

NATIONAL ARCHIVES & PUBLIC RECORDS SERVICES
OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORTS

DISTRICT: CENTRAL
STATION: K. iruku
VOLUME No: 12

ACCESSION No: 496.

1961 - 1962

Filmed by/for the National Archives of Papua New Guinea,
PORT MORESBY - 1989.

Sole Custodian: National Archives of Papua New Guinea.

Papua New Guinea Patrol Reports

Digitized version made available by



Copyright: Government of Papua New Guinea. This digital version made under a license granted by the National Archives and Public Records Services of Papua New Guinea.

Use: This digital copy of the work is intended to support research, teaching, and private study.

Constraints: This work is protected by the U.S. Copyright Law (Title 17, U.S.C.) and the laws of Papua New Guinea. Use of this work beyond that allowed by "fair use" requires written permission of the National Archives of Papua New Guinea. Responsibility for obtaining permissions and any use and distribution of this work rests exclusively with the user and not the UC San Diego Library.

Note on digitized version: A microfiche copy of these reports is held at the University of California, San Diego (Mandeville Special Collections Library, MSS 0215). The digitized version presented here reflects the quality and contents of the microfiche. Problems which have been identified include misfiled reports, out-of-order pages, illegible text; these problems have been rectified whenever possible. The original reports are in the National Archives of Papua New Guinea (Accession no. 496).

PATROL REPORTS CENTRAL DISTRICT 1961/62.

KAIRUKU SUB DISTRICT

<u>REPORT NO.</u>	<u>PATROL CONDUCTED BY</u>	<u>AREA PATROLLED</u>
KAIRUKU 1 61/62	D. Read C.P.O.	Nara & Gabadi C.D.
KAIRUKU 2 61/62	R.A.F. Seefeld P.O.	Kuni C.D.
KAIRUKU 3 61/62	D.Read	Portion of East Mekeo
KAIRUKU 4 61/62	I.J. Gibbins	Mekeo.
KAIRUKU 5 61/62	P.A.F Seefeld	MEMO (no report).
KAIRUKU 6 61/62	D. k i	Nara - Gabadi C.D. of Kairuku Sub district
KAIRUKU 7 6 1/62	D.Read	Portion of Kuni C.D.
KAIRUKU 8 61/62	A.N. Flowers C.P.O.	Roro C.D.
KAIRUKU 9 61/62	D. Read	Portion of Gabadi C.D.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....CENTRAL PAPUA..... Report No. KAI No. 1/61-62.....

Patrol Conducted by.....D. READ CADET PATROL OFFICER.....

Area Patrolled.....NARA AND GABADI CENSUS DIVISIONS.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....NIL
1 INTERPRETER (T/NEE).....

Natives.....2 R.P. & N.G.C. CONSTABLES

Duration—From.....20/7/1961.....to.....11/8/1961.....

Number of Days.....22.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services.....3...../.....2...../1961.....

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....TAX COLLECTION - , GENERAL ADMINISTRATION -

REGISTRATION OF ANY LAND DISPUTES.....

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

.....

.....

.....

e Pop

Over 13		Females in Child Birth
M	F	

67-1-1

26th October, 1961.

The District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

PATROL KAIRUKU NO. 1-61/62:

Thank you for this report.

2. There would seem to be cycles of emphasis by the Administration since World War 2. Re-settlement followed Local Government which followed Co-operation which followed Community Development. Now it looks as though the latter is on again.
3. Re-settlement schemes need very careful handling and should not be considered at all unless -
 - (a) The pressure comes from the people themselves due to either/or/and population growth, paucity or quality of the land.
 - (b) Security of tenure can be guaranteed the settlers.

Then and then only should executive action be instituted for soil and health surveys. Regarding (a) extreme care has to be exercised about from whom the initiative comes. All too often it is external and is the result of Field Officers leaping aboard the re-settlement band-waggon regardless of the difficulties and a proper appreciation of the fact that the people regard themselves as belonging to the ancestral land rather than that the lands belong to them. It must be understood that long periods of Direct Rule have resulted in a compliant attitude to any proposition brought forward by the Administration until the evil day of expected execution arrives when enthusiasm is smartly replaced by apathy.

4. The fact that there seems to be no friction between the immigrant labour and the local villagers is most unusual in my experience. It is pleasant to read of this exception.
5. Genealogies of the Mixed Race community in the Central District would certainly prove to be interesting documents. It has been my experience that any fairly large group of them have a greater number of social classes than we have ourselves. Incidentally the European community itself differentiates and so perpetuates these distinctions in its attitude towards these rootless and unfortunate people about which the Administration is concerned only in proportion to their political vociferousness which is practically nil because of their failure to unite amongst themselves. An interesting report.

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67.1.1 ✓



In Reply
Please Quote

No. 67-3-4.

OJMMg

District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

6th September, 1961.

The Director,
Dept. of Native Affairs,
KONEDOBU.

PATROL KAIRUKU 1 OF 61/62.

1. Enclosed herewith please find the abovementioned report submitted by Mr. D. Read, C.P.O., Kairuku.

2. Some comments follow:-

Para 4. The plight of the Nara people is well known and a move was made several years ago to interest them in resettling on better land of their own nearer the coast. The matter has previously been brought before the District Advisory Council by Mr Guise on behalf of Nara groups in such a manner as to indicate that pressure was being used to get the people to move. As a result a patrol visited the area and questioned the people who indicated they were not prepared to move from their present sites. Since that time no action has been taken to interest them in resettling.

Actually the younger people want to improve their lot but the older land owners refuse to give land for those who desire to move.

Para 5. There is a good chance that a road will be constructed from Delena through Vanuamaj to Aropokina or Wanono in the near future. A lot depends on decisions made concerning the establishment of soldier settlement blocks in the Kubuna area. This is at present under investigation by a team from Lands Department.

With the exception of the attitude of NAIME MABAI (para 30) the attitude towards the administration generally appears to be good. Naime is reputed to be mentally unstable.

Para 10. Claims for Registration of Native Land have been forwarded to the Chief Native Lands Commissioner.

Para 11. This matter was dealt with in Court of Petty Sessions and five men received gaol sentences of 3 months each.

There has been an increase of thefts at plantations in the Galley Reach area but to date little success has been achieved in bringing culprits to account.

Para 19. Such employed natives should only be called upon to pay a Personal Tax of £2 provided they have been in employment for a period or periods aggregating eight months in the twelve months immediately proceeding the day of the demand for tax (vide Sec.5 (2) of Personal Tax (Rates) Ordinance, 1960), otherwise the person is liable for Personal Tax only at the rate listed in the Schedule of the Ordinance mentioned above.

Para 21. This road is a very difficult one to maintain due to its passage through a long swamp. As funds permit work will be carried out.

It is hoped that the punt for Aroa crossing will be installed early in September.

Works personnel are working on a section of the road between the airstrip and Kanosia. Lack of proper supervision and constant breakdown of equipment has resulted in very little progress being made.

Para 24. Action is being taken to see that housing is improved.

Para 25. There is no suitable volunteer as a replacement for the VC of Diimana at present.

Para 32. A S.O.Q. will shortly be constructed at Hisiu for a European teacher. This will raise the standard in the Gabadi area generally.

Para 35. The matters concerning the Aid Post Orderly at Keveona will be discussed with the District Medical Officer.

Paras 41 to 45. Mr. Read made a careful study of the Mixed Race leases and settlements in and around Galley Reach. The information on population is valuable.

3. The Patrol appears to have been well conducted but presentation of the report is again marred by numerous, unnecessary, typographical errors.

4. Correspondence arising from the patrol is forwarded herewith.

O. J. Mathieson
(O. J. Mathieson).
Acting District Officer.

C.C.
Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

*Abini a duwan ago there was
a swabber was visited by
people presented by In
Moging to the former Quana & now
and loaded on to the descendants: 91
would be interested to find out if
is still in the Division*

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67-2-32

Sub-District Office,
Kairuku Sub-District,
KAIRUKU.

15th August, 1951.

The Assistant District Officer,
Kairuku Sub-District,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT NO. KAI 1/61-62

DIARY

THURS. 20th July

Departed Kairuku at 0650 for VANUAMAI via RERENA. Arrived RERENA at 0745 and moved on to VANUAMAI at 0757 arriving at 0925. Inspected village and talked with the people. Left VANUAMAI at 1330 for TUBU arriving at 1555. Inspected village.

Slept TUBU

FRI. 21st July

Up 0545 and checked on tax in arrears. Talked with people, no complaints so moved on to KAIAMU at 0730. Checked tax defaulters on arrival at 0756. Small amount of tax collected; no complaints so on to DIUMANA at 0835 and arrived at 0858. Very few people in the village as most out hunting. Inspected village and collected some tax. Departed DIUMANA at 1100 and arrived at OBU Estate at 1240. Visited ALA'ALA at 1430 but was not expected, so inspected the village and returned to OBU 1555. Then to AGIVAIRU crossing on the AROA River to check whereabouts of the Ferryman. Returned to OBU Estate at 1935.

Slept OBU

Sat. 22nd July

Departed OBU at 0730 by Landrover for OROI arriving at 0820. Collected outstanding tax. Visited new section of road completed by the people. No complaints. Left for ALA'ALA at 1205 and arrived at 1235. Checked on tax and then back to OBU. Police, interpreter and patrol gear to KEVEONA rest house. Returned OBU at 1720.

Slept OBU

Sun. 23rd July

Departed OBU at 0800 for DOA Rubber Estate. Attended planter's meeting at LOLORUA at 1415 and then back to KEVEONA rest house at 1820

Slept KEVEONA

- Mon. 24th July To UKAUKANAX at 0745 . Outstanding tax collected. Investigated theft from UKAUKANA Native Society trade store. New ferryman appointed for AGIVAIRU crossing. Couple of minor complaints and a number of queries about shotguns. Returned to KEVEONA at 1540.
Flag down 1750 Slept KEVEONA
- Tue. 25th July To KEVEONA village at 0805. Tax collected. Much talk about shotguns. Some minor complaints about pigs. Returned to rest house and supervised erection of new toilet.
Flag down 1750 Slept KEVEONA
- Wed. 26th July To KOPUANA village at 0730. Tax collected. Couple of complaints of people dirtying the river - warned not to do so; other minor complaints. Village inspected and found in fairly good order. Returned to KEVEONA and some minor arguments.
Flag down 1750 Slept KEVEONA
- Thu. 27th July Departed for MATABAILI at 0800 arrived at 0832. Tax collected, village inspected and a few minor complaints settled. One complaint for submission to the Native Lands Commission; dispute with MANUMANU people about land on GALLEY REACH. Returned to KEVEONA at 1630.
Flag down 1750 Slept KEVEONA
- Fri. 28th July Departed at 0750 by bicycle for KANOSIA Estate also visited LOLORUA, ARCANA and DOA Estates re collections of tax from local people employed on the Estates. Reports of thieving from plantation stores, received. Returned to KEVEONA at 1635.
Flag down 1750 Slept KEVEONA
- Sat. 29th July To DOA by bicycle at 0740. Some tax collected, payment made on NMTA. Complaint against a plantation labourer by a MATABAILI woman investigated. Theft from DOA store investigated and two policemen left to investigate further. Returned to KEVEONA at 1530
Flag down 1750 Slept KEVEONA
- Sun. 30th July By bicycle at 0800 to see land disputed by MATABAILI and MANUMANU people. Ground marked for Lands Commission. Returned to KEVEONA at 1435.
Flag down 1750 Slept KEVEONA
- Mon. 30th July Departed KEVEONA by truck for BAUBAUS the Mariboi Creek crossing at 1310. Crossed creek and proceeded towards BOISMENU Mission. Met Bishop Klein on the track where he was trying to get his motorbike started. Arrived at mission at 1615.
Slept Mission

3.

Tue. 1st August At mission. Checked on mixed race leases in the Galley Reach area. Started preparing genealogies of the mixed race families in the area.
Slept Mission

Wed. 2nd August. By Mission Launch at 0900 to visit mixed race settlements and leases at AIVABADINA, MALATE, TEITEINA and MIRI. Returned to Mission at 1830.
Slept Mission

Thu. 3rd August To RAKATANIA (old Clarke and Whiting Lease) Old Mariboi, and TUBUNA mixed race holdings in the morning and to HEDOA, KASSMANN'S, MIRI and TEITEINA in the afternoon. Returned to mission at 1815.
Slept mission

Fri. 4th August Departed mission for Rubberlands at 0745 in RUBBERLANDS truck. On arrival at RUBBERLANDS collected a bit of tax and investigated a theft from the plantation store. To MARIBOI Estate in the afternoon and collected some tax. Also some complaints of thefts from the plantation store and one re a stolen canoe.
Slept RUBBERLANDS

Sat. 5th August Departed RUBBERLANDS for VEIMAURI at 0735 arriving at 0852. No trouble or complaints, a recent theft had already been investigated by the Port Moresby Police. Returned to RUBBERLANDS by K Boat at 1530.
Slept RUBBERLANDS

Sun. 6th August Some complaints from plantation labourers all settled on the spot.
Slept RUBBERLANDS

Mon. 7th August Departed RUBBERLANDS at 0545 for BOISMENU Mission arriving at 0750. Completed genealogies of mixed race families and left the mission at 1230 for KANOSIA re a bride price claim from a RUBBERLANDS labourer, then on to PINU and arrived at 1610
FLAG down 1750 Slept PINU

Tue. 8th August Started tax collection at 0730. Mr. P. Rixon Area Education Officer arrived at the village at 0920. I visited the Administration School in his company. A land dispute brought forward, the same land as that disputed by the MATABAILI people. To AROA Estate arriving at 1430. Collected mail and then returned to PINU at 1515 via TOUTU inspecting the lease on the way. Arrived PINU at 1710.
Flag down 1750 Slept PINU

Wed. 9th August Some complaints brought forward in the morning. Locked at progress on Admin. School at Pinu. Departed Pinu for HISIU via Aroa at 1235. Arrived HISIU 1620
Flag down 1750 Slept HISIU

Thu. 10th August

Collected large amount of outstanding tax. Talked to people about cleaning their village and rebuilding their well. Most of village turned out in the afternoon to clean village area. Spoke to KAIRUKU from HISIU Estate on afternoon sched., then back to village where was presented with a few complaints.

Flag down 1750 Slept HISIU

Fri. 11th August

Left HISIU village for HISIU Beach at 0745 on the village truck. KARKAR the Co-operative Association's boat arrived at the beach at 1015 and the patrol embarked for KAIRUKU at 1035. Arrived at KAIRUKU station at 1330.

END OF DIARY

INTRODUCTION

1. The area patrolled was the NARA - GABADI census area and all the copra and rubber plantations in the above divisions. The last patrol in the area was in February 1961 and was conducted by Mr. P.A.F. Seefeld Patrol Officer. The relevant Patrol number is 19 of 1960/61. The present patrol was a general administration and tax follow up patrol and to investigate any land disputes that might be brought up. A fair amount of attention was given to the mixed race leases in the Galley Reach area and in all cases the people concerned were happy to know that the Administration was showing a bit of interest in their welfare.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

2. At every village visited the patrol was very well received and the people seemed glad of a visit from an Administration officer.

3. The people were in the main co-operative and the patrol did not experience any difficulty with carriers or general administration.

4. The NARA people are not a wealthy group and at the time of the patrol, there was very little money about. Perhaps the most pathetic village in the group is that of TUBU which has a population of about 46 and is still shrinking. The people are hunters, as are the majority of the NARA people and spending a majority of their time collecting food does not leave much time for propagation of the species. The land around them is not top quality and there is very little water, at one stage last year they were down to the last drops from their well. KAIUA and DIUMANA are in much the same position as TUBU, with little hope for survival unless they are able to move nearer the coast. DIUMANA people broached the question and said that they wanted to move down to the main road near OBO mission estate. Apparently however ~~there~~ there are some elderly influentials who do not want to move from their birth place. This a great pity as I do not see how the people can hope to expand ~~market~~ or raise their level of economic productivity or raise their level of sophistication to that of the rest of the Sub-District until they move to an area where they can be in a direct contact with trade paths and an area in which they can produce something to trade with.

5. The elders at VANUAMAI are worried over the failure of the younger people to remain in the area and help in village production. Apparently a large proportion of the young men go to Port Moresby at every opportunity and most of the young women

Handwritten notes in left margin:
...the NARA people are not a wealthy group...
...at the time of the patrol, there was very little money about...
...perhaps the most pathetic village in the group is that of TUBU...
...the people are hunters, as are the majority of the NARA people...
...spending a majority of their time collecting food...
...does not leave much time for propagation of the species...
...the land around them is not top quality and there is very little water...
...at one stage last year they were down to the last drops from their well...
...KAIUA and DIUMANA are in much the same position as TUBU...
...with little hope for survival unless they are able to move nearer the coast...
...DIUMANA people broached the question and said that they wanted to move down to the main road near OBO mission estate...
...Apparently however there are some elderly influentials who do not want to move from their birth place...
...This a great pity as I do not see how the people can hope to expand market or raise their level of economic productivity or raise their level of sophistication to that of the rest of the Sub-District until they move to an area where they can be in a direct contact with trade paths and an area in which they can produce something to trade with...
...The elders at VANUAMAI are worried over the failure of the younger people to remain in the area and help in village production...
...Apparently a large proportion of the young men go to Port Moresby at every opportunity and most of the young women

marry out into other villages, usually to men who can afford a fairly high bride price. The VANUAMAI people are mainly hunters however they wish to turn this to a commercial proposition by taking carcasses of Wallaby etc. to the native market at KAIRUKU for sale. This meat is rather popular with the island people who have very little game of their own. To facilitate the sale of the meat the VANUAMAI people wish to construct a tractor road from VANUAMAI to RERENA on the shore of HALL SOUND. They are willing to do all the work on the road provided the Administration provides the necessary picks and shovels.

6. The people of the GABADI census division are in a much better position than the NARAS. Their land seems to be closely related to that of the MEKEO. Most of the villages are located close to the banks of the AROA river and the surrounding soil is fairly rich enabling the growth of a wide variety of foodstuffs. The AROA River has plenty of fish in it and these supplement the diet of the villagers who catch the fish in traps. Foodstuffs—mandarins, bananas, sweet potato, sugar cane and others are transported to Port Moresby for sale and this gives the people a moderate cash income. The GABADI villages show their prosperity in better houses and a happier disposition.

7. Food for the patrol was scarce in the NARA area where the people only had enough for their own use, in the GABADI however much food was brought to the patrol as a gift and payment was not accepted.

8. The attitude of the people towards the Administration seemed favourable on the whole although there was a certain indifference towards Administration works requiring the help of the villages as is evidenced by the slow rate of progress on the Administration School at HISIU and the Aid Post at HISIU.

LAW AND ORDER.

9. A number of minor complaints were brought to the patrol in most villages and the majority of these were settled on the spot with the help of the village elders and officials. Some queries were brought about the hunting rights of villagers but no charges were pressed.

10. As in the RORO Census division there are land problems in the GABADI division. In this instance the dispute is between MATABAILI Village, PINU Village and MANUMANU Village over land on GALLEY REACH. The disputes have been rising for a little while now and the people have finally decided that they want the land registered by the Native Lands Commission. The land was visited in the course of the patrol and marked it is known as IDUA and is very close to MANUMNAU which is in the PORT MORESBY Sub-District.

11. A theft was reported from the UKAUKANA Native Society Trade store and five youths were apprehended and sent to KAIRUKU to await court proceedings. There have been a number of thefts from these stores usually resulting in the storeman having to make up the deficit.

12. A number of thefts were also reported from the plantations. With the number of labourers there however the chances of finding the culprit are rather limited. In two instances the culprits were caught in the act and a presently awaiting court action

13. There appeared to be no trouble between the labourers from different areas however some minor friction was reported between some of the local villagers and plantation labour mainly over money and in one case between a labourer and his wife from a local village, as a rule though the local people and the plantation labour are on good terms.

1001 Annual

14. The people seemed to have a respect for the law and its processes. From the number of complaints and the requests made to the patrol it appears that the people have confidence that the law would handle their disputes satisfactorily.

15. A system of courts to be held bi-monthly at HISIU was instituted by the Assistant District Officer of KAIRUKU Mr. K.A. Brown recently and should go a long way towards the establishment of a direct contact with the Administration by the people.

TAXATION.

16. This was only a follow-up patrol as far as tax was concerned however a total of £121 pounds was collected. The only men remaining to pay tax for 1961 are those who are absent in some other part of the Territory. The response to tax was very good there being very few objections raised and these only half hearted as most of the men objecting had the money ready to pay their tax with anyway.

17. Very few exemptions were applied for, the usual grounds for application being Family Obligations.

18. Tax was collected from the local men working on the nearby plantations at the rate of two ponds per head.

19. When at the plantations a question raised a number of times from different sources was "Why do the plantation labour have to pay tax at the rate of two pounds per head-Moresby rates- instead of paying in their home areas at the rates existing in those areas?" Most of the men employed on the plantations come from areas where there is very little money in the average family and they come to earn a bit of money to help buy a few things for their families. A plantation labourer is employed at the usual rate of 30/- per month; this means that the labourer is paying over 10% of his earnings in tax.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

20. In the Nara the only vehicular road is from DELENA along the coast to AROA River, this is part of the KAIRUKU Moresby link. The inland villages of VANUAMAI, TUBU, KAI AU, and DIUMANA are linked only by foot track. The tracks joining TUBU, KAI AU, DIUMANA and the coastal road are in quite good condition and are clear of obstructions. The road from VANUAMAI to TUBU is little used and most of the way very much overgrown. So much so in some spots that the track is not distinguishable. This also applies to the track from RERENA to VANUAMAI, this being the route along which the VANUAMAI people wish to build a vehicular road. Such a road would not present many problems as most of the ground is high, the present track following the ridges. The only awkward spot being the area immediately after RERENA which is a trifle swampy. By clearing one of the tidal creeks though access could be gained to the firm ground.

21. In the GABADI the villages are linked by vehicular roads in varying states of repair. The road from PINU to TOUTU has a very bad stretch through a swamp. This section needs work on it and a request was received from K. Kassman of TOUTU for some drums (44 gallon) to help drain some of the water.

22. The vehicular roads and those in the Galeey Reach area in particular are the subject of separate memorandum.

There are no bridges in the area, river crossings being serviced by Ferrymen receiving Government pay.

VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

24. The NARA villages without exception are in very poor condition, VANUAMAI, KAIAMAU, TUBU, DIUMANA and OROI being nearly washed away and ALA'ALA being nearly buried in sand. The majority of the houses are old and in need of repairs, the people seeming to lack any interest or pride in the appearance of their villages. This probably arises from the fact, already mentioned, that the population is shrinking.

25. Not much was seen of the village officials in the NARA however they had the roads cleared and the villages clean. The V.C. of DIUMANA is very old and is no longer capable of fulfilling his duties satisfactorily. The question of a new official has been raised previously the difficulty being to find someone young enough and ~~with enough sense~~ with enough sense and authority to take the position.

26. The rest houses in the area with the exception of that at VANUAMAI were in very poor shape the one at TUBU being little more than a shell.

27. In the GABADI the villages were clean, well kept and with very few houses needing repairs. HISIU however was dirty and from previous reports has always been a ~~trifle~~ trifle unclean. This was remedied while the patrol was at HISIU by getting all the villagers out to make a concentrated effort to get rid of any rubbish. The fence around the village well had to be renewed as the old fence was broken and pigs and dogs roaming around inside. The people were warned about the consequences of not looking after their water supply.

28. The village officials with the exception of the UKAUKANA V.C. were very co-operative and made the work of the patrol easier by having everything ready.

MISSIONS=

29. There are two missions operating, the London Missionary Society and the Roman Catholic. In some villages both missions are represented and some petty jealousies have arisen especially is it noticeable in HISIU where both factions seem to be feuding.

30. No ^{active} evidence could be seen of the JEHOVA'S WITNESSES who were previously stationed in the GABADI. However while at KEVEONA an elderly chap NAIME MABAI (MAIRI) came up with a number of complaints about the Administration and the way it was treating him and hinted at the possibility of a few changes to come. His main complaint was that the Government was always taking his money and forcing him to buy 'shot gun' permits. It was explained that he was under no obligation to buy permits if he did not want to use a shot gun. This man was, I believe, a follower of the JEHOVA WITNESS crowd and it seems as if he may still be wandering in the wrong direction.

EDUCATION.

31. The Administration and both missions have schools in the area. The Administration schools are situated at PINU and HISIU and are under the supervision of Mr. P. RIXON Area Education Officer stationed at KAIRUKU. I believe the Education Dept. is to construct a School in the Galley Reach area for plantation and local mixed race children.

32. The schools appeared to be well attended and the majority of village children attend either Administration or mission schools. The Administration school at HISIU is not yet completed, needing walls and windows. Classes are held in the

uncompleted school rooms. The HISIU people are rather vague about when the school will be completed but say it will be sometime soon.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH.

33. There are two Aid Posts in the area, one at KEVEONA and one at HISIU, both staffed by a native Medical Orderly. The Aid Posts are supplied from Moresby, rations etc. being flown out.

34. A Medical Assistant from Port Moresby was recently visiting the Gabadi checking on a purported outbreak of Whooping Cough.

35. The plantations also supply medical attention when necessary and in most cases also supply transport in case of emergency. A complaint was received from one plantation that the Medical Orderly at KEVEONA was taking too much for granted and not doing his fair share. It was said that when there was a patient to be sent to Moresby and a radio message had to be sent requesting permission from Public Health to transfer the patient the Orderly was not reporting the case himself but sending a local to the plantation to pass the message. This was unsatisfactory as the messenger in most instances knew nothing about the state of the patient and when Public Health requested the necessary information the plantation was unable to give it. It was also thought that the Orderly might be able to enlist the help of the village people to take his supplies from the airstrip to the village instead of relying entirely on the nearest plantation, which has only one Landrover (in poor shape), to make the trip.

36. The Aid Post at HISIU is still not completed, needing windows and some other work to be done. It is the responsibility of the village people to build the post however, as with the school progress is slow.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

37. The NARA Census Division is for the most part not very fertile soil the only fertile spots being close to the rivers. At VANUAMAI the soil will support rice amongst other crops but the people are rather lazy and after one harvesting they let it go.

38. The livestock consists of pigs and poultry with a large scattering of village dogs. The dogs are important in the NARA as they are used as hunting dogs and the majority of them have been looked after much better than the usual village specimen.

39. The GABADI division consists of much more fertile land and supports a wide range of foodstuffs. BANANAS, TARO, YAMS and PAWPAWS are the most in evidence. Oranges, mandarins, five corners sweet potato, tomatoes and pineapples are also grown. Coconuts are plentiful and most of the villages make copra for sale in Moresby.

40. Pigs and poultry are the main livestock kept and each village has a large quantity of each with the exception of UKAUKANA who decided that pigs were a menace to the gardens and shot all the pigs in the village and forbade any villager to keep pigs. Wallabies and a large sort of bush rat are hunted and supplement the diet of the people. Fish are plentiful in the rivers and traps are used to catch the fish which are mainly PIKE.

MIXED RACE - GALLEY REACH AREA.

41. SOLIEN, SARIMAN and KASSMAN are the main families in the REACH, ARUA and NATERA being smaller. The families are spread out along the shores of the REACH and all have leases there. All of the leases presently occupied were visited with a view to checking on improvements required under the terms of the leases.

42. Perhaps the most productive lease is MALATE which is a coconut plantation run by ALPHONSE SARIMAN, also grown on the lease is coffee, mandarins, oranges, sweet potato and rice. Much of the produce is taken to Moresby for sale to firms such as P.M.F. some is also sold at the Native Market at KOKI. The other leases in the area are run on the same lines only on a smaller scale. The leases and improvements are the subject of separate memorandum.

43. The mixed race people in the area are increasing quite rapidly and will very soon be in need of more space to live. Many of the people have moved to Moresby however to enable them to live satisfactorily it is essential that they are settled in an area which will offer them scope in the years to come.

44. A short visit was paid to TOUTU plantation which is run by KEVIN KASSMAN. He has not been working on his plantation for some months owing to the fact that he has been attending various court sittings in Moresby. His plantation is at the mouth of the AROA River and would be the largest and best run of the Mixed Race leases.

45. Some genealogies were taken, of the mixed race families, while at BOISMENU Mission and an insight was gained into the ~~various~~ composition and inter-relationship of the various people. I found this very interesting and it appears to be the only way in which an understanding can be gained of these people.

CONCLUSION.

46. The patrol was not a hurried one and consequently a good contact was established with the Nara and Gabadi people. Travel was made easy by the availability of plantation transport and the generous manner in which it was supplied was much appreciated.

David Read
(DAVID READ)
Cadet Patrol Officer.

Genealogies of the mixed race people in the Eastern head country of the Solomons would certainly be of interest to our family long ago. I have seen my own name in some of the names of some of the people. I am sure that we have many more names in our family which are not mentioned here. I am sure that we have many more names in our family which are not mentioned here. I am sure that we have many more names in our family which are not mentioned here.

I certify that I am a single officer and that no cook was supplied by the Administration.

James Lead
.....Certified Correct

JOSEPH

ite of Supply of
eriod of Service

I certify that I am single.

Claimant.....*James Lead*

No. 24/60

I certify that during the stated period of the claim no cook was provided by the Administration.

Claimant.....*James Lead*

TOTAL.....
.....EIO

I certify that the claimant has actually camped out during the period of the claim and that no provision exists within reasonable limits of travel for messing or that reasonable accommodations provided by the Administration was ~~available~~ not available.

man's
rence

FOR
PARTMENTAL
USE ONLY

ATE CLAIM
IVED BY D.F.C

K. A. Brown
.....
K. A. Brown ADO Kairuku

TERED.....

PREV. PAID.....

INED.....

CERTIFYING
within the mo
60.

Cheque

CONTINGENCIES

(GENERAL EXPENSES)

Departmental Reference No.

JOSEPH KAMU MIRIA

KAIRUKU.

Cash Office Registration No.

/61-62

Cash Office Consecutive No.

Date of Supply or Period of Service	Particulars	Order No.	Rate	Amount		
				£	s.	d.
No.24/60-61.	Duration -29-5-61 to 6-6-61 8 days @		Per day 1/-	-	8	-
.....Certified Correct andPaying Officer.Witness.						

TOTAL NIL Pounds
EIGHT Shillings NIL Pence TOTAL £ - 8 -

Claimant's Name: J.K. Miria. Signature of Claimant: J.K. Miria. Date: 18/8/61.

FOR DEPARTMENTAL USE ONLY									
TO BE COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT					TO BE COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT				
Req. No.	Div.	Subdiv.	Item	Amount	Req. No.	Div.	Subdiv.	Item	Amount
Vote.....									
P/C.....									

FOR STORES.—I certify that the stores included in this account have been received and taken on charge and that the account is correct as regards rates of charge and the faithful performance of the services charged.

OTHER CASES.—I certify that this account is correct as regards rates of charge and the faithful performance of the services charged.

Date: 18/8/61.

Person Incurring Expense: (K.A. Brown A.D.O. KAIRUKU)

CERTIFYING OFFICER.—I certify that this account is within the meaning of Section 36 of the Treasury Ordinance No. 10.

RECEIVED this 18th day of August 19 61

the sum of NIL Pounds

EIGHT Shillings NIL Pence

Certifying Officer: _____ Signature of Recipient: _____ Witness: _____

Cheque No. _____

Port Moresby: W. S. Nicholas, Government Printer.—5277/3.61.—100,000.

Tight Binding

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Ref: 67-1-19

Department of Native Affairs,
Headquarters,
KONEDOBU.

2nd March, 1962.

The District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

PATROL NO. 2 of 1961-1962

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of :-

- * Memorandum of Patrol No. 2-1961-62 .
- * ~~MEMORANDUM~~

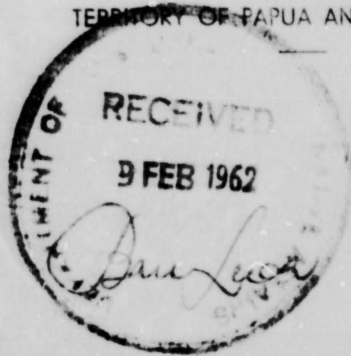
covering patrol by... P.A.F. Seefeld, Patrol Officer......

(A.A. Roberts),
Director.

* Delete as necessary.



1779
2
67-1-19 ✓
Territory of Papua and New Guinea



In Reply
Please Quote

No 67-3-4

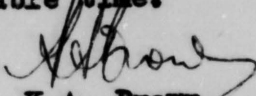
District Office,
West Central Division,
TAPINI.

5th February, 1962.

Director,
Department of Native Affairs,
KONEDOBU.

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL No.2. 1961-1962
KUNI CENSUS DIVISION.
KAIRUKU.

1. Memorandum of Patrol and copy of memo 67-1-2 of 11th January, 1962, from ADO Kairuku for your information please.
2. Despite the staff changes this report should have been submitted earlier. It has been further delayed due to my absence on patrol.
3. The report on population movement in the Kuni is attached and my report will follow shortly.
4. Mr Saefeld is at present conducting a census patrol of the Kuni. I have instructed the ADO Kairuku to ensure the report is completed in reasonable time.


K.A. Brown,
Acting District Officer.

GL/as

67.1.2

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU,
West Central Division,
Central District.

11th January, 1962.

District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

PATROL REPORT NO 2 OF 1961/62.

1. Attached hereto please find a patrol report submitted by Mr P.A.F. Seefeld Patrol Officer.
2. The Patrol was completed last September and the delay was due to staff changes at Kairuku.
3. Mr Seefeld does not have sufficient information to complete the Survey of Traditional beliefs and attitudes in Health and allied Matters. This report will be completed during the next Kuni Patrol.
4. A Total of £43 tax was collected.
5. I believe that the KUBUNA Airstrip is now open but no report has, as yet been received at this office.



(G. Lambden.).
Assistant District Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS.

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

Patrol No. 2 of 1961/62 Subdistrict KAIRUKU District WEST CENTRAL DIVISION,
CENTRAL DISTRICT.

Officer Conducting Patrol P.A.F. SEEFELD. P.O.

Census Division Patrolled KUNI

Objects of Patrol GENERAL ADMINISTRATION, COLLECT OUTSTANDING TAX, CHECK
ROADS, LABOUR INSPECTION (UKUA), FAMILIARISATION WITH AREA,
COMMENCE WORK ON KUBUNA AIRSTRIP

Date Patrol Commenced 11th August 1961. Date Completed 22nd September 1961.

Duration—days 43

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM PATROL

Date	Reference	Addressee	Subject
27.9.61.	65-3-9	DO. TAPINI	Inspection Report (UKUA)
21.12.61.	67-1-2- 72-4-1-	ADO. LAIRUKU	Report on Population Movement and Future Development.
28.12.61.	28-10-2/	DO. TAPINI	Lost Passbook.

Declaration of Paths & Footways under ROADS MAINTENANCE ORD. 1953-55

[Handwritten Signature]
Patrolling Officer's Signature.

I certify that all necessary local administrative action has been or is being taken on matters arising out of this patrol and that the correspondence above indicated by a "tick" has been forwarded to the Headquarters, Department of Native Affairs, Port Moresby.

[Handwritten Signature] K.A. BROWN
District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA.

KAIRUKU PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1961/62.

KUNI TAX/CENSUS DIVISION.

PATROL DIARY.

Friday, 11th August, 1961.

Departed KAIRUKU 0945 hrs. by launch for AROPOKINA landing. Met by Mission jeep and proceeded WANONO, leaving most of gear behind in store. Arrived WANONO 3 p.m. and at 4 p.m. driven to KUBUNA to contact Lands Dept. Surveyors. All in order and no difficulties being experienced. Returned WANONO for the night.

Saturday, 12th August, 1961.

To EPA village. Very few people seen. Previous tax absentees still away. Some friction between this village and WANONO FARM still apparent. Night at WANONO.

Sunday, 13th August, 1961.

Joined UKUA truck on its way to AROPOKINA and collected all patrol gear. Returned to UKUA 2 p.m. and stayed as guest of Assistant Manager.

Monday, 14th August, 1961.

Dep. UKUA 0830. for KUBUNA. Inspected site of old strip adjacent to Mission. To LAPEKA hamlets - ATENE(TOBE), INIME, ONOIFUNA and FOFO. First hamlet 1½ hours from LAPEKA, then another 40 mins through to last one. Track not in good condition, and housing generally poor. People hold land nearer KUBUNA but are reluctant to move. V.C. FADU FADU lives on main road between KUBUNA and WANONO, and admits he has not visited hamlets since last patrol. Arrived back at KUBUNA 5.30 p.m. and at UKUA 7.10 p.m. for the night.

Tuesday, 15th August, 1961.

UKUA to DEBONINA hamlet (IDOIDO group) 1½ hrs. A completely scattered crowd, making V.C.s task of keeping check on all a very difficult one. Tax exempt. and receipts issued. Dep. 1.30 p.m. and visited ATONIVANO hamlet (on UKUA boundary) on way back. Caravan boys arrived from Father BOELL. Night at UKUA.

Wednesday, 16th August, 1961.

Dep. UKUA 0945 hrs. with 3 pack horses and 20 LAPEKA & IDOIDO carriers. Arrived BAKOI'UDU 1230 p.m. Work in progress on section back to IKEIKE under Fr, BOELL. Spent afternoon with Father inspecting site of DASF station. V.Cs. of ILAILAVA, INAUMAKA, VALE4, DILAVA & YOUAKA preparing gardens in area prior to moving down from the mountains. Mission plans, roads, and future prospects, discussed with Father and Officials in evening. Spent night at BAKOI'UDU.

Thursday, 17th August, 1961.

Delayed waiting for carriers. Dep. mid-day with horses and carriers. Horse trail badly overgrown and very muddy, despite recent

dry spell. Arrived at KEKEPE Mission Rest House at 3.30. p.m. in light drizzle, which turned to steady rain at night. Fr. Boell also departed BAKOI'UDU this day, for YULE IS. To discuss Roads and DASF building with A.D.O. and Mission. Highlight of the day - writer and horse parting company, but no damage done. Night at Mission Rest House.

Friday, 18th August, 1961.

A cloudy, misty, morning. Nearby hamlet visited, coffee gardens checked, V.C. instructed to cut back bush on his section of road. Light rain again at 1 p.m. Carriers arrived from IAIFA at 2.30 p.m. - too late to make a start today. Night at KEKEPE.

Saturday, 19th August, 1961.

Dep. 0830 hrs. in fine weather, but track mainly narrow and greasy. Long descent to ARAVURE (ST. JOSEPH) RIVER. Crossed by cane suspension bridge, and continued on better track through more open country, arriving IAIFA Mission Rest House midday. General discussions on possible move to more accessible area. Minor sores etc. treated. Nearby hamlet inspected. More light rain. Night at IAIFA.

Sunday, 20th August, 1961.

Officials and people came to Rest House for further talks. Two coffee gardens seen. Abundant sweet potato, pumpkin and Okari nuts in the area. Slept IAIFA.

Monday, 21st August, 1961.

Again delayed waiting for carriers from surrounding hamlets. Got away 9 a.m. Rough and slippery track down to UKOLAMA R. No bridge - water swift and clear, but only ankle deep. Solid climb up to MAIMAI, reached at 1.15 p.m. Patrol camped at nearby Mission Rest House, where a good crowd was gathered from MAIMAI and ILAILAVA groups. ILAILAVA V.C. absent at BAKOI'UDU? but other Officials present. General talks - people seem mainly opposed to moving. £10 tax collected. OBAOBA Mission plainly visible, and appears quite close! Slept MAIMAI.

Tuesday, 22nd August, 1961.

Dep. 0830 in very humid weather. One hour down to ARAVURE R. Crossed by cane suspension bridge and resumed after short spell. Two hours climbing brought patrol to ridge opposite OBAOBA, but another descent and final sharp climb lay in the way. Arrived Mission 1.30 p.m. FR. BOELL not yet returned, and FR. LOUIS VANGEKE (Papuan Priest) also away visiting Mission Stations, but FR. GUICHET in after visiting the Missions in Gailala. Heavy rain from 3 p.m. into the night. Slept OBAOBA.

Wednesday, 23rd August, 1961.

Police Constable sent to KEKEPE to see remainder of patrol gear sent up. Should have arrived by now, but apparently previous instructions to V.C. were overlooked. Const. then to check on road-work back to UKUA. Visited DILAVA hamlet, next to Mission. Almost deserted, with V.C. and people at BAKOI'UDU making gardens. Coffee trees counted. Fr. Louis arrived back, Night at Mission.

Thursday, 24th August, 1961.

Fine day early - chance to get clothes dried and patrol gear resorted. Remaining gear arrived from KEKEPE at 3 p.m. FR. BOELL arr'd 5.30 p.m. after steady rain had set in again. A point of interest this day - FR. GUICHET received news that he had been appointed Bishop-elect of the GILBERT & ELLICE IS. Night at OBAOBA.

Friday, 25th August, 1961.

Const. KAOWI sent to DEVADEVA following reports that road in bad condition. Book work brought up to date. Const. DAUPA ret'd from UKUA to report that road work in progress. More rain after lunch. At Mission for the night.

Saturday, 26th August, 1961.

Departed 0900 for hamlets in the YOUAKA group. New hamlet of LAME visited - only two houses so far, but old hamlet of BILAUME transferring here and 4 more houses to be built. WAFO hamlet also inspected and a count made of coffee trees. Tracks all very muddy after rains. Ret'd OBAOBA 12.15 p.m. Afternoon and night at Mission.

Sunday, 27th August, 1961.

After morning services, a meeting was held attended by some 200 KUNI people. Discussed future moves to more accessible area, and obtained information on inter hamlet tracks for declaration under Roads Maintenance Ordinance. Remainder of day at OBAOBA.

Monday, 28th August, 1961.

Minor disputes brought in for hearing. Const. sent to VALE area to check roads and advise of patrols coming next week. Patrol gear assembled for departure after lunch, but very heavy rain put a stop to that. FR. BOELL also cancelled his return to BAKOI'UDU. Remained at Mission for the night.

Tuesday, 29th August, 1961.

Departed 0910 hrs. with 4 carriers and 2 pack-horses, one saddle horse, for KEAKAMANA. Road in shocking state - landslides, fallen trees, erosion, and thick yellow mud! Horses having great difficulties, and trip painfully slow. Arr'd Mission Rest House 2.15 p.m. - 5 hours for normal 3½ hours trip. Rained on and off from mid-day, and drizzling as patrol arrived. Despite this, a very good crowd waiting from surrounding hamlets of this group. General talks till 4 p.m. - mainly on road maintenance. No serious complaints. Mist and rain continued into the night. At KEAKAMANA.

Wednesday, 30th August, 1961.

Mission horses returned to OBAOBA - road conditions too bad for them to operate effectively. Continued general discussions with officials and people. V.C. UPAKO - TOLOA in poor health and unable to perform his duties efficiently. Unless an improvement in health very soon, replacement to be chosen and brought before next patrol. Same applies to CLR. ASI-NEKA, who is getting on in years and has partly lame leg. Check made of nearby coffee gardens. Night at Mission Rest House.

Thursday, 31st August, 1961.

Dep. 0830 in heavy mist. Stiff climb to rejoin main road. Some work done to clear land - slides and cut grass, but more yet to be done. Road well graded and walking fairly easy,

apart from mud and water lying everywhere. Arrived DEVA DEVA mid-day and camped Mission Rest House. General talks till late afternoon on roads, movement of population; some tax collected. V.C. OMAIKU - OMAIKU of DEVA DEVA No.1 is energetic and helpful. V.C. TAVODA - VINO of No.2 just fair. Night at DEVA DEVA.

Friday, 1st September, 1961.

Departed 0730 For KOAKA. The most difficult section yet encountered on the patrol. Track extremely steep and slippery. KEA R. forded and ADUALA R. crossed by suspension bridge. A steeper climb up on other side, but track generally wider and cleaner. Arrived at Rest House 10.15 a.m. - approx. $\frac{1}{2}$ hour away from main hamlet of POKOLOA (KOAKA). Met by Officials and good gathering of people. General talks on movement - isolation of the place pointed out. Appears to be a definite reticence about any change. Seem to be more closely tied to GOILALA area, and claim to make regular trading trips to TAPINI, selling such things as fish, betel nut & cassowary. Tax defaulters checked. Tracks and bridges discussed. Food appears plentiful, and patrol supplied with meal. Dep. 1300 hrs. and arrived back at DEVA DEVA 1630 hrs. Night at Mission Rest House.

Saturday, 2nd September, 1961.

Departed DEVA DEVA 0600 with carriers. Despite dry spell for 3 days, road still badly affected by previous rain. Village Officials from DEVA DEVA and KEAKAMANA accompanied and given instructions on road work. It was decided that Fridays would in future be 'road day'. Arrived VALE 4 1245. Only a handful of people present - most young men and Officials at BAKOI'UDU preparing gardens. Continued on to OBAOBA at 1330, arriving there 1400 hrs.

Sunday, 3rd September, 1961.

At OBAOBA.

Monday, 4th September, 1961.

Dep. Mission Station 0800. for MATSIAFA R.H. (VALE 3). No recent roadwork apparent, despite forwarning of patrol's visit. Arrived mid-day at Mission Rest House. This group now consists of five hamlets - WARUPI, MATSIAFA, MAKUMAKU, IAILAVA & KOLOKOLO. Discussions with V.C.'s MOLOA KAI'IA (VALE3) and NEIME FAIKA (VALE 1 & 2). Arranged to visit other hamlets in VALE group tomorrow. Night at MATSIAFA.

Tuesday, 5th September, 1961.

Dep. R.H. 0820 for INE hamlet (VALE1). Track in good order and quite well graded. Arr'd 0900 and then continued on to nearby BEKO (VALE2). Sighted abandoned OIGLE hamlet on nearby ridge. A further 30 mins. to AIVALO (VALE 1), the main hamlet of this group. A pleasant spot, with coconuts and breadfruit together with usual citrus trees, planted around village. Old Councillors at AIVALO very firm in not wanting to move into closer settlement. Clr. OLABA KABUA of VALE 1 book should be considered for replacement by next patrol in view of old age. Dep. AIVALO 1310. by rough track through bush, to EKEKE hamlet (VALE 2). This is considered by locals as site of possible airstrip. Looks promising and the approach at one end is good, but for financial and economic reasons, people were strongly discouraged from thinking in terms of an airstrip in the area. Mission at one stage proposing new station here, and some land cleared and road graded to link with main track, but plans now apparently abandoned. Left for R.H. 1515 hrs

passing through KAFANA hamlet - these people previously at OIGILE. Some coffee seen and counted at the various hamlets, but mostly figures are estimates: - VALE 1 approx. 100; VALE 2, about 500 in two gardens; VALE 3, approx. 2000. Arrived back at Mission R.H. 1645. V.C. MOLOA of VALE 3 wishes to resign, but no replacement chosen yet. Next patrol to check. Night at MATSIAPA.

Wednesday, 6th September, 1961.

Departure 0810 with carriers for BIONA Mission R.H. Crossed DILAVA R. by suspension bridge and arrived R.H. 0930. Weather fine and track well graded. V.C. UME OALA of BUBUNI and CLR PEKA PUAMA of IUMU group met patrol. Only three able-bodied men in the whole area. Some working on IKEIKE - BAKOI'UDU road, some moved to BAMUDA (INIKI) and others absent PT. MOREBY. Many women absent taking food to road-workers. Those remaining in the area seriously thinking of moving to BAKOI'UDU. Visited IOBI hamlet in afternoon - 20 mins. away. Old men, women and children the only occupants. V.C. and seven younger men preparing gardens BAKOI'UDU. Only waiting on word that suitable site for houses is available, and the remainder will move there also. FUEFUE hamlet reported abandoned apart from two women and their old mother - these too will be moved as soon as houses ready. Noted WARUPI hamlet of VALE 3 group on opposite side of DILAVA R. - still perched on edge of landslide as reported by previous officers. Night at BIONA Mission R.H.

Thursday, 7th September, 1961.

Dep. 0800 hrs. by good track to FELELE hamlet, arriving 0850. En route noted that approach across DILAVA to strip site at EKEKE, would be suitable for light aircraft. But probably only one-way take-off and landings as at TAPINI. Hamlet of UNIUNINA deserted but for two women - did not visit. KUANI hamlet likewise reported almost empty - sighted on ridge overlooking valley of the DILAVA. Returned BIONA mid-day, and departed for MATSIAPA 1330. Arrived there 1500 and stayed the night.

Friday, 8th September, 1961.

Dep. 0820 on clear, sunny day for OBAOBA. Arrived KABIO hamlet (INAUMAKA) 1040. Hardly anyone there - mainly absent BAKOI'UDU with V.C. Reached OBAOBA 1230. Night at Mission.

Saturday, 9th September, 1961.

Book work - list compiled of tax defaulters absent UKUA area. Night at OBAOBA.

Sunday, 10th September, 1961.

At OBAOBA. Patrol gear repacked in readiness for tomorrow. Night at Mission.

Monday, 11th September, 1961.

Departed OBAOBA 0830 with carriers and horses. Roadwork checked on the way. Work on AFE GAP - MADIU GAP section proceeding well but slowly. IAIPA & AIJAVEI sections of road badly overgrown. Arrived BAKOI'UDU 1300 hrs. 4½ hour trip on fine day with track fairly dry. Awaited carriers and horses, then by Mission jeep with Fr. BOELL to UKUA. wonderful job done on road, but still too narrow in parts for anything bigger than jeep. Much gardening activity at BAKOI'UDU and the place hardly recognisable since last month. Material for D.A.S.F. house stockpiled at IKEIKE, and some already on building site at MOKUMCKUABUABU. Stayed UKUA Estate as guest of MR. L. Dexter.

Tuesday, 12th September, 1961.

Arrangements made with LAPEKA people to start work on KUBUNA airstrip. IDOIDO men to clean road from UKUA to IKEIKE. Labour Inspection of UKUA Estate. Site chosen for new Rest House in vicinity of Kubuna river. Night at UKUA.

Wednesday, 13th September, 1961.

To KUBUNA airstrip - clearing commenced. Returned to UKUA at 5.15 p.m. and stayed the night.

Thursday, 14th September, 1961.

Conversation with A.D.O., Kairuku, re tools for strip work. To airstrip for remainder of day, returning UKUA 4.45 p.m.

Friday, 15th September, 1961.

To AROPOKINA with Mr. Dexter to check on roadwork contract given by A.D.O. to EPA people. Work going ahead on strip. Returned UKUA.

Saturday, 16th September, 1961.

Inspected progress on road to IKEIKE. Remainder of day at UKUA.

Sunday, 17th September, 1961.

At UKUA.

Monday, 18th September, 1961.

Supervised airstrip work very hot weather. Tax defaulters checked at KUBUNA Mission. EPA V.C. paid for roadwork. Night at UKUA.

Tuesday, 19th September, 1961.

Work on strip continued till mid afternoon, when heavy rain put a stop to further efforts for the day. To UKUA for the night.

Wednesday, 20th September, 1961.

Airstrip work. Mr. H. Mills, Road Overseer, arrived from Kairuku to take over. Slept UKUA.

Thursday, 21st September, 1961.

Re - checking strip measurements with Mr. Mills and handing over further supervision to him. At UKUA for the night.

Friday, 22nd September, 1961.

To AROPOKINA with all patrol gear and personnel, per UKUA truck. Mission launch to KAIRUKU, arriving there 1500 hours.

END OF PATROL DIARY.

Seefeld
P.A.F. Seefeld
(Patrol Officer)

GL/as

12-3-1

Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU,
West Central Division,
Central District.

11th January, 1962.

District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

REPORT ON POPULATION TREND, RESETTLEMENT AND
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT KUNI CENSUS DIVISION.

1. Attached hereto please find a report submitted by Mr P.A.F. Seefeld.
2. As I do not, as yet, know the area I hesitate to make any comments.
3. For your information please.



(G. Lambden.).
Assistant District Officer.

10/10

Sub-District Office,
KAINUKU,
W.C.D.

21st December, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,
Sub - District Office,
KAINUKU,
West Central Division.

REPORT ON POPULATION TREND, RESETTLEMENT,
AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT - KUNI TAX/CENSUS
DIVISION.

1. Patrol Report No. 2 of 1961/62 refers.
2. During the above patrol, an attempt was made to gauge the degree of group fragmentation, the present population trend, and the possibilities of future development in the area.
3. As has been noted in previous reports, the names shown in the tax/census register do not indicate villages, but merely the group name for a number of scattered hamlets. Attached map gives some idea of the widely dispersed nature of the population.

4. POPULATION & RESETTLEMENT.

LAPKA : Divided into four main hamlets - ATENE, INIWA, OROKINA, and TOFO. There is also one other hamlet formed by the V.C., off the main KUBUNA - WANONO road. The people have good land near KUBUNA, but apart from the V.C., have shown little sign of wanting to move closer to the centre of development. They have close ties with the East Mekeo, having originally come from the MEBBO area, and have little contact with the Mountain Kuni people.

3. When work commenced on KUBUNA strip, 35 volunteers presented themselves for work the first day. After one week, the figure had fallen to 27 - an indication that their ability for sustained effort in any one venture may be limited.

6. IGIWA : Population 114. Even more scattered than the LAPKAS, with a V.C. who has no hope of knowing what is going on or where the people are living. DEBONINA (the main hamlet) has a reported population of 39. The patrol sighted 16 persons on the day of its visit, and this represented the actual number living in the houses at the time. Figures for all hamlets indicated that a total of 105 persons were accounted for as living officially in recognised hamlets. The other 9 were living permanently in separate bush houses. However, of the total group population of 114, only 30 could have been located in their hamlets on the day or in nearby gardens. This left 84 persons absent at work or school, sick in hospital, visiting elsewhere, or temporarily residing in distant bush houses. In this group, only 8 men could be got together for necessary roadwork - no others were available. Under such circumstances, no community can improve its lot.

7. UNAVEL : Pop. 13. One family already lives at BAK-OL'UDU, on main road. The remainder are nearly 2 hours away by bush track, but will no doubt eventually move from present position.

8. MADU : Comprises hamlets of KEREPE and AIZARUNA with pop. of 134. People are contemplating moving to BAKOL'UDU, and V.C. had already started a garden in that area. Many adult

males absent at last census, but it appeared as if quite a few had returned since then. A number of men employed at UKUA Estab.

9. IAIFA : Five hamlets - GAIKON, PAULIFU, MAEDBA, LAILABA, TERESA, MAD UERPA. The latter is at least 2 days walk towards IKAWAUNI in the West Mekeo, and 3 family groups, totalling about 10 - 12 people live there. The IAIFA group has plans to move across the St. Joseph R. to a new site about 2 1/2 hours from BAKOI'UDU. This move would eliminate the natural barrier of the river, and bring the group within reasonable distance of the road head.

10. MAMAI (Pop. 77) & ILAILAVA (Pop. 98) : The V.C. of ILAILAVA was already at BAKOI'UDU, preparing gardens, but there appeared to be some reluctance amongst the people in these two groups to make a move. The area is isolated, with MAMAI R.H. being 5 hours away from OBAOBA, and other hamlets still further away.

11. BEVADENA (272), KRAKAMANA (110) & KOAKA (80) : The first named is situated adjacent to main horse trail to GOILALA. There was some talk of the people wishing to remain in the area, and eventually building their own airstrip. No survey was made of any potential site, although I was assured that such a site did exist. However, the country is extremely rugged, with swift changing weather conditions. Apart from that the economics of the area would hardly warrant a strip. The hamlets of the KRAKAMANA group can be reached from a side road leading off the main trail. There was already some move on the part of a few adventurous souls towards BAKOI'UDU, but many seemed to be happy in their isolation. The KOAKA group must be about the most inaccessible in the whole KUNI. No matter from which side the approach is made, the trip to KOAKA provides for a considerable expenditure of energy. The majority appeared to have little desire to move, however they were encouraged to seek a slightly more accessible place if possible. The main track was in a shocking state, mainly due to its use by the horse caravans. It is hoped soon to supply all Mission Stations in the GOILALA through WOITAPA, in which case the existing trail will fall into dis-use, and possibly add to the isolation of the people in this area.

12. THE VALE GROUPS : VALE 4 (Pop. 130) was almost deserted when the patrol visited. These people are definitely on the move to BAKOI'UDU. VALE 1 (113), 2 (111) and 3 (140) form a separate group of widely scattered hamlets towards the DILAVA river. Here again there was talk of an airstrip (see comments in diary). A small group of the younger men had already started work at BAKOI'UDU, but many of the older men were strictly against any thoughts of a move.

13. BUBUNI & IUNU : Hardly anyone sighted by the patrol. Both groups are in the process of moving. They certainly have no hope of improvement were they are at present. Many appear to have already moved down the DILAVA into the areas occupied by the ISOLOS, others have set up hamlets in the GABADI lands.

14. IKAMAKA (72), DILAVA (43) & YUAKA (80) : Almost deserted when patrol passed through. Most of the people either absent at work, or else moving to BAKOI'UDU. These groups are the closest ones to OBAOBA Mission Station, and have therefore been the first to realise that the Mission definitely does intend to move away from its present site, to an area where supply and transport difficulties will be reduced.

15. Since the patrol's return, reports have reached the office that the movement of people to the BAKOI'UDU region, has increased sharply. Some of the groups who appeared most reluctant previously, have now apparently been caught up in the migration. The forthcoming 1962 tax/census patrol should be able to establish

the exact extent of the population movement.

16. Another matter which will require investigation, is the question of land ownership in the area. For years the land has been unused, but no doubt claimants to it will come to the fore once settlement starts.

17. FUTURE DEVELOPMENT : This will be tied up with -
 a) the new airstrip at KOBONA and its possible extension to take heavier aircraft ; b) improvement in the existing road to AROPOKINA and a possible linking up with the coast at DELINA ; c) the successful resettlement of the KUNI people in an area which can be served by transport, or where at least the walking and carrying times are reduced.

18. The main products which could be considered in any economic development are :-
COFFEE. This is already growing most satisfactorily throughout the KUNI. However, no outlet has been found for the produce, and the lack of an assured return will no doubt have some effect on the peoples acceptance of any future schemes. Where possible, a physical count was made of coffee trees, but in most cases the number had to be estimated. The figures supplied by Mr. B. Fischer in his Patrol Report No. 16 of 1960 - 61 would appear to be essentially correct. Please refer to pages 7 & 8 of Mr. Fischer's report. All told, it would be reasonable to estimate somewhere in the vicinity of five thousand coffee trees in the KUNI. Most of the gardens are now overgrown, and little interest is being shown in its cultivation, which is only natural.
RUBBER. UKUA Estate is proof of its suitability in that region. Whether or not it would prove economical in small plots, is doubtful.

CITRUS FRUIT & VEGETABLES. Would grow most successfully, but requires a ready market and swift means of transportation. Air-freight may be prohibitive at first. Road communications would have to be improved before this method of transport, together with reliable shipping, could be used.

RICE. Noted throughout the KUNI and has already been planted at BARDI'UNU. Rather than being an exportable commodity, good yields of rice should be able to supplement the local diet and reduce its import.

TEAK. Conditions required for teak are not known, but this could be worth looking into. The O.I.C. at BEREINA is also interested in this for his area, and Mr. Gibbins has been asked to keep this office informed on information which he receives from Dept. of Forests.

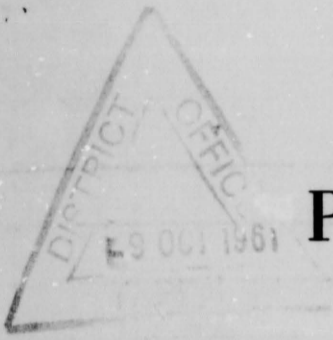
RATTAN. This possibility has already been investigated by Mr. Frier of Forests. It appears that stands are not available in sufficient quantity or within reasonable reach, to make this an economical venture.

19. CONCLUSION: The KUNI area has always been the backwater of this Sub - District, but it does appear as if at last something is on the move. The people themselves have always been fairly easy to deal with from an administrative point of view, and perhaps for that reason have received less attention. Once they decide to settle in more accessible areas, the task of administering them will increase, as will their demands for development and assistance. It appears that the time may well have arrived when closer attention will have to be paid to this region.

F. A. F. Seefeld
 F.A.F. Seefeld
 (Patrol Officer).



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL PAPUA Report No. KAI No. 3/61-62

Patrol Conducted by DAVID READ CADET PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled PORTION OF EAST MEKEO

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives ONE CONSTABLE R.P.&.N.G.C.

Duration—From 20/9/1961 to 29/9/1961

Number of Days.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

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

Medical /...../18.....

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol SUPERVISION OF CONSTRUCTION OF A BYPASS AROUND
THE UNUSABLE BIOTO CREEK BRIDGE

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

.....
.....
.....

TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA.

Ref: 67-1-8

Department of Native Affairs,
Headquarters.
KONEDOBU.

25th October, 1961.

The District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

PATROL NO. KAI NO. 3/61-62

I acknowledge with thanks, receipt of:-

- * ~~Memorandum of Patrol No.~~ :
- * Patrol Report No. KAI NO. 3/61-62 :

covering patrol by.. DAVID READ, C.P.O......

(J.K. McCarthy)
Director.

* Delete as necessary.

*ippit's
As. and
atropia
tel.*

10-14-5
67-2-32

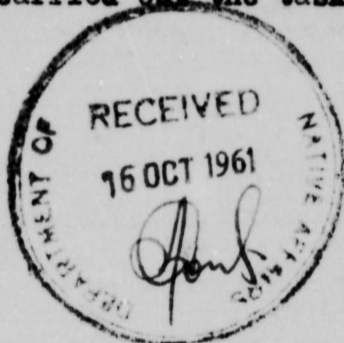
Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

6th October, 1961.

District Officer,
District Office,
West Central Division,
TAPINI.

PATROL REPORT 3 of 1961-1962

1. Above report and relevant claims for your information and comment please.
2. As indicated by the report the patrol was for express purpose of opening the Bioto - Inauaia road which will form part of the route of the forthcoming visit of His Honour the Administrator.
3. The construction of a bridge at Inawabui will be an expensive proposition and I would prefer the site being examined by an Officer of Department of Works before any action is taken.
4. A group of natives from Bioto are at present installing a large culvert on the same road. When this is completed the road will be opened for most of the year.
5. Mr Read carried out the task with a minimum of time and cost.



[Handwritten Signature]
K.A. Brown.
Assistant District Officer.

67-3-4

District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

10th October, 1961.

→ MINUTE:

The Director,
Dept., of Native Affairs,
KONEDOBU.

1. Patrol Report KAIRUKU 3 herewith.

[Handwritten Signature]
(O.J. Mathieson.)
Acting District Officer.

[Handwritten notes:]
ipists
As. act. in
appropriate form
[initials]

MEMORANDUM OF PATROL

Patrol No. KAI 3/61-62 Subdistrict KAIRUKU District CENTRAL

Officer Conducting Patrol DAVID READ CADET PATROL OFFICER

Census Division Patrolled PORTION EAST MEKEO

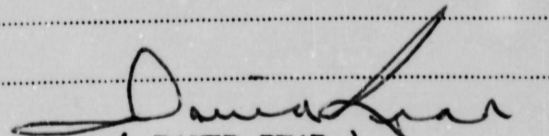
Objects of Patrol SUPERVISION OF CONSTRUCTION OF BY-PASS AROUND
BIOTO CREEK BRIDGE

Date Patrol Commenced 20th September Date Completed 29th September 1961

Duration—days nine

SUMMARY OF CORRESPONDENCE ARISING FROM PATROL

Reference	Subject	Addressee
<u>67-2-32)</u>	<u>Report on work done</u>	<u>A.D.O. Kairuku</u>
<u>10-1-1-5)</u>	<u>CAMPING ALLOWANCE CLAIM</u>	


(DAVID READ)
Patrolling Officer's Signature.

I certify that all necessary local administrative action has been or is being taken on matters arising out of this patrol and that the correspondence above indicated by a "tick" has been forwarded to the Headquarters, Department of Native Affairs, Port Moresby.

.....
District Officer.

67-3-4

67-2-32

Sub-District Office,
Kairuku Sub-District,
KAIRUKU.

2nd October, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT No. 3/61-62

PATROL DIARY

- WED. 20th September. Departed Kairuku Station at 0805 for BIOTO arriving at 1025. Left BIOTO at 1215 and arrived at INAWABUI at 1755. Bridge over Bioto Creek collapsed under weight of tractor and delayed movement to INAWABUI.
Slept INAWABUI
- THU. 21st September. Labourers engaged to work on road. Work started 0830 supervised until 1130 then to INAUAI. Heavy rain all afternoon. Returned to INAWABUI at 1545.
Slept INAWABUI
- FRI. 22nd September. Work started 0730. Rain all day. Both sides of creek cleared of trees for bypass by 1620
Slept INAWABUI
- SAT. 23rd September. Left INAWABUI at 0635 for BIOTO and KAIRUKU arriving at 1055.
- SUN. 22nd September. Observed at Kairuku.
- MON. 25th September. Departed for INAWABUI at 0910 with picks, shovels and cash advance. Rain at INAWABUI work progressing.
Slept INAWABUI
- TUE. 26th September. Work started 0715, still raining. Culvert and approaches to small bridge completed. Returned to INAWABUI at 1545.
Slept INAWABUI
- WED. 27th September. Work commenced 0705. To INAUAI at 0820 returned at 1115. Half of By-pass completed and other half started by 1615.
Slept INAWABUI
- THU. 28th September. Started work at 0730 and road finished at 1530. Paid labourers
Slept INAWABUI
- FRI. 29th September. Returned to KAIRUKU at 0645 arrived at 1220

END OF DIARY

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEWGUINEA

Files (10-14-5
(67-2-32

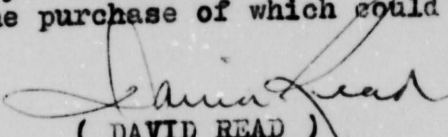
Sub-District Office,
Kairuku Sub-District,
KAIRUKU.

3rd October, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 3/61-62

1. The purpose of the patrol being to make it possible for vehicular traffic to pass from BIOTO to the MEKBO, a BY-PASS was constructed around the unsafe Bioto Creek Bridge.
2. A passage was cleared to a spot a couple of hundred yards upstream where a small bridge had been constructed. This was lengthened and repaired and the area around cleared of undergrowth and trees to enable the sun to get at the surrounding land and dry it out a bit, This was essential as the ground is swampy and during the wet season under about 6 feet of water.
3. The road will not be passable during much of the wet season however if it is used sensibly and any damage done repaired straight away it should survive the wet season and be in reasonable condition soon after the worst of the wet has passed.
4. The only high ground in the area is where the present unsafe bridge is standing, the ground dropping away from the sides of the road, however as insufficient funds were available to provide for renewal of the bridge the By-pass was the only available alternative. The Inawabui people are keen to have the bridge repaired and want to work on it as they are hoping to purchase a tractor in the near future. Any bridge that was going to last for more than one or two years would require the use of a considerable amount of concrete the purchase of which could not be covered by present funds.


(DAVID READ)
Cadet Patrol Officer

D. READ,
SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE,
KAIRUKU.

222 61/62

on 20/9/61				
055 on 23/9/61	To camping Allowance for three			
	nights @ 10/6 per night		1 11	6
on 25/9/61	To camping Allowance for four			
220 on 29/9/61	nights @ 10/6 per night		2 2	-

Police Report 3 of 6/61

Three-----				
Thirteen-----	Six-----		3 13	6
<i>Daniel Read</i> (D. Read.)			3/10/61	

Vote: 11-2-6P
P/C: 255/61-62



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL - WEST Report No. KAIRUKU 4/61-62

Patrol Conducted by I. D. GIBBINS

Area Patrolled MEKEO

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans 1 (PART)

Natives.....

Duration—From 17/10/1961 to 18/1/1962

Number of Days 30

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

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

Medical/...../18.....

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol H.L.C. PRE-ELECTION AND ELECTION

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

67-1-6

District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

22nd February, 1962.

The Director,
Dept. of Native Affairs,
K O N E D O B U.

KAIRUKU PATROL REPORT

No 4 OF 1961-1962.

1. Above report for your information and comment please.
2. I agree with A.D.O., Kairuku that the pre-election patrol and subsequent elections were a success.
3. It appears the East Mekeo people have altered very little in their attitude towards the Administration. I found them difficult to handle during my term at Kairuku. I thought the considerable assistance given them in the way of loans and advice in business enterprises would have changed their attitude to the good. I have discussed this matter with A.D.O., Kairuku and P.O. Bereina and left instructions that the area is to receive constant attention.
4. The first meeting of the Mekeo Council was held at BRIPA on 9th February, 1962. It was attended by District Commissioner, Manager Commonwealth Bank, DO's Moresby and Tapini, A.D.O., Kairuku M.C. Tapini, Education Officer Kairuku and Mission representatives.
5. The choice of Councillors by the Mekeo people was very good. The President KARKAB AVAISA had the opportunity of making the first move towards unity of the East-West Mekeo when he was left to choose the Vice-President. In my opinion it was unfortunate that he decided to choose a West Mekeo Councillor.

K.A. Brown

(K.A. Brown.)

Acting District Officer.

c.c. Assistant District Officer,
K A I R U K U .

Patrol Officer in Charge,
B E R E I N A .

-13	Over 13	
F	M	T

67-1-25
41-23-2

2nd March, 1962.

District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPIEL.

WAKEO COUNCIL ELECTIONS - 1962

Your 67-1-6 of 22nd February, 1962 refers.

2. Thank you for the returning officer's report on the initial election of the Wakeo Native Local Government Council, together with the relevant statistical information. In general the overall voting figures were quite satisfactory, with an overall average of 81% being obtained.
3. Of particular importance was the growing awareness amongst the female voters and the subsequent election of a woman candidate.
4. Was there any particular reason for the President being permitted to choose the Vice President? This is contrary to the terms of the establishing Proclamation.

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

67-1-6

District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

F

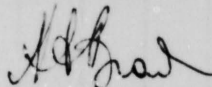
22nd February, 1962.

The Director,
Dept. of Native Affairs,
KONE DOBU.

KAIRUKU PATROL REPORT

No 4 OF 1961-1962.

1. Above report for your information and comment please.
2. I agree with A.D.O., Kairuku that the pre-election patrol and subsequent elections were a success.
3. It appears the East Mekeo people have altered very little in their attitude towards the Administration. I found them difficult to handle during my term at Kairuku. I thought the considerable assistance given them in the way of loans and advice in business enterprises would have changed their attitude to the good. I have discussed this matter with A.D.O., Kairuku and P.O. Bereina and left instructions that the area is to receive constant attention.
4. The first meeting of the Mekeo Council was held at BEIPA on 9th February, 1962. It was attended by District Commissioner, Manager Commonwealth Bank, DO's Moresby and Tapini, A.D.O., Kairuku M.O. Tapini, Education Officer Kairuku and Mission representatives.
5. The choice of Councillors by the Mekeo people was very good. The President KAEKAE AVAISA had the opportunity of making the first move towards unity of the East-West Mekeo when he was left to choose the Vice-President. In my opinion it was unfortunate that he decided to choose a West Mekeo Councillor.



(K.A. Brown.)

Acting District Officer.

c.c.
Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

Patrol Officer in Charge,
BEREINA.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of CENTRAL PAPUA Report No. 6 OF 1961-62

Patrol Conducted by D. READ

Area Patrolled NARA -GABADI CENSUS DIVISIONS OF KAIRUKU SUB-DISTRICT

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives 1 R.P. and N.G.C. CONSTABLE

Duration—From 26 / 2 / 19 62 to 13 / 3 / 19 62

Number of Days 13

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 11 / 8 / 19 61.

Medical 22 / 12 / 18 961

Map Reference Fourmil of Yule

Objects of Patrol Land Investigation and General Administration

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.F. Trust Fund ...

Page Pop

13		Over 13	Females in Child Birth
F	M	F	

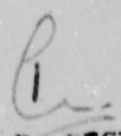
67-1-34

9th July, 1962.

The District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 6 - 1961/62 - KAIRUKU

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks. The contents of the Report are adequately covered in your attached comment and no further comment is required from this office.


(W.R. DISHON)
A/Director.

ae Pop

67. 1. 34 ✓



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

OJM:ma



In Reply
Please Quote

No. 67-3-4

District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

11th April, 1962.

The Director,
Dept. of Native Affairs,
KONEDOBU.

PATROL KAIRUKU No. 6 of 61/62.

1. The abovementioned report submitted by Mr. D. Read, Patrol Officer, is forwarded herewith.
2. Some comments follow:-

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The maintenance of roads, bridges, etc, in this area is a very difficult and unrewarding task during the wet season.

At present road maintenance funds are exhausted and it is doubtful if any further funds will be made available this financial year.

Public Works Department are now showing considerable interest in Kairuku Sub-District roads. One P.W.D. Officer is at present supervising road reconstruction in the Kanosia area and one Officer is at present supervising road work in the Roro Census Division.

I am hopeful that the responsibility of maintaining all vehicular roads in the Kairuku Sub-District will shortly be accepted by the Public Works Department.

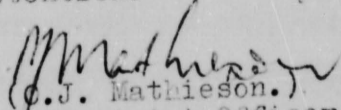
VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

The next patrol of this area will attempt to find a suitable replacement.

CONCLUSION.

The report indicates that the patrol was well conducted but the submission of the report is marred by numerous typographical errors.

The need for the listing at the end of the report of file numbers covering associated memoranda has been brought to Mr. Reads attention.


(C.J. Mathieson.)
Acting District Officer.

c.c. Assistant District Officer, Kairuku.

67-2-32

Sub-District Office,
Kairuku Sub-District,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAIRUKU.

14th March, 1962.

Assistant District Officer,
Sub-District Office,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 6 OF 1961-1962 CONDUCTED THROUGH
NARA AND GABADI CENSUS DIVISIONS.

DIARY

- 26th February
Departed Kairuku on the TAURANA at 1045 hours for HISIU Village arriving at 1450. To AGIVAIRU at 1530 and crossed at 1645. Aroa river well up. On to KEVEONA Village and arrived at 1740 in heavy rain.
Slept Keveona.
- 27th February
Talked with people and then on to KANOSIA Plantation at 1020. Carriers to Airstrip road and completed journey on plantation tractor. Arrived Kanosia at 1235, visited LOLORUA Plantation regarding whereabouts of one labourer whose wife had filed a Maintenance claim against. Departed for BOISMENU Mission at 1550 and arrived at 1640
Slept Boismenu
- 28th February
At Boismenu checking background of land and awaiting transport.
Slept Boismenu
- 1st March
To Ross Point at 0815 arrived 0850. Set up camp-tent etc. Walked around the area to be investigated and talked with the people concerned. Finished at 1745.
Flag down 1800 Slept Ross Point
- 2nd March
Up 0630 started traverse along high water level. Stopped at 1545 owing to heavy rain.
Flag down 1800 Slept Ross Point
- 3rd March
Up 0615 and completed traverse by 1735. Plotted on paper and started preparation of C.I. 235 report.
Flag down 1800 Slept Ross Point
- 4th March
Sunday. Minor complaint brought by MATAPAILI people.
Flag down 1800 Slept Ross Point

TWO

- 5th March Up 0620 and struck camp. Departed Ross Point at 0900 hours for Kanosia, arriving at 0940. Looked at land wanted by John Orea in lieu of HEDOA. Then to Keveona at 1350 arrived 1420. By bike to PINU at 1430 to inspect condition of village, then returned to Keveona 1530. Some minor complaints and queries till 2130
Flag down 1800 Slept Keveona
- 6th March Up 0630 and to Agivairu Crossing. Aroa River in flood. Arrived Aroa Plantation at 0938 and then to HISIU Village, inspected village and then to OBU Plantation
Slept Obu.
- 7th March Up at 0630. Road to DIUMANA under a couple of feet of water so went on to CROI village to try a track from there. This much the same and could not get carriers to walk it. Some minor complaints at Croi village.
Flag down 1800 Slept Croi
- 8th March Departed Croi at 0715 for OUOU Creek Plantation arriving at 0903. Departed for KEABADA Village at 0915 and arrived at 1120. Changed carriers and left for DELENA Village 1130 arrived at 1213 hrs. By canoe from Delena at 1440 and arrived at K KAIRUKU Station at 1505.
- 9th March On station
to
11th March
- 12th March To RERENA a hamlet of POUKAMA Village at 1015 arrived at 1102 after a quick launch trip. Went on to VANUAMAI Village and got there at 1233. Departed for TUBU Village at 1410 and reached it at 1620. Very few in the village.
Slept TUBU
- 13th March Left Tubu at 0615 and arrived at KAIU at 0640. To DIUMANA Village at 0645 arriving at 0703. Inspected village and spoke to the Village Constable about a complaint from a Medical Assistant that he had received no co-operation from the Diimana people. Departed at 0858 for Kaiu and got there at 0921. Village Constable absent at hospital in Moresby. Departed 0935 arrived Tubu 0955. No Village Constable present. On to Vanuamai arriving at 1223 hrs. Village Constable away at POUKAMA Village. Inspected village and left for Rerena at 1300. Arrived at 1435 and waited for the launch which got there at 1510 and then returned to the Station arriving at 1602

END OF PATROL

INTRODUCTION

1. The main purpose of the patrol was to conduct an investigation vide Circular Instruction 235 into a portion of land at GALLEY REACH known as ROSS POINT. While at Galley Reach the patrol was to investigate the possibility of a relocation of John Orea's lease called 'HEDOA'. Both of the above are the subjects of separate correspondence. Once the land part of the patrol had been completed a routine visit was paid to all the villages in the Nara and Gabadi Census Divisions to check on the conditions of the villages and to try and sort out any disputes which may have been awaiting settlement. The visits were only short ones and precede the extended visit to be paid in late April for the purpose of Census taking and tax collection.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

2. The reception of the patrol was on the whole favourable and the people co-operative. In some instances difficulty was experienced in obtaining carriers but this only because the patrol had not previously been announced and many of the men were away from their villages.

3. In most of the villages visited the male population was depleted owing to the fact tax payments are due and the men were absent in Moresby or near the plantations trying to find sufficient money for their tax. This is usually the case that at the last moment the men rush off to find money when they have had a whole year to do so. This means that things are neglected around the villages for a number of weeks and also means in some cases that men are absent from census which is unsatisfactory.

4. At Oroi Village a complaint was received that a number of young men who should have been assisting in the village, were staying in Moresby without gainful employment. This is the subject of separate memoranda. This is a common complaint of the villages in the Nara Census Division and has been mentioned in previous reports.

5. As it is the wet season food appeared to be plentiful, even in the Nara. Water was also available in reasonable quantities at Tubu, Kaiiau and Diimana which, during the Dry Season are very light on for this essential.

6. The attitude to any work to be done for the Administration e.g. maintenance of roads and Rest houses remains one of indifference, and seems to typify the attitude of the people to everything in general including their own personal and economic advancement.

LAW AND ORDER

7. A few minor complaints were brought to the patrol and these were settled amicably with the aid of the village officials and the village elders.

8. At Pinu village a number of people who had been instructed by previous patrols to renovate or rebuild their homes and had failed to do so were sent to Kairuku for prosecution.

9. In practically all the villages visited a number of the houses were in such a state of disrepair that they were only being held up by stays which if removed would have meant the complete and immediate collapse of the house concerned. Some of the houses would not have had a vertical post in them.

10. In general there appeared to be little strife in the area.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

11. Being the wet season it is to be expected that the roads are not in the best of condition and this was found to be so.

12. There had been some very heavy rain in the area in the two weeks prior to the patrol and the roads were a bit worse than they should have been for the time of year. In the Kanosia area the road from Rogers Airstrip to Aroana Plantation is largely covered with waist high Kunai Grass with only two wheel tracks visible. The surface appeared to be in reasonably good condition however. From Aroana Plantation to Kanosia boundary the road deteriorated and was muddy in most places to a depth of about 6 inches and where the wheels had been running ruts had formed and were being deepened by the rain as it ran down the ruts. Through the plantations the roads were in quite good shape as they are cobbled. The BAUBAUS crossing is at present being culverted and is about half way to completion. The road from the Baubaus to Boismenu Mission has been the subject of much previous correspondence and is still in the same condition, being unusable.

13. In the Aroa - Hisiu area the roads through the plantations are passable. The punt at the Agivairu crossing is at present out of commission due to the collapse of the wire rope which at present dragging some feet below the surface of the water. The river has been in flood and the water at the time of my crossing was well over the banks making the approach roads impassable for a couple of hundred yards. Apparently when the river flooded its banks it washed away one of the logs used to stress the cable and because of this flooding perhaps the only way to make sure that the cable remains taut in all conditions is to have the ends anchored in solid concrete blocks. The barge is at present anchored to the eastern bank.

14. From OBO Plantation-Oroi village the road is passable despite heavy rain. A couple of the smaller culverts have been washed away but could be replaced satisfactorily in a short time with the aid of a few fortyfour gallon drums. The Ala'Ala men were working on their section of the road, cleaning and repairing it.

15. From Oroi to OUCU Plantation the road is passable with the exception of one bad spot just before the plantation and one large culvert which has been washed away. From the plantation to KEABADA Village the surface was in good condition.

16. The worst spot on the road was in the section from Keabada to DELENA Village. Immediately after Keabada there is a stretch of swamp and at the time of the patrol it was approximately 8 inches of thick black mud.

17. A couple of weeks without rain and the road would be quite servicable.

VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

18. At the time of the patrol the Village Constables of Vanuamai, Tubu, Kaiu, Hisiu and Pimu were absent from their villages, the Hisiu Constable having been absent for some weeks.

19. The Village Constable of UKAUKANA approached the patrol with his resignation. He was instructed to remain in his position until the completion of the Tax and Census patrol to be conducted in April when something would be done about a replacement. None of the other men in the village seem to be eager to take on the office at present. The present officer however is unsatisfactory in that while he wishes to resign he is not paying attention to his duties and is not particularly co-operative.

20. With the exception of Pimu, Hisiu and Vanuamai the villages were clean and well kept. In Pimu and Vanuamai a number of the houses were in a state of disrepair. Hisiu was still in need of a good clean up, however it was noticed that some effort had been made to bury rubbish and clean the areas around the houses. This probably as a result of the recent Medical Patrol through the area.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH

21. A medical patrol visited the Nara and Cabadi Census Divisions in December, 1961. From the subsequent patrol report submitted by the E.M.A. conducting the patrol certain matters arose which are the subject of a Memorandum (49-3-4 of 5th February, 1962 - our 49-3-1) from the Acting District Officer, Tapini. All these matters were investigated by the patrol and where necessary, action was taken.

EDUCATION

22. With the establishment of an Administration school under a European teacher the interest in education at Hisiu has increased enormously. The people have been busy helping in the construction of extra class rooms and in general establishment of the school. Previously there have been spasms of interest shown by the people and it is hoped that this time it will be a continuing interest. In villages apart from Pinu and Hisiu and some of the villages near these two, interest in education is very slack, however with the recent return of Mr. McChesney-Clark, the representative of the London Missionary Society at Delena, the inland villages of Kaiu and Diunana together with Oroci will probably begin to show signs of industry again.

CONCLUSION

23. Although the patrol only paid hurried visits to the villages in the two Census Divisions and the visits were unannounced an idea was gained as to how the villages look and how the people live most of the year. Usually the villages are seen when the patrol is expected and this can give a false impression.

24. Once again thankful acknowledgement must be made of the help received from the plantations in the area, in the form of transport particularly, especially in view of the fact that the people are becoming more and more reluctant to carry.

David Read
(DAVID READ)

PROVISONAL PATROL OFFICER GR. 1



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Central Papua *Patrol Kanihan*
Report No. 7 of 1961-62

Patrol Conducted by D. Read Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Portion of Kuni Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil
1 Trainee Interpreter
Natives 1 R.P. & N.G.C. Constable

Duration—From 14/4/1962 to 19/4/1962

Number of Days Six

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 2.2.1962

Medical Not known
...../...../18.....

Map Reference Fourmil of Kule

Objects of Patrol To advise the Kuni People resettling at Bakoiudu in accordance with Patrol Instructions 10/4/62 and D.C.s Memo 1-312/387

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

13	Over 13	Females Birth
F	M	

67-1-41

9th July, 1962.

The District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.


PATROL REPORT NO. 7 - 1961/62 - KAIRUKU

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report
is acknowledged with thanks.

I believe that the people's real purpose in
re-establishing themselves is to improve communications.

I am unhappy about the people settling on BAKOI-
UDU land even though the owners are prepared to permit
them to work there at this stage.

Please let me have further information on
Raphael Aida.


(W.R. DISHON)
A/Director.



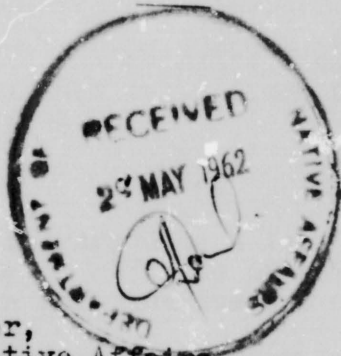
67. 1. 41.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

OJM:ma

In Reply
Please Quote

No. 67-3-4



District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

17th May, 1962.

The Director,
Dept. of Native Affairs,
K O N E D O B U .

PATROL KAIRUKU No. 7 of 1961-62.

1. The abovementioned report submitted by Mr. D. Read, Patrol Officer, is forwarded herewith. The Patrol was especially carried out to advise the Kuni people who are resettling in the BAKOI'UDU area that the Administration considers the land upon which they are resettling unsatisfactory for cash cropping and to advise them to cease developing this area pending survey of other areas by the Administration.

2. In conjunction with this report my memo 35-4-45 of 30/3/62 and 35-4-45 of 16/5/62 should be read.

3. Some comments follow:-

Roads and Bridges:.

4. I understand that over £50,000 has been allocated for the reconstruction of the AROPOKINA-IKEKE road and that the work is to be carried out by the Public Works Department. As far as I know no provision has been made to extend the road from IKEKE to BAKOI'UDU. I have requested the District Commissioner to clarify this matter.

Medical and Health:

5. Health services generally in the Kairuku Sub-District are inadequate and below normal rural Territory standards. Apart from the Chest Hospital at Kairuku, which is run by the Catholic Mission, the only other provision is the stationing of a European Medical Assistant at Bereina. Although a "bush" hospital is under construction there, as yet, it does not cater for patients. Mission stations throughout the Sub-District provide first aid but this is limited. The E.M.A. stationed at Bereina is nearing retirement and is in indifferent health consequently he is unable to patrol and his activities are confined to vehicular roads in the Mekeo area.

6. Apart from one quick visit through the Kuni Census division by Dr. Allen in January of this year there have been no medical patrols through this area for many years. I am currently making a written survey

Handwritten:
C. J. D. (S)

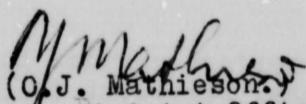
mission to the District Commissioner concerning health services generally, and insufficient P.H.D. staff in the West Central Division.

7. In the meantime I have drawn the attention of the Regional Medical Officer for the need for a patrol into this area.

General:

8. In regard to a loan for the purchase of a tractor please refer to my memo 25-3-12 of 30th March, 1962. This position has not altered.

9. The activities of Raphael AIDA will be further investigated and you will be advised accordingly.


(O.J. Mathieson.)
Acting District Officer.

c.c.

Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

File No. C/2-32

Sub-District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAIRUKU.

1st May, 1962

The Assistant District Officer,
Kairuku Sub-District,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 7 OF 1961-62

DIARY

Saturday 14th April Departed Kairuku Station at 0650 and arrived at Aropokina landing at 1010 after being stuck for an hour in the Ethel River. Departed Aropokina at 1020 in the mission truck and reached WANANO 1205. Left there at 1435 and arrived at KUBUNA rest house at 1550 Met Mr. B. Hannon, Public Works Survey, at Kubuna.
Slept Kubuna

Sunday 15th April Discussed land availability with IDOIDO villagers from 1015 to 1630
Slept Kubuna

Monday 16th April 0915 left Kubuna on foot for s MOKOMOKOABUABU arrived at 1205. Spent afternoon talking with the Kuni people resettling at BAKOI'UDU
Slept Mokokokoabuabu

Tuesday 17th April 08:00 continued discussion with the people, finished at 1450 and returned to Kubuna in mission jeep arrived at 1605
Slept Kubuna

Wednesday 18th April 0945 to DEBONINA arriving at 1110 then to DILAVA river and land opposite DAUNE took photos and returned to Kubuna rest house arriving at 1325. To UKUA Estate for radio and returned to rest house at 1500. Spent rest of afternoon talking with Idoido, EPA, and LAPEKA village officials.
Slept Kubuna

Thursday 19th April Departed Kubuna at 0830 by Ukua truck. Arrived Wanano at 0920 and departed at 0930 on foot for Aropokina. Reached landing at 1145 and launch left for Kairuku at 1235. Grounded at entrance to Ethel River for 2 hours and arrived at the station at 1820

END OF PATROL

INTRODUCTION

1. This was only a short patrol the main purpose of which was to advise the Kuni people settling at BAKOI'UDU that the land in the area was not considered to offer the best opportunities for large scale cash cropping and that more suitable land was being sought further down the Dilava River. The second part of the patrol was to investigate and see if alternative land was available.

2. The last patrol in the area was conducted by Mr. P.A.F. Seefeld, Patrol Officer gr. II, between 2.2.62 and 2.3.62 and was a tax/census and general administration patrol.

3. The results of the discussions arising from the patrol instructions are the subject of separate correspondence.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

4. The patrol was favourably received in the villages visited and no trouble was experienced in obtaining carriers when needed. Food appeared to be fairly plentiful in the villages around Kubuna and was becoming plentiful at Bakoi'udu where the re-settlement is taking place.

LAW AND ORDER

5. No complaints were brought forward. Probably because the people are all too busy planting their new gardens and building new abodes.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

6. The road from Aropokina has been the subject of much discussion over the last four years. There is at present a Public Works survey on the road, the third to survey the route, and perhaps something may eventuate from this visit. This road, from Aropokina to Ikeke hamlet, was gazetted as a Trunk road in Gazette No. 43 of 1956.

7. The road from Ikeke to Mokomokoabuabu is narrow and has only been recently formed. A jeep is the only vehicle which can use the road in its present form. To open the road to heavier traffic would necessitate a visit from a surveyor and the allocation of sufficient funds to see the job completed. If the area is to be opened it is essential that a tractor road, at least, is put in.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH

8. With the influx of population to Bakoi'udu the incidence of illness for the immediate area is increasing. At the moment the only medical aid available to the people is from the Catholic Mission and the stocks of bandages and medicine are nowhere near sufficient to meet the demand. The people at Bakoi'udu have brought materials for the construction of an Aid Post but require supervision in its construction.

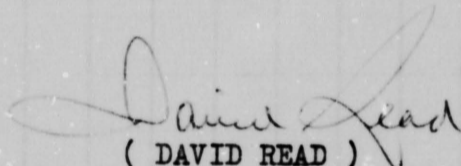
GENERAL

9. One question raised by the people was in regard to the possibility of a loan to purchase a tractor. It was explained to them that before such a move was made it was necessary for them to have some form of security, a system of roads, an established means of obtaining income at a rate sufficient to maintain and run the vehicle, access to markets and the knowledge to maintain any equipment purchased. At the moment they can guarantee none of the aforementioned and I feel that such a venture would, at the present, not be practicable. The people however seem to believe that the acquisition of a tractor and a trailer will immediately solve all their problems, make them rich overnight and then they can all retire. The pressure for a tractor seems to stem from Raphael Aida who, from what I could understand, is trying to start an unofficial council in the area with himself as the head. It was reported that he had collected some £900 to be used for the purchase of a tractor. The money being collected from the people at Bakoi'udu. I questioned them about this and none of them knew how much money had been collected apart from the fact that it was a lot. No receipts were issued to the donors.

10. Raphael Aida seems to have a lot of influence over the people, partly because of his education and partly because of his association with the Legislative Council. Possibly the people are under the impression that he is in a position to have legislation passed and would be in the best position to help them achieve their aims.

CONCLUSION

11. As the Kuni's are the most backward people in the Sub-District, with perhaps the least economic potential, to enable them to keep pace with the remainder of the Sub-District will require a great deal of work on their part. They have the wish to better their lot economically and educationally and with the necessary help from the Administration should put up a good showing.


(DAVID READ)
Patrol Officer

CORRESPONDENCE ASSOCIATED WITH THE REPORT

<u>File No.</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Addressee</u>
✓ 72-4-1	Kuni Resettlement	A.D.C. KAIRUKU
67-1-2	Camping Allowance	A.D.O. KAIRUKU



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of KAIRUKU - WEST CENTRAL Report No. KAIRUKU 8/61-62

Patrol Conducted by MR A.N. FLOWERS CADET PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled RORO CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NO

Natives 1 R P & NGC

Duration—From 9 / 4 / 1961 to 2 / 2 / 62

Number of Days 10 Actual

Did Medical Assistant Accompany NO

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

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

Map Reference

Objects of Patrol CENSUS AND ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION.

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.F. Trust Fund

3	Over 13		Females in Child Birth
F	M	F	

67-1-46

9th July, 1962.

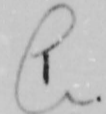
District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
PORT MORESBY.

PATROL REPORT NO. 8/61-62 - KAIHUKU.

Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report and covering comments is acknowledged with thanks. I feel it might be necessary to provide Mr. Flowers with detailed patrol instructions.

2. I feel that perhaps if Mr. Flowers spent a little more time with the people he might gain their confidence to such an extent that they would not rush to Port Moresby headquarters to seek settlement in disputes.

3. I feel that Mr. Flowers should be put to work in this area with necessary guidance to see what he can do to gain the people's confidence over an extended period.


(W.R. Dishon)
A/DIRECTOR



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67. 1-46

In Reply
Please Quote

OJM:ma

No. 67-3-4



District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

7th June, 1962.

The Director,
Dept. of Native Affairs,
K O N E D O B U .

PATROL KAIRUKU 8/61-62.

1. The abovementioned patrol report is forwarded herewith. The patrol was carried out for routine census purposes.

2. Mr. Flowers departed on leave prior to the A.D.O.'s return to Kairuku from Bereina. A perusal of the report failed to reveal any Census figures. A radio was sent to Mr. Flowers who claims that the census figures were submitted with the report. However, no trace of the Village Population Registers can be found and new summaries are being prepared from RORO tax registers. These figures will be submitted as soon as possible.

3. Some comments follow:-

Paragraph 2:

The people of MOU, RAFA and BIOTOU villages are renowned for their unco-operative attitudes. However the report when read as a whole reveals that the situation is normal.

Paragraph 3:

This refers mainly to land disputes. One party to a dispute journeys to Port Moresby and lays a claim for settlement with the Chief Native Lands Commissioner. The disputes, however, are referred back to A.D.O., Kairuku. I fail to see where anyone except the person laying the claim is inconvenienced.

Paragraph 9:

In view of the fact that this Census Division has been included in the recently gazetted Kairuku Native Local Government Council the collection of tax has been deferred pending the collection by the Council. A pre-election campaign will be conducted towards the end of this month.

4. All correspondence arising from the patrol has been handled at local level.

(Signature)
(G.J. Mathieson.)
District Officer.

c.c. Assistant District Officer, Kairuku.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply
Please Quote*

No. 67-2-32

ANFanf

Sub District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAIRUKU.

13th May 1962.

The Assistant District Officer,
West Central Division,
K A I R U K U

PATROL REPORT KAIRUKU 8/61-62 .. RORO CENSUS DIVISION

INTRODUCTION

1. As the Kairuku area has been under Administration control since the beginning of this century, basic social and environmental data has already been collected and collated for all Census Divisions - sufficient to say here that the patrol was successful in its aims.

DIARY

Monday 9th April 1962.

By station Land Rover to Tsiria village on Yule Island, where the census was revised and local matters discussed.

Slept Station.

Tuesday 10th.

Outboard canoe to Keabada village. Census and local matters.

Slept Station.

Wednesday 11th.

Outboard canoe to Delena village. Census and local matters. Actual position of L.M.S. Delena lease investigated.

Slept Station.

Thursday 12th.

Outboard canoe to Poukama village. Census and local matters.

Slept Station.

Friday 13th.

Outboard canoe via the Ethel River to Biotou. Census and local matters. Pig fence to be erected. Canoe to Nikura; census and local matters. Problems of water supply and theft from gardens by other villages discussed - see later.

Slept Station.

Saturday 14th

Gear packed at Yule Island.

Sunday 15th.

Observed Yule Island.

Monday 16th.

Patair Piaggio to Bereina. Census of Bereina village and local matters discussed. Night as guest of Mr I.D. Gibbons, P.O.I.C.

Slept Bereina.

Tuesday 17th.

0800, crossed St Joseph River at Oreke per canoe then walked over a partially flooded road to Babiko village. Census revised and local matters discussed. V.C. to accompany to Kairuku to discuss tractor loan.

Slept Babiko.

Wednesday 18th.

0815, per overgrown 'short cut' to Mou. Census and local matters. The usual talk on the proposed N.L.G.C. formation received with interest, several highly perceptive questions asked. (And aspersions cast).

Slept Mou.

Thursday 19th.

0745, walked for an hour to Rapa village. Census and local matters. Pig barricade to be erected and maintained. Outboard canoe to Yule Island.

Slept Station.

Friday 20th April to Tuesday 1st May

Easter break and discussions with H.Q. Konedobu.

Wednesday 2nd May.

Outboard canoe to Pinupaka. Census and local matters. Assault case to C.N.M. Kairuku. A perennial dispute over coconuts and the C.M. ground brought up again.

Slept Station.

END OF PATROL

NATIVE AFFAIRS

2. The most significant fact noted on this patrol regarding the affairs of the people was their uncooperative attitude towards the Administration, particularly on the mainland villages of MOU, RAPA, and BIOTOU.
3. The attitude was that of disrespect and possibly contempt of the Administration and all that it stood for, especially at local level, ie the Sub District Office on Yule Island. The services of that centre are used when convenient, but matters of urgency or importance are taken direct to Headquarters in Port Moresby, with subsequent confusion and embarrassment to all Administration personnell involved.
4. The people of MOU village treated the patrol with an open indifference which I admit I found a little hard to accept, but they were exceptional in that they took great interest in the talk I gave on the proposed N.L.G.C. formation in their area, and asked several intelligent and rather penetrating questions. The popular trend of thought here tended towards suspicion; the idea that actual local Government was to be given to them could not be accepted without an ulterior motive being sought out and amplified.
5. The concensus of opinion throughout the Census Division

was that they wished to wait for at least twelve months and observe the rise or fall of the recently formed Nakan Council before taking any steps towards Local Government in their area.

6. All villages showed an unexpected willingness to carry patrol gear. (six carriers were required on the mainland) Although uncooperative as mentioned, no real antagonism was shown - merely a passive, indifferent resistance, implying that for the moment at least they were content to live at their current standard and resented outside interference in their affairs.

LAW & ORDER.

7. Several minor altercations in mainland villages were settled amicably, and all cases worthy of C.N.M. were sent to Kairoku.

8. No serious breaches of the law were noted. No land disputes were brought to my attention.

TAXATION.

9. No tax was collected on this patrol according to the District Officers instructions.

GENEUS.

10. The people were noticeably slow in gathering for census revision, but no serious troubles were experienced. Attendance was average; I gained the impression that things went unusually smoothly for the Moro C.D. for the simple reason that nobody's pockets were being assaulted.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

11. On the whole, these were reasonable. Oreke - Babiko suffers from continuous flooding; considerable outlay in draining, building up etc would be necessary to prevent this. The Babiko Mou track was wide, well cleaned and a pleasure to walk along. Mou - Rapa : I took a path through the bush which, for every foot, was true native pad.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

12. In all the villages, the V.C. and Counsellors appeared to control the area as a body, the individual having little influence. All V.C.s were present, nearly all were neat and of good appearance, and no serious breaches of duty were noted.

13. Most of the villages were very clean, exceptions being Rapa, Biotou and Nikura. Suitable instructions were left regarding pig barriers, as in all cases these creatures were responsible. Several Keabada, Biotou and Babiko men were requested to see to the condition of their houses - see respective village books for names and particulars.

14. Rest Houses were in good condition where existent. All villages concerned were requested to construct toilets.

EDUCATION.

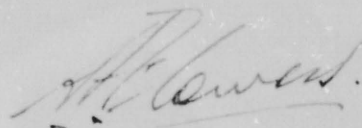
15. The people of this area have every opportunity to take their education to the highest levels and it is pleasing to see the majority taking advantage of this fact, at lower level anyway. All villages visited had schools staffed by trained Mission teachers where the children are prepared for De la Salle college

at Mainohana and Yule Island, and O.L.S.H. Colleges at Yule Island and Kubuna. Boys can also attend St Patrick's College on Yule. Approximately twelve Roro children are studying in Australia and several are in the Rabaul Seminary as trainee priests. The Administration runs a primary 'T' school and bases an Area Education Officer at Kairuku.

MISSIONS.

16. The R.C. Mission has the bulk of the population in its fold, the L.M.S. having influence in only a small part of the community. All churches are well attended.

17. This patrol was my first in the Kairuku Sub District, apart from two brief Trans Mekeo trips, and was extremely interesting in that it gave me an idea of the type of people living in this area; what may be expected from them, and what they expected from me.



A.N. Flowers
Cadet Patrol Officer

KAIRUKU PATROL No. 8/61-62 - ASSOCIATED CORRESPONDENCE.

28-14-1	Camping Allowance	14th May 62
76-2-1	Oreke Ferry	14th May 62
67-2-12	Patrol Report	13th May 1962
28-10-5	INOPERATIVE CSB A/Cs	14th May 62
91-1-2	Desertion - Pinupaka	14th May 62
37-4-1	Troubles - Nikura	14th May 62
92-3-1	Death of Counsellor Poukama	14th May 62



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of Central Papua Report No. 9/1961-62 Kairuku

Patrol Conducted by David Read : Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Portion of Gabadi Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans No

Natives 1 R.P. & N.G.C. Constable

Duration—From 8/5/1962 to 21/5/1962

Number of Days 14

Did Medical Assistant Accompany No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 26/2/1962

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

Map Reference Foumil Yule

Objects of Patrol Police investigation of disturbances and thefts on some of the plantations in the area and general duties, complaints at Hisiu village

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

Over 13		Females in Child Birth
M	F	

67-1-50

9th July, 1962.

The District Officer,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAPITI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 9-1961/62 - KAIRUKU


Receipt of the abovementioned Patrol Report
is acknowledged with thanks.

It is gratifying to note that the HISIU people
are taking an interest in improving their economic position.

I am pleased to note that you are taking up the
matter of By-laws for the administration of the HISIU Reserve
under subject heading.

What effect is the enthusiasm of the Kikori and
Karema people having on the attitude of the local people
towards them.

A well recorded account of the patrol by Mr Reid.

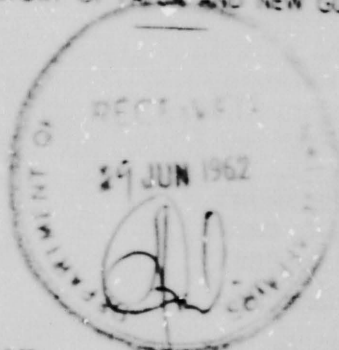

(W.R. DISHON)
A/Director.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67-1-50

OM:HA
In Reply
Please Quote
No. 67-3-4



District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
TAPINI.

25th June, 1962.

The Director,
Dept. of Native Affairs,
KOMODOBU.

PATROL KAIRUKU 9/6-62.

1. The abovementioned report submitted by Mr. D. Read, Patrol Officer, is forwarded herewith. The patrol was carried out to investigate various incidents in the Galley Search Area of the Kairuku Sub-District.

2. Some comments follow:-

Native Affairs: Para. 4.

The matter of by-laws for the administration of the HISIU Reserve is the subject of separate correspondence.

Law and Order: Para. 6.

I am seeking further information re the Kikori and Kerema people mentioned here.

Medical and Health: Para. 7.

This information is being brought to the attention of the Regional Medical Officer.

Conclusion:

Mr Read's recommendation in paragraph 14 is being taken up in separate correspondence.

(C.J. Mathieson.)
District Officer.

c.c. Assistant District Officer,
KAIRUKU.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply
Please Quote

File No. 67-2-32

Sub-District Office,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAIRUKU.

23 rd May, 1962

The Assistant District Officer,
Kairuku Sub-District,
West Central Division,
Central District,
KAIRUKU.

PATROL REPORT NO. 9/1961-62

DIARY

- Tuesday 8th May
Departed Kairuku station at 0650 for Delena village on the Barge. From there at 0810 by Landrover to AROA Estate arriving there at 1030. Then back to HISIU Village and on to OBU Estate at 1545
Slept Obu.
- Wednesday 9th May
To Hisiu village at 0810, returned to Obu at 1135. To AGEVAIRU crossing at 1320 then by truck to KANOSIA Estate arriving at 1610. Discussed attempted break into Estate Office, with Manager Mr. W. Cornish.
Slept Kanosia.
- Thursday 10th May
To LOLORUA Estate at 0740 then at 0915 to MARIBOI Estate arriving at 1105. Discussed Mariboi disturbances with the Manager Mr. R. Efford.
Slept Mariboi.
- Friday 11th May
To MALATE lease at 0805 Checked around lease and equipment and returned to RUBBERLANDS Estate. Spoke to Mr. W. Bradley Roads Overseer and also to Mr. P. Nielson Manager of Rubberlands then on to Mariboi at 1200. At 1420, 6 deserters arrived from Port Moresby under police escort. Examined their complaints.
Slept Mariboi.
- Saturday 12th May
0700 Commenced investigating charges laid by the 6 deserters continued until 1145. Couple of minor complaints ironed out - finished 1530
Slept Mariboi.
- Sunday 13th May
Investigated dersertion of 2 labourers Rest of day observed.
Slept Mariboi.

- Monday 14th May
0720 Checked information re. suicide of September, 1961 and investigated derseption of four more labourers. Continued with investigation of charges laid by the six deserters from Moresby. Finished at 1650. Mr. C. Cooper, Police Inspector from Moresby arrived on plantation to investigate recent thefts from the Estate.
Slept Mariboi.
- Tuesday 15th May
0730 Investigated a complaint laid against a labourer for theft. Dept. Mariboi at 0950 and returned to Agevairu crossing via Boismenu Mission Kanosia Estate, Aroana Estate, Matapaili and Keveona villages. Arrived Obu at 1315.
Slept Obu.
- Wednesday 16th May
0805 to Hisiu village and listened to complaints. Village and beach cleaned up by all the village people. Returned Obu at 1630
Slept Obu.
- Thursday 17th May
0730 to Hisiu village - more complaints. Returned Obu 1750
Slept Obu.
- Friday 18th May
0815 to Wireless at Hisiu Estate then to Hisiu village - complaints - to Aroa Estate to investigate reports of a human leg sighted in the Aroa River. Returned to the village and talks with village officials and the village people. Returned to Obu at 1740
Slept Obu
- Saturday 19th May
0730 to Agevairu crossing and then to Keveona village by push bike to investigate further of a body seen in the Aroa River. Then by bike to Pimu village and back through Keveona to Agevairu crossing and on the Aroa Estate at 1235. At 1400 to Aroa Estuary and to TOUTOU Plantation re. above reports and at 1510 up the Aroa river to where 4 Dutch New Guinea natives are living. Returned to Obu at 1805.
Slept Obu.
- Sunday 20th May
1450 to Hisiu village to investigate further reports about the body - had final talks with the village officials and returned to Obu at 1720.
- Monday 21st May
Dept. Obu at 0930 by Landrover for Delena, then by canoe to the Station arriving at 1200.

END OF DIARY

INTRODUCTION

1. The object of the patrol was to investigate recent disturbances at Mariboi and Kanosia Rubber Estates ; to investigate reports of a body seen in the Arca River and to deal with any complaints at Hisiu and surrounding villages. The patrol was not a routine administration patrol and only cursory attention was given to the normal features.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

2. The native peoples in the area appear to be just as lethargic as ever with the exception of the Hisiu people who were taking an interest in their economic position and trying to advance it. The Hisiu people are not true Gabadi but are expatriate Waima and show a greater appreciation of the importance of education and economic development than the other Gabdi people.

3. The whereabouts of some Dutch New Guinea natives reported to be in the area was investigated and is the subject of separate memorandum.

4. Hisiu village is a rapidly expanding community and as the village land is confined to the bounds of the reserve, the land position is steadily becoming more and more acute. The Reserve is of approximately 1436 acres of which a considerable portion is nearly non-fertile, as the village population is in excess of 600 the proportion of land per person is not large and as the population increases the proportion will naturally decrease. The Hisiu people are the descendants of 21 Waima people who were driven from their true homes well before the turn of the century and the land they settled on originally belonged to the Nara people. Because of the cramped conditions disputes as to which land belongs to who and who may use it are becoming more common, as far as can be ascertained a trustee has not been appointed for the reserve and also no provision made for the forming of By-laws for the necessary administration of the Reserve.

LAW AND ORDER

5. The system of courts held every three months at Hisiu is working satisfactorily both from an Administration and a native point of view. The majority of complaints and disputes brought to the patrol were of a domestic nature and of a civil nature.

6. The increase of Kikwri and Kerema natives into the area probably has a great deal to do with the increase of thefts from plantations and villages as these people have no land in the vicinity and have to rely on other sources to obtain food and money.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH

7. Reports were received from various sources that the Aid Post Orderly at Hisiu was not fulfilling his duties as well as he might. It is alleged that he works an 3 a.m. to 4 p.m. day and will not treat anyone outside those hours, telling them instead to visit the plantation for treatment. Other complaints were that he was very often not available at the Aid Post. The Orderly states that he is unable to be at Hisiu all the time as he has a fairly extensive area to cover. This is an understandable argument however it seems that the majority of his absences from Hisiu are occasioned more by the need for social intercourse than by the need to give medical attention.

8. The existing medical store at the Aid Post is rather unsatisfactory in that it cannot be locked and that it offers no room for the dispensing of treatment which is being done, at the moment from the Orderly's front steps.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

8. Much has already been said in previous report on this particular topic.

MISSIONS

9. The London Missionary Society is again active after the return of the Rev. McChesney Clark from leave.

10. A report was investigated that two Jehova's Witness followers paid a visit to the villages however they did not visit any of the Gabadi villages and it is thought that they may have gone to MANU MANU village in the Port Moresby Sub-District. NAIME MAIRI mentioned in previous reports as a Witness has now left Keveona village and gone to Port Moresby to live with relatives.

11. Hisiu village is divided between L.M.S. and the Catholic Mission and friction between the two factions is still evident. This is probably behind many of the disputes and complaints that arise in the village.

VILLAGES AND VILLAGE OFFICIALS

12. The only villages stayed at for any length of time were Keveona and Hisiu. Keveona as usual was clean and tidy and had built a new rest house which was good to see especially after the number of times they and the villages of Ukaukana and Kopuana have been asked to do so. The rest house serves the three villages as they are all close.

13. Hisiu was, as usual, not very clean, however while the patrol was at the village the people had a large clean up and all rubbish was either buried or burnt, leaving the village the cleanest I have ever seen it.

CONCLUSION

14. I have now been through the Gabadi some half a dozen times and I feel that at last I am starting to get to know some of them. With the plantations in the area and the number of labourers employed on them there is always a certain amount of trouble arising, necessitating the visit from an Administration officer. The communication links between the station and the plantations are not very efficient and result in a delay in an officer arriving on the spot. This would be alleviated by the presence of an officer permanently established in the Kanosia area with necessary labour qualifications and powers.

David Read
(DAVID READ)
Patrol Officer

PAGE FIVE

LIST OF ASSOCIATED MEMORANDA

<u>FILE.</u>	<u>SUBJECT.</u>	<u>ADDRESSEE.</u>
34-2-2 ✓	HISBU RESERVE	A.D.O. KAIRUKU
34-2-2 ✓	L.M.S. LAND DISPUTE	" "
37-4-1	DROWNING - AROA RIVER	" "
37-4-1	ALLEGED ASSAULTS - MARIBOI	" "
37-4-1	ALLEGED THEFT - MARIBOI	" "
34-4-6	LAND DISPUTE - IDUA	" "
54-2-1	SUICIDE - MARIBOI	" "
56-1-1	DESERTION - MARIBOI	" "
51-2-1 ✓	NETHERLANDS NEWGUINEA NATIVES	" "
35-1-1 ✓	NEW LAND - AROA ESTUARY	" "