Government Council and Demarkation Committee. Check all roads. General Administration.

Director of ~~Native Affairs~~, DA  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

*29/9/1966*

.....  
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... £.....  
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund .... £.....  
Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund ....  
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67-15-8.

13th December, 1966.

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MUSILI.

KOROKA PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1966/1967.

Receipt is acknowledged of Mr. Jones' report of his Hogerofuga-Lavani Census Division patrol and of covering memoranda from the Assistant District Commissioner, Koroka and yourself.

Mr. Jones has just completed a satisfactory patrol adequately documented. The report was read with interest. The continued drift of the Lavani people is interesting and as you state their assimilation into other Census Divisions should not present any land difficulties.

The Commissioner for Local Government comments as follows :-

"A most unusual pre-Council situation which can only be altered by the introduction of Local Government.

In assessing the worth of the village constable of Hujenema, the writer's set of values are obviously the opposite of those of the village people. The constable may be more politically aware than is suspected."

It is pleasing to see the development of road systems in the area.

(J. K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR



67 15.8

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference.....  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

67-3-11



Department of District Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

29th September, 1966.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBUBU.

Subject:- Duna Patrol No 2 of 1966/67

Attached please find the following documents relating to the above patrol conducted by Mr. P.O. Jones, Cadet Patrol Officer to the MOGOROFUGWA Census Division and portion of the Lavani Census Division:-

- (i) Patrol Report,
- (ii) Covering memorandum, 67-5-4 of 12th September, 1966 by the Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.

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Some comments follow:-

- (i) A satisfactory situation in the areas visited Migration out of the Lavani Census Division to the Mogorofugwa Census Division continues and no doubt will be accelerated with the extension of the Local Government system. It is not anticipated that the migration will give rise to any problems as the people will merely be returning to areas where they still retain land rights.
- (ii) It is not uncommon to meet initial opposition based on fear of taxation to proposed formation of Local Government Councils. In areas such as the Duna there is a danger that political development could outstrip economic development because of isolation, poor road access and related factors such as high freight costs. Such a situation could have grave administrative and political consequences. For these reasons I have been pressing for the introduction of high value for weight crops. There has been some response however the economic future of the Duna Sub-District if not bleak, is not very rosy.
- (iii) Village Population Registers will be forwarded when a number of queries have been settled.

3. This was Mr. Jones' first solo patrol. He carried out his duties efficiently and has written an interesting report.

The District Commissioner,

SIKASSA

SIKASSA PATROL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1954 S/D S.

Forwarded herewith report on patrol carried out by Mr. GPO Jones. This was his first patrol at Sikasso and only the second since the arrival of the District Commissioner. The report and the patrol are attached for your information and copy to the reports.

*[Handwritten Signature]*

(D.R. Marsh)  
District Commissioner.

As mentioned in the comments on Patrol Report No. 1 the report on population from the Council has indicated that the very small population of Sikasso is hardly worthwhile giving the area special attention. I have no doubt that unless and until a crop can be raised that will grow very well in the valley eventually all the people will have to leave the valley to seek their livelihood elsewhere they still retain land rights.

(2) The opposition mentioned to the formation of the Council was only passive, the main reason being fear of taxes. This area has virtually no income and even a small tax will create hardship unless some avenue for earning money is found. The people are willing to work and are also quite good workers. Money earned by working on the new new airstrip at Kordoua, and if it is approved, and other projects may provide the income to cover taxes in the initial year of the Council but an economic crop must be found if these people are going to contribute a worthwhile amount towards the Council in future years. It is noted that the next year will see some developments in the field of low weight high value crops such as what this may be the solution to the economic needs of this sub-district. There is no doubt in my mind that the assistance Government should be needed to assist the Council in the entire sub-district is incorporated under one council next year.

This patrol was planned to give the people early notice of the intention of incorporating the entire sub-district under Sikasso and also to get reaction and consider possible wards. The information gained by Mr. Jones on likely wards is contained in appendix 1. I intend to carry out the Council survey for the entire sub-district next month and a final report with recommendations will be submitted then. In the meanwhile the people will have a chance to think about the Council and any active opposition should be apparent by then.

(3) The Committee Committee will also be finalized during the patrol next month. Mr. Jones' recommendations are contained in appendix 2 and the notes will be taken of them when the final choice is made.

(4) The road mentioned from SIKASSA to the project SIKASSA road has been considered and I think it is desirable and it would seem be possible to drive from Kordoua via Kordoua, SIKASSA, and SIKASSA to the village without retracing any part of the route. However with more pressing road work to be carried out in the sub-district I cannot do more at the moment. If work permits later in the year I will have a feasibility survey done.

(5) The work done on the road from SIKASSA to SIKASSA road is encouraging as in the past the SIKASSA people have been inclined to be difficult. Recently however I have had numerous requests from the people for an officer of police to assist them to finance the construction of the roads. It was at their request that I had Mr. Jones visit the area. The police assistance in working on the road in the place in the report were under the immediate supervision of Mr. Jones. I intend to have Mr. Jones spend a few more days at SIKASSA at the end of the next patrol to finalize work on all projects by the end of the year.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

(17)

Telegrams.....

Our Reference..... 69-5-4.

If calling ask for.....

Mr.....

Department of District Administration.

KOROBA, Duna Sub-District.

12th September, 1966.

The District Commissioner,

MENDI.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 2, 1966/67 LAVANI AND MOGOROFUGWA C/D's.

Forwarded herewith report for the above mentioned patrol carried out by Mr. CPO Jones. This is Mr. Jones's first solo patrol at Koroba and only the second patrol he has carried out by himself. The report and the patrol are satisfactory and the following comments are made on the report.

(1) As mentioned in the comments on Patrol Report No. 1 the drift in population from the Lavani has continued and the very small population left in this area makes it hardly worthwhile giving the area much attention. I have no doubt that unless an economic crop can be found that will grow very well in the valley eventually all the people will move out into the nearby census divisions when they still retain land rights.

(2) The opposition mentioned to the formation of the Council was only passive, the main reason being fear of taxes. This area has virtually no income and even a small tax will create hardship unless some avenue for earning money is found. The people are willing to work and are also quite good workers. Money earned by working on the new airstrip at Koroba, ~~and~~ if it is approved, and other projects may provide the income to cover taxes in the initial year of the Council but an economic crop must be found if these people are going to contribute a worthwhile amount towards the Council in future years. It is hoped that the next year will see some developments in the field of low weight high value oils such as mint that may be the solution to the economic woes of this sub-district. There is no doubt in my mind that the maximum Government subsidy will be needed to assist the Council if the entire sub-district is incorporated under one council next year.

This patrol was planned to give the people early advice of the intention of incorporating the entire sub-district under Councils, and also test out reaction and consider possible wards. The information gained by Mr. Jones on likely wards is contained in appendix A. I intend to carry out the Council survey for the entire sub-district not yet under Councils next month and a full report with recommendations will be submitted then. In the meanwhile the people will have a chance to think about the Council and any active opposition should be apparent by then.

(3) The Demarkation committee will also be finalized during the patrol next month. Mr. Jones's recommendations are contained in appendix B and due note will be taken of them when the final choice is made.

(4) The road mentioned from IALUBA to the present MOGOROFUGWA road has been considered and I think it is desirable ~~and~~ it would then be possible to drive from Koroba via Pureni, IALUBA, and BETEGE back to the station without retracing any part of the route. However with more pressing road work to be carried out in the sub-district I cannot do much at the moment. If work permits later in the year I will have a feasibility survey done.

(5) The work done on the PABULUMU to IALUBA road is encouraging as in the past the IALUBA people have been inclined to be difficult. Recently however I have had numerous requests from the people for an officer or police to assist them to finish the construction of the road. It was at their request that I had Mr. Jones visit the area. The police mentioned as working on the road in two places in the report were under the immediate supervision of Mr. Jones. I intend to have him spend a few more days at IALUBA at the end of his next patrol to finalize work on all bridges to open it to landrovers.

(6) The comments on village officials have been noted but with the Council planned it seems unnecessary to replace any officials at this stage.

(7) The political advancement of these people should improve with the introduction of the Council but until this can be complemented with some sort of a local cash economy progress will be slow and the people will remain frustrated. Never-the-less the native situation in the area seems satisfactory and typical of other similar areas in the Territory.

Forwarded for your information please.

Claim for camping allowance is attached.



B.H. Mulcahy.  
Assistant District Commissioner.

Sub-district Office,  
Duna sub-district,  
Koroba.  
Southern Highlands  
7th September 1966

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-district Office,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 2 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by: P.O. Jones Cadet Patrol Officer.  
Also this officer accompanied B.L. Munn C.P.O. during portion  
of Patrol No. 1 of 1966/67 through the Lavani Valley. Account  
of this has been included in this report.

Area Patrolled: Mogorofugwa Census Division and portion of the  
Lavani Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by: D. Angu Medical Assistant ( Lavani )

- R.P. & N.G.C. Cpl. Baija 3717
- Const. Tobiranga 10607
- Const. Elena 11442

Interpreter. Nagiria Wabiria

Duration: 22/7/66 - 15/8/66

Number of Days: Twenty Five.

- Objects of Patrol.
1. Amend census and compile tax census sheets.
  2. Inform ~~people~~ people about the extension of Local Government Councils to the area.
  3. Give talks about the formation of a Demarkation Committee.
  4. Check all roads and bridges in the area.
  5. General Administration.

*Piers O. Jones*  
Piers O. Jones  
( Cadet Patrol Officer. )

### INTRODUCTION

Two Census Divisions were visited during this patrol, Lavani and Mogorofugwa. Together these Divisions comprise a large portion of the Sub-District and contain eight rest houses. The people in both areas speak Huri.

As instructed, census was taken in both areas and the people were generally informed about the Local Government Councils soon to be established, and the proposed formation of a Demarkation Committee to settle all local land disputes. A number of courts and complaints were dealt with during the patrol. The condition of the roads was noted and the Village Officials were advised when their particular section was in need of repair.

The portion of the patrol through the Lavani was harder and more costly than the other although the time spent was considerably shorter. This cost was due largely to the present shortage of fresh vegetables in the valley; all sweet potato for the carriers had to be purchased and taken in from the starting point Aluwini, outside the valley.

The Lavani Census Division is actually comprised of three valleys, each isolated from the outside as they are from each other. The largest of the three is the Lavani Valley which is some ten miles long and over three wide. To the north of this, over a range about six hundred feet high, is a smaller valley in which the rest house, Hanai, is situated. A third of about the same size is located to the north west of this. The whole is bounded by a rugged range of mountains which rise in places to a height of ten thousand feet. The ruggedness of the terrain would make the building of a road into the area almost impossible.

The Lavani Valley is different in a number of ways from the surrounding country. The inner walls of the valley on the eastern side, fall sheer to a flat plain that comprises about half the valley floor; much of this plain is swamp that makes the land useless for agriculture. A number of lakes are located in the north-eastern corner of the valley on which are found duck and other water fowl. A fairly high ridge runs virtually the whole length of the western half of the valley.

The whole floor of the valley is covered in coarse swamp grass but this central ridge is overgrown with dense foliage as are the surrounding mountains. Three tracks lead into the valley and two more come out of it. All wind their way through dense jungle and none are in good condition though it is obvious some pains have been taken to improve them. There seems little point in making an effort to put a decent track into the area as the people are migrating out and in time the valley will be deserted.

The Mogorofugwa Division although being larger in area was considerably easier to patrol. Most of the rest houses lie in an arc round the Mogorofugwa swamp and are comparatively close together. The

INTRODUCTION CONT.

exception is the rest house at Jaluba which is a number of miles to the south of the swamp and is separated from it by a series of broken ranges several hundred feet high. As in the Lavani the climate was temperate and very little rain fell during the patrol.

The patrol after concluding work in the Lavani and Mogorofugwa Census Divisions returned to the station by way of Pabulumu. Two courts were dealt with on the way.

PATROL DIARYFriday 22nd July.

Departed Koroba 1200 for Aluwini. Arrived Aluwini 1230. As the carriers had not been engaged it was decided to postpone the walk into the Lavani Valley till the next day. Arranged for carriers to assemble at the rest house early next morning. Heard and arbitrated in a dispute, between the two Village Constables of Aluwini and Piangongwa, as to where census was to be held. Slept Aluwini.

Saturday 23rd July.

Lined carriers. Departed Aluwini 0800. Climbed steadily through dense jungle for four hours before reaching the summit of the wall, a height of about ten thousand feet. Descended the wall in about three quarters of an hour; the path down is extremely steep. Crossed quite an extensive swamp before reaching the rest house at about 1300. This rest house is un-named as it was not officially built for Administrative purposes. Census, however, was taken here for the purpose of the Council survey. Slept Lavani.

Sunday 24th July.

Day observed. Slept Lavani.

Monday 25th July.

Carriers departed early with most of the cargo for Huguni on the other side of the valley. Waited some time for the people to assemble for census. (This rest house was the only place at which census was taken in the valley. This naturally meant that the people, in some cases, had to travel several miles.) Gave talks on the Local Government Council and Demarkation. Proceeded with census. David Angu the Medical Assistant accompanying the patrol treated any people in need of attention. Finished census about 1230. Departed for Huguni an hour later. Arrived 1430. Slept Huguni.

Tuesday 26th July.

Departed Huguni 0800 for Hanai. Walked through varying country. The track headed in a north westerly direction and continually climbed towards the western wall of the valley. About midday the patrol passed along the foot of Mt. Karuma, the highest point in the valley wall. The path then climbed steeply and dropped down a long jungle covered ridge to Hanai. Only eight people were found to be left in the area. Pitched tents for the Police and carriers. Slept Hanai.

DIARY CONT.Wednesday 27th July.

Departed Hapai 0800. The general direction the patrol took was north towards Kelabo. ( It was as yet undecided whether the patrol was going to try and reach Kelabo that day or make camp somewhere along the track. This track is apparently little used and nobody could advise the patrol on either its length or condition. ) A two hour climb brought the patrol out of the valley and from there the track led on for some distance before breaking out of the bush into a series of circular depressions of short grass interspersed with tree ferns that grew to a height of about nine feet. The last six hours of the walk were continuously through thick bush. The patrol arrived at the Koroba-Kelabo road about 10.00. Kelabo was reached twenty minutes later. Slept Kelabo.

Thursday 28th July.

Paid the natives who had carried during the Lavani portion of the patrol. Did some work concerning the census figures for the Lavani. Arranged for road work the next day. Heard ~~some~~ a few minor complaints. Slept Kelabo.

Friday 29th July.

Inspected road work during the morning. Heard two courts in the afternoon; both were settled after a considerable waste of time. Slept Kelabo.

Saturday 30th July.

Spent the day doing the Tax Census Sheets for the Lavani. The Police continued the supervision of road work. Slept Kelabo.

Sunday 31st July.

Sunday. Day observed. Slept Kelabo.

Monday 1st August.

Lined carriers and departed for Eriba at about 0900. Walked along the road the whole way south to Eriba. Arrived 1400. Heard one complaint and settled this. Slept Eriba.

Tuesday 2nd August.

Assembled people for census. Gave talks on two subjects, the formation of a Local Government Council and a Demarkation Committee. The people's reactions to these subjects were noted. Census followed. Census concluded the patrol departed for Betega. Arrived 1300. Two courts were settled during the afternoon. Slept Betega.

Wednesday 3rd August.

Gave the usual talks when the people assembled. This was followed by census. Census went very smoothly. Departed for Keraniba. Arrived Keraniba 1300. ( The people of Hetuawi moved wholly to the new rest house, Keraniba, as it is central in the area. The old rest house has been abandoned. ) Had a talk with the Village Officials about the Councils and heard what complaints they had. Slept Keraniba.



DIARY CONT.Thursday 4th August.

Waited till about 0900 for the people to assemble. Gave the talks about the Local Government Council and the Demarkation Committee. Held census. Finished census by 1130. Walked to Hujenoma. Arrived 1330. Started compiling census figures for some of the rest houses previously visited. Slept Hujenoma.

Friday 5th August.

People assembled for census at 10.00. Gave talks and discussed with the people the formation of the Council and Demarkation Committee. Took note of opinions put forward. Proceeded with census. Census completed at 1230. Heard a number of courts and complaints in the afternoon. Continued work on census figures. Slept Hujenoma.

Saturday 6th August.

Made an inspection of the roads accompanied by the Village Officials. Gave instructions for improvement where it was needed. Continued the supervision of road work for most of the day. Slept Hujenoma.

Sunday 7th August.

Day observed except for the continuation of work on census sheets. Slept Hujenoma.

Monday 8th August.

Departed Hujenoma 0800 for Yetemari. Inspected the road between these two rest houses. Arrived Yetemari 10.00. Immediately began work as the people were ready, assembled. Talked to the people on the usual subjects and straightened any queries they had. Began census and as there was little trouble it was finished by about 1300. Purchased a native dog for the Dept. of Agriculture. Heard a number of complaints in the afternoon, all were settled with little trouble. Slept Yetemari.

Tuesday 9th August.

Departed Yetemari early for Ialuba to the south. Walked along the road for a number of miles before branching off it into the bush. The patrol then climbed for several hours through the broken ranges that separate the Ialuba swamp from the Mogorofugwa swamp. Descended to the Ialuba swamp and walked for half an hour across to the rest house. Arrived 1330. In the afternoon an inspection was made of a portion of the road that connects Ialuba with Pabulumu. Slept Ialuba.

Wednesday 10th August.

Assembled the people, gave talks and took census. Work was then started on improving the bad sections of the road. This work continued all afternoon. Slept Ialuba.

Thursday 11th August.

The Police supervised road work. Several courts were heard, the interpreter spent the day investigating a report that a man had destroyed another's house, this court was referred to Pabulumu. Slept Ialuba.

DIARY CONT.Friday 12th August.

Continued road work. This was all that was done this day. Continued the compilation of census figures. Slept Ialuba.

Saturday 13th August.

Assembled carriers. Departed for Pabulumu at about 0830. Walked along the road the whole way. Inspected the work that had been done to this section. Arrived Pabulumu 1300. Heard two courts in the afternoon and put an offender into the custody of the Police. Slept Pabulumu.

Sunday 14th August.

Day observed except that work was done on the Tax Census Sheets. Slept Pabulumu.

Monday 15th August.

Lined carriers and departed for Koroba. It is an easy four hours walk along the road. The people were seen to be working along this stretch and keeping it in good repair. Arrived Koroba 1220. Paid carriers. Patrol stood down.

DIARY ENDS \_\_\_\_\_

P.O. Jones C.P.O.

POLITICAL SITUATION.

The people of the two Census Divisions are not making any great strides in political advancement. The people still recognise neighbouring groups as unfriendly and apparently do not particularly want to make the effort to change this. Both areas however are soon to be included in Local Government Councils thus forcing political advancement upon them. This is obviously what the area needs, for at present there is virtually no unity amongst the groups and what little there is stems only from the fact that the one Administration controls them all.

All talk of forming a Local Government Council was opposed. The argument put forward was that the area had no need of a council and that the Village Constables were quite able to take care of the various problems of the people. In some cases no argument was put forward as the people had resigned themselves to their fate; they held to the opinion that if the Administration wanted to establish a Council in the area there was nothing they could do about it. One obvious reason why the people were opposed to the idea was that they feared when the Council came it would mean taxes. They did not seem to be able to grasp the idea that taxes would be almost negligible and that those who could not pay would be given assistance by the Administration.

The talk of forming a Demarkation Committee was well received as the people realised much time is wasted in taking every minor dispute into Koroba for settlement. There is no doubt that both

POLITICAL SITUATION CONT.

the Council and the Demarkation Committee should definitely improve the lot of the people although in the first case they do not as yet realise it.

The much lauded Huri pride was not in evidence and if anything the people appeared to act in much the same way as the Dumas, Mendis and other people of the Southern Highlands. It is true that the Huri women are not allowed as much freedom as are the women of other groups but if they are wronged they have no fear in bringing a court in for settlement.

It is obvious that the Huri people are still living far more in their old way of life than in the new.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

None of the Village Constables in the area are outstanding, two can even be regarded as useless.

The Village Constable of Eriba although being popular is definitely not the most influential man in the area. He was not a great help to the patrol and has previously been in trouble about not carrying out his duties. The Village Constable of Betega is a little better although again he does not seem to be as responsible as some of the other men of the Betega area. At Keraniba the Village Constable was some help to the patrol and showed a healthy interest in the formation of the Local Government Council and Demarkation Committee. He suggested that the Administration plant coffee in the area and that the people would make land available for the purpose. The Village Constable of Hujenoma was not impressive and he was not maintaining the roads in the area or the Administration rest house. He seems quite popular amongst the ~~pxxy~~ people but is useless as far as his work is concerned. Those of Vetemari and Ialuba are comparatively good and are fairly conscientious in their work. An excellent job has been done at Ialuba in the construction and maintenance of the road through the area.

The formation of a Local Government Council will do away with the need for Village Constables. The people should work more profitably under the new system although at present they feel that the Village Constables are sufficient to handle all their problems.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

The Lavani Valley is not a productive area where agriculture is concerned. Sweet potato, the staple food grows poorly in the valley and very little could be purchased for the patrol while it was in the area. The main crop in the Lavani is

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK CONT.

the Irish potato, it seems to grow well due to the high altitude and cold climate. Large quantities were bought by the patrol. It would seem that the Lavani Valley would be an ideal place for the growing of Pyrethum but the inaccessability of the area would make a scheme of this sort hardly profitable. 1

All the usual crops, cabbages, tomatoes, corn, and sweet potatoes grow in the Mgorofugwa area. This area is slightly over six thousand feet and the moderate climate well supports these crops. More use could be made of the land in the Mgorofugwa area and as already mentioned the people of Keraniba are quite prepared to make available land for the growing of coffee.

The recent Anthrax epidemic appears to have been completely counteracted as all pigs were healthy and no further cases of the disease were noted. The only other animals observed were three turkeys. These are being raised at the Catholic Mission at Peboko.

COURTS AND COMPLAINTS.

A number of courts and complaints were dealt with during the patrol, only two were sent into Koroba for settlement. Most complaints were of a minor nature concerning marriage payments or ownership of land. Both the courts sent into Koroba concerned the destruction of property. No courts could be said to ~~ix~~ have been of a really serious nature.

HEALTH.

The only Government aid post in the area is at Betega in the Mgorofugwa Census Division. Various diseases were being treated at this post when the patrol was at Betega. These included leprosy and elephantiasis, injuries such as burns and cuts were also being treated at the post. Another medical post is operated by the Wesleyan Mission near Hujanoma, a qualified nursing sister is in charge of this.

The general health of patrol personnel was good but a number of cases of cataracts were noted amongst the people at census. Also number of people who were deaf and dumb attended census, this has been noted as the number was high in regard to the total number at census.

During the Lavani portion of the patrol the Medical Assistant from Koroba made an inspection of the general health in the area. The disease common to almost everybody was the ever present cold.

EDUCATION.

The Wesleyan Mission operates the only school in the area, this is at Betega. It has an attendance of seventy three, all local children, and classes range up to standard four. An occasional child attends the Christian Mission in Many Lands' school at Gunu in the Koroba Census Division and a few attend the Government school at Koroba.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

During the patrol the roads in the Mogorofugwa Census Division and part of the Koroba Census Division were inspected. Generally the condition of the roads was not too bad.

The road from Pabulumu to Ialuba needs a few improvements, otherwise it is in excellent condition. Some of the gradients on this road are a bit too steep and a number of the bridges need replacing before the road can be used by vehicular traffic. The road that encircles the Mogorofugwa swamp could also be improved, many of the bridges would not support the weight of a car and the road surface is deteriorating due to the lack of maintenance, instructions were given for its improvement.

It would greatly open up the area round Ialuba if a road could be pushed through from ~~Ialuba~~ the Mogorofugwa road. This task although being difficult would be possible.

The few improvements that need to be made on the roads would bring them up to first class condition.

MISSIONS.

Only the Wesleyan Mission operates in the area round the Mogorofugwa swamp. Mission influence is strong and large attendances are seen at the Mission's churches. The Mission headquarters are near Hujenoma where their airstrip is situated but the school they operate is a couple of miles away at Betega. The Mission has strengthened its influence by the operation of this school and the hospital at Hujenoma. They have also done something to promote business in the area as all the timber in their school buildings has been locally purchased and instead of paint the timbers have been treated with local oil.

The people living in the Ialuba area have been influenced by the Catholic Mission at Peboko in the Koroba Census Division. There is a small Catholic station in the Ialuba area. The Catholic adherents can generally be noted as most wear small plastic or metal crosses and all will say a lengthy prayer before taking a bite of kau-kau or a drink of water. They have helped the Mission to construct a motor cycle road to its station in the Ialuba area.

In spite of mission influence the people in some places

MISSIONS CONT.

still follow their old customs. Examples of ancestor worship were seen in two places near Pabulumu. The skulls from disinterred bodies had been painted and were displayed on poles and racks. The people show great respect for such things.

AIRFIELDS.

The Wesleyan Mission airstrip at Hujenoma is not open to commercial aircraft; at present it will only take Mission Cessnas. Action is being taken to extend the strip so that it will be able to take larger aircraft.

The Lavani Valley could only be developed if aircraft were brought in. A site on the central ridge in the valley has been marked for an airfield but nothing has come of this. A helicopter pad has been built in the mountains that form the western wall of the valley. The purpose of this is for the servicing of a light erected on the mountain for surveying reasons.

CONCLUSION.

Considering the number of years the Administration has been in the area it appears to be very slow in developing. This is due largely to a general lack of enthusiasm by the people and a lack of economic potential or suitable crops.

The general reaction to talk of forming a Local Government Council was disheartening as it shows the people have not fully realised yet that the Administration is wholly working for their benefit.

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*Piers O. Jones*  
Piers O. Jones  
( Cadet Patrol Officer )

See Appendixes for social groupings and suggested nominations for the Demarkation Committee. Also comments on Police and census.

APPENDIX A.

Social Groupings - suggested groupings for Council wards are marked with red lines.

| Rest House | Population | Main Group             | Sub-group                               | Sub-sub-group                                                                  |
|------------|------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Eriba      | 504        | Karua                  | Iagaba<br>Abe<br>Eba<br>Ibagano<br>Hono |                                                                                |
|            |            | Kango                  |                                         |                                                                                |
| Betega     | 464        | Tolo                   | Karua<br>Iagibi<br>Pane                 |                                                                                |
|            |            | Wagiria                | Tuguma<br>Tenengia<br>Mugwa             |                                                                                |
|            |            | Pine<br>Tane<br>Togomo | Nalibwe'lei.                            |                                                                                |
| Keraniba   | 324        | Kanimu                 | Ti'ele                                  | Ale<br>Liano<br>Libudaidia<br>Yadado<br>Ane<br>Uguma<br>Tiwi<br>Togo<br>Pogoba |
|            |            |                        | Otoma                                   |                                                                                |
|            |            |                        | Hemenainia                              |                                                                                |
| Hujenoma   | 507        | Pari                   | Pera<br>Guana                           |                                                                                |
|            |            | Togomo                 | Nei<br>Tadie<br>Waraia                  |                                                                                |
|            |            | Tunugua                | Tiaou'i<br>Tiango<br>Tivini             |                                                                                |
|            |            | Mora                   | Hai'i<br>Minini                         |                                                                                |
| Yetemeri   | 612        | Auwi                   | Mandi<br>Kunudia<br>Mia'abu             | Wangxi                                                                         |
|            |            | Heringe                | Hidua<br>Piagoda<br>Pimbiano            |                                                                                |
|            |            | Koma                   | Mada<br>Ibu<br>Mi'aou                   |                                                                                |
|            |            | Pari                   | Hogan<br>Kinana                         |                                                                                |
| Ialuba     | 527        | Koma                   | Augwene                                 | Hega<br>Iagibi<br>Hai'ewaga<br>Wabadwa                                         |
|            |            |                        | Mada<br>Ibu                             |                                                                                |
|            |            | Pine<br>Tobane         | Towaiju                                 | Kixme<br>Towaiju<br>Tuguba                                                     |
|            |            |                        | Habunamu                                | Bidia<br>Tanebali                                                              |
|            |            | Widie                  |                                         | Tukonia                                                                        |

APPENDIX B

(4)

Following is a list of nominations for the proposed Demarkation Committee.

The number recorded is large as these are the choices of the people but the A.D.C. will select a limited number to represent the people.

REST HOUSE

NOMINATIONS

Eriba

Eunda Diwi  
Heia Leme  
Mondodia Tombena  
Kurukawi Peredia

Betega

Abuabu Gedulu  
Tobo Humabu  
Kieba Pimbi

Keraniba

Idiana Karuma  
Tomona Pawa

Hujenoma

Hungau Manda  
Guengaba Hielu  
Tomara Kingwa  
Ubi Tugube  
Pergai Haraidia

Yetemari

Palibe Taju  
Herebe Paraigidi  
Lamuali Wangale  
Para Hadianago  
Mondolo Kabu  
Kamabe Halabe  
Agiru Egibiago

Ialuba

Hadiebe Pani  
Korai Tagima  
Talibe Agiva  
Talu Huri  
Egaou'i Polodia  
Hulidia Udiaga  
Igilis Mangobe  
Tibaidia Gawe  
Ibugu Halabe

Those people with their names underlined appear to be the most responsible at each rest house respectively.



COMMENTS ON POLICE ACCOMPANYING THE PATROL.

Cpl. Baija. Proves to be a steady worker and commands the respect of the constables under his command. In spite of this he is not a forceful officer and does not show much initiative.

Const. Tobiranga. Is quite a responsible policeman and is quite prepared to take control of a situation when necessary.

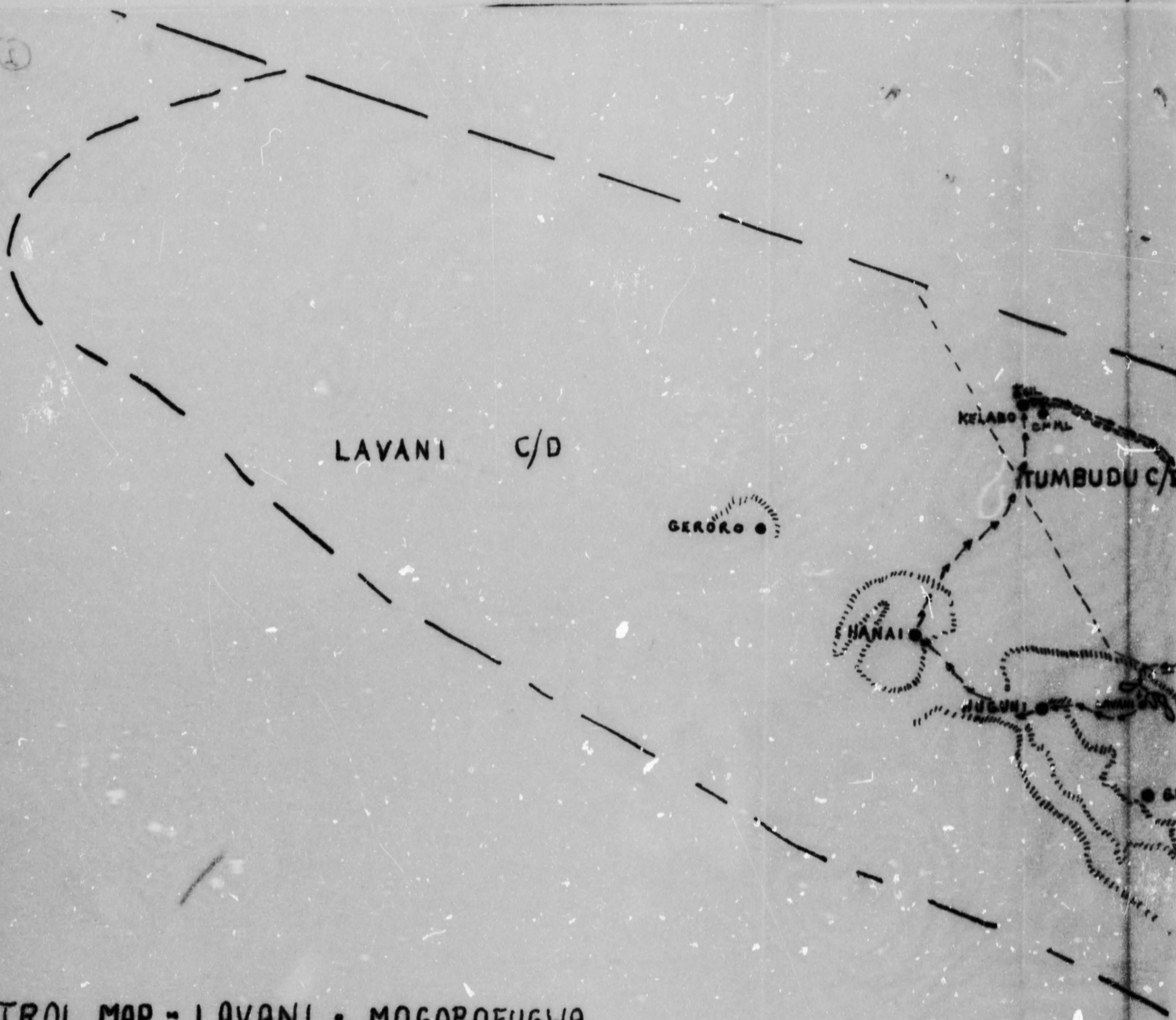
Const. Elena. An extremely capable policeman. This constable was a great help during the patrol and knows what to do in almost any situation. Will become a first class policeman with experience.

COMMENTS ON CENSUS.

Census was taken at all six rest houses in the Mogorofugwa Division. Attendance was good and only two people were found to be deliberately avoiding census.

A number of large migrations were recorded. The Tiledia group of Eriba rest house has moved wholly out of the Mogorofugwa Census Division and now census at the new rest house of Aluwini in the Tumbudu Census Division. The Pari and Togomu groups of Betega rest house have almost wholly moved to the neighbouring rest house of Hujenoma. The rest house of Hetaawi no longer is used for census as the people of this rest house have moved to a more central point at Keraniba. Little change has been made in the census figures however.








The natural increase in population was 1.49%. Only three deaths in the 1 - 5 year age group were recorded. Such a low number in this age group is excellent. If the population was to drop in the area it would probably be due to migrations out rather than the death rate ~~increasing~~ increasing.

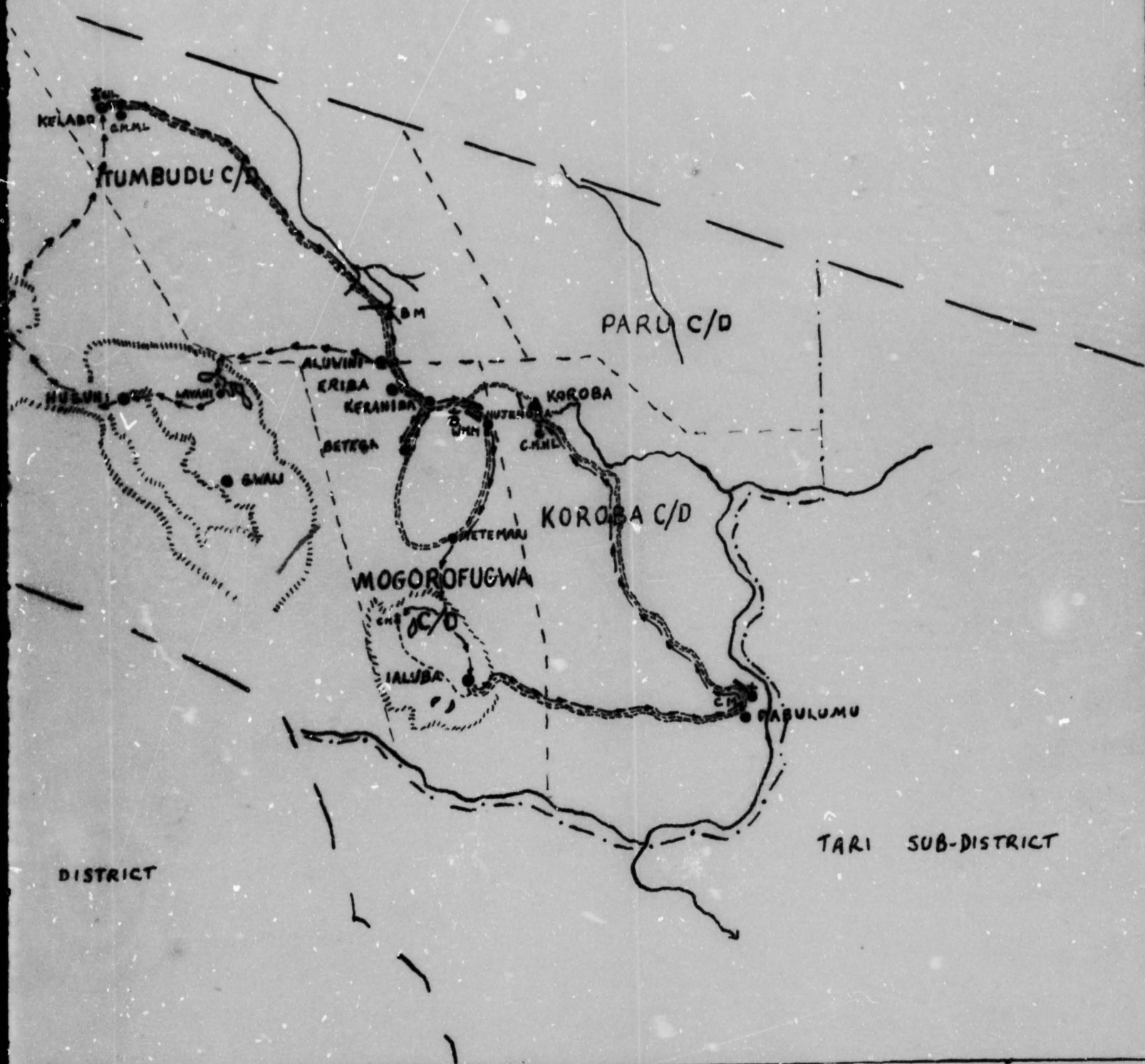


PATROL MAP - LAVANI & MOGOROFUGWA

PATROL No. 2 of 1966-67

WESTERN DISTRICT

|                                                                                                     |                                                                                                           |                                                                                                       |                                                                                                               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  MOTOR ROADS      |  CENSUS CENTRES        |  MISSION STATION |  DISTRICT & SUB-DISTRICT |
|  MOTORCYCLE ROADS |  ADMINISTRATION CENTRE |  AIRSTRIP        |                                                                                                               |



DISTRICT BOUNDARY      CENSUS DIVISION BOUNDARY  
 SUB-DISTRICT BOUNDARY      PATROL ROUTE      LAKES  
 SCALE 1" = 4 MILES

*Handwritten signature or initials*



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of... SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. No. 3 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by... B. MUNN... CADET PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled... PART KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans... NIL.

Natives... 1 INTERPRETER, 4 MEMBERS R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration—From... 25./...8./1966...to...30./...9./19...66.

Number of Days... THIRTY THREE

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?... NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services... 1.../...6/1966

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

Map Reference... PATROL MAP ATTACHED

Objects of Patrol... REPLACE CULVERT... REROUTE ROAD... FEASIBILITY SURVEY HEDEMARI - TAGARI ROAD. LAND SURVEY KAKARAN. ROAD MAINTENANCE. ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

21/10/1966

District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-15-10

18th November, 1966.

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

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 2/1966-67:

Receipt of Mr. Munn's patrol report covered by your memorandum and that of Mr. Mulcahy, is acknowledged with thanks.

2. Mr. Munn seems to have spent very profitably a period of over a month among the people of the Koroba Census Division and submitted an interesting and neatly typed report.

3. Unfortunately, there does not seem to be an easy solution to the economic set-up of these people. Potential appears marginal and district resources are limited.

(J. K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR

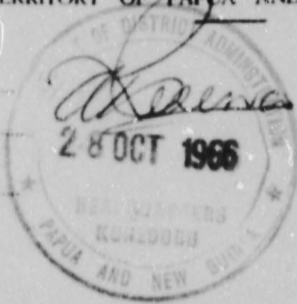
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference 67-3-11  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....



Department of District Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.  
19th October, 1966.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

Subject:- Duna Patrol No 3 of 1966/67

Attached please find the following documents relating to the above patrol conducted by Mr. B. Munn, Cadet Patrol Officer to part of the Koroba Census Division, Duna Sub-District.

- i) Patrol Instructions, 67-2-1 of 5th September, 1966 by Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.
- ii) Patrol Report.
- iii) Covering memorandum, 67-5-2 of 10th October, 1966 from the Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.

2. Although superficially contradictory the complaints about lack of development and the report apathy towards developmental projects are probably complementary in that there is a common origin - dissatisfaction with results of earlier developmental projects and an even increasing desire for tangible economic development. Unfortunately there is no easy solution. Economic potential in the Duna Sub-district is marginal, district resources are limited and must be fully utilised in those areas of the District where soil types and climate assure success to cash crop projects.

The comments on road routes and bridge sites have been extracted and forwarded to the District Works Engineer.

3. A routine patrol well conducted with an interesting report.

(D.R. Marsh)  
District Commissioner.

67-5-2.

KOROBA, Duna Sub-District.

10th October, 1966.

The District Commissioner,

ESSELA

PATROL REPORT No. 3-1966/67 PART KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.

Forwarded herewith the abovementioned patrol report carried out by Mr. CPO Munn.

(1) Although Mr. Munn carried out the census in a number of villages close to the station I did not have him submit a report on this. The remainder of the census was carried out by Mr. CPO Jones and comments are included with his report in patrol No. 4-1966/67.

(2) The apathy and lack of assistance mentioned by Mr. Munn is common in all areas of Koroba where roads are already in existence. This is not really hard to appreciate as new roads do involve a considerable amount of work besides cutting through at least a few good gardens. As cars do regularly travel over the section of road that the new route is trying to avoid it is perhaps hard for the people to appreciate that the section will probably not be sufficient for future requirements. Never-the-less their reaction was disappointing. The people in this area are mostly co-operative but can be very stubborn when they cannot appreciate the need for some work.

(3) There are no firm plans to re-route the road from HEDIMARI to the TAGARI bridge but this patrol was undertaken to investigate the possibility of a much better and straighter route. As there are plans to replace the present TAGARI bridge with a more permanent structure a decision will have to be made in the near future as, a new bridge built on the present site, will virtually obligate the use of the present road or the first two alternatives suggested by Mr. Munn.

The third route suggested by Mr. Munn would require a new bridge across the TAGARI river below HEDIMARI and some three miles of new road which would join the present TARI road on the TARI side of the present TAGARI bridge. I think that there is no doubt that this is the best route but several difficulties arise. The first is whether a bridge at this site will involve considerably more expense than one at the present site. If so whether the difference in cost will be compensated by a reduced need in maintenance funds in the future by virtue of a better road. The second problem is that if the new route is chosen whether the new road

can be completed and useable before the present TAGARI bridge is unsafe for further use. The last real difficulty is that I doubt that the people in the area will undertake the construction of the road without some sort of payment. If this is so then the availability or otherwise of funds would influence the choice of this route.

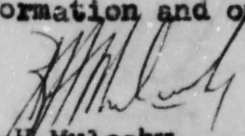
I did not have Mr. Munn make a detailed report on the three routes as they will have to be examined by Public Works before anything definite can be planned. I believe Mr. Loveday the District Works Engineer intends to visit Koroba in the near future to inspect the new bridge site. When he does I suggest that he also walks over the route of the new road and then drives back to HEDEMARI via the present road. By doing this he should be in a position to say if the new bridge site and road are worthwhile, all factors taken into account. If this route is considered unsuitable then the two alternatives suggested by Mr. Munn, which lie below the present road and would use the present TAGARI bridge, could be examined more closely by the Assistant District Commissioner. These two routes could be completed, if suitable, any time in the future as the present road is passable although unlikely to be really serviceable with consistent traffic.

When all factors are taken into account it may still turn out that improvement of the present road will provide the cheapest and best solution.

(4) With regard to the comments on the Kebia road I agree with Mr. Munn that Court action will have to be taken. The people in this area are the only ones in the sub-district who do not make a decent attempt to maintain their roads. The section is difficult but they have had more than their share of the few hammers and spades available. I will speak to the people in the area and if a definite improvement does not come about <sup>then</sup> institute proceedings against them.

Claim for camping allowance is enclosed herewith.

For your information and onforwarding please.

  
B.H. Mulcahy.

Assistant District Commissioner.



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KOROBA, Duna Sub-District.

5th September, 1966.

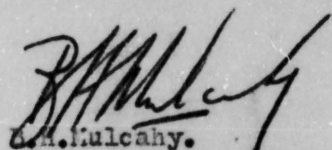
Mr. B. Mann CPO,  
KOROBA.

PATROL NO. 3, 1966/67. PART OF KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.

Please be prepared to depart on patrol tomorrow for approx. three weeks. You have already carried out the census for parts of the Koroba census division. Please compile statistics for the villages done and pass them over to Mr. CPO Jones who will complete this patrol and submit the report. During the patrol would you please carry out the following duties.

- (1) Replace the culvert near Hedimari as explained verbally to you.
- (2) Reroute and straighten the road from the above mentioned culvert to to next bridge a distance of about half a mile to avoid the present hilly section and stone.
- (3) Mark and submit a feasibility survey for a road commencing at Hedimari to the Tagari Bridge along the edge or near the Tagari river. The road is needed to cut out the present very hilly section and should be as straight and level as possible. Although you are to mark the road no work is to be commenced until such time as a FWD officer surveys the road. Ensure that adequate width for future requirements is allowed for. Take into account that blasting, if limited, probably can be done at a future date if a good straight level road will result.
- (4) Carry out a land survey for the proposed new Community centre for the Council at Kakaran.
- (5) Mark out improvements and supervise work on the Kebia road which is in poor repair. Inform the people that action will be taken unless ~~any~~ real effort is taken to improve this road as little or no work has been done for some time. The people have requested an officer to assist them with this work so you should have no opposition but if any does come up refer them to Koroba.
- (6) Routine administrative and settlement of complaints and enquiries as required.

It is not necessary to complete the patrol in three weeks if more time is required.

  
 J. Mulcahy.  
 Assistant District Commissioner.

cc The District Commissioner Mendi.

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Sub-district Office,  
Duna sub-district,  
Koroba.  
Southern Highlands.  
7th October 1966

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-district Office,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 3 of 1966/67.  
PART KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Conducted by: B. Munn, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Patrol Accompanied by: Europeans - Nil.

Area Patrolled: Part Koroba Census Division.

Duration: 25/8/66 - 30/9/66.

Number of Days: Thirty three.

- Objects of Patrol:
1. Replace culvert near Hedemari.
  2. Reroute and straighten road from culvert to next bridge. A distance of about half a mile.
  3. Mark and submit feasibility survey for Hedemari - Tagari bridge road.
  4. Carry out land survey for new Kakaran Community Centre.
  5. Undertake maintenance of Kebia road.
  6. Routine administration.

*B. Munn*

B. Munn.  
Cadet Patrol Officer

INTRODUCTION

The present Koroba-Tagari bridge road follows a winding hilly course which is difficult to travel over in times of rain. This is particularly true of the section between Hedemari and the Tagari bridge.

The need for a more suitable route will become more urgent as the sub-district develops.

During the patrol, work was also done on the census figures for Mr. Jones' patrol, and some work was done on Tax-Census Sheets. Work was done on the Kebia road which stretches from the Tagari bridge to Magara rest house along the Tagari river.

As one of the police ~~accompanying~~ accompanying me was recalled to the station, and another one was taken ill and had to return, I was seriously restricted in the efficiency with which I could carry out the work.

DIARY

25th August 1966

Census done for Andidia rest house, on Koroba station.  
Assisted Council Clerk in collection of tax.

26th August 1966

Census of Pandu rest house done on Koroba station.  
Assisted Council Clerk in collection of tax.

Patrol resumed;

29th August 1966

Census of Tedia rest house done on Koroba station.  
Assisted Council Clerk in collection of tax.

30th August 1966

Census of Gunu rest house done at Gunu. Assisted in tax collection and returned to Koroba.

31st August 1966

Census done at Kakaran rest house. Assisted in tax collection and returned to Koroba.

1st September 1966

Census done at Muri rest house. Assisted in tax collection and returned to Koroba.

2nd September 1966

Census done at Kundugu rest house. Assisted in tax collection and returned to Koroba.

Patrol resumed;

5th September 1966

Census done at Maria rest house. Assisted in tax collection and also inspected work being done on new road into Paru. Returned to Koroba.

DIARY (cont.)

6th September 1966

Prepared patrol equipment and completed several minor tasks in morning. Departed Koroba at 1.30 pm. Stopped at culvert which is to be filled, and estimated number of drums required to fill it. Arrived Hedemari 2.15 pm. and spent remainder of afternoon working on Tax - Census Sheets. Slept Hedemari.

7th September 1966

Attempted to discover new road route. Several routes attempted before one found. Reached a point approximately half a mile past Hedemari. Slept Hedemari.

8th September 1966

The Bishop of Mendi visited Hedemari and also held mass at Koroba to-day. To allow two of the police and my interpreter to see him, I only worked on the census figures and undertook no road work. Slept Hedemari.

9th September 1966

Continued roadwork. Bush very thick and therefore progress is slow. The hillside drops steeply to the river in places, and is deeply indented with gullies. Reached a point approximately two-thirds of the way to the Tagari bridge. Slept Hedemari.

10th September 1966

All day spent working on census figures and Tax - Census Sheets.

11th September 1966

Sunday. Day observed.

12th September 1966

Road completed to Tagari bridge. As yet only a walking track has been cut along the route. Slept Hedemari.

13th September 1966

Census held here to-day. Nothing done on road so that police could assist ~~police~~ Mr. Jones C.P.O. during the census. I returned to Koroba at 11.30 am. Obtained several bush knives from store and sharpened them. Spoke to Mr. Mulcahy about the work and returned to Hedemari in the afternoon. Slept Hedemari.

14th September 1966

Began to clear bush so that route could be marked properly. Worked steadily until stopped by rain at 2.45 pm. Opposition to the road is so strong that none of the local natives are willing to assist us in the search for a route, or in the clearing of the route found. Slept Hedemari.

15th September 1966

Day spent clearing bush and once again this was done by myself, the police and the interpreter. Towards the end of the day, the bush was beginning to get so thick that I have decided not to continue with the clearing. I will instead move to Kebia to-morrow and undertake road repair there. Slept Hedemari.

16th September 1966

In morning did census figures and at 12.30 pm. moved to Kebia. Arrived at 2.30 pm. and spent remainder of afternoon repairing rest house. Slept Kebia.

17th September 1966

Morning spent doing census figures and Tax Census Sheets.

18th September 1966

Sunday observed.

19th September 1966

Commemoration Day observed. Some work done on Tax-Census sheets.

20th September 1966

Began working at Tagari bridge. Whilst people worked, I investigated another possible road route. Slept Kebia.

21st September 1966

Worked on road again. Repaired road surface and also repaired several small culverts. Slept Kebia.

22nd September 1966

Worked all day on a long stone section near the Kebia rest house. This section has been stoned, but because of lack of attention it has degenerated to become an extremely bad piece of road. Rain halted work at 2.30 pm. Slept Kebia.

23rd September 1966

Worked from Kebia towards Magara. Road surface generally good. Slept Kebia.

24th September 1966

Worked this morning and reached the Magara end of the road. Slept Kebia.

25th September 1966

Sunday observed.

26th September 1966

Departed Kebia 8.15 am. and arrived at Hedemari 10.30 am. Spent afternoon marking a difficult section of road which I had left until now. Slept Hedemari.

27th September 1966

Spent day working on culvert. Cleared, straightened and deepened small stream running through ~~Barr~~ gully. Placed drums and cut and dragged timber for use in construction. Slept Hedemari.

28th September 1966

Constructed barrier to contain earth fill. Several large logs stood upright as supports. Began filling with earth. Rain 3.30 pm. halted work. Slept Hedemari.

29th September 1966

Spent day investigating possible road route on the other side of the river. Found to be most suitable route. Slept Hedemari.

30th September 1966

Departed Hedemari at 8.20 am. Walked to Kakaran, arriving at 1.00 pm. Found people had changed their mind about the site for the Community Centre. Walked to Koroba, arriving 3.15 pm. Patrol stood down.

.....End of Diary.....

NATIVE AFFAIRS

Native Situation.

The Koroba Census Division has seen more development than any other section of the sub-district. It is within this census division that the Administration and most of the missions are centred, and therefore the people here are the most sophisticated and informed as to the Administrations aims.

Perhaps because of this familiarity, the people are becoming apathetic towards the less spectacular, more routine aspects of development. During this patrol, the lack of co-operation received while searching for a road route was the main reason for the difficulties encountered during the search. The final and best route found was one which was known to <sup>the</sup> people, and thought by them to be the best route. However they did not inform me of its existence. Attempts to promulgate development schemes are usually met with resistance by the people if it appears that they will be asked to make land available for the scheme, or that they will be asked to work. When this is viewed in the face of the fact that they often complain about lack of development, it is very frustrating.

Whilst repairing the Kebia road I was again faced with this apathy. This road had had little work done on it for almost nine months, however when it was suggested to the people that they assist me during the four days I was to be there, they became indignant that their time be imposed upon. As this road now comes under ~~the~~ section 7 of the Roads Maintenance Ordinance 1953 - 1964 and have been gazetted, I would suggest that action be taken against these people.

Law and Order

Only one case was brought forward during the patrol, however it was not of a sufficiently serious nature to warrant court action.

Census

The first eight days of the patrol were spent doing census at rest houses on and around Koroba station. Throughout the remainder of the patrol, the figures for these centres were compiled and have been forwarded to Mr. Jones CPO. for inclusion in his patrol report. Some work was also done on Tax-Census Sheets.

Agriculture

The people here, are of course subsistence farmers, growing as their staple food, sweet potato. They also grow as market crops, potatoes, tomatoes, corn, cabbage and cauliflowers.

The area is now experiencing a gradual introduction of coffee. During the time of my patrol, the Agricultural Officer from Koroba, undertook a patrol to plant two 20 acre plots. One of these is at Hedemari and one at Tumbite.

There are several smaller plots throughout the census division.

Land

I was unable to carry out the instruction to perform a survey of the new Community Centre at Kakaran. I had previously inspected a site for the Centre and had found it to be satisfactory. On my arrival at Kakaran this time I was told that the people had changed their minds and would not make this land available to us. I was instead directed to another piece of land which I found to be too small for our purpose, and also to be subject to flooding. Two other sites were suggested, but this caused argument amongst them. I informed the Councillor that they should decide upon an area of ground which was acceptable to both groups and suitable to our purpose, and that he should then inform me.



Roads and Bridges.

The surveying of a new route from Hedemari to the Tagari bridge was made difficult by the thick foliage, the deeply corrugated hillside along which the road must travel, and also by the lack of co-operation by the local natives. Because of these impediments I was forced to abandon any attempt to properly mark a route through the thick bush which would have to be cleared before marking could be done. The police and myself were unable to clear it by ourselves.

A route was found which avoids a hilly stony section approximately half a mile from Hedemari. At one point the road will have to be dug into a hillside for a distance of about fifty yards. It might also be necessary to blast a large boulder which ~~lays~~<sup>lies</sup> across the path. From here the road runs across a flat area of ground to rejoin the present road.

There are three possible routes between Hedemari and the Tagari bridge.

The first leaves the present road at the Hedemari Community Centre and runs parallel to and a hundred yards below the present route. As the main purpose of the new route is to provide a flat wide road, it will have to travel around the hills which the present road surmounts. The present road runs at approximately 200 yards from the Tagari river. Consequently, the area between; over which the road must run, is little different from the present road.

By following this route we will attain a fairly flat route which follows a winding course, and which will require quite a deal of digging on the hillsides and some long sections of filling over boggy areas. Because of the depth and steep sides of some of the gullies which ~~lay~~<sup>lie</sup> across this route, I have been forced to run the road in along the side of the gully, to the bridge which services the road at present.

The second route lies closer to the river and is for the first quarter of its length, quite flat. For the remainder of its length it would be necessary to dig out a number of low hills, and also to construct several bridges. The last half mile of its length would have to be dug along the hillside, and some blasting would be necessary.

Both of these routes would, because of the amount of digging involved, require some time for the earth to settle enough to carry vehicles.

Roads (cont.)

The third route found would appear to be the best, and easiest to construct. This route lies along the opposite bank of the Tagari river, in the Tari Sub-district. This bank is for almost its entire length, a gently sloping grass area. This would require no extensive clearing, as would the other, and would be ready for traffic, sooner than the other routes. There are only two hills in the entire length of the road. The first lies opposite Hedemari and it will be necessary to dig along the side of it. The hill will not pose any problem to traffic as it only a gradual slope. The second hill lies at the other end of the route and it can be overcome by simply digging along the side.

The main problem in the construction of this route, will be the necessity to construct a new bridge over the Tagari river. A site has been found just behind the Hedemari Community Centre. A set of rapids, 80 - 90 feet wide, offers the narrowest and shallowest place. A small amount of digging will be necessary to improve the approaches, but as with the present bridge, this will be no problem.

This route and bridge site were mentioned to both the Regional and District Engineers on their recent visit to Koroba. Mr. Loveday, the District Engineer will be returning in a few weeks to inspect the site. Plans are already under way to replace the Tagari bridge. If the new site is suitable it would be a waste of money to replace the present bridge and then, when the road is eventually finished, to erect another bridge at the new site. If the new site is found to be suitable, it would be advisable to undertake the rush construction of the road, so that it would be trafficable by the time it became necessary to replace the present bridge.

Road Maintenance.

Maintenance work was carried out on the Kebia road which stretches from the Tagari bridge along the river to Magara rest house. The road is flat for most of its length and the surface, although rough, is quite hard. Work carried out consisted mainly of leveling the rough sections and replacing the timber in several small culverts.

The only really bad section on the road now, is a narrow stone section which will be widened when sledge hammers are issued to people on this section of road.

Roads (cont.)

On returning to Hedemari I began work on a culvert half a mile from the Community centre. The road at present runs across a narrow bridge which is in danger of collapsing.

Several large trees were cut and dragged to the site. These were stood across the gully to support the barricade containing the earth. Eleven, forty four gallon drums with the ends removed, were laid end to end along the small stream which runs through the gully. The drums were secured in position by timber. Earth was then thrown into the gully which is "V" shaped and is about 20 feet deep and nearly 30 feet across the top

When I left Hedemari the culvert was half filled and will be worked on by the people every Monday and Tuesday until it is completed.

CONCLUSION

Although heavy rain practically negated the good done by the repairs to the road, the main objective of the patrol was accomplished.

*B. Munn*

B. Munn.  
Cadet Patrol Officer

Patrol Personnel  
Members of the R.P. & N.G.C.

Const. Wuran No. 8526

This Officer proved himself to be both intelligent and conversant with his duties.

Const. Sigowa No. 7843

An ineffectual, rather stupid member who is however popular with the people.

Const. Omol No. 10603

Usually capable of carrying out minor tasks. Is well liked by the people.

Const. Albert No. 11201

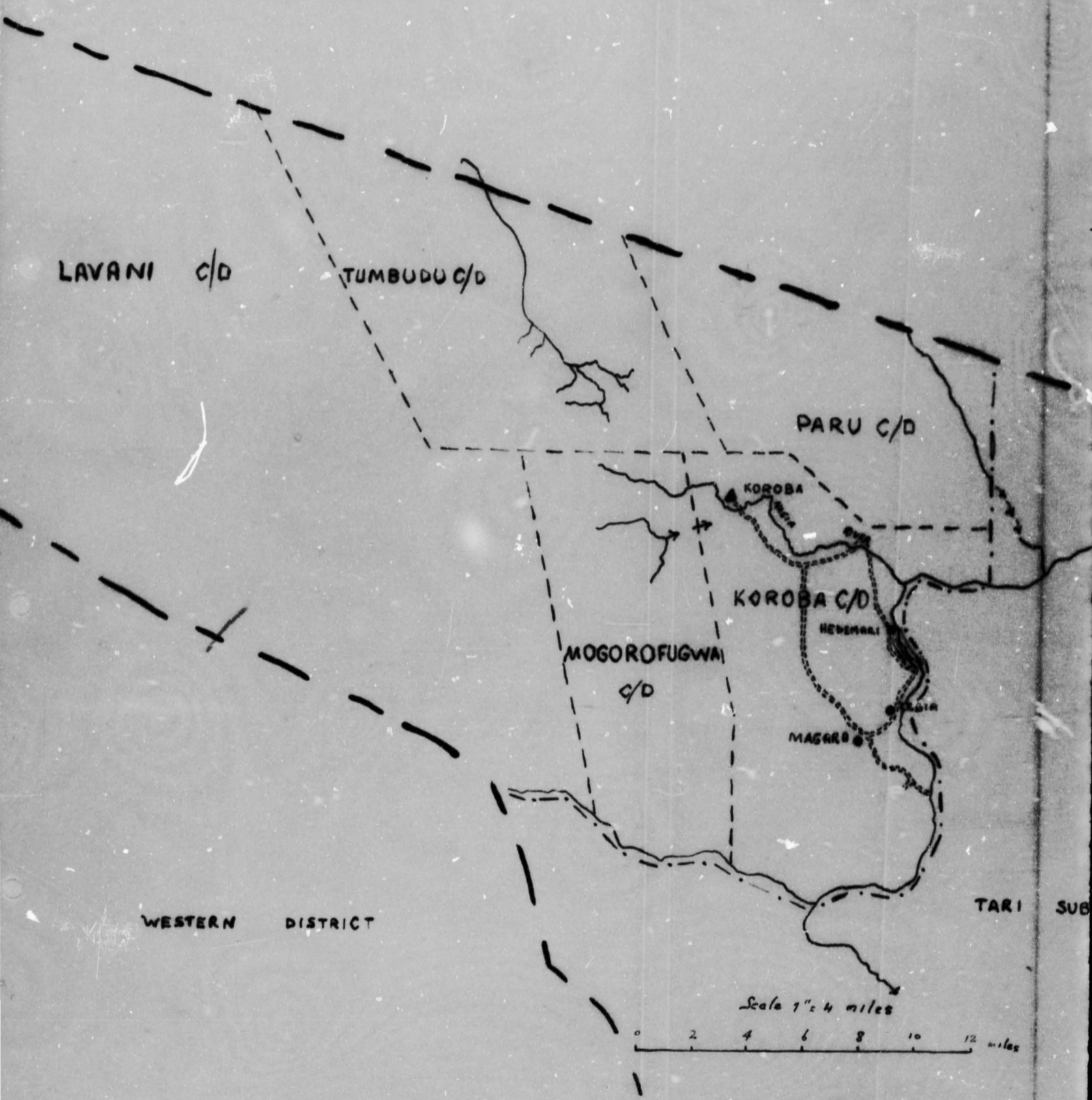
Fairly intelligent however is slightly immature.

INTERPRETER

Interpreter Metaidia - Lamia showed himself to be an extremely intelligent and useful member of the patrol.

*B. Munn*

B. Munn.  
Cadet Patrol Officer.



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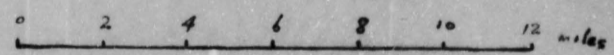
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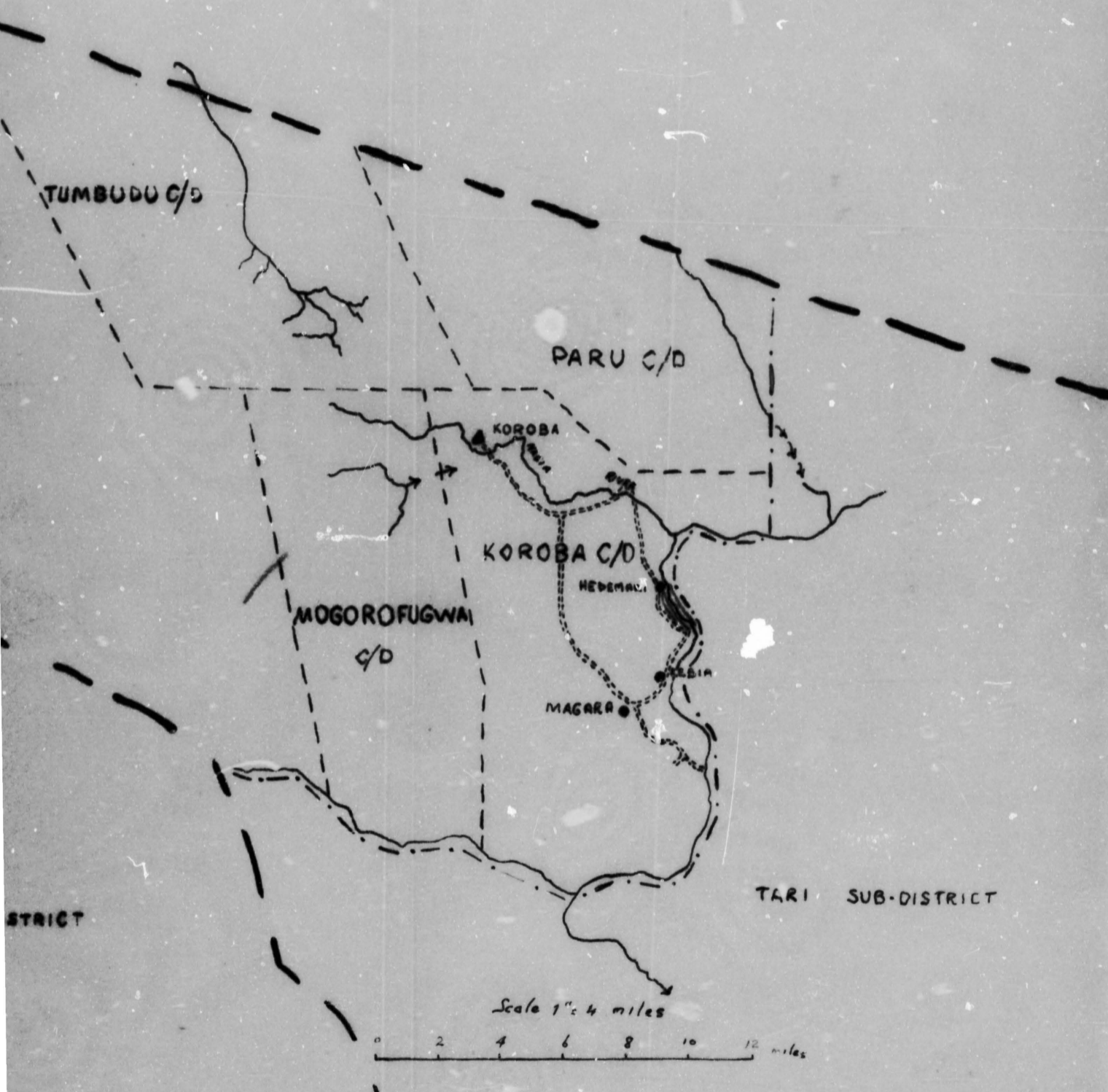
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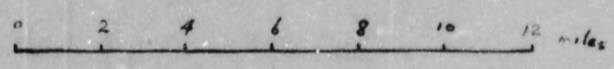
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DISTRICT BOUNDARY  
SUB-DISTRICT BOUNDARY

CENSUS DIVISION BOUNDARY  
MAIN RIVERS

• Rest Houses



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No..... 4 OF 1966/67.....

Patrol Conducted by.....P. O. JONES..... CADET PATROL OFFICER.....

Area Patrolled..... PART KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.....

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

Natives..... 3 MEMBERS OF THE R. P. & N. G. C. ( L. G. C. CLERK )  
1 NATIVE INTERPRETER

Duration—From...13/...9.../1966...to...27/...9.../1966...

Number of Days.....FOURTEEN.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../..7.../19.65..

Medical ...../..9.../19.65..

Map Reference.....SKETCH MAP ATTACHED.....

Objects of Patrol...CENSUS REVISION... ASSIST. COUNCIL CLERK IN COLLECTING TAXES

...REPAIR THE PABULUMU-IALUBA ROAD, GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.....

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

District Commissioner

25/10/1966

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

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

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

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~~12th December, 1966.~~

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEYDI.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO.4 OF 1966/1967.

Receipt of Mr. Jones' patrol report covered by memoranda both from you and Mr. Mulcahy, is acknowledged with thanks.

It appears that Mr. Jones has carried out quite competently a routine patrol and submitted a lengthy, neatly typed report showing that he is very interested in his work.

I am glad to hear that there is no friction between the Councillors' and the area seems to be working well under their leadership.

(J. K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR

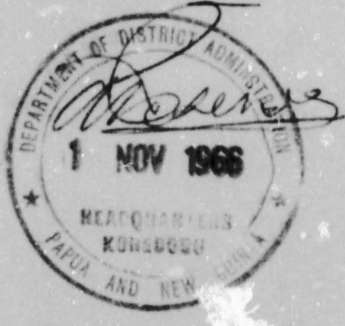


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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference..... 67-3-11  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....



Department of District Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.  
21st October, 1966.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

KOROBA.

Subject:- ~~Home~~ Patrol No 4 of 1966/67

Attached please find the following documents relating to the above patrol conducted by Mr. P.O. Jones, Cadet Patrol Officer to ~~the~~ part of the Koroba Census Division:-

- (i) Patrol instructions issued by Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba, 67-2-1 of 6th September, 1966.
- (ii) Patrol Report,
- (iii) Covering memorandum, 67-5-2 of 10th October, 1966 from Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.

2. A routine patrol requiring no specific comment. Mr. Jones is receiving valuable training and is developing into a competent officer.

(D.R. Marsh)  
District Commissioner.

67-5-2.

KOROBA, Duna Sub-District.  
10th October, 1966.

The District Commissioner,  
MENDI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 4, 1966/67 KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.

Forwarded herewith patrol report for the above mentioned patrol carried out by Mr. CPO Jones.

(1) Little comment is necessary as this area is makes up the Council and is regularly visited from Koroba. It is pleasing to note the reception of the patrol at Kulumali and Ilunoma which have not been visited for some time. An effort will be made to visit these areas regularly in the future as little time an effort is needed to walk over from PABULUMU.

(2) I agree with Mr. Jones that there is little friction between the Councillors in the area and that the people seem to work well under their leadership considering the stage of development of the Koroba area. It is hoped that this will continue. Like several other bright natives at Koroba the Councillor at MAGARA is frustrated with the slow development of the sub-district however I do not think that he is likely to resign. He will just have to learn to appreciate that until a suitable economic crop can be found for this area development will be slow.

(3) The friction mentioned between TARI and KOMO natives is not serious. Recently I charged a number of natives from KOROBA, TARI and KOMO for the theft of pigs in the TANGIMABO area and most were sentenced to terms of imprisonment. Most of the thefts were pay backs and all the people concerned considered that they were on the losing side. This type of thing will continue to crop up, but interchange between the groups is considerable and real animosity unlikely due to established social ties through marriage.

(4) The Department of Agriculture have given permission to plant 100 acres of coffee only at Koroba. This, as has been mentioned in the report, has been concentrated in large blocks under the supervision of the Assistant Agricultural Officer. By concentrating the coffee in only four areas it is hoped to give the maximum of help to the growers and the scheme should succeed. However I do not think that coffee is the answer to this sub-districts economic woes due to the lack of sufficient and economic

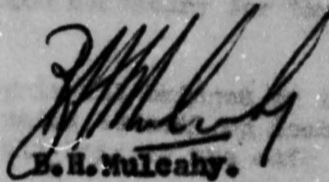
transport. If these plots succeed it should be easier to encourage further crops in the area if a really suitable one can be found in the future.

(5) Now that the bridges on the IALUBA road have been repaired and nailed it will be possible to drive to that village in dry weather. The people of this area have been rather difficult in the past and it is hoped that this will improve in the future with more regular contact. Most of the road is quite good and it should gradually improve in the future as it settles and bad sections are recut.

(6) The Council clerk accompanied this patrol to collect Council tax. This was carried out quite separately from Mr. Jones's patrol by the Clerk and tax tribunal. No trouble was evidently experienced and all tax money was collected. I did not expect any difficulty but considered it preferable to have an officer accompany particularly in the more backward areas near BGELE.

A routine patrol competently carried out by Mr. Jones. Claim for camping allowance is enclosed herewith.

For your information and onforwarding please.



E. H. Mulcahy.

Assistant District Commissioner.

67-2-1.

KOROBA, Duna Sub-District.

6th September, 1966.

Mr. P. Jones CPO,  
KOROBA.

PATROL NO. 4, 1966/67 KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.

Please be prepared to depart on patrol on Thursday 8th September for approximately three weeks. During the patrol you are to carry out the following duties.

- (1) Amend the census. Mr. CPO Munn has already done the villages close to the station while you were in Mendi and he will give you the statistics when they are completed.
- (2) Assist the Council Clerk, who will accompany you, to collect Council tax. There is a tax tribunal of Councillors who will accompany the Clerk to hear claims for exemption. This should be left for them but any cases they refuse which you consider involve hardship can be referred to me. The only assistance you should have to give should be with bookwork and the Clerk should be left to do it as much as he can by himself and separate from your patrol.
- (3) Take any action necessary for the improvement of roads in the area.
- (4) Check and repair all bridges on the PABULUMU to YALUBA road. I will send you out some nails to nail on decking at present secured with cane. Ensure that all bridges are safe for vehicular traffic before you return.
- (5) Routine administration and settlement of complaints and enquiries where necessary.
- (6) Compile tax census sheets for all villages.

The time of three weeks is only a guide and you can take longer if necessary.



B.H. Mulcahy.  
Assistant District Commissioner.

cc The District Commissioner Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL

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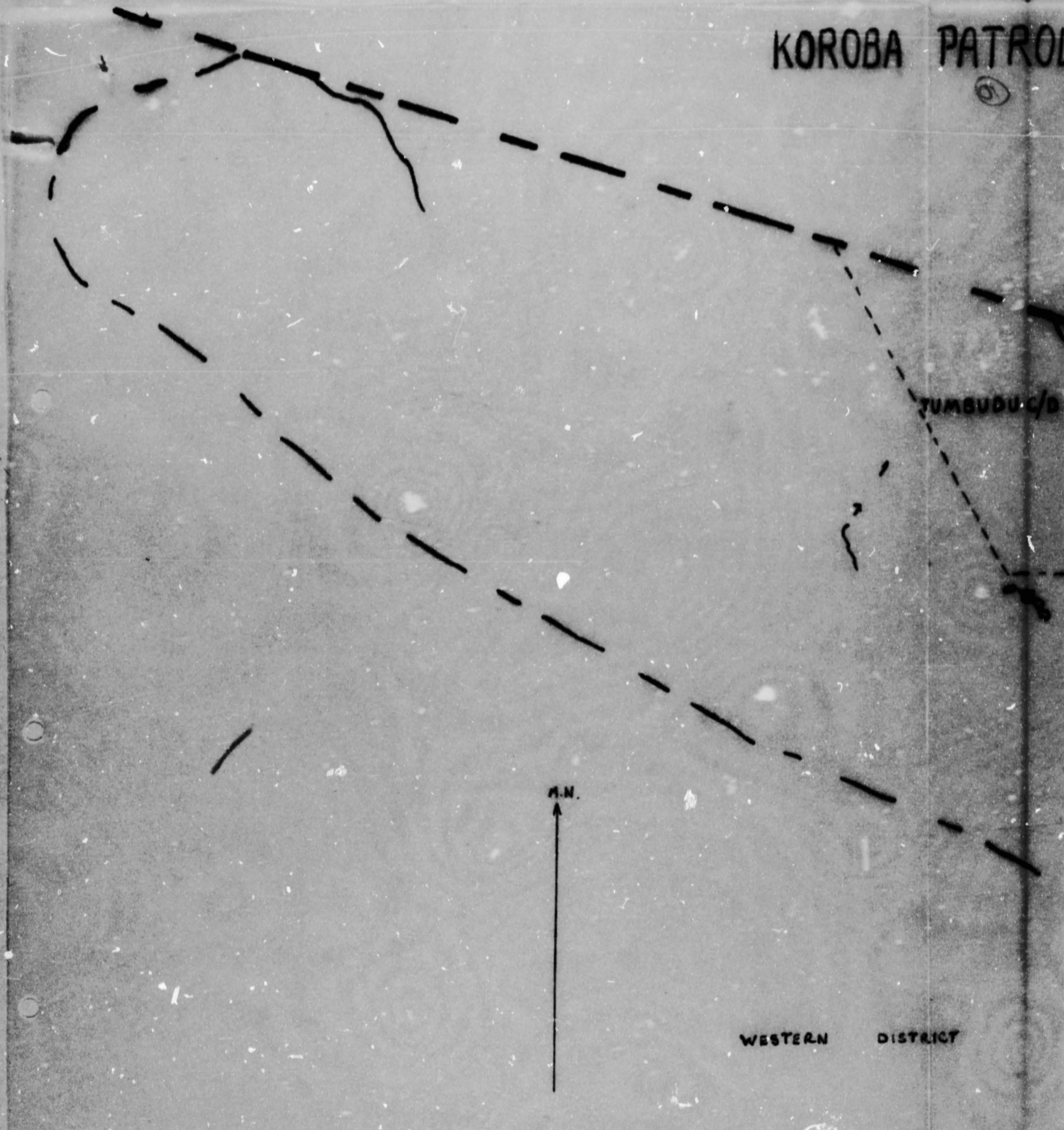
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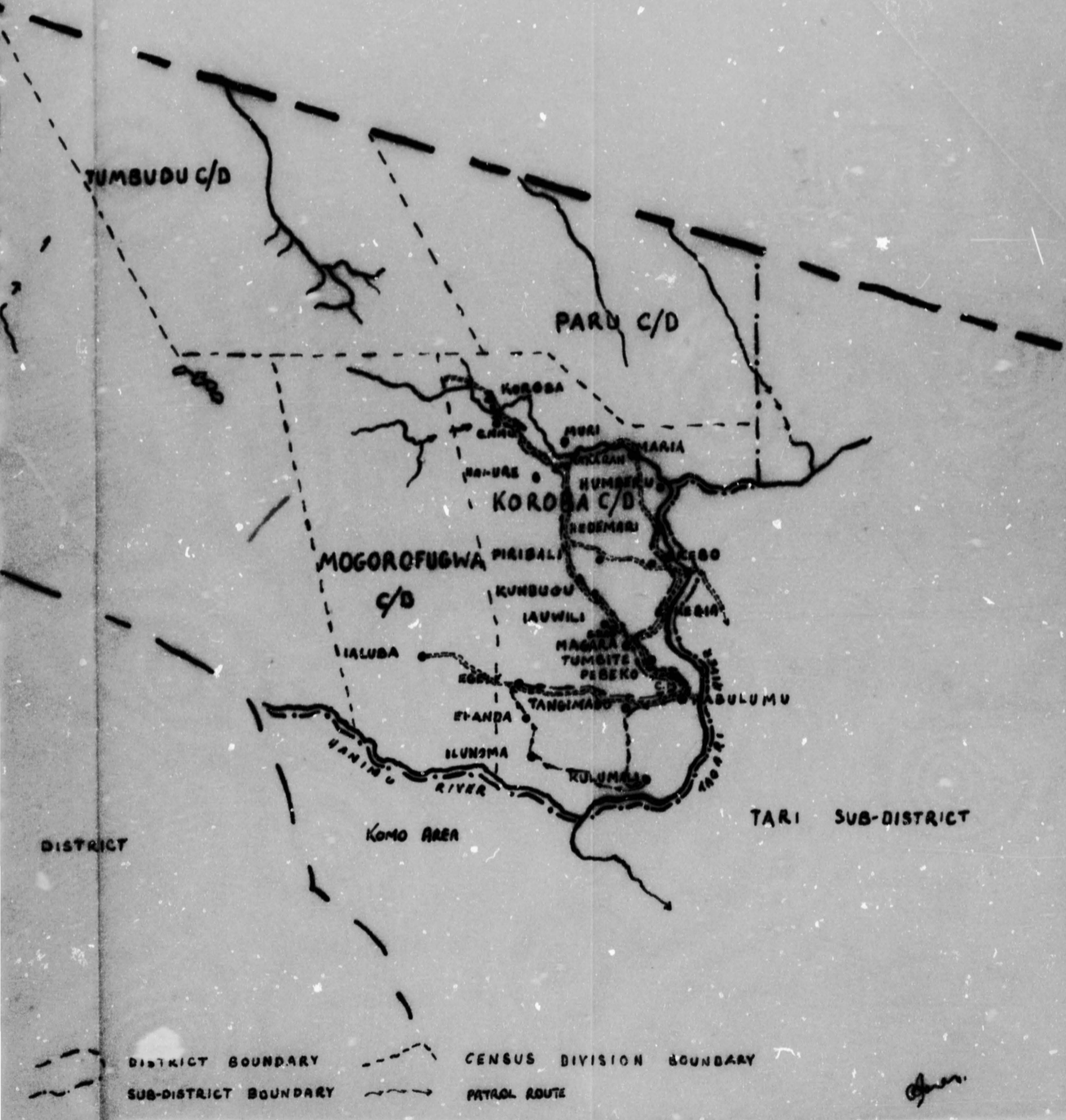
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SUB-DISTRICT



# KOROKA PATROL NO.4, 1966/67

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Sub-District Office,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Koroba,  
SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL NO. 4 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by: P.O. Jones, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Part Koroba Census Division.

Personnel Accompanying the Patrol:

- R.P.&N.G.C. Const. 1st class MERIGUM 5018B
- Const. MALIUPA 6994
- Const. ELENA 11442

1 Native Interpreter Nagiria

Local Government Council clerk Orim Takau.

Duration of Patrol: 13/9/66 - 27/9/66

Fourteen Days.

Last Patrol to the Area: August 1965

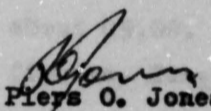
Objects of the Patrol: Census Revision.

Assist Council Clerk in Collecting Taxes.

Repair the Pabulumu-Ialuba Road.

General Administration.

Map Reference: Sketch Map Attached.

  
Piers O. Jones  
( Cadet Patrol Officer )

INTRODUCTION

Census revision and general administration were the main reasons for this patrol of the Koroba Census Division. As Mr. B. Munn C.P.O. had revised census previously, at a number of rest houses, it was only necessary for the Patrol to visit another nine places. Seven of these are the central point in their respective Council Wards. The two other rest houses visited are those of Kulumali and Ilunoma, these places are cut off from the rest of the Division by a range of mountains that runs parallel to the Tagari and Hanimu rivers. The Patrol was enthusiastically welcomed at these two places for as they lie off the beaten track few patrols visit the area and the people have to walk several hard miles to census at Pabulumu or Tangimabo. Apart from Kulumali and Ilunoma all the rest houses are situated on the road and little time or energy is expended in walking from one to the next.

Besides the mountain range to the south, the area surrounding the Tagari river is comparatively flat with minor ranges rising to the north and west. The area round the Tagari is mostly under cultivation but the mountains are clothed in dense forest that extends in the south right down to the Tagari river.

The Patrol completed its work in two weeks and returned to the station after spending a few days at Egele repairing the road.

PATROL DIARY.

Tuesday 13th September

Departed Koroba 11.00 by car for Hedemari. As the people were already assembled census was begun immediately after the Patrol's arrival. Census taken till about 15.00 when heavy rain made its completion impossible. Those people that had not been censused were advised to return next morning. Slept Hedemari.

Wednesday 14th September

Census was continued at about 09.00. Finished about 12.00. Afternoon spent in compiling census figures. Slept Hedemari.

Thursday 15th September

Departed Hedemari 08.30 for Kebia. Walked along the road for a number of miles and arrived Kebia at about 11.30. Took census. Census completed at 14.00. Walked to Magara. One complaint dealt with in the afternoon. Slept Magara.

Friday 16th September

Began census at Magara at 09.00. Completed census at 11.30. Walked to Tumbite. Continued census figures. Slept Tumbite.

Saturday 17th September

Took census. Heard one court and departed for Pabulumu at 13.00. Arrived Pabulumu 13.30. Heard one complaint concerning marriage payment. Slept Pabulumu.



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DIARY CONT.

Sunday 18th September.

Day observed. Slept Pabulumu.

Monday 19th September.

Commemoration Day. Day observed. Slept Pabulumu.

Tuesday 20th September.

Waited till about 09.00 for the people to assemble. Began census of Pabulumu. Completed census at 12.00. Engaged carriers and departed for Tangimabo. Arrived 12.45. Heard a number of complaints in the afternoon. Instructed Village Officials to build a new rest house as the old one was in the last stages of deterioration. Slept Tangimabo.

Wednesday 21st September.

Took census at Tangimabo. Completed at 11.30. Lined carriers and departed for Kulumali at 12.30. Arrived 15.30. Took census. Slept Kulumali.

Thursday 22nd September.

Lined carriers at 08.30. Departed for Ilunoma. ( It was as yet undecided whether the Patrol would spend the night at Ilunoma after census or try to reach the next rest house, Egele. ) Arrived Ilunoma 11.00. Took census. Rain set in ; Patrol slept Ilunoma.

Friday 23rd September.

Departed Ilunoma 08.00 for Egele. Four hours walk brought the Patrol out onto the Ialuba road. Arrived Egele 12.15. In the afternoon work was begun on the bridges along the Ialuba road. Three bridges had been repaired by the time work finished at 16.00. Heard one dispute concerning ownership of land. Slept Egele.

Saturday 24th September.

Continued bridge work. Another seven bridges were repaired during the morning. Returned to the rest house at 12.00. In the afternoon an inspection was made of the section of land under dispute. Slept Egele.

Sunday 25th September.

Day observed. Slept Egele.

Monday 26th September.

Took census of Egele. Census completed at 11.00. Bridge work continued for the rest of the day. Six bridges repaired. Village Officials were given instructions for the completion of the work. Slept Egele.

Tuesday 27th September.

Lined carriers at 07.30 and departed for Koroba. Walked about six miles to Magara where the Patrol was met by car. Continued to the station by car. Arrived 12.00. Reported to O.I.C.. Patrol stood down.

DIARY ENDS.

P.O. Jones C.P.O.

RECEPTION OF PATROL.

The age when patrols were received with hostility has long since passed in this area. Today patrols are so common that their reception is neither hostile or enthusiastic but if anything rather indifferent. The only exception to this, as already stated, was at Kulumali and Ilunoma where the people showed a certain amount of curiosity and surprise and, enthusiasm at the Patrol's visit.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

At each rest house visited the Local Government Councillors were obviously trying to make a good impression and their desire to help the Patrol was in most cases genuine.

A tribunal of Councillors continually accompanied the Patrol and assisted the Council Clerk in collecting taxes.

In most cases the Councillors appear to be the driving force behind the people but of course there are exceptions. The two Councillors of Tumbite and Egele are not striking personalities and seem to lean on their respective committee members to an extent more than would appear necessary. Unfortunately the Councillor of Magara who is very competent feels he is not making enough out of his life and wants to find work elsewhere.

There is little or no friction between the Councillors and the area seems to work well under their leadership.

POLITICAL SITUATION.

This area was the first ~~tax~~ to be opened in the Sub-District. As a result it is the most developed and most politically advanced. The Local Government Council has bound the area together and internally the people squabble very little. A certain amount of friction exists with Tari in the east and Komo in the south. At Ilunoma the people claimed that the Komo natives had been raiding their gardens and stealing pigs from across the Hanimu river. This talk may be true or could be the people reviving what happened and was settled some months before. Never the less it shows that the inhabitants of this area are still distrustful of their Komo neighbours.

The Administration is regarded highly in the area. All courts, important and unimportant, are brought to the Administration for settlement. In some ways this is good but it can be rather trying as many minor complaints could be settled by the Village Officials. This shows that the people really feel the judgement of the Village Officials is not absolute.

Missions have had a stabilising effect in the area and have socially unified the people by giving them a common religion and churches that all can share.

#### AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

The area of greatest agricultural potential is that lying round the Tagari river. All the native crops appear to thrive there as the land is rich and well irrigated. The whole of the area receives a good rainfall.

Two plots of coffee trees have been planted experimentally, one at Hedemari and the other at Tumbite. Both plots are of a sensible size, twenty acres, and it should not be too long before the people can see the results.

There are areas of rich ground to the south round Kulumali and Ilunoma but this region is so inaccessible it would not be worth the trouble to open it up. The dense forests that cover much of the mountains in the area contain nothing of value unless the fruit of the pandanus palm has commercial possibilities.

The Patrol purchased eggs at a number of places and for the most part these were large and of good quality. Pigs will always remain in the area as they are as necessary in the lives of the people as is the sweet potato. Unfortunately this necessity is not a nutritional one as pigs are not eaten frequently. The reason is social for as long as the people have to uphold status, buy brides or make payments between groups pigs will remain.

#### COURTS AND COMPLAINTS.

Two complaints that were dealt with concerned marriage payments and were settled with little difficulty. Another involved some inhabitants of Tari Sub-District and could not be dealt with until these people were present. The only complaint that needed to be sent in to the station for settlement was over the ownership of land. Two sub-groups were disputing a section of land that their respective grandfathers had marked. As neither side could produce their grandfathers or no-one could back up the claim they had to settle for an equal division of the land in question.

One court was referred to the A.D.C. concerning suspected assault and was dealt with accordingly.

#### HEALTH.

Little can be said on this subject as no reports of sickness were received and on the whole the health of the Patrol was good.

Aid Posts operate at Hedemari, Tumbite, Pabulumu and Egele. They are principally there for the treatment of minor injuries and sicknesses. All carry supplies of codine, malaria tablets etc as well as bandages and ointments. Any serious diseases are sent to either Tari or Koroba.

The people seem grateful for these Aid Posts although at Egele they were neglecting their duty in maintaining the buildings and supplying food for the ~~mi~~ orderly.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Most of the roads in the area are in good condition. The road that crosses the land to the west of the Tagari river needs little maintenance as it is flat and well drained. The Kundugu road that climbs over the range of mountains between Koroba and the Tagari river is continually being improved. Large sections were being stoned when the Patrol passed through the area on the way back to the station. The third road in the area that runs from Magara to the Tagari bridge needs a lot of improvement. In many places the road is narrow and badly cut and the surface is rough virtually the whole length of the way.

The Patrol spent some time improving the road that runs from Pabulumu to Ialuba in the south. The main work undertaken was the replanking of sixteen bridges between Egele and Ialuba. The bridges previously along the road were for the most part of round timber and as nails were short the planks were only fastened with vines if they were fastened at all. All the bridges are nailed now except for one near Ialuba which had to be left as the nails ran out. The Village Constable was advised to finish this when nails could be made available. It was decided to do away with four bridges on the road. The ditches that these bridges crossed were all small and have never carried water. In several places the people ~~extra flitches~~ cut extra flitches which were piled beside the road for the purpose of fixing the bridges when needed. Much of the Ialuba road is badly corrugated. This would appear to be the result of poor drainage and lack of maintenance. The Village Officials of Egele and Ialuba were advised to make the necessary repairs.

MISSIONS.

The Catholic Mission with its headquarters at Peboko has the most adherents in the area although many people belong to the Seventh Day Adventist church which has a number of stations operated from their main station in the Tari Sub-district.

Catholic influence extends from Ialuba to Hedemari. The S.D.A. adherents mainly lie in small pockets that have grown up throughout the area round the churches set up by this mission. The main centres of S.D.A. influence are ~~at~~ and Magara. It was necessary for the Patrol to avoid taking ~~on~~ on Saturdays while in these areas.

Of the two missions the Catholic is doing the most for the development of the area. A school is operated by the mission and paid labour is usually available for the locals. The mission airstrip now open to category D aircraft is being extended so that larger aircraft will be able to use it.

At census it was noted that due to mission influence many males have divorced all their wives except one. The abolition of bigamy may be a good thing in time but at present it appears that there will be a number of, usually aged, unattached women trying to find homes. It would seem that a better policy would be the condemnation of future

MISSIONS CONT.

bigamy but acceptance of any at present standing. If such a thing continues at the present rate it must upset the social structure of life in the area.

Despite this the area certainly benefits from the presence of the missions.

EDUCATION.

The Catholic Mission school is the only one in the area. One hundred and thirty ~~thirty~~ pupils attend classes ranging from prep. to standard 3. Some children attend the S.D.A. mission school at Tari.

CENSUS AND TAX.

Prior to the patrol census was taken of eight groups in the division. Census of the remainder was taken during the patrol. No important trends have been shown by the figures. The number of coastal workers is average although the number of people at work in other Districts has risen. This is made up mainly of people working at Porgera in the Western Highlands.

At most rest houses attendance was good and all absentees were checked by the Village Officials, most were found to be either sick or incapacitated. No-one was found to be avoiding census.

The Koroba Council Clerk, Orim Tokau, accompanied the Patrol for the purpose of collecting tax from the people in the Census Division. This work was carried out separately from the work of the Patrol. As a tribunal of Local Government Councillors accompanied the Council Clerk little help was needed to be given in the collection of the tax. Only one complaint was made concerning tax but the complainant paid the money after absorbing ~~at~~ a talk about the uses of tax money.

CONCLUSION.

Perhaps more co-operation amongst the people in the area would bring a faster rate of development. At present this rate is satisfactory but gradual. It is pleasing to see that the Local Government Councillors realise a change is coming and are, for the most part, trying to <sup>get the people</sup> ready ~~the people~~ for it.

*Piers O. Jones*  
Piers O. Jones.

( Cadet Patrol Officer )

See Appendix A for comments on the members of the R.P. & N.G.C. accompanying the Patrol.

APPENDIX A.

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Comments on the members of the R.P. & N.G.C.

Const. 1st class Merigum. Is competent and willing. This Constable although usually being reserved in his dealings with the native people can display an amazing amount of command if the need arises.

Const. Maliupa. Although being quiet this constable is conscientious and during the patrol he proved himself to be a capable worker.

Const. Elena. Was a great help to both myself and the Council Clerk. This constable shows initiative and willingness in everything that is done.

Comments on Interpreter Nagaria.

Nagaria was the only D.D.A interpreter accompanying the Patrol. He was a great help in communicating with the natives on any subject. Being a local himself he understands the native customs and when disputes arise in which these customs may be involved it is a great help having some-one on hand who can explain and perhaps help solve them.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS.....Report No.....5 of 1966/67.....

Patrol Conducted by.....B. MUNN.....CADET PATROL OFFICER.....

Area Patrolled.....PARU CENSUS DIVISION.....

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

Natives.....4 MEMBERS R. P. & N. G. C., 1 INTERPRETER.....

Duration—From..26../.10../1966...to..9../.11../1966...>

Number of Days.....FIFTEEN.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...22/.5../1966...

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

Map Reference.....Patrol Map Attached.....

Objects of Patrol..Local..Government..Council..Survey...Conduct..Demarkation..elections..

Check & assist road construction. Arrest & escort of Prisoners. General Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-15-26

25th January, 1967.

District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
N.E.P.I.

PATROL REPORT, KOROKA NO. 7 OF 1966/67:

Receipt of the above report and your 67-3-11 is acknowledged with thanks.

A good report which indicates the patrol achieved its main objectives.

It is pleasing to see a young officer such as Mr. B. Mann performing his duties conscientiously.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.



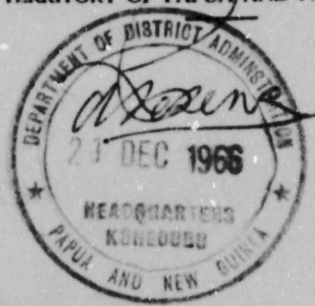
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference..... 67-3-11  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....



Department of District Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI

13th December, 1966.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU

SUBJECT: KOROBA Patrol No. 5 of 1966/67

Attached please find the following documents relating to the above patrol conducted by Mr. R. Munn, Cadet Patrol Officer to the PARU Census Division.

1. Patrol instructions issued by Assistant District Commissioner, KOROBA vide his 67-2-1 of 25th October, 1966.
2. Patrol Report.
3. Covering memorandum 67-5-5 of 5th December, 1966 from Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.

Memorandum from Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba adequately deals with situation revealed by patrol. It still remains a slow and steady task to introduce economic development into this area, however if the access road goes through as planned this should assist these people insofar as more readily available access will then be available from Koroba and Kopiago.

Local Government Survey is being submitted to your office under separate cover. Map referred to is being held by this office.

Mr. Munn has submitted a neatly typed and well set out Report and continues to maintain his high standard as a field officer.

*D. R. Marsh*  
(D. R. Marsh)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

18/8/1



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

(Handwritten mark)

Telegrams.....

Our Reference **67-5-5**.....

If calling ask for

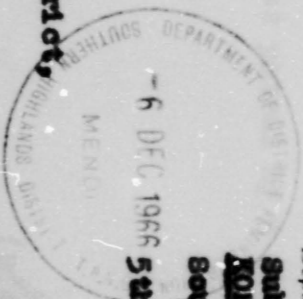
No.....

Department of District Administration,

**Sub-District Headquarters,**

**KORORA.**

Southern Highlands.



- 6 DEC 1966 5th December, 1966.

District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
**MENDO.**

KORORA PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1966/1967.

PARU CENSUS DIVISION.

1. Attached please find :-

- (a) Three (3) copies above patrol report ;
  - (b) Three copies Local Government Survey PARU C/D. ;
  - (c) Claim camping allowance ;
  - (d) My covering memo 40-2-1 today's date on (b) above ;
- being matters arising from the above patrol conducted by Mr. B. Mann Cadet Patrol Officer - KORORA.

2. The delay in submission of this is regretted but unavoidable due: my absence on patrol and the desire to submit both (a) and (b) above at the same time - this also explains the discrepancy between the dates of (a) and (b) and in this aspect para 3 of (b) at page 9 is applicable.

3. COMMENTS ON PATROL REPORT.

Overall the report reveals a highly satisfactory native situation which was to be expected.

The lack of disputes being brought to the patrol does not necessarily mean there is negative law breaking in the area. What I have observed so date is that the people generally prefer to settle their disputes themselves essentially by the compensation payment of pigs. In this aspect the aggrieved party receives pigs from the offender whereas at the normal official court he walks away with nothing except the knowledge that the offender is going into jail. Naturally enough he always prefers the former and will bring his troubles in only when the offender refuses to pay or objects over some point. This we realize is not completely satisfactory and further education re law etc. is required.

Re access road - It is hoped to have an officer devote himself full time for two weeks on the linkup section of this road in January '67. When this occurs and if the people pull their weight later when unsupervised the road should be open by April '67. The main drawback to date has been the total lack of essential tools which even with allocations coming will still be hopelessly insufficient - even if fully allocated to this road only.

The lack of economic development in the area is particular to KORORA as a whole. The PARU valley has possibly at present the least economic potential in the sub-district ; but there again those areas with potential still have nothing. This aspect will be further dealt with in my current Local Government Survey reports of two other census divisions.

4. DEMARCAATION COMMITTEES.

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A complete list of members, chairmans etc. for both KOROBA Demarcation Committees is being prepared separately and will be forwarded with my forthcoming memorandum of patrol.

GENERAL

A well conducted patrol by a conscientious and usefull officer.



(P. Greedy)

A/Assistant District Commissioner.



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Telegrams.....  
Our Reference 67-2-1.  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

Department of District Administration,  
DUNA Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District,  
KOROBA.

25th October, 1966.

Mr. B. Munn,  
Cadet Patrol Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 5 of 1966/1967.

PARU CENSUS DIVISION.

1. In confirmation our verbal talks please be prepared to mount a patrol Wednesday 26th instant to the above named census division.

2. OBJECTS.

(a) KOROBA Local Government Council extension survey for the future inclusion of PARU C/D into this council.

This survey is to follow Department District Administration Circular Instruction 304 of 18th September, 1959. Please take a copy of this circular with you also District Commissioners 39-2-2 of 16th May, 1966 refers, KOROBA File 40-2-1 is applicable.

Please note also that your survey is to include the C.M.M.L. mission at PORI re multi racial council. I will more fully discuss this latter point with you before your departure.

3. (b) Further explain to the people the adjudication process and conduct an election of each maximal land owning group to select their member for the demarcation committee. In this context I suggest you refresh your mind on the process by reading KOROBA file 35-1-3.

(c) Check road construction throughout the C/D, and assist when time permits. In particular hasten the activities around TIBA and TADEL.

(d) The arrest of males EMBETAIYA and ALEMBO of WAGARA/PUYENANDA rest houses and their immediate escort to KOROBA, to appear before the Local and District Courts, as already verbally discussed.

(e) General administrative activities as necessary.

3. PATROL PERSONNEL.

Please see the senior Police N.C.O. and select four (4) police of your own choosing.

Apart from your interpreter I suggest you also take a D.D.A. labourer as a second interpreter to assist with road works.

4. DURATION.

Should be approximately two weeks - however should more time be required do not hesitate to remain longer but please advise by note.

5. GENERAL.

Should any problems arise please do not hesitate to advise this office when all will be done to assist

Good luck and favourable w. exp.

A/Assistant District Commissioner  
(S. Greedy)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67 - 2 - 2

If calling ask for

Mr.....

Sub-district Office,  
Duna Sub-district,  
Koroba.

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS.

10th November 1966

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-district Office,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 5 of 1966/67.

PARU CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Conducted by: B. Munn, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Patrol Accompanied by: 4 members R.P. & N.G.C.  
1 interpreter.

Area Patrolled: Paru Census Division.

Duration: 26/10/66 - 9/11/66.

Number of Days. Fifteen.

- Objects of Patrol:
1. Conduct Local Government Council Extension Survey.
  2. Conduct elections for Demarkation Committee and explain Adjudication process.
  3. Check and assist road construction.
  4. Arrest and immediate escort to Koroba of Alembo and Embetaiya of Puyenanda rest house.
  5. General Administration.

*B. Munn*

B. Munn.  
Cadet Patrol Officer.

Introduction.

The Paru Census Division is contained within the narrow Paru Valley, which runs in a northerly direction to finish at the New Guinea Border. The area is connected only by walking tracks with Koroba and consequently the people have not yet experienced many of the advantages offered by the Government.

The main purpose of this patrol was to speak to the people about their possible future inclusion in the Koroba Local Government Council and to inform them as much as possible of the Councils purpose and functions. As in accordance with D.N.A. Circular Instruction 304, information was gathered and used in the compilation of a Council Survey Report which has been included with this report.

The people were also spoken to about the proposed formation of a Demarkation Committee and its members were elected from amongst the maximal land owning groups at each centre.

Diary.26th October 1966

Final preparations made for patrol. Departed Koroba 11.15 am. and arrived at Maria at 12.00 pm. For various reasons most of the men from Maria were elsewhere, and it was not until 1.00pm. that we departed. Arrived Tiba 4.00 pm. Slept Tiba.

27th October 1966

The news of my coming had not reached these people, and therefore I had to wait until 11.30 am. before they all arrived. Whilst I was speaking to them I was informed that the people at Tabdiamabu were also part of this group. As I am to hold an election for the Demarkation Committee Members from amongst each of the maximal land owning groups in the Paru, I instructed the Village Constable to have the Tabdiamabu people come down to Tiba to-morrow. Slept Tiba.

28th October 1966

The people from Tabdiamabu and Tiba arrived at 10.30 am. I spoke to them about the Demarkation Committee and the Council and conducted an election to choose a Committee member. Following this I spoke to the village leaders about their relations with other groups. Inspected roadwork in the afternoon and issued instructions about the work being done. Slept Tiba.

29th October 1966

Departed Tiba at 8.00am. and arrived at Tadei at 11.00am.  
Slept Tadei.

30th October 1966

Sunday. Day observed.

31st October 1966

People gathered at about 10.30 am. I spoke to them about the Committee and the Council and then conducted the election for the Committee member. Spoke with village leaders and held general discussion. In the afternoon I inspected the roadwork, giving instruction for its' maintenance. Slept Tadei.

1st November 1966

In morning again worked with people on the road. Departed Tadei at 12.45 pm. and arrived at Wagara at 1.50 pm. Spoke to the Village Constables regarding the whereabouts of the two men, Alembo and Embetaiya. Heard one minor dispute. Slept Wagara.

2nd November 1966

People gathered at 12.40 pm. Spoke to them about Committee and Council and then held election for Committee member. Spoke to village leaders and held general discussion. Slept Wagara.

3rd November 1966

Whilst patrol moved on to Adzugari I went to the C.M.M.L. mission at Pori, and there spoke to Europeans about their willingness to join the Council. Continued on to Adzugari, arriving at 12.00 pm. One minor dispute brought forward during afternoon. Slept Adzugari.

4th November 1966

People came forward at 9.45 am. Spoke to them about the Committee and the Council, and held election for Committee member. Held general discussion with people and then spoke with village leaders. During afternoon began work on Council Survey Report. Slept Adzugari.

5th November 1966

Moved to Tugu rest house and there spoke to people. Held election for Committee member and then spoke with village leaders. Slept Tugu.

6th November 1966

Sunday. Day observed.

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7th November 1966

Departed Tugu at 7.45 am. and moved to Tadei where approximately 400 men were working on the new road. Stayed at Tadei for about an hour giving instructions about the work. Moved to Kuranda arriving at 2.30 pm. Slept Kuranda.

8th November 1966

People came forward at 11.30 am. Spoke to them about the Committee and the Council and then held election for Committee member. Spoke to village leaders and held general discussion. In afternoon worked on Council Survey Report. Slept Kuranda.

9th November 1966

Departed Kuranda at 9.30 am and arrived at Koroba at 12.45 pm. Patrol stood down.

END OF DIARY



Native Affairs.Native Situation.

The people of the Paru Valley are beginning to show a strong desire for development. Until now they have been isolated by the terrain, but with the present attempt to build a road into their area they have realized that they might now expect some development. During the patrol continual reference was made by them to their ~~text~~ desire for a school and some agricultural development. Their attitude towards the Administration is quite good.

The reception given to the suggestion of both the Council and the Demarkation Committee was very good. At all centres the people were spoken to about the Committee and the adjudication process was explained to them. Following this I invited queries about the Committee, and when all of these had been satisfied I conducted an election to select a Committee member. At each of two rest houses, Wagara and Adzugari, it was necessary to elect two members because of the feeling between the two major groups at these centres

One member was elected to represent the people of Tibala and Tabadiamabu because the one group occupies both rest houses.

The Committee will consist of eight members. These are listed in Appendix "A" with the rest houses, groups and population which each represents.

The people were also told of their possible inclusion in the Koroba Local Government Council. Information for a Council Survey was gathered and the Survey has been included with this report.

Agriculture.

These people are subsistence farmers relying on a basic diet of sweet potato. Because of the terrain they are restricted to small gardens on the hillsides. Small subsidiary crops of corn, cabbage, potatoes and tomatoes are grown and are becoming part of the peoples diet.

As yet there has been no introduction of cash crops into the valley, however the agricultural officer from Koroba intends to soon patrol the area and if possible set up several small coffee plots.

### Livestock and Fisheries.

In the Paru, as every-where, the pig is the main feature of the livestock. Due however to the local mission and the Administration, there have been several additions to the variety of livestock.

In 1964 fish were introduced to the lakes and water-holes in the Koroba sub-district. People throughout the sub-district now have private small pools in which they keep several fish for the purpose of breeding. The large lakes are regularly fished by the people and the fish are now gradually being introduced into their diet.

The C.M.M.L. mission at Pori has recently introduced ducks to the people as a possible means of increasing their food source and also their cash intake with the sale of eggs. They also intend to introduce fowls for the same purpose.

### Law and Order.

Of the few courts brought forward during the patrol, only one was of a sufficiently serious nature to warrant court action.

This concerned the brother of the Village Constable at Tugu rest house. On four separate occasions the Village Constable had called on his brother to assist the people in the road work. On each occasion he had been threatened with an axe and once, the brother had dug several holes in the road to show his disapproval. On all occasions he had refused to work.

The two men, Alembo and Embetaiya of Puyenanda rest house in the Lake Kopiago sub-district, were brought forward by their village tul-tul.

The three prisoners were forwarded to Koroba under a police guard.

In general the Paru people seem to be quite peaceful with very little internal trouble.

### Roads.

The Paru road stretches for a distance of approximately 15 miles to join at the New Guinea border with the Lake Kopiago road. As yet only about 10 miles of this has been completed and several sections will need further work done on them. The last 6 miles were marked and constructed by the local mission about 2½ years ago, and in June of this year I marked the remainder.

Although the work is gradually being done it is obvious that the people are not giving all their attention to the road. This is no doubt due to the lack of guidance and the none too

forceful nature of the Village Constables in the area.

During the patrol the people were spoken to about the road and its part in any future development of the area. They were also told, with perhaps greater effect, of the roads' recent inclusion under Section 7 of the Roads Maintenance Ordinance 1953-64 and of the penalties to be incurred for failing to maintain and work on the road.

On the 7th November I gave instructions for the work being done on a new section of road near Tadei rest house. Approximately 400 men were present and several hundred more were working on different sections further down the valley. As the Village Constables have again been informed of their duty in respect to road-work, it is quite possible that this number at least, will be present for several weeks to come, and sufficient present every week until the road is finished.

No great length of time was spent by the patrol in road-work as the amount of work which could have been done, was negligible. I doubt too, that the demonstration would have greatly spurred the peoples enthusiasm. Several times during the patrol, an afternoon was spent inspecting the work done on various sections. The bulk of the work remaining, lies between Tadei and Maria; however the population here is very small and so is unable to make any speedy advance with the work. I directed most of my attention to the people between Tadei and Tugu where the road is already completed. Nearly 2,000 people live in this area and the completion of the road will require that they assist the Tiba people.

#### Missions

##### Christian Mission of Many Lands

The only mission of any influence in the Paru valley is the C.M.M.L. mission at Pori. This is staffed by four Europeans and runs a hospital and small Leprosarium.

##### Capuchian Mission

This mission has only one post in the Paru. It is staffed by a native catechist and influences only a small number of people.

##### Seventh Day Adventist Mission

A native catechist looks after the only post this mission has in the area. It influences a very small number of people.

##### Sovereign Grace Baptist Mission

This mission has its' headquarters situated in the Tumbudu Census Division and its' only contact with the Paru people, comes from a small station which is periodically visited by the European from the Tumbudu.

Conclusion.

Throughout the patrol I was continually impressed by the apparent urgency with which these people inquired about possible development in their area. The impression I gained during discussions with the various leaders, was that given the chance, they would take every advantage of any effort to improve their lot.

The patrol accomplished all its' assigned duties.

B. Munn

B. Munn.

Cadet Patrol Officer.

Interpreter.

Detainee name.

A very useful and capable member of the patrol.

Patrol Personnel

Members R.P. & N.G.C.

Const. Ukambani No. 8983.

A very forceful, quite intelligent member.

Const. Kambolonge No. 10451.

Fairly capable but does not show much initiative.

Const. Towarwakai No. 10807.

Capable and popular with the people.

Const. Elena No. 11442.

An intelligent member who should, with experience, develop into a very good officer.

Interpreter.

Hetaidia Lemona.

A very useful and sensible member of the patrol.

Appendix "A"

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Demarcation Committee

| <u>Name</u>                    | <u>Rest House</u> | <u>Groups</u> | <u>Population</u> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Tadia Purugi                   | Tiba              | Ewanari       | 208               |
|                                |                   | Kambieri      |                   |
|                                | Mandi             |               |                   |
|                                | Tabadiamabu       | Ewanari       |                   |
|                                |                   | Pelabuli      |                   |
|                                |                   | Purumani      |                   |
| Titemu                         |                   | 189           |                   |
| -----                          |                   |               |                   |
| Lai'ebe Pagamu                 | Tadei             | Maroba        | 704               |
|                                |                   | Wamu          |                   |
|                                |                   | Ong'goba      |                   |
|                                |                   | Pi            |                   |
|                                |                   | Tigimu        |                   |
| -----                          |                   |               |                   |
| Pura Edabe<br>Manebi Iriba     | Wagara            | Kutege        | 1013              |
|                                |                   | Tindauwa      |                   |
|                                |                   | Haiya         |                   |
| -----                          |                   |               |                   |
| Tara Kai'ialu<br>Aburia Tagoba | Adzugari          | Ega           | 787               |
|                                |                   | Kubie         |                   |
| -----                          |                   |               |                   |
| Kari Para                      | Tugu              | Genamo        | 325               |
|                                |                   | Gewe          |                   |
| -----                          |                   |               |                   |
| Kogora Walaba                  | Kuranda           | Titamo        | 468               |
|                                |                   | Ewanari       |                   |
|                                |                   | Wamu          |                   |
|                                |                   | Kangoyabe     |                   |
|                                |                   | Wage          |                   |
|                                | Perebuari         |               |                   |



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. 7 OF 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by P. O. JONES CADET PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION / PART MOGOROFLGWA CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans? NO

Natives 3 MEMBERS OF THE R.P. & N.G.C.  
1 NATIVE INTERPRETER

Duration—From 16./11./1966 to 8./12./1966

Number of Days TWENTY THREE

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 9./11./66

Medical NIL / 19

Map Reference SKETCH MAP ATTACHED

Objects of Patrol DEMARCATION COMMITTEE, TALKS AND ELECTIONS / EXPLANATION OF THE  
SUMMONS STICK / ROAD SURVEY, IALUBA-MOGOROGWA / LAND INVESTIGATIONS, PABULUBU & BETEGA.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

511/1967

District Commissioner

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|-----------------------------------------|-------|--------|
| Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation | ..... | £..... |
| Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund      | ..... | £..... |
| Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund    | ..... | .....  |
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67-15-29

1st February, 1967.

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

PATROL REPORT NO. 6-1966/67 - KOROBA:

Receipt of the above report and your 67-3-11 of 5th January 1967, is acknowledged with thanks.

Mr. Jones has submitted a satisfactory report on his patrol to the Koroba Census Division. He should however, concentrate more on improving his expression.

With regard to the proposed sale of land that the people "could not afford to lose", it should be pointed out to Mr. Jones that in such cases it is contrary to the Land Ordinance to alienate such land.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.



67-15-29  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegram.....  
Our Reference..... 67-3-11  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....



Department of District Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI

5th January, 1967.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBUBU

SUBJECT: KOROBA PATROL NO. 7 OF 1966/67

Attached are following documents relating to the above patrol conducted by Mr. P.O. Jones, Cadet Patrol Officer to KOROBA and part of MOGOROFUGWA Census Division.

1. Patrol Instructions and memorandum 67-2-1 dated 14th November, 1966 from Assistant District Commissioner, KOROBA.
2. Patrol Report.
3. Covering memorandum 67-5-2 of 23rd December, 1966 from Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.

The use of a "sammons stick" has much to commend and this system has worked well in other Papuan districts. It certainly cuts down the work which the police are then required to carry out especially in the cases of only minor complaints and civil disputes.

I have still not received anything definite as to the finding of the proposed new airstrip at Koroba and until this occurs these people will have a legitimate grievance. The lack of a large airstrip at Koroba can be offset by developing the existing road between Koroba and TARI, where a DC3 airstrip exists, and future planning will be along these lines but not to disregard the primary need for a suitable light aircraft airstrip at Koroba itself. As road links continue to expand in the Koroba area the use of the KOROBA/TARI road and the proposed new airstrip will materially assist in the development of the area as a whole.

Anthropological specimens will be forwarded under separate cover.

A neatly set out report by Mr. Jones who continues to maintain his interest and enthusiasm.

(D. R. Marsh)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference **67-5-2.**  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

Department of District Administration,  
**Sub-District Headquarters,**  
**KOROBA.**  
**Southern Highlands District.**  
23rd December, 1966.

District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
**MEENDI.**

KOROBA PATROL No. 7 of 1966/1967.

KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.

1. Attached in triplicate please find three (3) copies of the above patrol report and claim for camping allowance submitted by C.P.O. Mr. P. Jones.

2. COMMENTS.

Having myself given speeches to the people of three census divisions and observed their favourable reactions to the summons stick I fail to comprehend how it was received with "mixed feelings of humour ..... potential threat to themselves"; unless the officer concerned incompletely explained its subtle functions and purely informed the people of its definite penalty.

In an illiterate unsophisticated large area of 19,000 people it is quite infeasible to continually send police out for arrest purposes for every minor complaint. As a consequence and realizing the drawbacks of pidgin 'paper summons' a specially carved stick with the coin picture of the Queen prominent was constructed and the people informed that when a defendant in an action was told to attend court by a complainant in possession of one of these sticks he was to immediately appear. Failing his appearance and proof of its correct service the defendant would definitely be charged under the appropriate ordinance section. By thus using this summons stick correctly over a period of time only the so called 'court bigheads' will be effected and courts will and have to date proceeded much more smoothly and effectively than before.

While superficially the people might still appear to have strong inter group enmities these are more of a current origin nature rather than pre-administration and taking the form of group parochial work efforts requiring payment before all other groups and before they will assist another group. In all, this continual whining demand for cash for every conceivable little self help project has become a bad facet of this census division.

The above is linked with the lack of a cash crop or other means of cash income for the people. This has been mentioned in the report and belaboured upon in numerous previous correspondence and consequently requires no further comment.

The airstrip is a sore political point but the people were recently addressed by the District Commissioner re this and the antagonism towards the Administration has dwindled but will still never disappear until actual airstrip work commences.

Without going into great written detail the advantages of a link up road between IALUBA and YETAMALI can easily be gauged by perusing the map attached to the report.

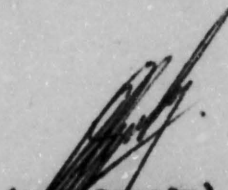
3. Comments.

3. GENERAL.

Mr. Jones has been astute in realizing the developing political unrest in this census division ; which to date thankfully does not exist to the same prominence in the other four census divisions; however this really natural growth has been formulating for years and nothing can be done until we can introduce some form of a cash income. As time passes this matter will become a more urgent necessity and should be given priority considerations now before it overreaches itself.

A routine patrol competently carried out by a developing officer.

For your information and onforwarding please.

  
(H. Greedy)  
A/Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference 67-2-1.  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

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Department of District Administration,  
Sub-District Headquarters,  
KOROBA.  
Southern Highlands.

14th November, 1966.

Mr. P. Jones,  
Cadet Patrol Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 7 of 1966/1967.

KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.

1. In confirmation of our verbal talks please be prepared to mount a patrol Tuesday 15th instant to the above Census Division.

2. OBJECTS.

(a) Further explain to the people the adjudication process and conduct an election of each maximal land owning group to select their member for the demarcation committee. In this context I suggest you refresh your mind on the process by reading KOROBA file 35-1-3.

(b) Check road maintenance throughout the census division and also endeavour to hasten the MARIA's with the construction of their section of the PARU road.

(c) Take with you a completed 'summons stick' and explain its purpose to the people with the respective penalty for deliberate disobedience.

(d) District Commissioners memo 35-11-3 of 31st October, 1966 on our file 35-5-6 refers. Please peruse this file and while at PABULUMU undertake a fairly accurate estimation of the peoples land holdings.

(e) Check the possibilities of continuing the PABULUMU IALUBA road through to link up with the MOGOROFUGWA road.

(f) General routine administrative activities as necessary.

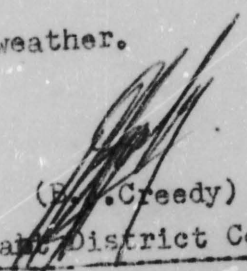
3. PATROL PERSONNEL.

Please see the senior police N.C.O. and select three (3) police of your own choosing.

4. DURATION.

As you will be using the station motor bike to assist with road maintenance duration should be approximately two weeks - however should more time be required do not hesitate to remain longer. In any event I will be visiting IALUBA within 10 days continuing my patrol whereupon I will visit you to assist with any problems courts etc.

5. Good luck and favourable weather.

  
(E. J. Creedy)

A/Assistant District Commissioner.

67-2-1

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Sub-District Office,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Koroba,  
SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL NO. 7 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by: P.O. Jones, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Koroba Census Division / Part Mogcrofugwa C/D.

Personnel Accompanying the Patrol:

R.P. & N.G.C. Const. Tavi 6174  
Const. Karok 7814  
Const. Tobiringa 10802  
1 Native Interpreter Hetaidia Lamia

Duration of Patrol: 16/11/66 - 8/12/66

Twenty Three Days

Last Patrol to the Area: September 1966

Objects of the Patrol: 1. Give talks concerning the Demarcation  
Committee and conduct elections.

2. Road maintenance.

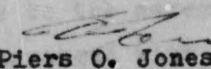
3. Explain the uses of the summons stick.

4. Land investigations at Pabulumu and Betege.

5. Check the feasibility of linking Ialuba  
by road to the Mogorofugwa.

6. Routine administration.

Map Reference: Sketch Map Attached.

  
Piers O. Jones

( Cadet Patrol Officer )

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INTRODUCTION

As a demarcation committee is soon to be established in the Koroba Census Division it was necessary to contact all those groups that will be effected and explain to them the purposes of such a committee. Elections were taken at all places visited and little trouble was encountered when trying to single out a representative for each group.

The people at each assembly also were enlightened as to the function of the "summons stick". For the most part its explanation was received with mixed feelings of humour and admiration although they realise it is a potential threat to themselves.

Land investigations were carried out at both Fabalumu and Betege and the information required was obtained.

Two weeks were spent at Ialuba and Yetemari exploring the possibility of linking the Mogorofugwa road with Ialuba. A route was found.

The use of the office motor byke assisted greatly in the patrolling of the Koroba C/D. Much time was saved and I was able to inspect road work over the whole area. As all the rest houses are along the road patrolling the area took very little effort. However the section of country between Ialuba and Yetemari is characterised by rough limestone ridges clothed in rain forest. Exploring possible road routes through the area was tiring work.

Favourable weather certainly accompanied the Patrol although good luck was at times hard to recognise.

PATROL DIARYTuesday 15th November

Arranged for the people of Tedia, Andidia and Pandu to assemble at the station. Waited till 1300 and then went down to the assembly place. Gave talks about the demarcation committee and the summons stick. Conducted an election for each of the three groups using the preferential system. Finished about 1600. Slept station.

Wednesday 16th November

Spent some time in getting the patrol gear together. Patrol departed 1130 for Kakaran. Interpreter and myself departed by motor byke for Gunu. Upon arrival gave the talks to the assembled people. When completed we moved on to Kakaran. Arranged with the Councillor to assemble the people that afternoon. Gave the talks. Conducted an election of those people nominated. Took the motor byke and made an inspection of the road as far as the Naggia gorge. Returned about 1700. Slept Kakaran.

Thursday 17th November

Patrol departed 0800 for Maria. I went on ahead and found the Muli people assembled on the road half way to Maria. I gave the

PATROL DIARY CONT.Thursday 17th November cont.

talks on the two subjects and took down the people's nominations. Drove on to Maria. The people assembled for the talks during the afternoon. Gave the usual talk and instructed the people to speed up the construction of their end of the Paru road. Spent much of the afternoon inspecting the new bridge site across the Naggia river. Returned to the rest house and heard one court. Slept Maria.

Friday 18th November

Patrol departed 0800 for Hedemari. I preceded it on the motor byke. Few people had assembled when I arrived so I decided to make an inspection of the roads. Returned to Hedemari at about 1100. The groups from Humberu and Hedemari were by this time assembled so I gave the talks. Also instructed the people about road work that needs to be done in the area. Arranged for the people of Erebo to assemble at Hedemari next morning. Slept Hedemari.

Saturday 19th November

Waited till about 0930 for the people of Erebo to assemble. Gave the talks and took the name of the person elected. Little done in the afternoon. Slept Hedemari.

Sunday 20th November

Day observed. Slept Hedemari.

Monday 21st November

Patrol departed for Kundugu via the old Erebo road. I returned along the road so that I could inspect work being done by the people of Maria and Muli. I arrived at Kundugu before the Patrol. While waiting I put the people who had assembled to work cleaning the area round the rest house. Patrol arrived about 1100. The Kunduga people had all assembled by 1300. Gave the talks and took names. Rain set in. Slept Kundugu.

Tuesday 22nd November

I sent the Patrol off to Magara with instructions to have the people of Magara and Kebia assembled by the afternoon. I had to return to the station to collect some things I had left behind. I returned to Magara in the afternoon. The people were assembled so I gave the talks straight away. Finished about three o'clock. Slept Magara.

Wednesday 23rd November

Patrol departed for Pabulumu. The interpreter and myself departed by motor byke for Tumbite. Waited about an hour for the Tumbite people to assemble. Gave the talks and took names. Went on to Pabulumu. As the people had not assembled as I had asked, I put the talks off till the next day. Spent the rest of the day doing some work in connection with the Pabulumu land purchase ( Koroba file no. 35-5-6 ) Slept Pabulumu.

DIARY CONT.Thursday 24th November

The people of Pabulumu and Tangimabo assembled at Pabulumu and at about 0930 I gave the talks about the demarcation committee and the summons stick. I took an election of each group and we were finished by about 1100. The owners of the agricultural plot were asked to remain. During the afternoon I continued with the work I had begun yesterday. Slept Pabulumu.

Friday 25th November

Patrol departed for Ialuba. I left with the interpreter by motor byke for Egele. Arrived 0930. Waited for awhile for the people to assemble. I then proceeded to give the talks to the people of Egele and Homapu. Took names. Departed about 1100, for Ialuba. The Patrol arrived Ialuba at 1330. An hour later accompanied by the Police, we walked to the eastern end of the valley and spent the rest of the day searching for a possible road route up the mountains. Returned to the rest house at about 1630. Slept Ialuba.

Saturday 26th November

Spent the morning searching the northern side of valley for a road route. We had no luck and returned to the rest house at 1230. Heard a minor dispute in the afternoon. Slept Ialuba.

Sunday 27th November

Day observed. Slept Ialuba.

Monday 28th November

Continued the search for a road route and eventually found a suitable ridge on the eastern side of the valley. Surveyed the route portion of the way into the mountains before returning to the rest house at 1600. Slept Ialuba.

Tuesday 29th November

Spent the day following a suitable route into the mountains along which a road could be pushed. Returned to the rest house in the late afternoon. Slept Ialuba.

Wednesday 30th November

With the help of the local ~~people~~ people we surveyed the possibility of pushing a road across the floor of the valley from Ialuba to the foot of the mountains. This work took the whole day and we returned to the rest house at 1600. Received a note from the A/A.D.C. saying that he required all the people in the area to assemble at the rest house next day. This was passed on to the Village Officials. Heard one court. Slept Ialuba.

Thursday 1st December

The Ialuba people assembled as instructed. It was my intention to move the Patrol from Ialuba across to Yetemari this day and as the A/A.D.C. had not arrived by 1100 I lined carriers and the Patrol left.



DIARY CONT.Thursday 1st December cont.

I then gave instructions that the people were to remain at Ialuba till the A/A.D.C. arrived. Accompanied by the interpreter I left by motor byke for Koroba. I took the Kebia road and arrived Koroba about 1330. Rejoined the Patrol in the afternoon. Slept Yetemari.

Friday 2nd December

Began work at 0800. From Yetemari we attempted to find a possible road route back across the mountains to Ialuba. This work continued all day and we returned to the rest house at 1600. Slept Yetemari.

Saturday 3rd December

Heavy rain in the morning prevented any work being done. At about 1100 I returned to the station to spend the week-end there. The Patrol slept Yetemari.

Sunday 4th December

Observed. Patrol slept Yetemari.

Monday 5th December

I returned to Yetemari at 0800. On arrival the Patrol left for the mountains to continue the search for a road route. We stayed in the bush till about 1500 when heavy rain forced us to abandon the work. Slept Yetemari.

Tuesday 6th December

Departed at 0900 for Betege with the interpreter. Spent the day finding the names of the owners of a plot of land that the Wesleyan Mission wishes to purchase ( Koroba file no.35-3-7 ). Had no trouble and returned to the rest house at 1500. Slept Yetemari.

Wednesday 7th December

Continued work on the road survey. At about 1200 we reached the place where work had finished last Tuesday and the survey was complete. Returned to the rest house. Heard and settled one dispute. Slept Yetemari.

Thursday 8th December

Patrol departed 0830 for Koroba. I returned with the interpreter by motor byke. Reported to C.I.C.. Patrol arrived 1200 and was stood down.

Diary Ends

P.O.Jones C.P.O.

POLITICAL SITUATION

If the Koroba Census Division is advancing politically it must be doing so very gradually as little was noted that could lead to this conclusion.

In theory the Koroba Census Division is a political unit but in practice it is not. It is true that the Council has given the

POLITICAL SITUATION CONT.

area unity and a person can walk from Andidia to Egele in perfect safety but where work is concerned the people belong to a rest house and will only work under their respective Councillor. Friction still exists with Tari and Komo. A Koroba inhabitant who has no affiliations with the Tari people feels that he takes his life into his hands if he crosses the Tagari river. Komo natives still cross the Hanimu river to steal pigs from Ilunoma and Kulumali.

The people in the Mogorofugwa region are not as sophisticated as their Koroba neighbours. They would like to see their area developing but are not so disappointed when a scheme falls through as are the Koroba inhabitants who obviously want their area to advance.

At present the mass of the people are, as they have been for generations, subsistence farmers. The old men will never change but the young men will try. Many are being lured to the coast. Returning coastal workers are not content to sit down and dig their gardens which they realise are not a source of profit. Their influence is spread and through frustration dissatisfaction is born. More people will go to the coast and not come back.

Both areas need some outlet, preferably in form of an agricultural project from which a large number of unskilled workers can benefit.

The people will be disappointed when they learn that the Agricultural Officer promised to Koroba is to stay in Tari. They were prepared to sell a large plot of ground that they really could not afford to lose and were looking forward to seeing an agricultural station set up.

*Customary to land order now if they did so.*

The rumour that the new airstrip may be abandoned was very badly received. This was the one thing in the area that the people had any real faith in (The turnout for work was one proof of this.). In the eyes of the Councillors the prestige of the Administration has fallen. The Council President has declared that work will go on regardless.

As it now stands the attitude towards the Administration is comparatively good but if the peoples ~~the~~ hopes are to be continually dashed for one reason or another a situation could develop where the Administration loses all respect and faith of the people.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

The Catholic Mission at Pebeko is very keen to start an agricultural project in their area. They have been experimenting with various grain crops and have processed mint from a small plot they have on their station. The Mission does not want to go ahead with these projects until they are sure that they will be given assistance and that the Administration will eventually take over. They have raised three turkeys and a few head of cattle but these are purely for their own use.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK CONT.

In the Mogorofugwa area the Wesleyan Mission have tried to interest the locals in raising a herd of cattle. Although at first they received enthusiastic support the project seems doomed to fail. Not enough land has been obtained and the peoples' initial support is rapidly waning.

All native crops appear to be doing well throughout both areas. A large number of eggs was purchased in the Koroba Census Division. Unfortunately in the Mogorofugwa Census Division the people keep dogs in preference to poultry and no eggs could be purchased. The dogs are used for hunting possums.

LAND

As previously mentioned land investigations were carried out at Pabulumu and Betege. The results of this work have been submitted under separate covers. ( Koroba files 35-3-7 and 35-5-6 )

COURTS AND COMPLAINTS

Very few complaints and only two courts were brought to the Patrol for settlement.

The major court involved a Komo man who had stolen a pig from Ilunoma. The complaint was brought to me on Wednesday 30th and action was taken immediately. This stealing is not new in the area and the sooner the Komo natives realise they cannot get away with it the sooner it will cease.

The other court involved the destruction of property.

All the complaints were minor and little trouble was encountered in solving them.

HEALTH

The general health of the Patrol personnel was excellent during the three weeks in the field. No sickness was reported and none was observed amongst the people. The Government Aid Posts and missions in both census divisions take care of most of the sickness. Bad cases are either sent to Tari or Koroba.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

During the Patrol all roads in the area were inspected. The present Koroba-Tari road is in comparatively good repair apart from a section that has been badly stoned near the Naggia gorge and the few hills near the Tagari bridge. The Kundugu road is completely stoned and excellent for cars although it is rather rough for motor bykes. The Kebia road has been improved although it is by no means

ROADS AND BRIDGES CONT.

perfect. I had a chance to inspect portions of all roads on Mondays and Tuesdays and in every place the people were found to be in full attendance.

One of the main purposes of the patrol was to explore the possibility of linking the Ialuba road to the Mogorofugwa. About two weeks were spent in this work. The major difficulty that had to be overcome was finding a route up the rough limestone ridges that enclose the north eastern end of the valley. Two days were wasted in trying to find a suitable route round these ridges. A route was eventually found along a ridge on the eastern side of the valley. If a road was to follow the route surveyed it would need to zig-zag several times before reaching the top of this ridge. Apart from this section a road would be comparatively easy to build. The section from the present road head at Ialuba to the foot of the mountains presents no problems at all. The valley floor is flat and is only covered in coarse pit-pit. In the mountains however the road would have to be cut through dense rain forest until it reached the pit-pit covered hills that rise from the Mogorofugwa valley. To build the road would involve very little cutting of stone. Stone only occurs on the Ialuba side of the divide and even here it could be easily broken. The road, if built, would have to be largely a bench cut where it traverses the mountains.

Building the road would take no great effort and if completed it would bring an out of the way corner of the Sub-district within easy reach of the station.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL

During the Patrol a number of anthropological specimens were acquired. These range from stone bowls to fossilised shells.

All objects received had at one time played a part in the local spirit worship. It would appear that the people attributed super-natural powers to any object they could not account for. Most of the objects brought in were round black stones usually slightly smaller than a cricket ball. The local name for these stones is "nihaban" (sun eggs). I did not purchase a large number of these for as far as I knew they may be just stones of no value or interest.

Two stone bowls were also purchased at Hedemari. Both are about a foot in length with a circular depression in the centre. Sun worship may have been part of the Huri religion as the name for these bowls is "nitangi" (hat of the sun). Unfortunately these objects have been in families for several generations and nobody knows their origins or where they were originally found. Several grinding stones were brought in with these bowls. All are of

ANTHROPOLOGICAL CONT.

crude shape and may just be stones that have been shaped through continual use.

Fossilised shells were bought at Hedemari and Magara. While enquiring for these things I was told that there was a stone face near Magara that had once been a centre for spirit worship. This report was investigated. A short distance from Magara an avenue has been cut through the trees for about half a mile. This leads to two caves where religious rites were once carried out. The walls of the caves are smeared with red paint and have been blackened by the smoke of numerous fires. I was told that whenever an important person died, or a disaster occurred, people would come from as far away as Komo to kill pigs and burn spirit stones at this place. In the avenue there are three partly destroyed houses where fires have often been made and just by looking through the ashes a few stones were unearthed.

What appears to be a fossilised sharks' tooth was also purchased at Magara. Unfortunately, as in the case of the other objects nobody knows anything of the origins of these things, except that they were used in spirit worship before the missions came.

See Appendix B and map for further information.

MISSIONS

Something has already been said about mission operations in this area.

The only missions that the Patrol came in contact with are the Catholic Mission at Pebeko and the Wesleyan Mission in the Mogorofugwa area.

The Catholic Mission has spread its influence through about half of the Koroba Census Division and has churches throughout the whole area. No apparent conflict has arisen between the Catholic Mission and the Christian Mission of Many Lands whose influence has spread east as far as Humberu from their station at Gunu. However the Catholic Mission is not absolutely liked in the area. At Magara, an S.D.A. centre, I received a complaint that the Catholic Mission was pressing the people to sell land and timber that they could not afford to lose. I was not able to check the validity of this complaint but it may prove to be false as the Mission has plans to obtain all its timber from a place near Egele on the Ialuba road. The Mission has helped the area by establishing a school and through their work generally. Unfortunately friction has been caused ~~xx~~ where the Mission has expanded into the Mogorofugwa region.

The Wesleyan Mission have been operating for several years in the Mogorofugwa region. They have established a school and a hospital and

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MISSIONS CONT.

have a large following. The plan to raise cattle in the area may be over-ambitious but it shows that the Mission is anxious to see the area developing. In spite of this it may not be in the best interests of the area to have the missions branching out into fields of work with which they are not really acquainted. For this cattle project the local people donated six hundred dollars. Their money may be wasted as the project is by no means assured of success.

It may be advisable for the missions to contain their activities within fields that they understand.

CONCLUSION

The major problems facing the people in the Koroba Census Division are political.

At present there is growing discontent in the area. As far as the people can tell they have got roads, courts and little else. They must realise that political advancement is a gradual process governed by many factors but when they compare their area to Tari they feel that more could be done for them.

  
Piers O. Jones

( Cadet Patrol Officer )

See Appendix A for comments on Patrol personnel.

## APPENDIX A

Comments on Patrol Personnel

## Royal Papua and New Guinea Constabulary

Const. Tavi 6174 Although being a good officer this constable was at times reluctant to undertake the tasks set him.

Const. Karok 7814 This constable is a willing and energetic worker.

Const. Tobiringa 10802 Shows initiative and drive. This constable was a great help to the Patrol.

Interpreter: Hetaidia Lamia Shows intelligence and carries out his work proficiently.

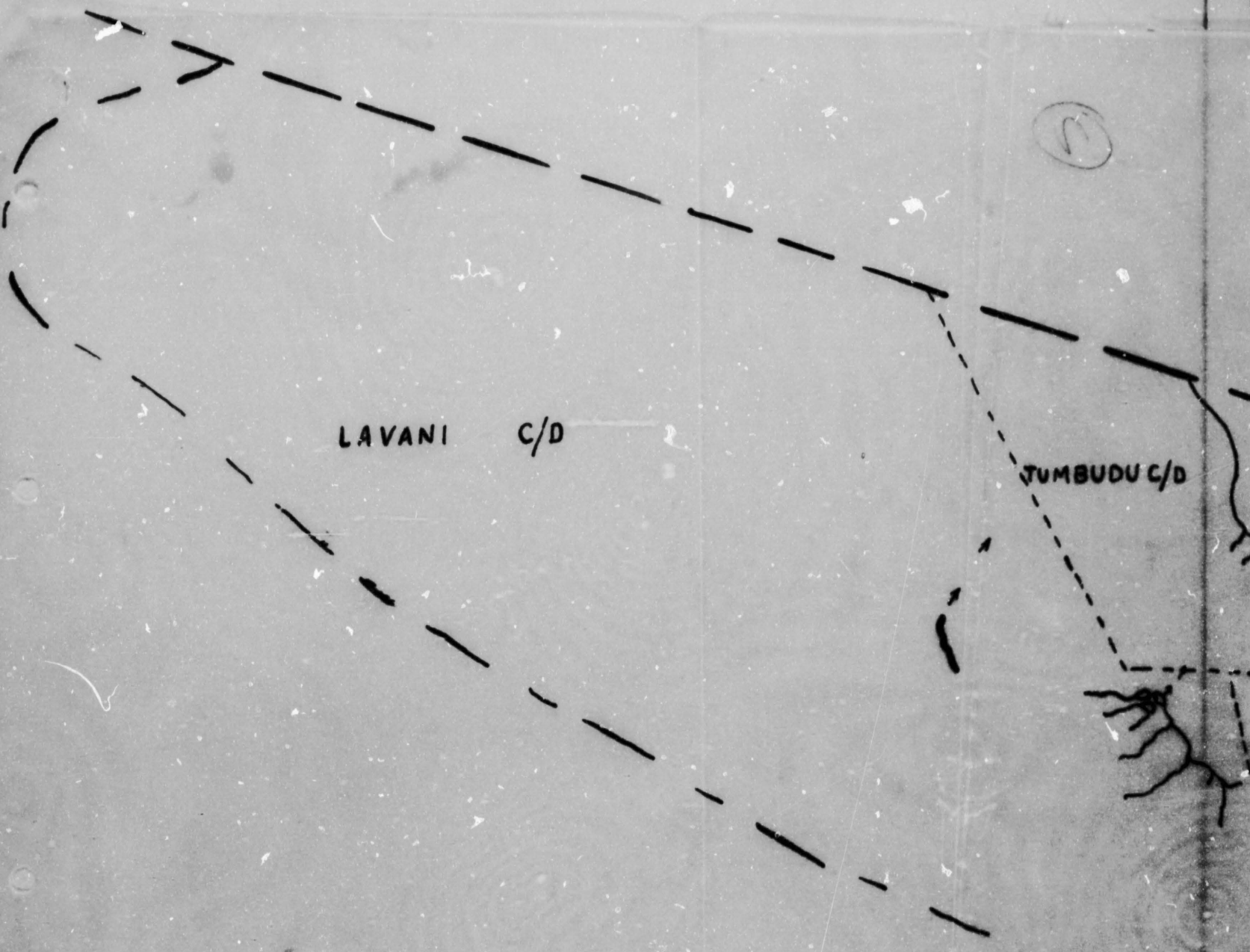
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## APPENDIX B

List of Anthropological objects forwarded with this report.

1. Spherical tamberan stone purchased at Hedemari.
2. Dumb-bell shaped tamberan stone purchased at Hedemari.
3. Stone pot ( grey stone ) purchased at Hedemari.
4. Stone pot ( yellow sand stone ) purchased at Hedemari.
5. Flat stone plate ( conglomerate stone ) purchased at Hedemari.
6. Grinding stone ( grey stone ) purchased at Hedemari.
7. Grinding stone ( white stone ) purchased at Hedemari.
8. Stone pestle ( conglomerate stone ) purchased at Hedemari.
9. Fossilised shell purchased at Hedemari.
10. Fossilised shell purchased at Magara.





KOROBÁ PATROL NO 7 OF 1966-67

KOROBÁ CENSUS DIVISION

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| MOTOR ROADS         | CENSUS CENTRES        | MISSION STATION | DISTRICT BOUNDARY     |
| SURVEYED ROAD ROUTE | ADMINISTRATION CENTRE | AIRSTRIP        | SUB-DISTRICT BOUNDARY |
| PATROL'S ROUTE      |                       |                 |                       |

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TUMBUDU C/D

PARU C/D

KOROKA

BETEGE

CHAL

MURI

MARIA

MAI-URE

KOROKA C/D

KUMBEU

HEDEMAI

MOGOROYUGWA C/D

KUNDUGU

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1966-67

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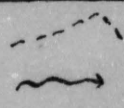
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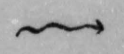
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PLACES OF ANTHROPOLOGICAL INTEREST

SUB-DISTRICT BOUNDARY



MAIN RIVERS





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. 8-66/67  
 Patrol Conducted by K.A. BOND - Patrol Officer  
 Area Patrolled KOROBA census division  
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 5 members R.P. & N.G.C. - 2 warders - 2 interpreters  
 Duration—From 22/2/1967 to 23/3/1967 2 tractor drivers  
 Number of Days 29 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.  
 Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 11/1966  
 Medical ...../...../19.....

Map Reference.....  
 Objects of Patrol set up detainee camp at Hedemali, gravelling of Koroba/Kari road, road improvements.

Director of Native Affairs,  
 PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

    /     / 19     District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation ..... £.....  
 Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund ..... £.....  
 Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund .....  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference..... 67-3-11  
If calling ask for.....  
Mr.....



Department of District Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

14th April, 1967.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBUBU.

SUBJECT:= Koroba Patrol No 8 of 1966/67

Attached please find following documents relating to patrol conducted by Mr. K.A. Bond, Patrol Officer to part of the Koroba Census Division.

1. Memorandum 67-2-1 dated 21st February, 1967  
- Patrol Instructions from Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.
2. Patrol Report.
3. Covering memorandum 67-5-2 dated 11th April, 1967 from Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.

Objects of patrol were effected and Mr. Bond carried out his duties in a most satisfactory manner.

Owing to internal staff needs it had been necessary to have Mr. C.P.O. Jones at Mendi to act as Officer-in-Charge, Corrective Institutions Branch, Mendi. Mr. Jones has since returned to Koroba so field staff now is up to previous strength.

The Sub-District Office Clerk, Mr. K. Wala is on temporary transfer to Port Moresby at present and his return, as soon as possible, will alleviate the burden of routine office duties now being borne by field staff.

I am arranging to temporarily post Mr. A. Gaso, Local Government Assistant to Koroba and this should enable officers to efficiently carry out field duties with Mr. Gaso taking over the running of the Koroba Council. The Regional Local Government Officer, Mt. Hagen is endeavouring to obtain another Local Government Assistant, for permanent posting to Koroba.

Att..

(D.R. Marsh)  
District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference... **67-5-2.**

If calling ask for

At.....

Department of District Administration.

**Sub-District Headquarters,  
KOROBA.**

**Southern Highlands District.**

**11th April, 1967.**

**District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.**

**KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 8 of 1966/1967.**

**PART KOROBA CENSUS DIVISION.**

1. Attached in triplicate please find three (3) copies of the above Patrol Report and claim for camping allowance submitted by Patrol Officer Mr. K. Bond.

2. **COMMENTS.**

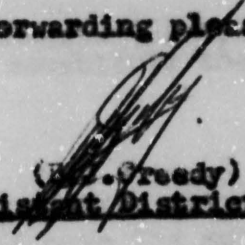
The dissatisfaction of the people around MARIA has already been dealt with under my 51-2-1 of 4th instant - Native Situation Report KOROBA Patrol No. 9-66/67. Further general comments on the road are dealt with in my 10-5-1 of 14th March '67 to yourself. Any further comments at this stage and before the completion of Mr. C.P.O. Jones's with identical objects patrol would be superfluous.

With only two officers on this station the continual interruptions are a rule rather than an exception in patrols with objects as per KOROBA 8 and 9-66/67.

3. **GENERAL.**

A routine patrol competently carried out.

For your information and forwarding please.

  
(R. Greedy)  
**A/Assistant District Commissioner.**



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Appendix I

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference... 67-2-1.  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

Department of District Administration.  
Sub-District Headquarters,  
KOROBA.  
Southern Highlands District.  
21st February, 1967.

Mr. K. Bond,  
Patrol Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 8 of 1966/67.

1. In confirmation of our verbal talks please be prepared to mount a patrol Wednesday the 22nd instant to the above Census Division in particular HEDAMALI Rest House.

2. OBJECTS.

- (a) To set up a detainee camp at HEDAMALI ;
- (b) The gravelling of the main KOROBA/TARI road and general supervision of improvements to same.

To elaborate on (b) - the detainees are to be utilized for loading the tractor/trailer and spreading the gravel where dumped. You are also required to mark out sections of a hundred yards each for the locals to gravel and receive payment immediately upon completion.

There are a number of small culverts around HEDAMALI which would be better re-constructed under road level - this can be undertaken by the locals on a contract basis.

3. PATROL PERSONNEL.

Twenty-five (25) detainees and six (6) members of the KOROBA Police/Warder detachment will constitute the initial camp with two D.D.A. interpreters.

4. EQUIPMENT.

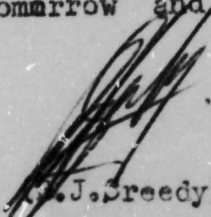
Driver ILOL with the tractor/trailer will be based permanently at HEDAMALI while you will have the motor-bike permanently at your disposal. The detainee tool store is well equipped and there should be no shortage of road tools.

5. DURATION.

Indefinite as of this date. As you are aware I am departing for MARIA to construct the NAGGIA bridge there, whereupon, when same is completed we will work out a rotational basis between ourselves so that one of us every week is camped at HEDAMALI supervising the work and detainees.

6. GENERAL.

The above is a general resume only - we will further verbally discuss the various aspects tomorrow and during the course of the road improvements.

  
(A.J. Greedy)

AJADC



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference 67-2-1.

If calling ask for

Mr.....

Department of District Administration.

Sub District Office,

KOROBA,

Southern Highlands District,

5th., April, 1967.

Assistant District Commissioner,

Sub District Office,

KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 8 of 1966/67.

Patrol Conducted by : K.A. Bond, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled : Koroba census division-Koroba-Tari road.

Personnel Accompanying the Patrol:

R.P. & N.G.C. Constables :- 5

C.I.B. Warders :- 2

D.A. Interpreters :- 2

Transport Branch Drivers :- 2

Duration of Patrol : 22/2/67 to 23/3/67

Twenty-nine days.

Last Patrol to Area : November, 1966.

- Objects of Patrol :
1. Establish detainee camp at Hedemali.
  2. Gravel the Koroba -Tari road.
  3. Supervision of general road improvements.
  4. Routine Administration.

Map Reference : Attached.

*K.A. Bond.*

K.A. Bond.

*2.00 10/4/67*

Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION.

The purpose of this patrol was to recommence gravelling the Koroba -Tari road, to effect general improvements in the road, and to encourage the local people to lay stone on the road on a contract basis for five dollars a hundred yards.

The patrol was attended by many interruptions, because when on patrol I was required to carry out Treasury and Banking duties, and this necessitated a trip into Koroba at least every Saturday to attend to the accumulation of cash office work. On another occasion I had to accommodate a Public Works Department plumber Mr. Brommilow.

Police and Warders on patrol were rostered to the patrol from the Sub District Office, that is, the police on the patrol were changed, but at all times there were five Police and two Warders with me.

As per the patrol instructions the patrol was primarily concerned with road work. Towards the end, as the diary will show, I moved from Hedemali to Marea.

PATROL DIARY .Wednesday 22nd., February.

Sent police, warders, and prisoners, together with equipment on tractor and trailer, out to Hedemari rest house in the morning. 1630 hrs. I left Koroba station, arriving 1715 hrs.. Organised men and equipment for work on the morrow. Discussions with Local Government Councillor and local committee members about plans for stoning the road. Night spent at Hedemari.

Thursday 23., February.

Everyone started work 0730hrs. One party started quarrying for stone about half a mile from Hedemari rest house. I went with tractor and trailer to investigate an old quarry at the back of Erebo to see if we could use it. Road too steep and winding and tractor fell through a small culvert bridge and took a long time to get out. Decided to abandon the idea of using the old quarry. Set half the prisoners improving the nasty hill at Erebo, and the other half quarrying stone and loading the tractor at Hedemari. Bought quantities of sweet potatoes from local people at noon. General supervision of the work in the afternoon. Discussions with local people that evening. Overnight at Hedemari.

Friday, 24th., February.

Started work 0730 hrs. Twelve prisoners quarrying stone and loading tractor near Hedemari, twelve prisoners cutting down incline of road and improving bend at hill called Poiapc, near Erebo. Again inspected old quarry site back of Erebo, as only stone nearby. Road too poor, and not worthwhile repairing. Marked out some sections of road near Hedemari for local people to stone on a contract basis. Apart from half an hour around noon when vegetable were bought, the rest of the day spent supervising road work. Overnight at Hedemari.



Saturday 25th., February.

Prisoners started work 1730 hrs. I supervised work until 0930 hrs. when I left for Koroba to do cash office pays and banking.

Sunday, 26th., February.

Sunday observed at station.

Monday, 27th., February.

Returned Hedemari. Day spent supervising road works. Several more lengths a hundred yards long for the local people to stone. Talks with local leaders about stoning of the road. Overnight Hedemari.

Tuesday 28th., February.

Police, prisoners and warders at work 0730hrs. I supervised on the job until 1000 hrs, then road inspection as far as Catholic Mission. Marks pegged out last week progressing well-already fair quantity of stone heaped at side of the road. Overnight Hedemari.

Wednesday, 1st., March .

0730 to 1630 supervision of road work. 1700 to 18 00 talks with local people. Overnight Hedemari.

Thursday, 2nd., March, 1

Supervision of road work in the morning. In the Afternoon rendezvous with Assistant District Commissioner at Marea. Then to Koroba Station to accommodate P.W.D. plumber Mr Brommilow.

3rd., March to 7th. March.

At Koroba Station.

Wednesday 8th., March

Returned again to Hedemari, arriving approximately 1700hrs. Overnight Hedemari.

Thursday 9th., March

All day spent supervising roadworks vicinity Hedemari. Now working the drivers and prisoners in two shifts, so that the tractor is going 6 to 6. This can be done now as the tractor is working on a safer stretch of road, extending the gravelling from where it ends. Overnight at Hedemari.

Friday, 10 th., March

0600 to 0845 supervising road works. Then to Koroba to Attend Council meeting.

Saturday, 11th., March

Cash office-Koroba.

Sunday, 12th., March

Observed at Koroba.

Monday, 13., March

1230 returned to Hedemari. Afternoon supervising roadwork. Overnight at Hedemari.

Tuesday, 14th., March

Supervising road work at Hedemari and Erebo until 1630 hrs. 1630 hrs sent tractor and trailer and ten prisoners to Marea as instructed by Assistant District Commissioner, and went to Marea myself. on arrival Sgt. 2nd Class Tovanyaga informed me that the local people

working on the bridge there were becoming very discontented, and were grumbling and adopting go slow tactics. 1700 hrs had conversations with local people in an attempt to gain their support. Overnight Marea.

Wednesday, 15th., March

Started work gravelling road near the bridge 0600hrs. Approximately 0900 hrs transport driver Ovia came in Land Rover to take me to station in order to meet Deputy District Commissioner and Regional Local Government Officer who were expected to arrive at Koroba later that morning. In Koroba advised Assistant District Commissioner of attitude of the Marea people. That afternoon visited Marea in company with Assistant District Commissioner and Regional Local Government Officer. Assistant District Commissioner spoke to the people there, and then we all returned to Koroba.

Thursday, 16th., March

Returned Marea approximately 1000 hrs with Assistant District Commissioner. Other two Officers proceeded Tari while I resumed work on the road. Overnight Marea.

Friday 17th., March

Day spent supervising road works. Travelled by motor bike as far as the Tagari River bridge to see how stoning of road going, and to give encouragement. Overnight at Marea.

Saturday 18th., March

Work started on road 0600 hrs. Approximately 0800 hrs. the Hydraulic hoist on the trailer jammed whilst up in the air. Shortly after 0800 hrs driver Ovia arrived in the Land Rover to return me to the station to attend to banking and pays.

Sunday, 19th., March

Observed at Koroba.

Monday, 20th., March

By landrover to Marea. Day spent supervising road work. Hoist on trailer repaired by driver Ovia. 1700 hrs to 21 hrs hearing local disputes. Overnight at Marea.

Monday Tuesday, 21st., March

Roadworks. Seemed to be many people absent from work in the vicinity of Marea, and as it was a road maintenance day carried out a roll call from the census books. Fifty names written down.

Wednesday 22nd., March

Roadworks with warders, police and prisoners. That afternoon the fifty people who did not come yesterday. <sup>ARRIVED</sup> Most of them have very good reason not to turn up as they are aged, infirm or ill. Started to hear local courts against sixteen men under the Roads Maintenance Ordinance.

Thursday 23rd., March

Prisoners and Police etc started work 0600 hrs. Completed hearing local courts under Roads Maintenance Ordinance. Approximately 0930 hrs all equipment from patrol packed up, and police, warders, Prisoners and tractor and trailer returned to Koroba.

End of patrol.

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DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

The difference between the attitude of the Hedemari people and the Marea people is striking. The Hedemari people were friendly and affable. The Marea people were resentful; they had greivances over allegedly unpaid debts extending several years. I have informed the Assistant District Commissioner of all greivances told me by the Marea people.

Even among themselves the Hedemari people seem more affable. Disputes settled by me at Hedemari were very few. As soon as I moved to Marea the volume increased considerably. Perhaps some of the feelings they would like to display towards the Administration over their greivances, real or imaginary, are being channelled back amongst themselves.

Councillor Tabare at Hedemari appears to be a very sensible and responsible person. He speaks Police Motu and Pidgin English.

Apart from the marking out of the sections to be stoned, all the stoning and organisation of the work there was left entirely to the people themselves. This worked well. Any man who wanted to stone a section at the price usually got four other men to help him, and staked a claim to one of the marks. The sections marked were not allocated to any particular people, but on the principle of first come, first served. One man even did three stretches himself, his group finishing one stretch and then staking a claim to a new stretch some distance away.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

By the conclusion of the patrol the people had finished and been paid for the stoning of approximately one mile of road. I estimate that since the patrol has left the area another half to one mile of road has been completed. All this stoning has been done on the worst patches of road, i.e. those places which tend to become slippery in wet weather.

I anticipate no worries at all for the continued stoning of the road in respect of the stretches still left between Hedemari and the Tagari River Bridge, which are not many.

Although I have not measured it I would guess that between another half and three quarters of a mile of road has had fine gravel laid on top of it. For the start of the patrol the tractor kept getting bogged in wet weather. On one occasion it slipped right off the road going down a hill. The weight of the loaded tractor and trailer ~~kept~~ caused it to keep going through the road in places, particularly when, on the odd occasions we had to cart stone a long distance.

The corner of the hill called Poiape, at Erebo, has been greatly improved by taking the sharpness out of it and reducing the incline. Filling has been placed near the road at this point, and a big drain dug on the outside. When the filling settles this part may be widened and further straightened, effecting further improvement.

The road now should definately be all weather. The stones at present are a bit rough for a Motor cycle rider, but when all the stone has been covered with gravel it should be a reasonable road

The only difficulty is that the ~~farther~~<sup>closer</sup> one approaches the Tagari River, the more distant becomes the gravel, unless a new source is found nearby.

LOCAL COURTS

Minor and trivial complaints were settled out of court.

Following is a list of convictions recorded on patrol.

Unlawfully lay hold or strike Helemari 3 Marea 5

Gaming (Playing cards) Ordinance " 3 " -

Roads Maintenance Ordinance " - " 16

Total: " 6 " 21

CONCLUSION

As the patrol was solely concerned with roadwork my comments have been confined to a minimum.

There is still work to be done on the road, but I understand Mr C.P.O. Jones will be moving out to continue the work shortly.

Attached as appendixes are:

1. Patrol Instructions
2. Report on Police
3. Report on Warders
4. Report on Interpreters
5. Map

*K. A. Bond*

K.A. Bond

Patrol Officer.

Royal Papua and New Guinea constabulary.

- Constable 1/c Kerewa z 125 : Reliable and trustworthy. A very good worker.
- Constable Gigne No 5100 : Worked well on patrol. Tends to have a rather poor bearing.
- Constable Sigowa No 7843 : Not very bright, but does his best.
- Constable Karok No 7814 : Carries out his duties very well.
- Constable Kom No 8594 : Carried out his duties well.
- Constable Aunip No. 9288 : Carried out his duties well.
- Constable Pakio No. 10833 : Carried out his duties well.
- Constable Tobiranga No. 10802 : Carried out his duties well.
- Constable Bange No 9481 : Carried out his duties well.

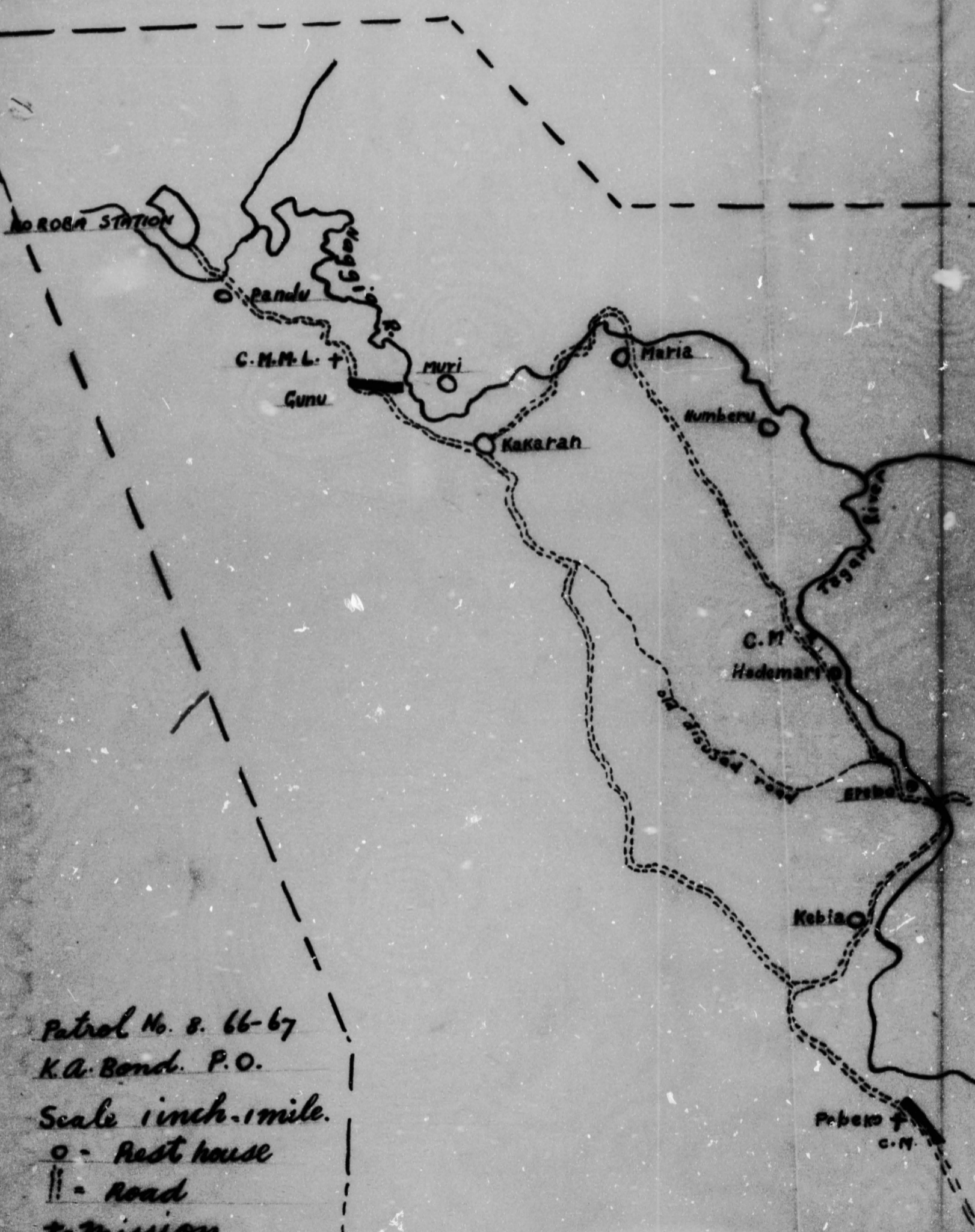
Corrective Institutions Branch Warders.

- Amani No. 325 : On patrol he generally worked fairly well. He can speak the local language, and has a fair command of English. However, he does have a weakness for drink, which does impair his work efficiency, as did happen after one weekend when he obtained permission to return to the station to straighten out a domestic personal problem.
- Ia No 118 : Works well. Can speak the Huri language.
- Purari No 332 : Carried out his duties well.
- Tiriau No. 078 : Carried out his duties well, and has a fair command of English.

Department of District Administration Interpreters.

Hetaidia Lamia : Very good man; displays qualities of trustworthiness and responsibility. Is loyal and reliable.

Puraria Warapo : A good interpreter. Has the ability to describe things well and concisely.

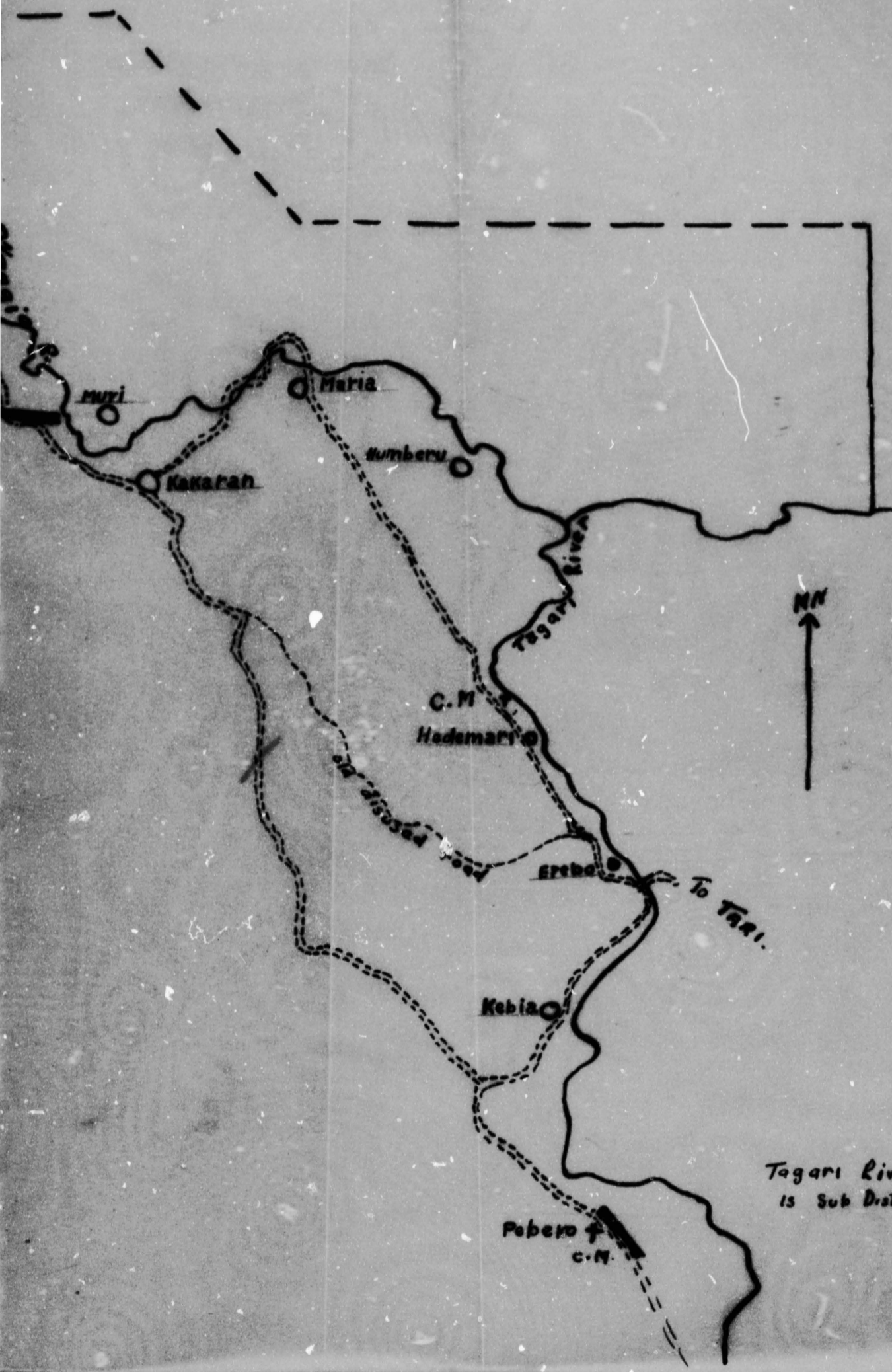


Patrol No. 8. 66-67  
 K.A. Bond. P.O.

Scale 1 inch = 1 mile.

- - Rest house
- || - Road
- + - Mission





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Tagari River  
is Sub District Border.

Puzi

Kakaran

Maria

Sumberu

Tagari River

C.M.  
Hadamari

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Erebo

To Tari.

Kebia

Pobero  
C.M.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No.....10 OF 1966/67.....

Patrol Conducted by.....P.O. JONES..... CADET PATROL OFFICER.....

Area Patrolled..... PART KOROKA C/D.....

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

Natives...5 MEMBERS OF THE R.P.& N.G.C. 2 WARDERS

Duration—From...12./...4./1967...to...1./...6./1967... 3 INTERPRETERS 1 TRANSPORT DRIVER 1 P.W.D. EMPLOYEE

Number of Days.....FIFTY ONE (51).....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...3.../1967..

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

Map Reference.....SKETCH MAP ATTACHED.....

Objects of Patrol...CONTINUATION OF GRAVELLING THE TARI-KOROKA ROAD... ROAD.....

MAINTENANCE. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

9/8/1967

District Commissioner

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

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

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

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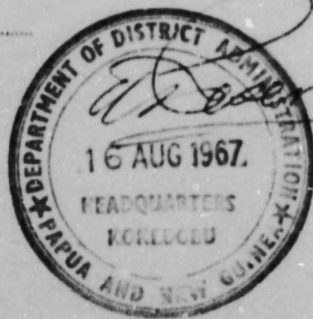
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams  
Telephone  
Our Reference..... 67-3-11  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

Department of District  
Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

9th August, 1967.



The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEBOBU.

Koroba Patrol No 10 of 1966/67  
Part Koroba C.D. - Road Maintenance -  
Mr. P.O. Jones, Cadet Patrol Officer

Attached please find:-

- (a) Copy of report,
- (b) Comments of Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba on memorandum 67-5-2 dated 30th June, 1967.
- (c) Copy of patrol Instructions from Assistant District Commissioner to Mr. Jones on memorandum 67-2-1 dated 11th April, 1967.
- (d) One map of the area patrolled.

2. the patrolling officer has indicated on page 10 of his report that it would be preferable to have a road linking the Tagari Bridge and Hedemari Village constructed on the east side of the Tagari Bridge, instead of utilising the existing road. In 1965 it was proposed to divert the road as indicated in this report but it would seem that change of staff has allowed this to be overlooked. The Assistant District Commissioner should proceed to undertake the construction if he considers it warranted and if funds are available.

3. Comments regarding livestock have been extracted and forwarded to the District Agricultural Officer at Mendi for his comments.

4. Quick action by members of Public Health Department would undoubtedly have saved a few lives when the influenza epidemic struck the area.

5. An good report by Mr. Jones who completed his task under somewhat adverse conditions. This section of road is a vital link between Tari and Koroba and its importance is not being overlooked by the Assistant District Commissioner.

(D.R. Marsh)  
District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams.....  
Our Reference..... **67-5-2.**  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

Department of District Administration.  
**Sub-District Headquarters,**  
**KOROBA.**  
**Southern Highlands.**  
**30th June, 1967.**

**District Commissioner,**  
**Southern Highlands District,**  
**MENDI.**

**KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 10 of 1966/1967.**

**PART KOROBA GENSUS DIVISION.**

1. Attached in triplicate please find three (3) copies of the above patrol report and claim for camping allowance submitted by Mr. P.O. Jones Cadet Patrol Officer.

The delay in submission of this report is regretted but necessitated by Common Roll amendments and my having Mr. Jones assist with the now completed extension Local Government Council elections.

2. **COMMENTS.**

The object of this patrol as can be seen from the patrol instructions was purely road maintenance, and was the third patrol this year on this particular section of road. All told now this one section has consumed a total of eighty-eight (88) patrol days by three different officers and remains in a disappointing condition. My initial estimates of time were hopelessly out mainly through the fact that our sole tractor and trailer is spending the majority of its time purely travelling between the quarry and dumping site. Various search parties have endeavoured to find new quarry sites nearer to the non-gravelled sections but all have been unsuccessful.

Apart from rain this patrol by Mr. Jones was also hampered by mechanical troubles - the tractor being off the road for nine (9) days (one four (4) separate occurring troubles, and the motor bike was also V/S for a total period of twenty seven (27) days.

At present the people are carrying stones long distances and laying the surfacing foundations themselves, and it is hoped to mount another patrol sometime in the near future to continue with the finer top surfacing.

The political problem regarding the MARIA's has already been dealt with fully in my Native Situation Report accompanying KOROBA Patrol Memorandum No.9 of 1966/67.

The influenza epidemic eventually hit all parts of the sub-district but fortunately now appears to be over.

Mr. Jones is to be congratulated on his endeavours under occasionally unfavourable conditions.

For your information and enforwarding please.

(B. J. Greedy)  
**A/Assistant District Commissioner.**



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams.....  
Our Reference.....  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

67-2-1.

Department of District Administration.

Sub-District Headquarters,  
KOROBA.

Southern Highlands District.

11th April, 1967.

Mr. P. Jones,  
Cadet Patrol Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 10 of 1966/1967.

1. In confirmation of our verbal talks please be prepared to mount a patrol Wednesday 12th instant to MARIA and HERAMALI rest houses KOROBA Cansus Division.

2. OBJECTS.

(a) Set up a detainee camp at MARIA and gravel the sections not yet completed near the NAGGA Gorge and on both sides of the new MARIA NAGGA bridge. There is also a new culvert past MARIA requiring gravel.

(b) On completion of (a) move all detainees, equipment etc. to HERAMALI and commence gravelling all stone sections that are breaking up. In this context when time permits the tractor/trailer could assist the locals where stone is an excessive distance from their working sections.

(c) Take a personal cash advance and pay all locals who have completed their sections with stone at the rate of \$5-00 per 100 yards.

(d) P.W.D. employee TAMI will accompany you and assist with the pulling out of the numerous culvert bridges and their re-building under road level. It will be up to you to nominate the various culverts and pay the locals on a contract basis who assist TAMI.

(e) General helpful assistance and supervision of the locals with their sections.

(f) For training purposes complete investigations into any complaints brought to your attention for quick settlement during my visits.

3. PATROL PERSONNEL.

Twenty-two (22) detainees, five police, 2 warders, 3 interpreters and one driver will accompany the patrol initially. This should be sufficient staff to allow for shift periods which I will explain more fully before you depart.

4. EQUIPMENT.

Driver Eric to be assisted by Etaije with the tractor/trailer and the station motor bike will be permanently at your disposal. There should be sufficient detainee tools still at MARIA for your requirements - should more be required when you commence work please advise and same will be forwarded.

Please ensure that you are always holding sufficient rations for the detainees.

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5. DURATION.

Indefinite as of this date, but estimate between three and four weeks for your personal supplies. In any event with the motor bike and the continual traffic between TARI and KOROBA communications and supply should be no trouble.

6. GENERAL.

The above is a general resume only - we will further verbally discuss the various aspects tomorrow when we both visit the actual sites requiring work.

Trust and hope that the current weather holds.

~~(P. Greedy)~~  
A/Assistant District Commissioner.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference..... 67-2-1

If calling ask for

Mr.....

Department of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Koroba,  
SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL NO. 10 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by: P.O. Jones Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Part Koroba Census Division.

Personnel Accompanying the Patrol:

R.P. & N.G.C. 12/4/67 to 17/5/67: Const. Aravil 7683

Const. Karok 7814

Const. Sigowa 7843

Const. Ukambani 8983

Const. Bangi 9481

17/5/67 to 1/6/67: Const. Gigne 5100

Const. Aravil 7683

Const. Wuran 8526

Const. Kamblonge 10451

Const. Pakio 10833

C.I.B.: Wdr.Gd.3 Kiwa 108

Wdr.Gd.2 Ia 118

D.D.A. Interpreters: Hetaidia Lamia

Etai'a Kalo

Ponaria Walaba ( acting only )

Transport Driver : Eri

P.W.D. Employee: Tami ( Bridge builder. )

Duration of Patrol: 12/4/67 - 1/6/67 Fifty One Days.

Last Patrol to the Area: March 1967

Objects of the Patrol: Continue stoning and gravelling the Koroba-Tari road.

General Administration.

Map Reference: Sketch Map Attached.

Piers O. Jones

( Cadet Patrol Officer )

27/6/67

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INTRODUCTION.

During the eight weeks spent in the field the Patrol stayed at both Maria and Hedemari. Both these rest houses are situated on the Koroba-Tari road and were conveniently close to the sections of road requiring work.

The Patrol, as instructed, continued stoning and graveling the road but perhaps not as much work as expected was completed. Several factors slowed down the work and the existing sections of road under gravel progressively deteriorated with the comings and goings of the tractor. Heavy rain, practically every afternoon, hampered work. However several sections of road were gravelled and a number of small culvert bridges were rebuilt under the level of the road. As a whole the work should provide for a better run.

The twenty two detainees who originally accompanied the Patrol constituted its main work force. Unfortunately, from a work point of view, the terms of many of the detainees expired during the course of the patrol. To supplement the shortage it was necessary to engage labourers from Hedemari and Erebo on a temporary basis.

A number of complaints were settled at both Maria and Hedemari; one had to be sent into Koroba.

PATROL DIARYTuesday 11th April

Patrol personnel and twenty two detainees departed in the late afternoon for the rest house at Maria where they set up a base camp for operations. My departure was delayed till the next day. Patrol slept Maria.

Wednesday 12th April

Self, accompanied by the A/A.D.C., departed Koroba 1330 by L.R.. An inspection was made of the road as far as Erebo. Received verbal instructions as to the sections of road requiring work. Returned to Maria. Inspected portion of the Paru road during the remainder of the afternoon. Slept Maria.

Thursday 13th April

Arranged for Patrol personnel to carry out the road work in shifts in regard to their respective duties. The first shift commenced at 0600. The work at this stage was to continue the graveling of the section of road that borders the Naggia river near Maria. Work commenced well. However at 1100 the tail bar of the tractor fractured and it had to return to the station. Detainees worked for the remainder of the day cutting gravel out and heaping it. In the afternoon I gave instructions to Tami, the bridge-builder, to close in two culvert ~~and~~ bridges a short distance from Maria. Tractor returned from Koroba in the late afternoon. Slept Maria.



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DIARY CONT.Friday 14th April

First shift commenced 0600. Continued gravelling the section of road bordering the Naggia river. Worked till 1800. Slept Maria.

Saturday 15th April

Work commenced 0600. I returned to the station in the morning in order to clear up a couple of matters. Returned to Maria in the afternoon. Supervised work till 1800. Slept Maria.

Sunday 16th April

Day observed. Slept Maria.

Monday 17th April

Tractor continued the gravelling near Maria. Accompanied by Interpreter Hetaidia I departed Maria by motor bike for an inspection of the road as far as the Tagari bridge. Paid locals of Hedemari and Erebo for several sections of stoning. Upon arrival at the Tagari it was decided to inspect the Kebaa road and the Pabulumu-Ialuba road. Arrived Ialuba 1200. Locals observed to be working well on the Ialuba-Yetemari road. Returned to Maria in the late afternoon. Slept Maria.

Tuesday 18th April

Work commenced 0600. I supervised work till 1100. As the motor bike was giving a lot of trouble I decided to return to the station in order to have it fixed. Upon arrival it was found to have a worn clutch plate, I left it at the station. Returned to Maria by L.R. at about 1400. Supervised road work for the remainder of the day. Slept Maria.

Wednesday 19th April

Gave instructions for the continuation of the road work. With Interpreter Hetaidia I walked out along the road as far as Kakaran. Paid the Village Officials for five sections of stoning. Returned to Maria at about 1300. Road work continued for about two hours before it was forced to be abandoned by heavy afternoon rain. Slept Maria.

Thursday 20th April

Day spent supervising road work. Upon the instructions of the O.I.C. I sent the two Warders accompanying the Patrol back to the station. Finished work 1800. Slept Maria.

Friday 21st April

Commenced work 0600. The section of road bordering the Naggia river had at this stage been completed and work was begun stoning and gravelling a small culvert bridge near Maria. Received instructions to send the tractor back to the station with selected Patrol personnel for a football game over the week-end. I accompanied

DIARY CONT.Friday 21st April cont.

The tractor back to the station. Saw the A/A.D.C. on arrival. Fixed up a few things. Returned to Maria with the A/A.D.C.. Finalised two cases that I had heard earlier on in the week. A/A.D.C. returned to Koroba. Finished road work about 1800. Slept Maria.

Saturday 22nd April

First shift commenced work at 0600. Work this day consisted of clearing the borders of the road near Maria. L.R. arrived from the station at 1230. I returned to Koroba to spend the week-end there. Patrol slept Maria. Self slept station.

Sunday 23rd April

Day observed. Patrol slept Maria. Self slept Station.

Monday 24th April

Departed by tractor for Maria at 0900. Was accompanied by other members of Patrol personnel. Upon arrival gave a talk to all Patrol personnel. Sent two Constables back to Koroba for the A.N.Z.A.C. Day ceremony to be held next day. Supervised road work for the remainder of the day. Completed work on the culvert bridge at 1800. Slept Maria.

Tuesday 25th April

A.N.Z.A.C. Day observed. Slept Maria.

Wednesday 26th April

Finalised work at Maria. Patrol moved by tractor to Hedemari during the morning. Afternoon spent setting up camp. Initial inspection made of the sections of road requiring work near Hedemari. Slept Hedemari.

Thursday 27th April

Supervised road work during the morning. Tractor broke a part and had to be sent back to the station. Started rebuilding a culvert bridge near Hedemari. This work continued during the afternoon. Slept Hedemari.

Friday 28th April

Day taken up continuing the rebuilding of the bridge commenced the day before. Slept Hedemari.

Saturday 29th April

Continued work on the culvert bridge. At about 1100 a detainee almost had a finger cut off in an accident; he had to be hospitalised. Tractor returned from Koroba in the late afternoon. Slept Hedemari.

Sunday 30th April

Day observed. Slept Hedemari.

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DIARY CONT.

Monday 1st May

Continued work on the culvert bridge. Took lunch at 1200. A/A.D.C. arrived from Koroba in the afternoon. Received instructions concerning road work and straightened out a few letters of the detainees. I returned to the station with the A/A.D.C. in order to pick up the motor bike, now fixed. Upon arrival at the station I intended to pick up the motor bike and drive straight away back to Hedemari. However heavy rain prevented my departure. Slept station.

Tuesday 2nd May

Departed station 0830 by motor bike for Hedemari. On arrival I found that my detainee work force had been reduced to five due to influenza. Supervised bridge work for the remainder of the morning. Took the motor bike along the road as far as the gravel pits and inspected the work being done there. Returned to Hedemari and continued on till Erebo for an inspection of the road. Slept Hedemari.

Wednesday 3rd May

Had hoped to finish work on the culvert bridge this day. However during the morning the tractor again sheared a bolt and had to return to the station. Work on the bridge continued slowly and it was not finished by the time work finished at 1800.

Thursday 4th May

Finished the major work on the bridge. Work progressed very slowly as all the locals were absent attending a Baptisimal feast at the Catholic Mission and there was ~~no~~ no-one to supplant the shortage of detainees. Minor work in connection with the bridge continued all day. Slept Hedemari.

Friday 5th May

Made a road inspection as far as the Tagari bridge. Returned to Hedemari in the afternoon. Very heavy rain. Detainees worked all day piling gravel in preparation for the return of the tractor. Slept Hedemari.

Saturday 6th May

Detainees continued work as yesterday. Accompanied by Hetaidia I made an inspection of the road as far as the junction at Magara. Afternoon taken off. Slept Hedemari.

Sunday 7th May

Day observed. Slept Hedemari

Monday 8th May

Departed by motor bike 0830 for Koroba. Arranged various things before returning to Hedemari at about 1200. Afternoon spent supervising the gravelling of the road. Slept Hedemari.

DIARY CONT.Tuesday 9th May

Continued the gravelling of the road, west of Hedemari. Slept Hedemari.

Wednesday 10th May

Detainees continued work as yesterday. I made a road inspection as far as the Tagari bridge. Returned to Hedemari at about 1200. Afternoon taken up hearing and settling three complaints. Heavy afternoon rain forced the work parties to return to Hedemari at 1600. Slept Hedemari.

Thursday 11th May

Work continued, gravelling the road west of Hedemari. In company with Const. Ukambani, I made another inspection of the road on the motor bike. Saw Councillor Hole of Erebo and advised him of the sections in need of repair. Tractor returned to Hedemari at about 1400 with a blown out front tyre. Detainees continued work for the rest of the day carrying stone to the bad sections of road. Slept Hedemari.

Friday 12th May

Departed by motor bike 0830 for Koroba. Saw the A/A.D.C. on arrival. He advised me to take a tyre out to Hedemari and return to the station with the tractor when it was fixed. Drove back to Hedemari in L.R.. When fixed I dispatched the tractor to Erebo to collect a load of building materials. It arrived back at Hedemari at about 1400. Self with Consts. Aravil and Ukambani departed for Koroba about 1500. (The reason for this break was so that the members of the Patrol as named, could attend the Administrator's Tari visit held on the following Tuesday, May 16th.)

The Administrator's visit was attended and the Patrol resumed work on Wednesday 17th May.

Wednesday 17th May

Departed Koroba for Hedemari 1430. Very heavy rain during the trip out. Arrived 1630. Slept Hedemari.

Thursday 18th May

Commenced work 0600. Continued gravelling the road. I made a road inspection with Const. Kamblonge and gave instructions to the locals to repair a number of sections of road between Hedemari and the Tagari bridge. Returned to Hedemari and supervised road work for the remainder of the afternoon. Slept Hedemari.

Friday 19th May

Day spent continuing the stoning and gravelling of the road. Slept Hedemari.

Saturday 20th May

Work commenced 0600. Endeavoured to find reported gravel beds near Hedemari. Found some very poor ~~matrix~~ deposits. Returned to Hedemari in the afternoon and bought a quantity of sweet potato. Slept Hedemari

DIARY CONT.Sunday 21st May

Day observed. Slept Hedemari

Monday 22nd May

Moved the work party to the east side of Hedemari where several sections of unstoned road were deteriorating rapidly. The tractor worked carrying stone to the bad sections and the detainees cleared the ground and laid the stone. This work continued all day. Inspected the road as far as the Tagari bridge. Work stopped by rain at 1700. Slept Hedemari.

Tuesday 23rd May

I returned to the station in the morning for rations and to straighten out a few matters. Returned to Hedemari in the afternoon. Slept Hedemari.

Wednesday 24th May

Continued road work as on Monday. Completed 1800. Slept Hedemari.

Thursday 25th May

Commenced work 0600. Started work on the east side of Hedemari, as yesterday. However the tractor became badly bogged and it was decided to leave this section till later. Moved operations to the western side of Hedemari. Work stopped by heavy rain at 1700. Slept Hedemari.

Friday 26th May

Work commenced at usual time 0600. Continued the work begun yesterday. The tractor became bogged near the gravel pits and it took a fair while to extricate it. The section giving the trouble was dug out and restoned and gravelled. I walked along the road with bridge-builder Tami and told him to rebuild two bridges under the level of the road. However this work could not begin until the tractor brought stone to the two sites. Received a note from the A/A.D.C. advising me to send the tractor into the station. It departed 1700. Slept Hedemari.

Saturday 27th May

Nothing constructive could be done with the absence of the tractor. Spent the morning piling gravel at the beds. Afternoon taken off. Slept Hedemari.

Sunday 28th May

Day observed. Slept Hedemari.

Monday 29th May

The tractor did not return from Koroba as expected. Restoned a few bad sections of road near Hedemari. I heard and arbitrated in a dispute during the morning. Supervised road work during the afternoon. Slept Hedemari.

Tuesday 30th May

Continued work as yesterday. Restoned several badly

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DIARY CONT.

Tuesday 30th May cont.

deteriorated sections of road. This work continued all day till 1800. Slept Hedemari.

Wednesday 31st May

Detainees continued work repairing the road. I, accompanied by Interpreter Hetaidia walked to the Tagari bridge in order to inspect the road. Returned to Hedemari at 1230. Afternoon spent supervising road work. The tractor returned to Hedemari in the late afternoon. I received instructions to return to the station the next day with the Patrol. Slept Hedemari.

Thursday 1st June

The tractor departed Hedemari 0900 for Koroba with the Patrol's gear. Police, Warders and detainees set off to walk to the station. With Hetaidia I walked east along the road in order to check the number of sections of stoning remaining to be paid. We found it was five. Returned to Hedemari. Departed for Koroba by motor bike. Arrived about 1100. Patrol personnel arrived shortly afterwards. Patrol stood down.

DIARY ENDS

P.O. JONES C.P.O.

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### POLITICAL SITUATION

There is nothing in the political awareness of the people of the Maria-Hedemari area that could either excite or alarm the Administration. For the most part the people are taking the gradual improvement of the area in their stride and give the necessary help to the Administration when it is required. They are perhaps a little apathetic in their political outlook, especially as regards the future. This, however, is not true of all the people. A small group at Hedemari wishes to buy a few head of cattle with the idea of raising a small herd for their future benefit. Such a project could have an effect on the area, that would undoubtedly stimulate political advancement.

Only a few complaints were heard during the patrol. None were of a really serious nature and none could be said to have had a bearing on the political situation.

As regards work the people of Hedemari showed considerably more co-operation with the Patrol than did those of Maria. The Marias apparently thought that because they had worked well in the past they could now rest on their laurels. To their sad dissolution they were told that even though the road may be perfect it would not remain so and it would need constant attention and maintenance.

### ROADS AND BRIDGES

The Koroba-Tari road is some twenty eight miles in length. About half this length lies inside the Duna Sub-district between Koroba station and the Tagari bridge. In its course the road passes through both flat and hilly country. It is the hilly sections that in places need to be stoned and as a whole require constant maintenance.

Practically the whole road from the Naggia gorge ( about six miles from Koroba station ) to Hedemari rest house is now under stone and has been gravelled. The road between Hedemari and the Tagari bridge requires further attention. This section traverses a number of hills and during wet weather it becomes impassable. Stoning this section has progressed very gradually as the nearest stone outcrop lies more than a mile away and all has to be carried by hand. Graveling will take even longer as a tractor can only manage about six trips a day from the gravel pits situated a number of miles west of Hedemari.

The Patrol's work when at Maria was to gravel several small sections of road near the rest house. Work progressed quickly and was finished within two weeks, the Patrol then moved to Hedemari. At Hedemari work slowed down considerably. Heavy afternoon rain which had not been encountered at Maria, hindered the work and helped in the

ROADS AND BRIDGES CONT.

deterioration of the road. The tractor broke parts four times and had to be sent into the station on each occasion. Some work, however, was completed. The gravelling of the road was continued for about half a mile and several sections of road which had been giving trouble on the Tagari side of Hedemari were stoned.

It would be of great advantage if the section of road between the Tagari bridge and Hedemari was cut out. This could be made possible if the road were diverted along the Tari side of the Tagari for the appropriate distance. The land here is comparatively flat and the only problem that could arise would be the finding of a new bridge site further up the river. A number of small sections of the existing road could be cut out in a similar way.

Several small bridges along the road were stoned over. Three of these were completed with local help and \$21 were paid for their construction.

Much has been done to improve the road but several sections, especially on the eastern side of Hedemari, still require considerable work.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

As previously mentioned four locals of the Hedemari area are interested in the prospect of buying a few head of cattle. Nothing regarding the purchase of cattle has been arranged but if the people are given the necessary encouragement they might follow up the idea.

The introduction of a cattle project, even on a small scale, would require considerable work on the part of the locals. Apparently they realise this and are anxious to know if their area is suitable for cattle and what help they could expect from the Administration.

Several Cat-fish were brought to me at Hedemari. These had been caught in one of a number of ponds in the Hedemari area. Unfortunately the people do not realise that the fish are meant for the improvement of their diet and not their income. The fish seen had all reached maturity and it was reported that another kind of fish, presumably Black Carp, had been caught in the lakes near Erebo.

The Patrol had no difficulty in purchasing large quantities of sweet potato and other vegetables. All native crops appeared to be flourishing and the people were seen to be taking an interest in looking after the coffee plots at Hedemari and Erebo.



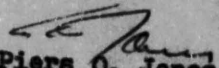
HEALTH

While the Patrol was at Hedemari an influenza epidemic swept the area and disabled about eighty per cent of the population. Seven deaths caused by the sickness were reported. The A.P.O. at Hedemari was treating large numbers of people every day. Some people however were unable to come to the Aid Post and a medical patrol was carried out through the area to vaccinate the population against the disease. This appears to have had the necessary effect as no more cases were reported after about two weeks.

The patrol suffered badly from the sickness. During the height of the epidemic the work force of detainees was reduced from twenty two to five. Two cases had to be sent into the station. Const. Karok was the only other member of the Patrol to contract the disease. His was one of the worst cases and he had to be hospitalised for over a week.

CONCLUSION

The Koroba-Tari road is still not in good condition. Further work will have to be carried out on the road to bring it up to first class condition.

  
Piers O. Jones

( Cadet Patrol Officer )

27/6/67

An Anthropological report will be submitted when further specimens and information can be obtained.

See Appendices for comments on Patrol personnel.

## APPENDIX 1.

## COMMENTS ON PATROL PERSONNEL.

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R.P. & N.G.C.      Const. Gigne 5100 : Carried out his work well.  
                     Const. Aravil 7683 : Steady and reliable. This  
Constable was in charge of the Police on the Patrol and at all times  
he held their command and respect.

                     Const. Karok 7814 : Keen and energetic in his duties.

                     Const. Sigowa 7843 : Slow but tries hard.

                     Const. Wuran 8526 : Showed himself to be capable and  
reliable at all times.

                     Const. Ukambani 8983 : Worked well.

                     Const. Bange 9481 : Unreliable and at times lazy in  
his work.

                     Const. Kamblonge <sup>10451</sup> : Worked very well at all times.

                     Const. Pakio 10833 : Worked well.

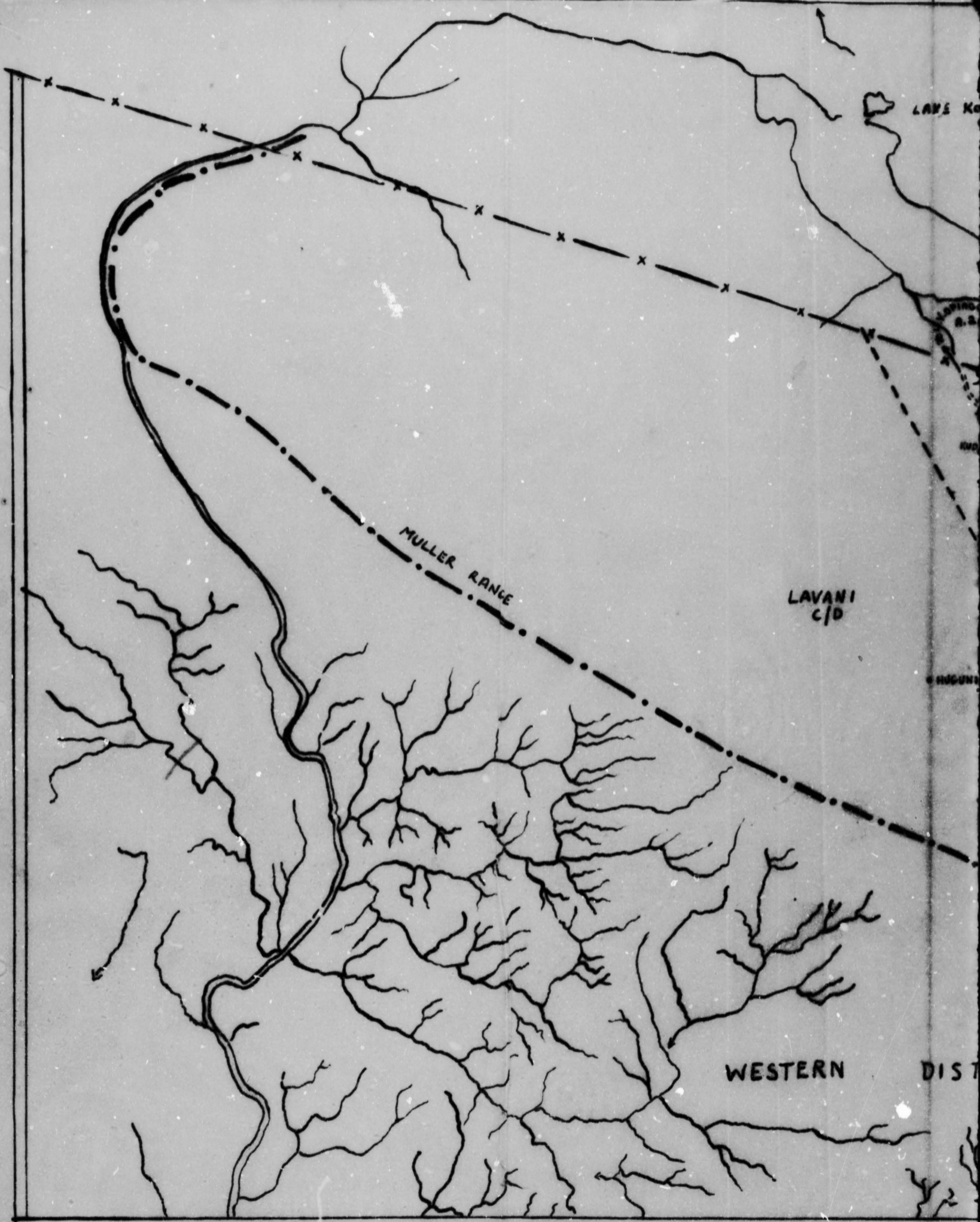
C.I.B.              Wdr. Gd.3 Kiwa 108 : Was conscious of his duties  
regarding the detainee work party accompanying the Patrol and generally  
worked well.

                     Wdr. Gd.2 Ia 118 : Carried out his duties efficiently.

## D.D.A. Interpreters.

                     Hetaidia Iamia : Was a great help to the Patrol and  
carried out his work efficiently.

                     Etai'a Kalo : Was useful to the Patrol only in his  
capacity as a driver.

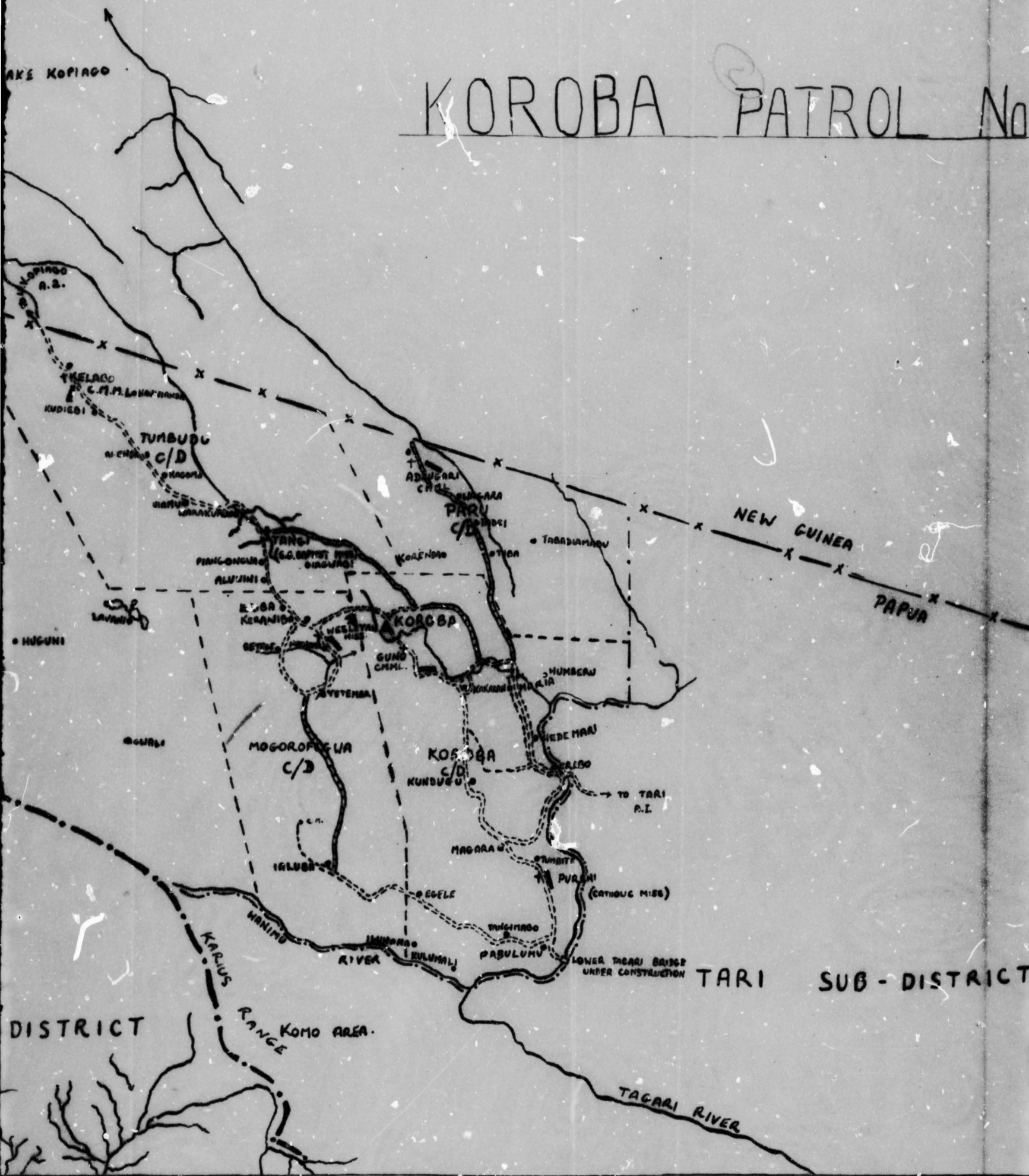


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 -.- DISTRICT BOUNDARY  
 -.- SUB DISTRICT BOUNDARY  
 -.- CENSUS DIVISION BOUNDARY

▲ ADMINISTRATIVE STATION  
 + MISSION STATION  
 — AIRSTRIP

C.M.M.L. CHRISTIAN MISSION IN MANY LANDS  
 C/D CENSUS DIVISION  
 - - - AREA OF PATROL'S OPERATIONS

# KOROBA PATROL No



SCALE  
1" = 4 MILES





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. 12 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by K.A. Bond, Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Paru Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 1 Council Clerk 2 Interpreters  
4 members of R.P.N.G.C.

Duration—From 14 / 6 / 1967 to 21 / 6 / 1967

Number of Days 8 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? .....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 6 / 19 66

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

Map Reference Sketch map attached

Objects of Patrol Conduct initial elections for wards 30, 31, 32 and 33  
of the Koroba Local Government Council.  
Attempt to "Activate and Assist" the people with  
the construction of the Paru Road.  
Routine Administrative duties as required.

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

9 / 8 / 1967

District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-15-67

6th October, 1967.

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

KOROEPA PATROL NO. 12 OF 1966/1967.

Your 67-3-11 of the 9th August, 1967, refers.  
The above Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

It would seem that the most important task  
in this area is the completion of the road before much  
work can be done in the way of economic development.

Mr. Bond appears to have carried out his  
duties well and to have put in some good work as re-  
gards the construction of the road.

The original of the Election Report has been  
forwarded with the Patrol Report. Election Returns etc.  
are to be forwarded through the Regional Local Government  
Officer for his comments before forwarding to this  
Headquarters. I presume that this has been done but  
would you please check that the Regional Local Government  
Officer did in fact get copies of the Report.

(T. W. Ellis)  
DIRECTOR. A

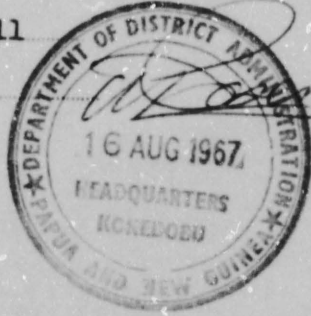
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegram.....  
Our Reference..... 67-3-11  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....



Department of District Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.  
9th August, 1967.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBUBU.

Koroba Patrol No 12 of 1966/67  
Paru Census Division  
Mr. K.A. Bond, Patrol Officer.

Attache please find:-

- (a) Original of report,
- (b) Copy of patrol instructions, issued by Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba to Mr. Bond on file 67-2-1.
- (c) Copy of memorandum 67-5-5 dated 3rd July from Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.
- (d) Copy of map of patrol area.

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Comments are as follows:-

(1) Outline of Political Situation.

I agree with the Assistant District Commissioner's remarks regarding the Paru Census Division road. These people have been requested time and time again to construct the road from their census division to the main Koroba-Tari road so that we can help them in developing this area but it appears that they want economic development handed to them on a platter without assuming the responsibility for making this possible. I agree that an officer should visit this area for the sole purpose of constructing the remaining sections of road. The Assistant District Commissioner will doubtless arrange this in due course.

(2) Elections.

The report indicates that the initial elections for the inclusion of this area in the Koroba Local Government Council were conducted without incident.

(D.R. Marsh)  
District Commissioner.





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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams  
Our Reference **67-5-5.**  
If calling ask for  
Mr.

Department of District Administration,  
**Sub-District Headquarters,**  
**KOROBA.**  
Southern Highlands.  
3rd July, 1967.

District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
**MENDI.**

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 12 of 1966/1967.

PARU CENSUS DIVISION.

Attached in triplicate please find three (3) copies of the above patrol report and claim for camping allowance submitted by Mr. K. Bend Patrol Officer. Unfortunately requisitions for Patrol Report covers have not arrived - perhaps the MENDI typist could make some out for these reports please.

COMMENTS.

The problem regarding the Christian Mission Many Lands and Lutheran Mission existing at TADEI should be simply settled in the near future. The main movement seems to be centered around the new councillor IGIBEA whose mother is from FOGERS while IGIBEA was previously employed as an Administration labourer there. Inter-marriage between the FOGERA's and TADEI's is extremely high and the walk across seems to range from two days for men to four days for women, pigs etc. In the matter of the dispute the C.M.M.L. at ABZUGALI could have refrained from informing sections of the community that they themselves were sufficient for the area in the matter of missions and not having verbally endeavoured to talk IGIBEA out of the matter.

The question of economic development and a cash crop has already been dealt with under numerous felices this year and further words here would be wasteless repetition. Until the people actually activate themselves and complete their access road we are not immediately able to assist with the small Administration payments that are applicable elsewhere for various road and area work.

The complaints re lack of sweet potato are currently common throughout the sub-district. In actual fact there is no real shortage the people still having sufficient for themselves but no real excess for their pigs. A perusal of the rain register reveals that this year is to date having a slightly above norm rainfall and as a result I feel that the growth rate of sweet potato is somewhat restricted by water logging. Enquiries bear this out as the people confirm that when the sweet potato mounds are dry the growth rate is much better than when the mounds are permanently wet and muddy.

Re access road - the people may seem anxious to complete the road but considering that initial constructional work was commenced over three years ago their desire for the road is not compatible with their work output. When time permits a constructional patrol will be mounted this year in an endeavour to hasten the construction.

Comments on the electoral facet will be forthcoming in my electoral report as Returning Officer.

A routine patrol competently carried out and for your onforwarding please.

(B. J. Dwyer)  
District Commissioner



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

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

If calling ask for.....

Mr.....

Department of District Administration.

Sub District Office,

KOROBA,

Sothern Highlands District,

27th, June, 1967.

Assistant District Commissioner,

Sub District Office,

KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No 12. 1966/67.

Station : Koroba

Sub District :Duna

Patrol conducted by: K.A. Bond, Patrol Officer.

Duration of Patrol : 14/6/67 to 21/6/67. Seven days.

Last Patrol to Area: Mr. B. Munn, G.P.O. June, 1966.

Objects of the Patrol: A. Conduct the initial elections for wards 30, 31, 32 and 33 of the Koroba Local Government Council.

B. Attempt to "Activate and assist" the people with the construction of the Pasu road.

C. Routine administrative duties as required.

Area Patrolled : Para Census division.

Map reference : Attached.

*K.A. Bond* report handed to  
K.A. Bond ADC 28/6/67  
Patrol Officer.



PATROL NO. 4E. 1966/67Introduction.

The area patrolled was the Paru census division. The patrol route was through the Paru valley, through which runs the Paru River. The valley and River start approximately four miles North of Marea, run Northwards for a couple of miles, then curl to travel in a generally West North West direction to the New Guinea border. As far as Tadei the valley is very narrow, often not being more than a hundred feet wide. At Tadei the valley widens, and becomes spotted with small ridges and hills.

At the present time there is no vehicular outlet from the Paru Valley to Koroba, Tari, or Lake Kppiago. All rest houses in the Paru, with the exception of Tabadiamaibu are within five hours walking distance from Koroba station.

The week before the patrol departed word was sent out that the Council elections would be held the following week, and for the people to be ready for the approach of the patrol. This worked well, and with the exception of Tiba, all nominations were ready and waiting for the patrol's arrival. One family even walked from Gunu to Wagara for the elections.

Languages spoken in the Paru Census division are Huri and Duna, with Huri dominating, and many people being bilingual. I met less than half a dozen people capable of speaking a lingua franca.

PATROL DIARY

Wednesday, 14th., June, 1967.

Handed the cash office over to the Assistant District Commissioner, and left Koroba for Marea by Land Rover approximately 3P.M. Slept the night at Marea.

Thursday, 15/6/67.

0745 hours left Marea with patrol. 0815 hrs vehicular road constructed by the Marea people finishes. About a mile further on crossed ridge about 200 ft high, then descended the other side into the Paru valley. Crossed the Paru river, at this stage only a rivulet, five times, arriving at Tiba rest house 0935 hours. After setting up camp, constables Pakio, Sigowa, and myself, together with a group of men from Tiba, started the clearing of the road route from Tiba to Marea. 1500hrs heavy rain stopped work.

Friday, 16/6/67.

Today the Tiba and Tabadiamaibu elections were held. At 0900 hrs the general population all arrived for the big event, but only one candidate nominated. I talked to the folk, and told them that they had to have two councillors, but the folk all averred that they only wanted one. Eventually the Tabadiamaibu Village Constable was nominated, but he immediately declined. Eventually got another nomination, and after waiting for a half an hour to see if there would be any more nominations, declared the two candidates, Piwa and Taullia, duly elected. At 1130 hrs left Tiba, leaving Constables Sigowa and Wuran to follow after they had marked out sections of road. Arrived Tadei 1330 hours. O/night Tadei.

Saturday, 17/6/67.

Elections held at Tadei. Five candidates for election, and voting went on non stop for eight hours. The two winners were Haiani of Kuranda and Igibe of Tadei. O/night at Tadei.

Sunday, 18/6/67.

0900 hrs left Tadei, arriving Adzugari Rest house 1030 hrs. Discussions with C.M.M.L. mission staff and local leaders. O/night Adzugari.

Monday, 19/6/67.

Elections at Adzugari. Three candidates. Elections lasted from 0800 hours to 1500 hrs. Successful candidates were two village Constables, Baluba, a big man of Adzugari, and Angweri of Tugu. 1530 hrs. left Adzugari for Wagara, arriving 1600 hrs. O/night at Wagara rest house.

Tuesday, 20/6/67.

0800 until 1430: elections at Wagara. Three candidates. The two successful ones were village Constables Kumbo and Wako. 1500 hrs. left Wagara, arriving Kuranda 1745 hrs. O/night at Kuranda Rest House.

Wednesday, 21/6/67.

Departed Kuranda 0700 hrs, arriving Koroba Station 0900 hrs.

END OF PATROL.

Reception of Patrol.

The patrol was received in a friendly manner. These people appear to take patrols very much as a routine matter of course, not evincing any curiosity or excitement.

Housing

Housing has changed very little over the years, and the fashion is still for small individual houses, made of kunai, placed in or near garden sites, with separate houses for women and men.

Village Officials.

Now the Paru census division is betwixt and between two different systems of administration. Village Constables are finished, but still have their uniforms; Councillors have been elected but have not attended any meetings. However, as far as the average citizen is concerned, there is a certain continuity, inasmuch as six out of the eight new councillors are ex Village Constables.

Of the new Councillors, I feel that the two most influential may well be Baluba Harape and Igibea Tabuna. Baluba is the Ex Village Constable of Adzugari, aged about 35 years, with four wives. He is a big man, both by repute, and physically. He gives the impression of having a strong and forceful personality, and a good mind. He has very little sophistication.

Igibea is an ex labourer from Koroba, Tari, and the Wabag. He has two wives. He is fairly politically aware, and I expect him to be a determined popular spokesman. He is relatively sophisticated for the Paru, and speaks pidgin English after a fashion.

All of the other new councillors are just ordinary village folk, as are the other ex Village Constables. Haiani, the new Councillor from Kuranda is the most popular of them, and is reputed to wield considerable influence.

Outline of Political Situation

Patrol reports over the last three years show that the people in the Paru census division have been eager to get some form of economic development. So far none has been forthcoming. The people have been subjected to the demonstration effect, mainly by contract labourers travelling to developed areas, and by intermittent travel to the Pongyza, over the border in the Western Highlands. Hence, naturally enough wants have developed which can not be satisfied. So far these wants are apparently modest. The people so far desire things such as the opportunity to find casual employment at Koroba, the opportunity to sell such things as the plaited selo made out of pit pit, sweet potatoes. In short they wish for an avenue to make a small money income.

With the inclusion of the Paru into the Kãroba Council, and with impending taxation, the desire for money is acquiring a new urgency. At the ~~time~~ conclusion of the patrol I heard that the reluctance of the Tiba and Tabadiamaibu people to have more than one Councillor was due to the misconception that tax rates increased proportionately with the number of councillors in a ward.

At Tadei the frustrated desire for a cash income was quite evident, as it has caused misunderstanding between the Christian Mission of Many Lands at Adzugari and some of the people at Tadei.

The Tadei folk are very anxious to have some European or other live on their land amongst them, the first two priorities being traders and missionaries. The argument being that income is generated where Europeans are: permanent material houses are built, which means a demand for labour, timber and selo, airstrips take shape and demand labour for construction and maintenance, and generally a labour line is employed, and a school and hospital may follow, and so the flow travels in ever increasing volume. For the purpose of generating income at Tadei, The Christian Mission of Many Lands (C.M.M.L.) station at Adzugari, although only about six miles away, is regarded as too distant, as any labouring work, or demand for garden produce etc. goes to the Adzugari and Wagara people, they being right next door to the mission.

Some Tadei folk therefore led a deputation to a Lutheran Missionary in the Porgera, asking him to establish a Mission at Tadei. Apparently the Missionary did not give a definite answer on the spot, and possibly he told them that he would investigate their request. At any rate the deputation returned to Tadei confident that it had secured its goal. The Lutheran Missionary declined to enter Tadei, and communicated with the C.M.M.L.. When the Tadei folk of the deputation heard this news they leaped to the conclusion that the C.M.M.L. had deliberately and successfully thwarted their plan, and they were most indignant. Igibea asked me would I intercede for them. The conviction that they were cheated out of their Lutheran missionary is not likely to succumb to reason.

Now that the Paru is included in the Council, politicization will proceed apace. The flow of news and ideas will increase considerably. Money, or the lack of it, will acquire greater significance.

Agriculture.

At present the Paru Census Division, like much of the Duna Sub District, is going through a mild famine. People were always telling me how short they were of sweet potatoes, and that they were hungry. A whole sweet potato crop apparently failed to bear properly, either bearing very small and stunted potatoes, or, in some cases, withering and dying altogether. What is the cause of this I do not know, and the people themselves could offer no reasonable explanation. I was told that famines like this occurred periodically, and that the last one was in 1961.

Despite all the complaints about hunger, I did not see one person who looked obviously undernourished. Clearly, although the staple food may be in short supply, no one is on the verge of starvation at present.

Carrots, peanuts, spring onions and cabbages, are grown throughout the area, and do very well. Coffee has been introduced in small quantities, but much of it has failed to survive.

At the C.M.M.L. at Adzugari a fruit they call a tree tomato does very well indeed. I have no idea of the true name of this fruit, but it is the size and colour of a tomato, and grows on small trees. It is used for jams, deserts, and bottling. According to the New Zealanders there this fruit is grown in orchards on the North Island of New Zealand, and is big business. A small experimental orchard of this tree fruit on station land may be a good idea.

Complaints .

Only three complaints were brought to the patrol. Two of these were fixed up out of court. In the other, a land dispute, the intending litigants did not turn up.

Carriers.

It is no trouble at all to get carriers. All able bodied men seem very anxious to earn a few shillings.

Health.

As far as I could tell, these people enjoy a very good average state of health. The people appear to be very fit and well, and I saw nothing worse than a couple of boils throughout the patrol.

There are two aid posts in the area. One Administration Aid Post at Tadei, and an aid Post and small hospital at the C.M.M.L. Adzugari.

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Roads and Bridges.

From Marea to Adzugari by the road route is a distance of about twenty miles. To the New Guinea border from Adzugari would be about eight or ten miles. This gives a road distance of about thirty miles on this side of the border. I will divide the road into four sections: Marea to Tiba, Tiba to Tadei, Tadei to Adzugari, and the section which I have not seen, from Adzugari to the New Guinea border.

Marea to Tiba. Distance of eight miles or a little less. Route follows valley floors and is fairly level, except for one place at the beginning of the Paru, where a ridge of approximately 200 ft high has to be crossed. From the beginning of the valley until Tiba the Paru River has to be crossed five times - but at this stage the Paru is still very shallow and narrow, and bridges need be only small. The only real work which has been done on this section is about two and a half miles of completed road on the Marea side. This completed road has ten small bridges which need to be built over drainage ditches or small streams.

Tiba to Tadei. Distance of about eight miles. Approximately 85% of the work on this stretch of road is already done, i.e. clearing, crown formation, drains. There are patches of varying length along the route still not done apart from clearing, and in many places where the road has been formed it has reverted back to grass. On this stretch the Paru River has to be crossed three times. The first crossing is next door to the Tiba rest house, the next crossing is a little over three miles from Tiba, and the last is below Tadei rest house. The first two crossings will offer no great difficulties for bridging, but the last will be difficult, because a bridge will have to be about forty feet long, and the Paru is very swift flowing at this juncture. About two miles toward Tadei from Tiba there is a ridge which reaches down to the Paru River. It is limestone, and will need to be negotiated carefully when the road is being routed around it - so far the people have left it alone. From the last crossing of the Paru the road, thoroughly completed here, climbs out of the valley and reaches the top of the range at Tadei rest house. From the river to the rest house is one long steady climb, and at times the incline must be at least 45 degrees. This ascent will be hard in dry weather and impossible in wet.

Tadei to Adzugari. Distance of about six miles. All of this section is 100% completed. The only bridges are those over drainage ditches and very small flows. These would need strengthening for regular traffic. Couple of short steep pinches, but if necessary these could be fixed up after the road takes traffic.

Adzugari to the New Guinea border. This stretch I have not seen, but Mr Whitehead at Adzugari Mission tells me it is completed, except for some very minor bridges. Were it not for about a mile of uncompleted section on the New Guinea side, the Mini Moke at Awi could travel between Awi and Tadei.

Suggestions. I suggest that the ~~last~~ stretch of road between

Marea and Tiba be given top priority as far as the Paru Road is concerned, and that until this part is completed, the Tiba Tadei stretch be left alone. I had talks about the road with the people, and they all seem anxious to complete the road.

If the Tiba, Tabadiamaibu, Kuranda and Tadei people all work on the road for a couple of days every week, then the Tiba Mafea stretch may be completed in six months, and I would say the Tiba Tadei stretch would take another two months. The Paru people working on the road need to be issued with picks and crowbars, as the route is stony, and although fairly level, much cutting and levelling will have to be done, as the road route mainly follows the sides of hills and ridges.

If an officer paid a visit every week to guide the work, I am sure it would help considerably. After all, it is only a short ramble through the woods to Tiba from Marea. The officer could camp overnight or return the same day. At any rate, it would be advisable to have an officer on hand for negotiating the ridge in the middle, otherwise the people may not make trafficable gradients.

#### Missions.

The Christian Mission of Many Lands has a mission at Adzugari, or Pori. At present the Superintendent and his family, and the teacher and his family are on holidays, and being relieved by Mr and Mrs Cochrane. Those present were Mr Whitehead, a lay missionary; Mr Cochrane, a retired undertaker and cabinet maker; his wife Mrs Cochrane who is a nurse and teacher, and who is at present teaching in English and conducting literacy classes in the Huri language; and Morris, a hospital orderly who has done a three ~~month~~ years medical course at a mission hospital at Goroka.

The Seventh Day Adventist Mission has a small centre at Tadei, which is run by a Tari Pastor, however its influence is very small.

The Capuchin Mission has a sphere of influence at Tiba and Tabadiamaibu, although there is no staff there.

#### Airfields

The Mission Airstrip at adzugari takes Missionary Aviation Fellowship planes. The airstrip has quite a slope on it, and D.C.A. would not like it at all.

#### Tax

The people are quite poor as far as money goes, and may find it difficult to pay council tax. However, after the tax patrol through the area, and the tax meetings, then the council should be able to determine a just tax rate. I think the Council would be well advised to have Tax meetings at all the rest houses before tax rates are established.

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Conclusion.

That area suffers from the same trouble as does the rest of the Duna Sub District, and that is a lack of commercial cash crop, or any other means of earning a reasonable cash income besides signing up as a contract labourer with the Highlands Labour scheme.

The objects of the patrol were achieved. The elections went very smoothly and successfully; the information about the Paru road is contained under the relevant section in the report.

- Attached as appendices are:
- Report on Personnell A.
  - Election Report B.
  - Voting Statistics C/.
  - Voting Summary D.
  - Patrol Map E.

*PATROL INSTRUCTIONS (r.)*

*K. A. Bond.*

*Patrol Officer*

Report on patrol personnel.

- Constable SIGOWA No. 7843. - Performed all his duties in a satisfactory manner.
- Constable WURAN No. 8526. - Performed all his duties well.
- Constable AUNIP No. 9288. - Performed his duties well.
- Constable PAKIO No. 10833 - Performed his duties satisfactorily.

- Interpreter EDAI'IA - Was a willing worker throughout the patrol.
- Interpreter/labourer PONARIA - Worked well throughout the patrol.

(1) Type and duration of pre-election campaign.

The elections were not preceded by any special pre-election campaign. The people ~~xxx~~ knew for some time before the elections that the elections were going to be held, and for what purpose. A week before the elections word was sent out that the elections would be conducted the following week. Immediately before the elections were held and nominations were closed a brief talk was given, restating the purpose of the election, and the method of giving preferences on the papers.

(11) MANNER of elections.

Polling places were at Tadei, Wagara, and Adzugari. A polling place was set up at Tiba, but not used as there were only two nominations for candidates for the two seats. At each of the places polling lasted an average of a little over seven hours. As all of the voters were illiterate, all of the ballot papers were filled in by myself. However, it was always straightforward, as most of the voters had a clear idea of how they wanted to allocate their preferences, and the only time there was any real delay was at Tadei where there were five candidates, and after the first three votes were given the fourth vote required considerable deliberation at the polling booth by many voters.

(111) Feminine interest in elections.

No women were nominated or stood for elections. However, feminine interest in voting was comparable to the men's, and they had as clear idea of what the elections were about as did the men. At all places I made it clear that women were just as entitled to nominate or stand for election as the men. At all places women numerically dominate men.

(1V) Incidents.

Nil.

(V) Absenteeism.

11.46% of the eligible voters were absent, or 205 out of 1,788. I estimate that about half of those absent are men working on plantations, which would give 5.73% local absenteeism. Most of the local absentes were elderly, in hospital or having a baby, and a couple were in the Koroba Corrective Institution.

(VI) Analysis of statistics.

The statistics speak for themselves.

(VII) Summary

I consider that the elections were very successful. All voters displayed an eagerness to vote, and a knowledge of voting procedure. I suspect that two of the candidates at Tadei were nominated only so the Tadei folk would get a "Big" election, as they only got three votes each.

*K. A. Bond.*

- PIWA OREBE Previously Village Constable of Tiba. Aged about 37 years, married. An adherent of the Capuchin Mission. Speaks Huri but can not speak any lingua franca.
- TAUILIA LAIA An ordinary village person aged about 25 years, married. Speaks Huri - can not speak any lingua franca.
- IGIBEA TABUNA Aged about 35 years, married with two wives. Used to work as a labourer at Koroba, Tari, and Wabag. Speaks poor Neo Melanesian.
- HAIANI TAUWINI An ex Village Constable, married, aged about 32 years. Speaks Huri. Can not speak any lingua franca.
- BALUBA HARAPE Previously Village Constable of Adugari. Aged about 35 yrs. Married with four wives. Speaks Duna and Huri, but no lingua franca. Baptised member of the C.M.M.L. Mission.
- ANGWELI WAIA Previously Village Constable of Tugu. Aged about 27 yrs. Member of the C.M.M.L. Mission-- Belongs to the Duna language group - can not speak any lingua franca. Married.
- KEMBO KORI Previously Village Constable of Wagara. Aged about 28 yrs. Married. Can not speak any lingua franca. C.M.M.L.
- UAKO HAIERE Married. Previously village Constable of WAGARA. aged about 28 yrs. Adherent of the C.M.M.L. Mission. Can not speak any lingua franca.

Local Government Ordinance 1963

VOTING STATISTICS

INITIAL

Election **PART KOROKA** Local Government Council  
**SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS** District

Elections conducted:—

From **14th June 1967**

To **20th June 1967**

| (1)<br>Ward or Electorate                  | (2)<br>Total Population | (3)<br>No. of Electors Enrolled |        | (4)<br>No. of Electors Unavoidably Absent |    | (5)<br>No. of Electors who voted |     | (6)<br>Total Column 5 | (7)<br>No. of Informal Votes | (8)<br>No. of Excluded 2nd Count | (9)<br>No. of Excluded 3rd Count | (10)<br>No. of Excluded 4th Count | (11)<br>Total live Votes Final Count |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------------|----|----------------------------------|-----|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
|                                            |                         | M                               | F      | M                                         | F  | M                                | F   |                       |                              |                                  |                                  |                                   |                                      |
| Govt. Print - 1966/9.66 - 4,000            |                         |                                 |        |                                           |    |                                  |     |                       |                              |                                  |                                  |                                   |                                      |
| Ward 30 Tiba & Tabaɔiamaitu village groups |                         | NO                              | VOTING | HELD                                      |    | ONLY                             | TWO | CANDIDATES FOR        | THE TWO SEATS.               |                                  |                                  |                                   |                                      |
| Ward 31. Tadei & Kuranda village groups    | 1172                    | 267                             | 293    | 30                                        | 11 | 237                              | 282 | 519                   | nil                          | ---                              | ---                              | ---                               | 519                                  |
| Ward 32. Wagara village group              | 1102                    | 312                             | 331    | 58                                        | 29 | 254                              | 302 | 556                   | nil                          | ---                              | ---                              | ---                               | 556                                  |
| Ward 33. Adzugari & Tugu Village groups    | 1023                    | 278                             | 307    | 56                                        | 21 | 222                              | 286 | 508                   | nil                          | ---                              | ---                              | ---                               | 508                                  |
| Totals                                     | 3297                    | 857                             | 931    | 144                                       | 61 | 713                              | 870 | 1583                  | ---                          | ---                              | ---                              | ---                               | 1583                                 |

Dated at **KOROKA** this **Twenty - Seventh**

**K.A. Bond**

Assistant Returning Officer

day of **June** 19 **67**

NOTES—

(4) These include persons absent at work, hospitalized, in gaol, or unable to attend for any sound reason.

(7) No. of ballot-papers rejected under parts 32 or 33 of the Directions on Elections.

(8) No. of ballot-papers excluded under part 34 (4) of the Directions, if applicable.

(9) and (10) No. of ballot-papers excluded as the count proceeds, as applicable.

(11) This figure should agree with the figure obtained by subtracting the total of columns 7, 8, 9 and 10 from the figure in column 6, i.e., 6 = 7 + 8 + 9 + 10 + 11. The winning candidate must have an absolute majority of the live votes shown in column 11.

Returning Officer

*A.C.*  
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## VOTING SUMMARY

INITIAL

Election

PART KOROKA

Local Government Council

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS

District

Govt. Print. - 19970/9.66 - 8,000.

| Name of Ward or Electorate                  | Name of Candidate<br>(including Father's name) | Address      | No. of Seats | First Count | Second Count | Third Count | Fourth Count | Successful Candidate(s) |
|---------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| WARD 30 Tiba &<br>Tabadiamaibu              | PIWA OREBE                                     | TIBA         | 2            | ---         | ---          | ---         | ---          | PIWA OREBE              |
|                                             | TAUILIA LAIA                                   | TABADIAMAIBU | "            | -           | ---          | ---         | ---          | TAUILIA LAIA            |
| WARD 31. Tadei &<br>Kuranda                 | IGIBEA TABUNA                                  | Tadei        | 2            | 169         | ---          | ---         | ---          | IGIBEA TABUNA           |
|                                             | ANDIRIA LANGE                                  | KURANDA      |              | 3           | ---          | ---         | ---          |                         |
|                                             | HULIBA HARABE                                  | KURANDA      |              | 3           | ---          | ---         | ---          |                         |
|                                             | HAIANI TAUINI                                  | KURANDA      |              | 197         | ---          | ---         | ---          | HAIANI TAUINI           |
|                                             | TUMBIAGO PIMBI                                 | TADEI        |              | 147         | ---          | ---         | ---          |                         |
| WARD 32 Wagara                              | TAGANE HINIA                                   | WAGARA       | 2            | 77          | ---          | ---         | ---          |                         |
|                                             | KEMBO KORI                                     | WAGARA       |              | 131         | ---          | ---         | ---          | KEMBO KORI              |
|                                             | UAKO HAIERE                                    | WAGARA       |              | 348         | ---          | ---         | ---          | UAKO HAIERE             |
| WARD 33. <del>TUGU</del><br>Adzugari & Tugu | BALUBA HARAPE                                  | ADZUGARI     | 2            | 266         | ---          | ---         | ---          | BALUBA HARAPE           |
|                                             | ANGWELI WAIA                                   | TUGU         |              | 171         | ---          | ---         | ---          | ANGWELI WAIA            |
|                                             | TONGAJU TOROGORI                               | ADZUGARI     |              | 71          | ---          | ---         | ---          |                         |

Dated at KOROKA this Twenty-seventh day of June 19 67

K.A. BOND

Assistant Returning Officer

Returning Officer

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Appendix F (4)

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference... 67-2-1.  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

Department of District Administration,  
Sub-District Headquarters,  
KOROBA.  
Southern Highlands.  
11th June, 1967.

Mr. K.A. Bond,  
Patrol Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 12 of 1966/1967.

PARU CENSUS DIVISION.

1. In confirmation of our verbal talks please be prepared to mount a patrol Wednesday 14th instant to the above named Census Division.

2. OBJECTS.

A. Conduct the initial general elections for the following Wards of the KOROBA Local Government Council :-

- Ward 30            The TIBA and TABADIAMABU Village Groups ;
- Ward 31            The ~~TADEI~~ and KURANDA Village Groups ;
- Ward 32            The WAGARA Village Group;
- Ward 33            The ADZUGARI and TUGU Village Groups and that portion of land known as the Christian Mission of Many Lands station PORI more particularly described in Department Lands File LA4917(P).

You should note that two (2) councillors are to be elected for each of the above Wards making a total of eight (8).

Your authority to conduct these elections is contained in my 41-1-3 of the 29th May, 1967 to yourself wherein as Returning Officer for this electorate I have appointed you an Assistant Returning Officer.

Apart from the normal patrol report on your return I will also require an Election Report from yourself under the respective headings as listed in Division 21 para. 37 of the booklet "Directions for the Conduct of Elections for Local Government Councils" issued by the Chief Electoral Officer T.P.&N.G.. Please take note of these headings before you depart particularly (b) (viii).

B. Endeavour to activate and assist the people with the construction of the PARU road. This road has now been a building for just over three years and should have been completed in one year. From what I can gather there is only the section between MARIA and TIBA yet to be completed - in order to clarify this I will expect a detailed section in your patrol report as to this road ie. approximate distances yet to be constructed ; number large bridges required ; comments on gradients and general condition of road completed as well as comments on the peoples enthusiasm and work output since commenced.

C. Routine administrative duties as required.

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3. PATROL PERSONNEL.

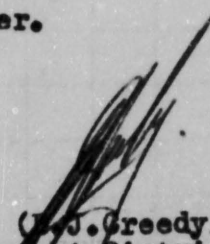
As polling clerk Mr. A. Gaso; DUNA interpreter Edai'ia, labourer/interpreter PONARIA and four (4) police. I will expect you to have Ponaria and two police assist the people with their road as you progress.

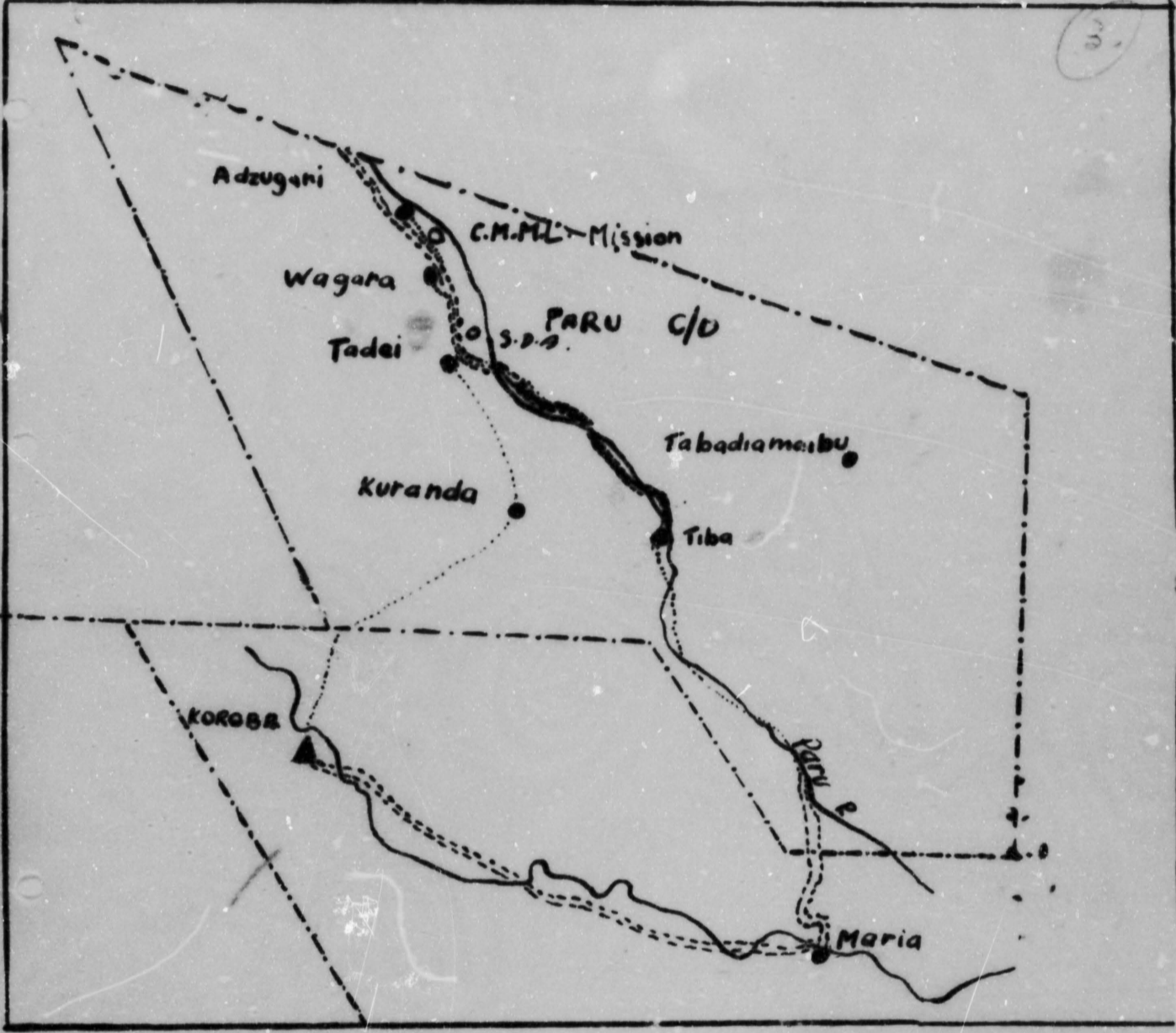
In consultation with the Police Sgt. please select the four police to accompany you.

4. DURATION.

Allowing time for the road survey and works should not exceed two (2) weeks - should you look like being longer please advise by note.

Good luck and favourable weather.

  
(J.J. Greedy)  
A/Assistant District Commissioner.



scale 1" = 2 miles



- Rest house
- Completed road +
- - - Road partly completed
- - - census division boundary
- Mission
- ▲ Government Station
- ⋯ Patrol route



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. 13 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by P.C. Jones, Cadet Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Lavani and Tumbudu Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 1 D.D.A. Clerk 2 Members of the  
1 Interpreter R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration—From 14/6/1967 to 18/6/1967

Number of Days 5 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 12/1966

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

Map Reference Sketch map attached.

Objects of Patrol Conduct initial elections for the two new wards  
of the Koroba Local Government Council.  
Routine Administration.

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

9/8/1967

District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-15-68

24th October, 1967.

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

KOROBA PATROL NO. 13 OF 1966/1967.

Your 67-3-11 of the 9th August, 1967, refers.  
The above Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

2. Mr. Jones has presented a neatly typed Report and it appears to cover the objects of the Patrol. It is pleasing to note that the elections went off smoothly.

3. With regard to your second paragraph, please refer to my 14-1-3 of the 15th October, 1967.

(T. W. Ellis)  
Director

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



Telegram  
Telephone  
Our Reference 67-3-11  
If calling ask for  
Mr.



Department of District,  
Administration,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

9th August, 1967.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONE DOBU.

Koroba Patrol No 13 of 1966/67  
Lavani and Tumbudu Census Division  
Mr. P.O. Jones, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Attached please find:-

- (a) Original of Report,
- (b) Copy of patrol instructions on memorandum 67-2-1 dated the 11th June, 1967 issued to Mr. Jones by the Assistant District Commissioner Koroba.
- (c) Copy of memorandum 67-5-6 dated 5th July, 1967 received from the Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba.
- (d) Map of area patrolled.

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I cannot agree with the Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba with regard to the population decrease in the Lavani Valley. The population since 1962 has dropped from 412 to the present population of approximately 240. The people of Guali and Huguni indicated, in 1965, a desire to move to the Tumbudu. It was on this basis that I requested in my memorandum 14-8-2 dated 21st September, 1966 addressed to you, that the Lavani Census Division be withdrawn from the Village Directory. Perhaps, as a consequence of this memorandum, you would be good enough to give consideration to removing the Lavani Census Division from the Directory as requested. In the interim I will ask the Assistant District Commissioner, Koroba not to mount a patrol to that area until a decision is made by yourself.

3. All other aspects of the patrol have been suitably covered by the Assistant District Commissioner.

(D.R. Marsh)  
District Commissioner.

15.10.67

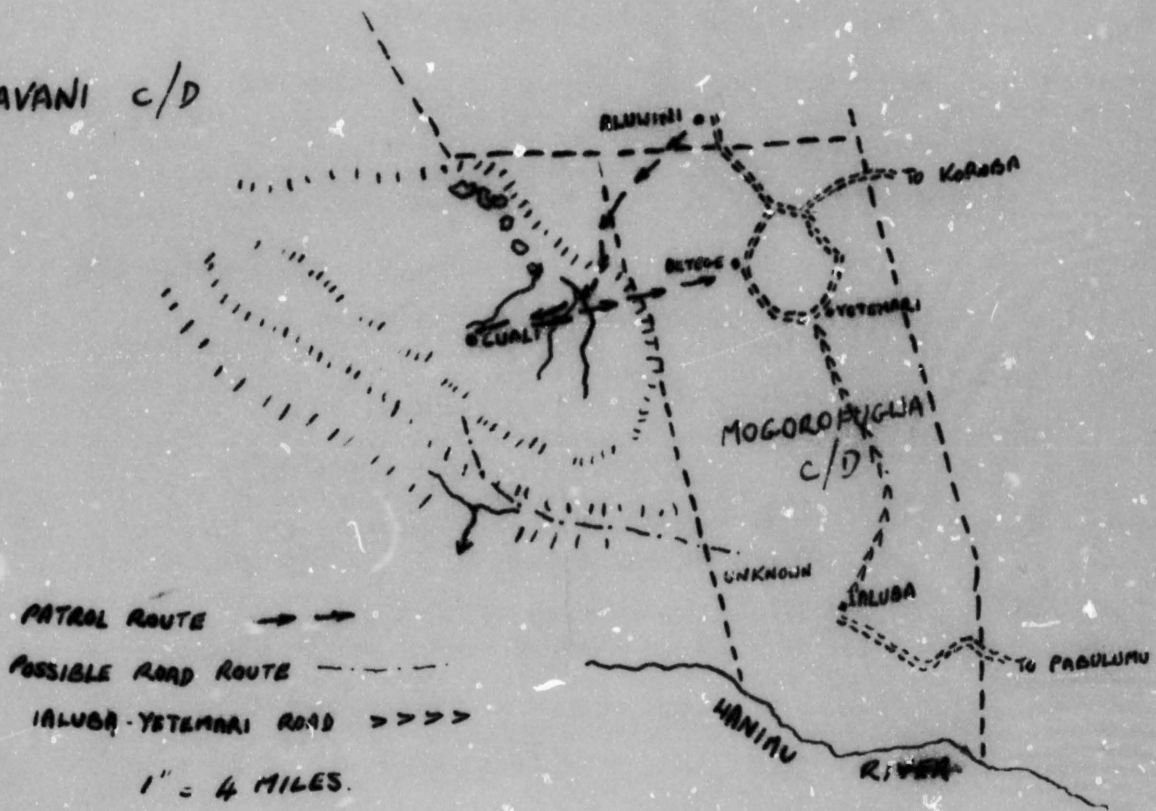
SKETCH MAP

KORDBA PATROL NO. 13

66/67

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LAVANI C/D





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams..... 67-5-6.

Our Reference.....

If calling ask for.....

Mr.....

Department of District Administration,  
Sub-District Headquarters,  
KOROBA.

Southern Highlands.

5th July, 1967.

District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands,  
MENDI.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 13 of 1966/1967.

LAVANI AND PART TUMBUDU CENSUS DIVISIONS.

1. Attached in triplicate please find three (3) copies of the above patrol report and claim for camping allowance submitted by Mr. P.O. Jones Cadet Patrol Officer. Unfortunately requisitions for Patrol Report covers have not arrived - perhaps the MENDI typist could make same out for these reports please.

2. COMMENTS.

The continual census decrease in population of the LAVANI does not mean that this valley will eventually be deserted. The situation as it exists is that the people of the MOGOROFUGWA and TUMBUDU own gardens in both the LAVANI and even further west as well as in both the aforesaid areas. The LAVANI valley due to its surrounding walls is utilized as a pig breeding area by all, and as such is continually habited by numerous families who appear in the MOGOROFUGWA and TUMBUDU for patrol/census purposes and during occasions of sweet potato shortages.

The only method whereby we could gauge whether there is a permanent drift from the LAVANI, is not through census head checks, but by a census survey of all families who have gardens only in the LAVANI and also all those families with gardens in the LAVANI as well as in the MOGOROFUGWA and TUMBUDU. This would then have to be resurveyed in a years time to see if a decrease or not has occurred.

I will have the next patrol to the LAVANI undertake such a survey.

Re the problem between ALUWINI and PIANGONGWA - this is somewhat unreal and I envisage the council framework and particularly the new councillor if strong, rectifying the matter without effort. Both the PIANGONGWA and ALUWINI rest house people are of the same clan with ALUWINI being the breakaway group. The two main disputants are the respective village constables, whose hostility towards each other is purely personal, but unfortunately has encompassed to date the close members of their sub-clans.

Mr. Jones in the last paragraph of his 'Political Situation', has used the word 'TUMBUDU' in the sense of ALUWINI and PIANGONGWA only, and ~~the~~ not TUMBUDU in its census division sense as this census division, in reality, is our most co-operative work wise and also settled.

Re LAVANI road - KOROBA Patrol Reports 14/1964/65 and 1/1965-'66 as well as your 67-3-11 of 27th August, 1965 have been brought to Mr. Jones attention. The road as proposed by Mr. Jones is a branch off from the currently under construction IALUBA/YETEMALI road through totally unknown terrain. Further investigati



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re this access route is not warranted at this stage until knowledge re population as above is to hand.

Considering that eighty-eight (88) patrol days were spent on the KORONA/NAGGIA/TAGARI road and nil on the TUMBUDU road the peoples progress is remarkable and extremely satisfactory.

The 'Conclusion' remarks of "violent opposition .... to council .... largely disappeared", are unintelligible to myself and rather obtuse. Mr. Jones I feel is endeavouring to say the areas developing but unfortunately has used adremlin words which in this context are ambiguous and far from the true situation. My comments as per sixth paragraph above are applicable here.

Comments as per the electoral facet will be forthcoming in my electoral report as returning officer.

Apart from the patrol report another good patrol by a developing officer.

For your onforwarding please.

  
(D. G. G. G.)  
A/Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference..... 67-2-1.  
If calling ask for

Mr.....

Department of District Administration.

Sub-District Headquarters,  
KOROBA.  
Southern Highlands.

11th June, 1967.

Mr. P.C. Jones,  
Cadet Patrol Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 13 of 1966/1967.

LAVANI AND PART TUMBUDU CENSUS DIVISION.

1. In confirmation of our verbal talks please be prepared to mount a patrol Wednesday 14th instant to the above named Census Divisions.

2. OBJECTS.

A. Conduct the initial general elections for the following Wards of the KOROBA Local Government Council :-

Ward 24 The ALUWINI AND PIANGONGWA Village Groups ;

Ward 28 The GWALI and HUGINI Village Groups.

You should note that only one (1) councillor is required to be elected from each of the above Wards.

Your authority to conduct these elections is contained in my 41-1-3 of the 29th May, 1967 to yourself wherein as Returning Officer for this electorate I have appointed you and Assistant Returning Officer.

Apart from the normal patrol report on return I will also require an Election Report from yourself under the respective headings as listed in Division 21 para. 37 of the booklet " Directions for the Conduct of Elections for Local Government Councils " issued by the Chief Electoral Officer T.P.&N.G.. Please take note of these headings before you depart particularly (b) (viii). I will also require from yourself in this election report details regarding the elections at AIENDA Ward 26 held by yourself on the 9th instant.

B. Routine Administrative duties as required.

3. PATROL PERSONNEL.

As polling clerk Mr. A. Winawana - Mr. A. Gaso will be accompanying Mr. Bond to the PARU Census Division. Interpreter HETAIDIA and two police.

In consultation with the Police Sgt. please select the two police to accompany you.

4. DURATION.

Should definitely not exceed five (5) days - This allows one day for each of the elections and three days for purely travelling.

Good luck and favourable weather.

(B.J. Greedy)

A/Assistant District Commissioner



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....

Our Reference 67-2-1

If calling ask for

Mr.....

Department of District Administration.

Sub-District Office,

Duna Sub-District,

Koroba,

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT.

Assistant District Commissioner,

Sub-District Office,

KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL NO.13 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by: P.O.Jones Cadet Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled: Part Tumbudu and Lavani Census Divisions.

Personnel Accompanying the Patrol:

D.D.A. Abel Winawana ( Clerk )

Hetaidia Lamia ( Interpreter )

R.P. & N.G.C. Const. Kambolonge 10451

Const. Tobiringa 10802

Duration of Patrol: 14/6/67 - 18/6/67

Five Days

Last Patrol to the Area: December 1966

Objects of the Patrol: Conduct initial elections for the two new ward<sup>s</sup> of the

Koroba Local Government Council.

Routine Administration.

Map Reference: Sketch map Attached.

  
Piers Q. Jones

( Cadet Patrol Officer )

INTRODUCTION

As the two areas, Aluwini/Piangongwa in the Tumbudu Census Division and the Lavani Census Division as a whole, are soon to be incorporated as wards in the Koroba Local Government Council it was necessary to patrol the areas and conduct elections to determine the future Councillors.

The polling centres in both areas were selected by the Patrol. As the people of Aluwini/Piangongwa had reached no agreement as where to assemble it was decided to conduct the elections at Aluwini. This rest house is situated conveniently close to the track that the Patrol wished to take into the Lavani. In the Lavani, Gwali was chosen as the assembly point. Of the four remaining rest houses in the valley it is the most central.

Upon the completion of the elections the Patrol returned to the station. Five days were spent in the field.

PATROL DIARY

Tuesday 13th June Interpreter Hedaidia departed Koroba for the Tumbudu C/D in order to advise the people that the elections were to be held at Aluwini on the following Thursday.

Wednesday 14th June Morning and portion of the afternoon spent sorting out election papers and patrol equipment. Patrol personnel departed 1600 by L.R. for Aluwini. Set up camp on arrival. Slept Aluwini.

Thursday 15th June Waited for the people of Aluwini and Piangongwa to assemble. All were ready by about 0900. Gave an introductory talk before commencing the elections. Commenced about 0930. Polling was completed by about 1400. Retired to count the votes. All was finished by 1500. Elections finalised with a brief talk to the people. Spent the remainder of the afternoon interviewing candidates of the places at which I had previously held elections. Slept Aluwini.

Friday 16th June Lined carriers at Aluwini at 0800. Departed for Gwali in the Lavani valley at 0820. Walked continually up hill through pit pit till about 0940. The track left the pit pit and entered rain forest. Reached the summit of the wall at 1100. Descended rapidly to the Lavani floor. The remainder of the track to Gwali lay through swamp. Arrived Gwali 1445. Paid carriers. Slept Gwali.

Saturday 17th June The people of Gwali, Huguni, and Habiemi assembled at Gwali at about 0900. Gave usual introductory talk. Commenced elections. Elections and counting of votes were all finished at about 1330. Announced results and gave a talk in conclusion. Minor work carried out for the remainder of the afternoon. Slept Gwali.

DIARY CONT.

Sunday 18th June Lined carriers 0900 and departed Gwali for Betege in the Mogorofugwa C/D. Followed the same path across the swamp as had been taken on Friday. From the foot of the wall the Patrol took the path known as the Betege track. A steep climb through rain forest brought the Patrol to the summit of the Lavani wall at about 1200. Descended the wall on the Mogorofugwa side in about two hours. Arrived Betege 1400. Waited about half an hour for all the carriers to arrive. Paid carriers. A/A.D.C. arrived from Koroba by L.R. at about 1500. Departed for station. Upon arrival the Patrol was stood down.

DIARY ENDS.....

P.O. JONES C.P.O.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

Five Village Constables previously represented the area patrolled, two for Aluwini and Piangongwa in the Tumbudu Census Division and three for the Lavani rest houses of Gwali, Huguni and Hanai. The people of these areas apparently feel that as the Council is coming their Village Officials needed to be changed not only in designation but also in identity. No Village Constable was elected to the Council and only one was nominated.

It is hoped that the two people, now elected to represent their areas as Councillors, have some idea of the needs of their respective people and areas.

See Appendix A. for successful candidates.

POLITICAL SITUATION.

The number of people in the Lavani C/D continues to dwindle as migrations out to the Tumbudu and Mogorofugwa Census Divisions increase. The Village Officials, both past and present, of the Lavani area, expressed concern about the drift as they feel that the valley will soon be inhabited only by those people who are too weak to move out. Indeed, the turn-up for the elections bore this out. The greater proportion of the people was comprised by the old and the very young.

The depopulation of the area appears to be due to one factor only; the peoples' fear of being isolated. The Village Officials said that they would make every effort to improve the walking tracks into the area and expressed the desire to have a vehicular road marked into the valley. The possibility of marking such a road is fully discussed under Roads and Bridges.

The people of Aluwini and Piangongwa also have troubles. These however do not have their source in isolation, as in the Lavani, for the area lies only about ten miles from Koroba station and both rest houses are well situated on the Koroba-Lake Kopyago road. Although they are of the same group the people of the two rest houses are continually squabbling. This rift was strikingly shown in the Council elections. Only two candidates

POLITICAL SITUATION CONT.

were nominated, one for each area, and when counting was finalised it was revealed that only nine votes separated winner and loser.

The people of Aluwini at first refused to recognise the successful candidate of Piangongwa and declared that they would move bodily out of the area. Fortunately after listening to reason they have realised that a small minded big headed attitude achieves nothing and that if they refuse to fit into the workings of the Council they will be left behind while the areas around them reap the benefits.

It is thus clearly shown that the people of the Lavani, a relative back-water in the Sub-District, are keen to accept the Council in the hope of it bringing some development to their area, while those of the Tumbudu cannot stop squabbling long enough to realise that the Council will provide an outlet for their troubles.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

Both native and introduced vegetables grow well in the Tumbudu area which is favoured with a moderate climate and an ample rainfall the year round. The Lavani, however, is not so fortunate.

Due to the high altitude, approximately 7000 feet at the floor of the valley, the Lavani receives considerably lower temperatures than the surrounding areas. Fortunately these are rarely aggravated by wind as the valley is completely enclosed by mountains.

Most vegetables grow poorly in the valley. Sweet potato purchased by the Patrol was, in most cases, small and dry. The Irish potato appears to be the only vegetable that really thrives in the valley. If the area were not so inaccessible the people could probably make a small business of selling potatoes to the outside areas, especially to the Government stations.

Anthrax was found to have broken out again in the upper Tumbudu valley. This had not spread to the lower Tumbudu, Mogorofugwa or Lavani areas during the Patrol's visit. If it were to spread to any one of these three areas a very close watch would have to be kept on the disease as the people of the Tumbudu and Mogorofugwa let their pigs travel quite freely in and out of the Lavani. Thus the disease in one area could be carried to the other two in a very short time.

An Anthrax team has since gone to the upper Tumbudu and the disease is apparently well under control.

ELECTIONS.

A report in accordance with section 37, RETURNS, of the Directions for the conduct of Elections for Local Government Councils ( Local Government Ordinance 1963 ) has been submitted under separate cover.

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ROADS AND BRIDGES


The building of a road into the Lavani valley, if warranted, may be possible. The out side slopes and the floor of the valley would present no difficulties; thus, the only obstacle in the way of building a road would be the insides slopes. Practically the whole of this inside wall is comprised of sheer cliffs, however there are loop-holes. The south-eastern end of the valley could provide a solution as here a ridge runs into the valley along which a road could be built. The terrain to the south-east, out side the valley, is unknown and a route in this direction could be thwarted if the country was impassable. See attached map for an outline of this route.

Much of the Tumbudu road has been put under stone. This work has progressed rapidly since payment was given for the first sections to be completed. This work will not cease now that the people have been given the necessary encouragement.

CONCLUSION.

In both areas the violent opposition, shown last year even to the suggestion of a Council, has largely disappeared and it seems now that the people are thinking more rationally and are prepared to except the Council with or without taxes.

It is hoped that some form of economic development will follow the inclusion of the area in the Koroba Local Government Council.

  
Piers C. Jones

( Cadet Patrol Officer )

See Appendix B. for comments on Patrol personnel.

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APPENDIX A.

SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES FOR WARDS PATROLLED

Ward. 24 ALUWINI/PLANGONGWA

HADIEBI

Ward. 28 GWALI/HUGUNI

PAGANA



APPENDIX B. COMMENTS ON PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING THE PATROL

R.P. & N.G.C. Const Kambolonge 10451. Willing and capable.

Const Tobiringa 10802. As this Constable can read and write English he was a great help to the Patrol in assisting with the elections.

Interpreter Hetaidia Lamia. Capable and efficient in all that he does.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....  
Our Reference.....  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

Department of District Administration.  
Sub-District Office  
KOROBA  
Duna Sub-District  
Southern Highlands District.

A/Assistant District Commissioner  
Duna Sub-District.

ELECTION REPORT; KOROBA PATROL NO.13 1966/67.

Type and duration of pre-election campaign. No pre-election campaign, as such, was carried out. However, one of the purposes of Patrols 1 and 2, 1966/67 was to advise the people of the Tumbudu and Lavani Census Divisions that their areas were soon to be included as wards in the Koroba Local Government Council. The A/A.D.C. in his Patrol No.6 of the same year elaborated on this. The people of the two areas knew elections were to be held prior to their inclusion in the Council. Advice of the elections was given several weeks before they were held and the people turned up when they were required. Before polling was commenced a brief talk was given on election procedure. This appeared to have the desired result as very little trouble was encountered either during the nomination of candidates or while votes were being recorded.

Manner of Elections. Only one polling centre was used for each of the three wards; Ward 24 Aluwini, Ward 26 Aienda and Ward 28 Gwali. The duration of the elections depended on the voting population of each ward, however, on the average, polling lasted about five and a half hours. Total assistance had to be given in recording the electors' votes. Fortunately the people had a clear idea of what was going on and had, in most cases, selected their candidate before ~~they were called to vote~~ they were called to vote. Two informal votes were recorded at Aluwini and Gwali. The electors concerned were old men who had no understanding of the elections and when asked to vote they would repeat only their own names.

Feminine Interest in Elections. It was made quite clear at each centre that the women as well as the men had every right to participate in the elections. In spite of this no woman was nominated and none put forward a nomination. This is due, more than anything, to the place that women are expected to keep in the Huri social organisation.

Incidents. Only one incident, or rather, outbreak of feeling, occurred. This was at Aluwini in the Tumbudu C/D and has been fully covered under the section Political Situation of my Patrol Report.

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Absenteeism. Of a possible 847 electors 153 or about 18% were absent. This high rate is due mainly to the fact that 28% of eligible electors in the Lavani valley were absent. As stated in my Patrol Report the population of the Lavani is steadily decreasing. During elections many of the absentees were reported as having migrated out to other Census Divisions. The rate of absenteeism in the Tumbudu C/D was normal. Those absent were mainly old people too sick to attend or coastal labourers.

Analysis of Statistics. Aienda was the only centre at which more than two candidates were nominated. Six nominations were put forward. Lando Piliago was a clear winner at first count but preferences had to be distributed. Lando retained his lead and won the election. Only nine votes separated the two candidates of Ward 24 Aluwini/Fiangongwa. ~~xxxx~~ Both places had each nominated a candidate and those people who backed the losing candidate of Aluwini did not take kindly to defeat. Ward 28 of Gwali and Hugini also had only two nominees. Pagana Gwari emerged as a clear winner over his opponent.

Summary. The elections as a whole went well as the people had little trouble in grasping election procedure. I think the people rather enjoy the elections to be put on a personal, private, basis as they then can record their vote without being swayed by the opinion of some-one else, or, by being carried along with the crowd. However most people were shown to have a strong loyalty for the candidate of their own group, if one was nominated.

See Appendix A for Biographical details of successful Candidates.

*[Handwritten signature]*

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APPENDIX A. Biographical Details of Successful Candidates.

Ward 24 Aluwini/Piangongwa.

HADIEBE KOMI Age, about 32 years.  
Married, one wife, no children.  
Linguistic group, Huri.  
Village group, Piangongwa.  
Lingua Franca. Has a limited knowledge of Pidgin and Motu.

This candidate narrowly defeated his only opponent, Pamburi Pintirari, of Aluwini. Pamburi had been a coastal labourer and is the owner of a small store in the area.

Ward 26 Kogaidia/ Kagoma/ Aienda

LANDO PILIAGO Age, about 37 years.  
Married, one wife, one male child.  
Linguistic group, Duna.  
Village group, Kagoma.  
Lingua Franca, Nil.

This candidate has been a Kagoma group leader or "Bos Boi" for about two years. He won the election with an easy majority from the five other candidates nominated. The candidate who received the next highest number of votes was Herebe Puguali a member of the Demarkation Committee. The only Village Constable to be nominated was Urulu Anduba of Kagoma. He fared miserably with a total of only nine votes.

Ward 28 Gwali/Hugini

PAGANA GWARI Age, about 36 years.  
Married, two wives, three children, two male and one female.  
Linguistic group, Huri.  
Village group, Gwali  
Lingua Franca, Nil.

This candidate has been a group leader or "Bos Boi" of Gwali for several years. He was only opposed by one candidate, Ke'i Luni of Gwali. This candidate is the present Village Constable of Gwali but he has apparently lost his popularity as he only received 27 votes as opposed to Pagana's 72.

*[Signature]*

Local Government Ordinance 1963

VOTING SUMMARY

INITIAL Election PART KOROBA Local Government Council SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS District

Govt. Print. - 19970/9.66. - 8,000.

| Name of Ward or Electorate         | Name of Candidate (including Father's name) | Address    | No. of Seats | First Count | Second Count | Third Count | Fourth Count | Successful Candidate(s) |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Ward 24 Aluwini and Piangongwa     | PAMBURI PIMBIRARI                           | ALUWINI    | 1            | 133         | -            | -           | -            |                         |
|                                    | HADIEBE KOMI                                | PIANGONGWA |              | 142         | -            | -           | -            | HADIEBE KOMI            |
| Ward 26 Kogaidia Kagoma and Aienda | KIAUWI                                      | AIENDA     | 1            | 28          |              |             |              |                         |
|                                    | LAI DUBA IDIBA                              | AIENDA     |              | 48          |              | 54          | 59           |                         |
|                                    | HEREBE PUNGUALI                             | AIENDA     |              | 69          | 71           | 75          | 87           |                         |
|                                    | KARIBE Y'NI                                 | KOGAIDIA   |              | 10          |              |             |              |                         |
|                                    | URULU ANDUBA                                | KAGOMA     |              | 9           |              |             |              |                         |
|                                    | LANDO PILIAGO                               | KAGOMA     |              | 154         | 161          |             | 170          | LANDO PILIAGO           |
| Ward 28 Gwali and Hugini           | KE'I RINE                                   | GWALI      | 1            | 27          | -            | -           | -            |                         |
|                                    | PAGANA GWARI                                | GWALI      |              | 72          | -            | -           | -            | PAGANA GWARI            |

Dated at KOROBA this THIRTIETH day of JUNE 1967

P.O. Jones  
Assistant Returning Officer

Returning Officer

Local Government Ordinance 1963

## VOTING STATISTICS

INITIAL

Election

PART KOROBA

Local Government Council

Elections conducted :-

SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS

District

From 9th June 1967

To 18th June 1967

| (1)<br>Ward or Electorate                             | (2)<br>Total<br>Population | (3)<br>No. of<br>Electors<br>Enrolled |     | (4)<br>No. of<br>Electors<br>Unavoidably<br>Absent |    | (5)<br>No. of<br>Electors<br>who voted |     | (6)<br>Total<br>Column 5 | (7)<br>No. of<br>Informal<br>Votes | (8)<br>No. of<br>Excluded<br>2nd Count | (9)<br>No. of<br>Excluded<br>3rd Count | (10)<br>No. of<br>Excluded<br>4th Count | (11)<br>Total live<br>Votes<br>Final Count |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----|----------------------------------------------------|----|----------------------------------------|-----|--------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
|                                                       |                            | M                                     | F   | M                                                  | F  | M                                      | F   |                          |                                    |                                        |                                        |                                         |                                            |
| Govt. Print - 1966/9.66 - 4.000                       |                            |                                       |     |                                                    |    |                                        |     |                          |                                    |                                        |                                        |                                         |                                            |
| Ward 24 Aluwini and<br>Piangongwa village groups      | 505                        | 167                                   | 151 | 25                                                 | 17 | 142                                    | 134 | 276                      | 1                                  | -                                      | -                                      | -                                       | 275                                        |
| Ward 26 Kogaidia, Kagome<br>and Aienda village groups | 688                        | 197                                   | 195 | 44                                                 | 30 | 153                                    | 165 | 318                      | nil                                | -                                      | -                                      | 2                                       | 316                                        |
| Ward 28 Gwali and Hugini<br>village groups            | 240                        | 56                                    | 81  | 12                                                 | 25 | 44                                     | 56  | 100                      | 1                                  | -                                      | -                                      | -                                       | 99                                         |
| Totals                                                | 1433                       | 420                                   | 427 | 81                                                 | 72 | 339                                    | 355 | 694                      | 2                                  | -                                      | -                                      | 2                                       | 690                                        |

Dated at KOROBA this Thirtieth  
day of June 1967

P.O. Jones  
Assistant Returning Officer

Notes -

- (4) These include persons absent at work, hospitalized, in gaol, or unable to attend for any sound reason.  
 (7) No. of ballot-papers rejected under parts 32 or 33 of the Directions on Elections.  
 (8) No. of ballot-papers excluded under part 34 (4) of the Directions, if applicable.  
 (9) and (10) No. of ballot-papers excluded as the count proceeds, as applicable.  
 (11) This figure should agree with the figure obtained by subtracting the total of columns 7, 8, 9 and 10 from the figure in column 6, i.e.,  $6 = 7 + 8 + 9 + 10$ . The winning candidate must have an absolute majority of the live votes shown in column 11.

Returning Officer