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# PATROL REPORT

Station: AMARAE Population: 1529  
Subdistrict: AMARAE Council Area: AMARAE  
District: WEST SERIK House of Assembly Electorate: BEWANI OPEN  
Report No: 1 of 75/75 Map Reference: BORDER SPECIAL SHEET 1:100,000  
Conducted by: C.P. ARGENTI Last Patrol: APRIL 1975  
Designation: LOCAL GOV'T. OFFICER Objects of Patrol: COLLECT COUNCIL TAX  
Duration: 24/1/75 TO 31/1/75  
No. of Days: 8 DAYS  
Census Division: NAI/PARINGI

The District Commissioner,  
District,

VANIKO

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To <u>17</u>	(✓)
Patrol Instructions,	(-)
The Report and my comments,	(✓)
Area study,	(-)
Updating of area study,	(-)
Situation Reports Nos 1- ,	(-)
Patrol map,	(-)

DATE: / 19

*[Signature]*  
Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1- ,	( )
.....	( )
.....	( )
District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average ✓
	Below average

Date: 11/9/1975

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner

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

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20th September, 1973.  
67-16-1  
B. J. Maume  
District Officer  
(Projects)  
67-3-3  
11th September, 1973.

AMANAB PATROL NO. 1 OF 1973/74

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket arising  
out of the above patrol of MAI PARINHOI Commas Division, as submitted  
by Mr. C.F. AMGAPL.

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

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West Sepik District,  
VARINGO.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
KONEDOB. S.S.D.

11th September, 1973  
67-5-3  
P.S. Gull  
D.S.C.

67-1-2  
6/8/73

ARENAS PATROL REPORT NO. 1 - 1973/74  
NAL/TARINGI CENSUS DIVISION

Thank you for your memorandum 67-1-2 dated 6th August, 1973 with attachments on which I make the following comments.

1. A patrolling Field Officer should visit the village community, not expect the village people to come to him (paragraph 138 of the Field Officer's Journal, Konasobi tax collection).
2. Judging from the report and the Field Officer's Journal there appears not to have been any discussions concerning local government or political education. As the Council Finance Committee also accompanied the patrol this would have been an excellent opportunity for the Committee to ascertain problems of, and attitudes towards the Council. Likewise Local Government Officer Amgepi should have had a field day discussing local government in particular, political education in general, and assessing the dialogue gap between Councillors and their respective constituents.
3. I should also be interested to know in future patrol reports how many exemptions were issued (contra the previous financial year's collection), how much tax was collected (contra the previous financial year, contra the estimates), the number of taxpayers and eligible taxpayers. The Council and this office should after all maintain an analysis of this aspect of a Council's finances.

The report is brief but I assume the objective of the patrol was achieved in the capable manner I expect from Mr. Amgepi.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING / 224  
District Commissioner.

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

→  
... Forwarded in one patrol jacket for your records.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING / 225  
District Commissioner.

c.c. District Local Government Officer, VARINGO.  
c.c. Mr. C. Amgepi, Local Government Officer, VARINGO.

# PATROL REPORT

CHDA 70

Station: <b>AMANAB</b>	Population:
Subdistrict: <b>AMANAB</b>	Council Area:
District: <b>WEST SEPIK</b>	House of Assembly Electorate: <b>AMANAB</b>
Report No: <b>2-73-74</b>	Map Reference: <b>SEWANI</b>
Conducted by: <b>G.F. PAYNE</b>	<b>BORDER SHEET</b>
Designation: <b>A.D.O.</b>	Last Patrol: <b>July, 1973</b>
Duration: <b>1-8 to 17-8-73 (broken)</b>	Objects of Patrol: <b>Road construction supervision, investigate</b>
No. of Days: <b>11</b>	<b>Diaka water supply, P.E.</b>
Census Division: <b>MAIAPARINGI</b>	

The District Commissioner,  
**West Sepik** District,

~~MAIAP~~

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Field Officers Journal Folios <b>7</b> <b>Top 10</b>	( ✓ )
Patrol Instructions,	( ✓ )
The Report and my comments,	( ✓ )
Area study,	( - )
Updating of area study,	( - )
Situation Reports Nos 1- ,	( - )
Patrol map,	( - )

DATE: **20/9 1973.**

*Ch. J. Wilson*  
Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1- ,	( )
.....	( )
.....	( )

District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Below average

Date: **29/10 1973.**

*B. Brinkley*  
District Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

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P.O. Box 2396

XONEDOBU

Ref.: 67-16-3

Date: 21/11/73

The District Commissioner

West Sepik District

P.O. Box 42

VALEMO

RE:.....AMANAB.....PATROL NO. 2.....OF.....1973/74  
CONDUCTED BY MR.....G.F. PAYNE  
TO.....NAI-PARINGI.....CENSUS DIVISION.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket.

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



DDA 67. 16. 3.

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West Sepik District,  
VARINGI.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
AMANAB. W.S.D.

29th October, 1973  
67-5-3  
F.S. Gall  
D.D.C.

67-1-1  
20/9/73

AMANAB PATROL REPORT NO. 2 of 1973/74  
NAI/VARINGI CENSUS DIVISION

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

- ...
1. Copy only of the Field Officer's Journal should have been submitted. Original returned herewith.
  2. I am pleased to note that whilst road work was in progress Mr. Payne discussed the road, and its benefits for the people, with villagers and workers. Of course this has to be followed up and the rationale of a width sufficient for tractor/trailer should be followed. As the road progresses, so every opportunity should be taken to use it to the villagers' advantage, and this should be seen to be so, and publicised accordingly. Sick people to hospital, school children food each week Village to Amanab, carrying patrol equipment, carrying supplies to Aid Posts and village stores, moving produce to Amanab market, moving film unit to villages - are some of the ways in which the road will help the people, in the first instance using the Government tractor/trailer. Psychological advantages and more interested and increased physical application to road work might then follow from 'have not' villages. But let them see, not only hear about, these advantages, first.
  3. From the report comments under 'Political Education' there will be continual need to stress to workers the advantages of the road, the self help principle in the rural improvement programme, that we are stuck with this system and that the work commitment will not abate in the foreseeable future, and that any post independent desertion or isolation of these areas will to a large degree depend upon their contact with and accessibility to the outside world via this road, and that this, to a large degree, will depend upon their efforts, and particularly that of their Sub-District Councillors who in other correspondence, if I remember correctly, raised concern at possible isolation post independence.

An adequate report covering pleasing achievements.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING  
District Commissioner.

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

... A copy of the patrol jacket is forwarded for your records.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING, D.C. *22/10*

# PATROL REPORT

Station: AMAMAB Population: 1002  
 Subdistrict: Amambak Council Area: Amambak  
 District: West Sepik House of Assembly Electorate: Sevent  
 Report No: 23 1973/74 Map Reference: Border Special  
 Conducted by: Peter H. Andrews. Last Patrol: September, 1972  
 Designation: ABC Objects of Patrol: Assist Council Tax Collection  
 Duration: 14/8/73 to 21/8/73  
 No. of Days: 8  
 Census Division: Dora

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VAUTRO

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Field Officers Journal Folios To            ( - )
  - Patrol Instructions,            ( - )
  - The Report and my comments,            ( ✓ )
  - Area study,            ( - )
  - Updating of area study,            ( - )
  - Situation Reports Nos 1-            ( - )
  - Patrol map,            ( - )



DATE: 9 / 10 19 73.

Peter H. Andrews  
 Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
 KONEDOBUBU, Papua New Guinea.

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Area study,            ( )
  - Updating of area study,            ( )
  - Situation Reports Nos 1-            ( )
  - Patrol Report            ( ✓ )
  - District Headquarters assessment of            Above average
  - Patrol & Report            Average ✓
  - Below average



Date: 27/11/1973

Peter H. Andrews  
 District Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

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P.O. Box 2396  
KONEDOBU

Ref.: 67-16-10  
Date: 6th December, 1973

The District Commissioner

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RE:.....PATROL NO....3.....OF..1973/74..  
CONDUCTED BY MR.....  
TO.....CENSUS DIVISION.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket and  
your assessment.

*W. R. Ryan*  
Secretary

DDA 167 16.10

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West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
ANANAB. W.S.D.

27th November, 1973  
67-3-3  
J.G. O'Brien  
D.L.S.O.

67-1-1  
9/10/73

ANANAB PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1973/74  
DERA CENSUS DIVISION

This Patrol Report has been forwarded as Patrol Report No. 2. Mr. G.F. Payne's report forwarded by you under cover of your 67-1-1 of 20th September, 1973, was Patrol Report No. 2 therefore the covers of Mr. P. Andres's Report have been renumbered to Patrol Report No. 3 of 1973/74.

The ready payment of Council Tax is pleasing.

The LABORATORO/ANANAB access track referred to in the report is being funded under the Rural Improvement Programme for the second year (Project 10-9 of 1970/71 - 25,000, and Project 10-26 of 1973/74 24,800). No request has been received to date to have the road listed on the West Sepik Road Inventory for maintenance funding consideration by the District Roads Board. The Ananab Local Government Council should be referred to the Regional Works Engineer's letter of 12.11.73 addressed to the Council. The letter solicits agreement of the Council to classification of roads in the Ananab area.

The report is informative and covers the current situation in the DERA Census Division.

Camping Allowance voucher has been funded for payment.

S. BUNTING  
District Commissioner.

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

Two copies of the report were received at this office, therefore one copy is forwarded for your records, if required.

*S. Bunting*  
S. BUNTING  
District Commissioner.

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AMANAB  
West Sepik District

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMC

9th October, 1973  
67-1-1

Peter H. Andrews.  
ADC

AMANAB PATROL REPORT No 2 - 4973/74.

Enclosed please find report on the above patrol to the Dera Census Division by the undersigned. The patrol was of a routine nature and appropriate information is contained in the report. No situation Reports are compiled for this patrol.

Attached also please find claim for camping allowance and Field officers Journal covering the period in question.

For your information please.



Peter H. Andrews.  
Assistant District Commissioner

## PATROL REPORT No. 23 1973/74

Station.....AMANAB..... Officer Compiling.....Peter T. Andrews.  
 District.....West Sepik..... Subdistrict.....Amanab  
 Census Division.....Dera..... L.G. Council.....Amanab

(For recording of routine information not of a situation report nature, actionable at Subdistrict or District level, and of value to succeeding officers. No copy is required at Headquarters.)

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This patrol covers the period 14/2/73 to 21/2/73 being a routine administration patrol to the Dera Census Division for the purpose of familiarisation of the area and to assist the Amanab Council in its tax collection.

The Amanab Council does not possess a Council Clerk and accordingly, tax collection is carried out by Field Staff of the Department. All tax for the Council has now been collected enabling it to commence its works programme.

Set out below is a summary of Council Tax collected in the Dera census division with other relevant information:-

Ward	Population	No Adult Males	No Taxed	Current Tax Collected	Back tax Collected	Exemptions
Akimari	52	24	22	\$44		2
Bambel	73	23	14	\$28		3
Kamberatare	291	62	53	\$106		10
Lihen	49	18	15	\$30		2
Namabra	142	45	26	\$52		4
Nengrau	189	76	27	\$114		11
Nengraed	46	19	11	\$22	\$1.50	3
Hindebei	72	25	22	\$44	\$2.00	2
Cerkwanda	63	23	19	\$38	\$1.50	2
Yanmainda	115	27	25	\$50	\$1.50	2
Total	1092	351	269	\$530	\$6.50	41

Unfortunately, a comparison with the previous year is not possible as the previous Local Government Assistant did not record appropriate entries on the register and in some instances local people who had paid were not issued with receipts.

The above figures reveal that a fair percentage of eligible taxpayers made the payment with exemptions being confined mainly to aged and infirm people. Although a fair percentage of younger men are absent from the area tax was paid by relatives in most instances for them.

The current tax rate of \$1.00 appears low and people could possibly afford up to \$4.00 with little effort. There was no resistance to tax payments which suggests that the current rate is not a burden. Despite this, the majority of people do not want the tax rate increased, however Councilors will be

made to realize that increases will have to be made if the Council is to make any significant contribution to the development of the area.

#### Roads

The Imaberata/Annah access track at this stage of this patrol's visit was in a bad state of repair and difficult for even motorbikes to negotiate in safety, however since this visit, normal maintenance has recommenced and access has improved.

This particular road is to be upgraded this financial year and work is already well advanced on widening sections close to Imaberata. The Catholic Mission at Imaberata is providing a tractor/grader unit to assist the work and it is expected that the road will be able to take a tractor trailer the entire length by January use being confined to dry periods only. Bridges at present are being upgraded but more substantial structures are required if the road is to be used constantly. With an allocation of \$4000 this financial year under the Rural Improvement Programme there should be no difficulty in constructing the road to a good standard. A submission will be made to Public Works for a maintenance contract as soon as possible to ensure that deterioration is contained from the outset.

#### Health

The majority of people in the Dera Census Division appear in reasonably good health and this can be attributed mainly to the efforts of the Catholic Mission staff who cover the area well. Mission services also cover maternal and child welfare under the supervision of an expatriate female nurse.

#### Imaberata Airfield

This airfield is located approximately four miles from the Papua New Guinea West Irian Border and is maintained by the Catholic Mission. It is suitable for use by Cessna 206 but must be considered a marginal airfield as it is quickly affected by even light rainfall. The importance of this airstrip to the border will probably diminish when effective road access to Annah is achieved.

#### Mission Personnel

At present the expatriate mission staff at Imaberata consist of Brother Jerome Dunn, nurse Patricia Mannis and teacher Marilyn Jenkins. The usual priest in charge, Father John Etheridge has left the area and a replacement is due in the near future. The Mission has a strong influence in the area and is contributing to development of the Annah road.

#### Helicopter Pods

There are located at Annah, Tahai and Babel and are being maintained satisfactorily. Checks are made by patrol staff approximately every two months.

#### Border Activity

No border activity was disclosed during this patrol but appropriate comments are contained in Field Reports forwarded to date.



Peter H. Andrews.  
Assistant District Commissioner

## PATROL REPORT

Station: **AMANAB** Population: **approx 800** (whole div. not patrolled)  
 Subdistrict: **AMANAB** Council Area: **AMANAB**  
 District: **WEST SEPIK** House of Assembly Electorate: **BEWANI OPEN**  
 Report No: **3/1973-4** Map Reference: **Border serial sheet 2**  
 Conducted by: **M. PRESS** Last Patrol: **August 1973**  
 Designation: **Assistant District Officer** Subjects of Patrol: **Border surveillance**  
 Duration: **9/10/73 to 11/9/73**  
 No. of Days: **3** SECRET  
 Census Division: **Dera Border**

The District Commissioner,  
**West Sepik** District,  
**VANIMO**

In respect of this patrol, I attach **nil**

Field Officers Journal Folios To	( )
Patrol Instructions,	( )
The Report and my comments	( )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1—	( )
Patrol map,	( )



*M. Press*  
**M. PRESS**

DATE: **11 / 10 / 73**

Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
 KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach **nil.**

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1—	( )
.....	( )
.....	( )
District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average
	Below average



*S. Bunting*  
**S. BUNTING**  
 District Commissioner

Date: **27 / 10 / 1973**



DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

P.O. Box 2396

XONEDOBU

3  
of

Ref.: 67-16-3

Date: 6th December, 1973

The District Commissioner

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RE:.....PATROL NO.....OF.....  
CONDUCTED BY MR.....  
TO.....CENSUS DIVISION.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket.

W.P. Ryan  
Secretary

DDA 67.16-8

(2)

West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
AMNAB. S.S.D.

27th November, 1973  
67-3-3  
J.G. O'Brien  
D.L.G.O.



AMNAB PATROL : R.H. PRESS - 9th to 11th October, 1973  
DERA BURDER

Please number this Patrol Report as No. 4 of 1973/74. A correction on the dates given as duration has also been made.

Please ensure that the renumbering of Amnab Patrol Reports is resolved without delay. The original error occurred with two reports being numbered No. 2.

Camping Allowance claims for Messrs Press and Welsh have been funded for payment.

B. BUNTING  
District Commissioner.

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

... Two copies of the patrol jacket are forwarded for your records.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING  
District Commissioner.

POPULATION

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Date of  
1973

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THIS PATROL REPORT IS CONFIDENTIAL/SECRET AND IS  
FILED AS FIELD REPORT NO.5 of 1973/4: AMANAB.

1402.

### PATROL REPORT

Station: **AMNAB** Population: **1,424**  
 Subdistrict: **AMNAB** Council Area: **NON COUNCIL AREA**  
 District: **WEST SEPIK** House of Assembly Electorate: **BERANI OPEN**  
 Report No: **5 of 73/74** Map Reference: **Fourmil Aitape.**  
 Conducted by: **G.F. Payne** Last Patrol: **June, 1970.**  
 Designation: **A.D.C.** Objects of Patrol: **Census Revision, Council study, survey establishment of school.**  
 Duration: **4.12.73 to 21.12.73**  
 No. of Days: **18**  
 Census Division: **KIOMTARI**

The District Commissioner,

**WEST SEPIK** District,

~~VARING.~~

In respect of this patrol, I attach

- Field Officers Journal Folios **30 To 35** ( / )
- Patrol Instructions, ( )
- The Report and my comments, ( / )
- Area study, ( / )
- Updating of area study, ( / )
- Situation Reports Nos 1- **3** ( / )
- Patrol map, ( )

Assistant District Commissioner

DATE: / **1** / 1974 .

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

- Area study, ( )
- Updating of area study, ( )
- Situation Reports Nos 1- , ( )
- ( )
- ( )

District Headquarters assessment of Above average

Patrol & Report Average

Below average

Date: / / 19

District Commissioner

POPULATION

Date of Census	Village	TOTALS (Excluding Absentees)				ABSENTIES (Resident outside Electorate)				Grand Total
		Under 18 years		18 years and over		Under 18 years		18 years and over		
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
11.12.73	ALAMINA									
11.12.73	ALAMINA	14	5	24	18	-	-	2	-	63
6.12.73	BAIDAI	29	15	19	18	-	-	2	-	83
18.12.73	BAIBERI	23	14	24	24	-	-	14	-	99
10.12.73	ERAS	10	10	11	10	-	-	1	-	42
12.12.73	FAS 3	20	17	37	18	-	-	3	-	95
9.12.73	FINANGI	8	7	14	9	-	-	2	-	40
14.12.73	GRIASO	39	31	31	27	-	-	2	-	130
7.12.73	ITOMI	21	10	21	18	-	-	2	-	72
19.12.73	KHONTARI	29	15	21	23	-	-	4	-	94
19.12.73	MANGO	12	14	17	18	-	-	3	-	65
15.12.73	MARAGIN	18	16	26	25	-	-	3	-	88
14.12.73	MUFUARA	16	9	21	20	-	-	6	-	72
7.12.73	PIEHI	15	13	16	13	-	-	3	-	62
10.12.73	UTAI	18	20	29	23	-	-	3	-	95
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17.12.73	YAU'URI	24	18	28	27	-	-	5	-	102
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P.O. Box 2396  
KONEDOBU  
Papua New Guinea

Ref.: 67-16-41  
Date: 20th February 1974

The District Commissioner  
West Sepik District.....  
Vanimo.....  
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RE: ANANAS.....PATROL NO. 5.....OF 1973/74.  
CONDUCTED BY MR. G.F. PAYNE.....  
TO: ISOMTASI.....CENSUS DIVISION.

... I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

- . Situation Report Nos. 1-5.....  
together with assessments. These have been distributed  
to appropriate Headquarters' Branches for information  
and any action required.
- . Area Study ~~amendments~~/recompilation.

Mr. Payne has done a thorough job on this patrol. I note that  
you have not given a grading to the report, but I would rec-  
ommend "above average".

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



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## DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

TELEGRAMS:  
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P.O. Box 42,  
VANIMO.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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

Date: 25th February, 1974

Our Reference: 67-3-3

Action Officer: P.J. WALSHE

Designation: P/D.O.

Your Reference:

Date:

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - AMANAB PATROL NO. 5 - 73/74.

My 67-3-3 of the 4th inst refers.

... Attached please find patrol instructions for inclusion with the report for the abovementioned patrol.

J. Apini,  
s/District Commissioner.cc The Assistant District Commissioner,  
AMANAB.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

Sub-district Office,  
AMANAB,  
West Sepik District.

TELEGRAMS:  
TELEPHONE:

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Mr. G. F. Payne, Assistant District Officer, Sub-district Office, <u>AMANAB</u>	Date: 30th November, 1973 Our Reference: 67 - 2 - 5 Action Officer: R. M. Press Designation: A.D.C.  Your Reference: Date:
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AMANAB PATROL No. 5 of 1973/74 - KWOMTARI CENSUS DIVISION

As discussed please be prepared to depart on patrol to the above census division as soon as possible.

The objects of your patrol are:-

1. Census Revision
2. Compile area study
3. Obtain the popular opinion of the people concerning the proposed amalgamation with the Amanab Local Government Council.
4. Political Education - all aspects. Take with you the portable projector and film strips.
5. Conduct a survey into the proposed establishment of a school in the Guriaso area.
6. Routine Administration.

Trainee Patrol Officer, Anton Salawani will accompany you. You are to instruct, advise and train him in all aspects of general field work and patrolling generally. At the completion of the patrol I will require a separate report (Numbered 5(a)) from Mr. Salawani. This is intended solely as a training exercise.

I expect your patrol will take up to three weeks, however you are free to stay longer should you feel this is necessary.

Officers from the Department of Public Health and R.P.N.G.C. have been detailed to accompany you.

  
R. M. Press  
Assistant District Commissioner



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District Office,  
P.O. Box 42,  
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The Assistant District Commissioner,  
AMANAB.

4th February, 1974.  
67-3-3  
P.O. WALDRE  
A.D.C.

67-2-5  
16th January, 1973.

AMANAB PATROL NO. 5 - 73/74.

1. Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the report for the above mentioned patrol.
- ... 2. Attached please find assessments for situation Reports 1-4.
3. As stated by yourself, Mr. Payne has submitted a comprehensive, well compiled area study.
4. No patrol instructions were received with the reports, Please forward A.S.A.F.
5. Please advise if Mr. SALAWANI is to submit a report.
6. Mr. Payne's claim for Camping Allowance has been funded.

*P.J.K. Broadhurst*

P.J.K. BROADHURST  
a/District Commissioner.

cc Mr. Payne,  
Assistant District Officer,  
AMANAB.

*Reference Para 4 & 5.  
These will be forwarded when  
received at this office.*



cc The Secretary,  
Chief Minister & Development Administration,  
KORRODUM.

*P.J.K. Broadhurst  
a/d.c.*

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Sub-District Office  
APNAB.  
West Sepik District.

18th January, 1974  
67 - 2 - 5  
R.N. Press  
A.D.C.

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

APNAB PATROL NO 5 DF 1973/74 - KUONTARI CENSUS DIVISION - G.F. PAYNE (A.D.C.)

Forwarded herewith the abovenumbered patrol report, submitted by G.F. Payne.  
Assistant District Officer.

My comments are :-

SITUATION REPORTS

Mr Payne has adequately covered the main aspects of the patrol in the four  
Situation Reports. My assessments are attached herewith.

POLITICAL AWARENESS

A concerted effort will have to be made to improve the Kuontari people's  
political knowledge. The main problem here is the usual shortage of qualified  
staff and the remoteness of the area. The situation should improve considerably  
when the area comes under Local Government Council, with more regular contact  
with the Administration through the local government council.

HEALTH

An aid post orderly is currently is doing training at Lumi and will be posted  
to Guriaso upon his graduation. It is hoped council medical aides, (trained at  
Vanimo) can be made available to serve the more remote areas such as Bai bai.

LAW AND ORDER

It is pleasing to note the satisfactory Law and Order situation.

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STAFF TRAINING

Mr Anton Salawani Trainee Patrol Officer accompanied Mr Payne for the duration of this patrol, his first patrol since joining the department. Under Mr Payne's instruction and supervision he took an active part in the execution of the patrol's duties and received valuable experience. As a training exercise Mr Salawani has submitted a separate patrol report (NO 5 a). I have commented separately on his report.

AREA STUDY

Mr Payne has compiled a comprehensive, informative area study.

GENERAL

Mr Payne conducted an excellent, it over due patrol. All objects were satisfactory achieved.

Camping allowance claims for both officers are appended for your signature and onforwarding to Treasury for early payments please.

R.M. Press  
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. G.F. PAYNE  
A .D.O.,  
APAHAB.

ARABAB PATROL No. 5 of 1973/74.  
KUONTARI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

Area Study amendments to original Area Study of Patrol Report No. 7, of 1969/70 and following amendments by Patrol No. 11, of 1970/71. Area Study has been restructured and reorganised to follow required layout for regular updating.

A. INTRODUCTION.

a. The area consists of about 515 sq. miles (120,408 hectares) of country, mainly flat, low lying and therefore frequently poorly drained. This area lies south of the Besubi Mountains, S.W. of the Torocili Mountains, East of the Amanab hills and is a northerly extension of the Sepik Plains to the south.

The rainfall averages between 90 to 120 inches per annum. The vegetation is typical lowland tropical type rainforest broken by a few small infrequent kumal grassland patches.

The area is drained by river patterns flowing South from N.E. to S.W. These rivers carry large volumes of water and become a barrier to cross in times of flood.

b. There are mission airstrips at Utai, regularly serviced and maintained by the Catholic Mission, and the C.M.F.I. operates aircraft into strips at Kuriso and Kuontari villages. These two strips are infrequently used and are maintained by village labour who are encouraged in their efforts by low level passes by aircraft when the strip becomes unserviceable, because of overgrowth.

The only other access is by soleking tracks. These may negotiate very wet areas which slow down travel considerably. In times of prolonged dry spells the tracks can be generally pleasing to travel over if maintained.

c. The census division has been under regular administration influence from between 1956 and 1959 when the initial census was achieved. They have had regular patrols since, averaging one per year, and sometimes more frequent medical patrols.

The nearest resemblance of any cargo cult activity in the area is the people's belief that their anticipated incorporation within the Amanab Local Government Council will naturally attract and mysteriously create businesses within the area.

G.F. Payne (A.O.U.)

AREA STUDY.

B. POPULATION DISTRIBUTION TRENDS.

(a) Village population figures are affixed to the patrol jacket. The total population now stands at 1,424. This shows a natural increase of 5.2% since the last census revision, or 2.1% per annum. The natural increase is low due in the main to a poor diet and lack of appreciation to seeking medical attention. Those areas regularly visited by infant welfare sisters do not as yet show any appreciative improvement in natural population increase over those areas not visited.

(b) Administration patrols follow set patrol routes and encourage tracks connecting these villages to be maintained and up graded. The tracks vary in condition, from poor, wet and swampy to good firm and dry. Travelling times also vary according to the weather. Villagers are now enthusiastic about the possibilities of connecting the C/D to Amanab by road. They stated they will commence a preliminary survey of a road route from Utai via Rufuar, Venabi, Gubai to connect to the Amanab - Akraning road proposed to commence construction in 1974/75.

It is also noteworthy that there are now four villages based around the Catholic Mission at Utai. These being Aisini, Utai, Kua, and Kurubi. Finsol and two 3 villages have established workers camps in the near vicinity of Utai.

At the time of the patrol there were no land disputes causing friction to development of the Utai cattle project. This trend to centralise the population assists with the administration of the area, and localises populations to concentrate on development.

The village of Kwantari has moved back to the CPFL airstrip site. Mungo villagers have also re-established their administrative camp nearby. This is partly in response to increases in mission services to this airstrip and partly because they polluted themselves out of the previous site and bowel disorders became a too common occurrence.

(c) Generally the trend has been for absenteeism absent at plantation labourers on the coast to return. From an estimated 130 male adult absentees working out of the district at the last census the majority have returned. There are now 62 absentees in this category, of these about 20 are longstanding absentees who could be written off the books as migration out.

An increase in the number of adult males in the village needs the location of carriers on easier task than in bygone years. It was found that villages with a population of greater than 70 could muster sufficient carriers for small patrols (15 - 20 carriers).

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KUONTARI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

C. SOCIAL GROUPINGS.

The following is extracted from the original area study obtained from Amarah Patrol No. 7 of 1969/70 compiled by Mr. F.S. Donovan B.Sc. and updated as required.

a. The people in this C/D are known locally as the Sepi's, also included in this group are some of those villages in the Naga Census Division in the Green River area. It is a general term to describe any body who comes to the S.O.C. from East of the Sepi River.

"The area has inter-married beyond its boundaries, but this inter marriage generally follows language patterns and the groupings which extend the Administration defined boundaries."

"b. The simple family is the functional social unit, however as most of the villages are small there is a great deal of contact within the unit. Further if we trace back far enough, we can establish a fairly good sort of family tree which indicates or suggests that generally each village unit is an extended family, a common ancestor and an overcome of the inevitable problems of size, by marriage beyond the unit. Inter-marriage and sister exchange characterise the whole area. Land ownership follows the patrilineal system."

"c. There are four language groups within the area, covering the seventeen villages." The inclusion of Fas 3 village now brings the total number of villages to eighteen.

Hai. "This group embraces five villages, those of Kuontari, Pango, Gaibori, Yonabi and You'uri, all of which are adjacent. It is told that this group extends further and embraces some villages in the Green River Naga Census Division and the Amarah Hai-Farangi Census Division. The Population of this group with in the actual Kuontari Census Division numbers 477 persons."

Ramp. " This group embraces five villages, those of Curiano, Paragin, Gurubai, Okas and Rufuara. Currently these villages are quite widely spread, but they form the north eastern corner of the Kuontari Census Division. A population of 391 persons is included in this group."

Roni. " Within the Kuontari four villages speak this language, they are Utai, Alomina, Finasoi and Fas 3, an aggregate population total of 293 persons. However this group extends to the north and includes all the villages of the Sombi Census Division - Isonda, and come in the Pangi and Sinearo administrative areas, most notably Susunini, Yo, Savocui, nobikom, Mori, and Nusaru. The inhabitants of the Sombi Census Division say that their language name is simply SORBI, and yet these people of the same language group say they speak RON."

Roni. " Four villages speak this language, although it extends with little alteration into the Isonda administrative area, these are Itodi, Pinedi, Saibai and Yabidini - they with a population of 203."

G.F. Payne (A.S.O.)  
4th January, 1974.

AMARAB PATROL No. 5 of 1973/74.

KUONTARI CENSUS REVISION.

AREA STUDY.

B. LEADERSHIP.

Generally has remained unchanged. The following is extracted from Amrab Patrol Report No11 of 1970/71 compiled by Mr. B.T. Robson A.P.O.

"(a) I do not agree that the luluais and tultuls are generally speaking held in such respect; most of the officials lack personality and authority and in one astonishing instance the hat had been given to a mental defective. His replacement will be recommended.

Exceptional are the luluai Vial and tultul Kobo, both of Utai village. They are the only outstanding officials, but quite good are, Ndoi of Baiberi, Yampa of Baibai and Acisa of Itosi. Most villages have in addition to the government appointed officials men known as bossbois, who are the leaders of traditionally distinct groups within the village population. In several cases such as Arapol of Kuontari, these men are far more impressive than the luluais and tultuls of their village. Iopsis of Yanabi and Gap of Yau'uri are other examples.

(b) These men are all in middle age, with no formal education. None of them is known to have a conviction. In most cases they are respected in nearby related villages, and Vial and Kobo appear to have quite wide influence in several villages near Utai. "

(c) The pattern of leadership is showing some change. It was indicated during discussions at village level that village meetings had already set about 'marking' who will be voted in as council member representative. Judging from some of these 'appointments' there would appear to be leadership changes for the worse. The selection I recall meeting did not, in my ideals, have the characteristics a good councillor should possess, that is, a progressive outlook, a flamboyant manner, a strong voice, and having no fears of village talk and reprisals against the enforcement of better village management proposals.

It is expected that the eventual council members which originate from this /O will be of a similar calibre to the luluais and tultuls which they are replacing.

G.F. Payne (A.O.S.)  
2nd January, 1974.

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KUONTARI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

E. LAND TENURE AND USE.

a. Land tenure and ownership follows the patrilineal system, whereby title is passed from father to son, and where women have no title to land ownership. If there is no male heir in a generation, but only females, title then passes to the eldest son of the owners brother. It has been suggested that there is great shame to one not bearing a male child, and if such is the case, it is not uncommon for a man to remarry and to persist in trying to produce a male heir.

Land is unlimited and we can say that there is little likelihood of any land shortage in the near future. The population density runs at 1.2 persons per sq kilometre.

b. The Catholic Mission at Utai has a mission and an agricultural lease of 100 acres. This land has not yet been purchased by the administration. The patrol was questioned on the tardiness of this acquisition.

The C.M.L. have a mission airstrip lease at Kuontari dating back to 1964.

Five 3 villagers have purchased by newly exercised native custom 50 to 100 hectares of land from the villagers at Utai. \$100 was exchanged in the transaction. Other persons from surrounding villages will also be interested in obtaining land within easy access to the mission station for their ever expanding cattle herds.

c. The first cash crops have been established in the form of small scale pepper plots, owned and operated on a communal basis. The first crop can be expected in the coming 12 months.

The introduction of cattle at Utai has been a popular move which has fired the imagination of several villagers. Loans are being made available to those persons requiring assistance. Ownership of cattle is on an individual basis, but in communal paddocks.

E.F. Payne (A.D.O.)  
2nd January, 1974.



KWARTARI CENSUS DIVISION

AREA STUDY

G. STANDARD OF LIVING.

Unchanged with the exception of a higher incidence of European type kitchen artifacts and spades, knives and axes.

The following is the original study extracted from Amanab Patrol Report No. 7 of 1969/70 compiled by F. B. Donovan, P.O.

a. The difficult, by our standards, conditions under which these people live does not generally lend itself to a high standard of living. Housing is, as it were, temporary. Made from materials readily available in the endless swamp the houses are built not to last a lifetime. Water is available for drinking and washing, but it is of poor quality. As a result skin infections are commonplace. Imported artifacts are few, shorts are worn everyday by the men, while women discard traditional dress on rare occasions, such as a Census or some such. Household utensils are basic, buckets and saucepans are found in most households. Artifacts then are basic and cheap trade store lines, however they do lead to an improved way of life.

b. Swampdwellers, and as such their diet and way of life closely follows a pattern defined by the environment. Sago is limitless and as such forms the basis of the peoples diet. There is little cassava, taro and other vegetables. Game so I was told is more than abundant, and from the amount that was offered for sale to the Patrol I well believe this. Canned goods are rare. Fish is available in the swamps and rivers. Diet then simply sago and meat with a few bananas for sweets.

c. The villages that are fortunate enough to have any sort of a ball play 'kick' with relish. Amanab has long had a kick game as being 'kuramambu' and people from Amanab are referred to as such, similarly the people of Utai and environs, as a take from the vegetation are known as 'wall pitpit'. My fixed carrier line formed a team and we played a number of games of all in soccer on the airstrip at Utai. Kuramambu tried hard but fell victim to the web foot of the wall pitpit and we lost all matches. Our excuse was that we had walked for two weeks and were not as fresh as were the local Utai. A novelty, but it certainly brightened up our stay and was cause for such toktok.

Suffice to say that where there are the facilities, since there is always interest, sport is inevitable. Facilities are limited, ie balls.

KUOMBARI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

M. MISSIONS.

Little change was recorded since the last area study of the area. The following is extracted from Annab Patrol Reports of the post and updated for the record.

a. Both the Catholic Passionist Mission and the Christian Mission of Many Lands operate in the area, however they have their own villages of operation. The Catholic missions operating from their airstrip/station at Utai serve the needs of seven villages, these being Utai, Ekas, Aiamina, Wurubal, Pufuara, Finamoi and Fan 3. Influence extends in to the Bembi Census Division in the Lamada Administrative area. From all appearances spiritual needs are neglected and the mission at the moment does not even boast of a house of worship, all though plans are in the air to rectify this matter, however a traders store operates as well as an aid post and a school. The mission also established a cattle industry in the area.

The C.M.F.L. has two airstrips in the area, one at Kuombari and the other at Gurisao village. This mission has installed Bible school teachers in many of the villages. Although these teachers seem to be of a good calibre and are literate in pidgin language they fail to improve the village life in a practical manner. Spiritually they achieve results and their classes are attended by all age groups, and a few impressive religious buildings have been built, for example the one at Gurisao.

b. The Catholic Mission at Utai is about 30 miles NE of Annab. Staff for 1974 is expected to be the Father in charge, a nursing sister and one expatriated teacher, plus one indigenous teacher.

The C.M.F.L. mission is based at Annab and contact is maintained through the Bible school teachers and visits by an infant welfare sister. A small mission sponsored store is operated at Gurisao but lines carried are minimal.

c. The general attitude by the indigenous population is one of open acceptance of any mission assistance but little gratitude is offered in return. The villagers around Utai are enthusiastic but irresponsible about the cattle enterprise started by the mission. A singing still takes precedence over the welfare of the animals. There is a little friction continuing at the higher levels of mission management, between the two missions.

G.F. Payne A.D.O.  
4th January, 1974.

ANANAB PATROL No. 5 of 1973/74.

KUOPTARI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

I. NON-INDIGENES.

Nothing on which to pass comment.

G.F. Payne (A.S.O.)  
2nd January, 1974.

AMASAB PATROL No.5 of 1973/74.

KUONTARI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

7. COMMUNICATIONS.

a. Roads. There are no roads. Tracks of various conditions and surface bearing ratings connect all villages.

Discussions were held concerning a road link with Amasab. It was suggested that a road could be constructed following high ground from Utai to Pufuara, Yonohi, Saibai to connect with the proposed road link between Amasab and Akraimling. The numerous rivers will pose a problem to cross but in the driest times they can be forded. The river beds offer a plentiful supply of sand and gravel for road surfacing works.

b. Sea. This area is well inland but to prove a point shallow draft vessels (less than 2') could come up the Sepik River and follow the Sepi or Horden River tributaries up into the southern extremities of this census division.

c. Air. There are three airstrips in the area, all suitable for light aircraft of category 'D' standard. They are located at Utai (1700 feet in length), Guriaso (1000') and Kuontari (2100'). The latter two are used possibly once per month while the Utai strip is serviced and maintained regularly.

G.F. Payne (A.S.D.S.)  
2nd January, 1974.

ARABD PATROL REPORT No.5 of 1973/74.

REORTARI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

K. TECHNICAL AND CLERICAL SKILLS.

There are no qualified tradesmen in the C/O. There are several men employed as semi skilled workers in the timber industry at Variso.

There is one gentleman at Venabi who worked as a plumber with Bouganville Copper came home a wealthy man by anybodys standard but since has been relieved of his wealth by native custom and is reduced to kanka stasis.

G.F. Payne (A.O.O.)  
2nd January, 1974.

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ANANAB PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1973/74.

ESSENTIAL CURSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

I. STAGE OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

The following is extracted from Ananab Patrol Report No 11 of 1970/71 compiled by Mr. H.T. Robson A.P.S.

"No progress in political understanding would appear to have taken place since the last report. The only experience the people have had of democratic process has been one house of Assembly election, and none of the candidates were known in the area. The talks which are given on patrol do not seem to have made any real impression, I agree that an increase in radios would help, but there are still very few in the area and most of these are broken. The low level of literacy coupled with a general lack of interest would make D.I.S. publications of little value. However, training aids such as large charts and maps would greatly assist the talks which we give on patrol. I think the best way to improve political understanding is to encourage the people to make trips out of their area, even if only to Ananab, to see local Government in action. The difficulty is to make the people feel that it is worth their effort to do so. One would expect that the large number of ex-indentured labourers would have formed a nucleus of reasonably aware people with an appetite for progress. However, this does not seem to be the case. Perhaps the the isolated and unpromising environment is simply accepted as inevitable leading to a sort of fatalistic attitude."

The above comments remain all too true, partly because there has been little activity affecting the peoples line of political thought since the last patrol. It is true that they polled their votes along with the rest of us in 1972, but it was indicative that those known who their present S.N.S. was.

Radios have become more numerous and if they can be kept going long enough they may assist to broaden some individuals political horizons.

Self Government day came and went without being registered. The patrol did manage to clarify this point in most instances.

It is felt that political awareness must be improving but not at such a rate that it can be registered. Independence day will have long gone down in history before these people catch up with their more advanced counterparts.

G.F. Payne (A.D.S.)  
2nd January, 1974.

KWANTARI LINDUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

D. THE ECONOMY OF THE AREA.

a. The only cash crop encouraged and promoted by D.A.S.F. has been pepper. All villages with the exception of Finamoi, Marubai, Fas 3, and Aisaina have small gardens of pepper vines. Generally these have been maintained and the attention these pathetic plots have been given is at least encouraging for better things to come. The first fruits can be expected in the coming year. Production will be very low, there is estimated to be only 700 to 900 vines collectively.

The Catholic Mission at Utai Nave encouraged cattle projects. The Mission has introduced cattle and have trained cowboys in their husbandry. The cowboys receive a small monetary remuneration and at the end of their time receive a cow and steer to start themselves off. At present there are about 30 village owned cattle, 22 owned by Fas 3, 6 by Utai, 1 by Finamoi and one Rufuara. The Mission has a further 40 cattle.

B. & c. Action under these listings will remain negligible for some time. Pepper plantings are too small to be significant and marketing of cattle will have its transport problems and slaughter is too rigidly enforced by regulations for this area.

d. Missions continue to purchase fresh foods from the area but the quantities are reducing and no more than \$60 could be earned from this source.

e. The biggest money earner for the area remains the money returned with repatriated labour estimated to be static at about \$1,000  
Money earned locally from mission labouring remains at 500  
Money earned from carrying for patrols 150  
Money earned by the locals from crocodile skins is 250  
Artifacts may return up to 100  
Gold returned \$150 150  
Sale of produce to markets at Asanab and the mission 100  
Miscellaneous revenue 1,200  
The last figure is very high as the villages seemed to have the money but there is no obvious source. A good part of it possibly comes through the mail from the absent labourers. Possibly the other sources have been under estimated. I agree with a per capita income of around \$2.10

f. There is no co-operatives operating in the area.

g. There are no individuals who may be classed as outstanding entrepreneurs, however the cattle men from Fas 3 show the most enthusiasm in developing their opportunities.

h. A list of the passbooks offered to the patrol for scrutiny is attached as appendix 'B'. With the exception of one balance there is little variation over the past years.

i. The people have not been obliged to pay any form of tax, however should they find this state of affairs comes to an abrupt end when they enter the council, they will have built up sufficient reserves to enable them to meet their tax commitment for several years while they burst into a frenzy of money seeking enterprises.

G.F. Payne (A.S.S.)  
2nd January, 1974

KWANTARI CENSUS DIVISION.  
AREA STUDY.

POSSIBILITIES OF EXPANDING THE ECONOMY.

a. With a population density of one person per 85 hectares (210 acres) there are no land pressures. Much of the land tends to water logging, an estimate of 25% is made, higher in the southern areas and lower in the northern areas of the C/O.

b. The limitations to market gardening are in the main cheap efficient transportation, absorbent markets and a little expertise.

c. Greater wage earning possibilities will open up to this C/O once they become part of the Local Government Council system. They may be employed as casual council labourers or on the Akroming to Amanab road under the Rural Improvement Programme.

d. Any cash crop which has a high selling price to weight ratio, will store well and does not require sophisticated cultural or processing methods can be considered for the area. Todate pepper has been the sole D.A.S.F. contribution. Small gardens were planted out, survival was average and now between 700 to 900 pepper vines are well established. These are spread over 14 villages. Once these gardens were established D.A.S.F. appears to have neglected the project and no further expansion has occurred.

Rubber would possibly do well here, but this would be dependant on successfully establishing road communications with the coast.

Chillies, of the Birds Eye variety were encouraged on this patrol in line with present D.A.S.F. policy.

Cattle and Uta have become a big thing. There are now over 70 head, approximately 30 are locally owned. There is much land in the near vicinity of Uta which lends itself to development for cattle raising. The limitation to economical expansion will eventually be the marketing of meat, because of transportation difficulties.

Peanuts can be grown, as a cash crop and also to improve the local diet. At the moment the Amanab L.G.C. is prepared to purchase peanuts for stock feed trials. Transportation to Amanab will be arranged by mission aircraft.

Gold is to be found in the northern section of the C/O. There is only one team active at the present time. This source of revenue could well be developed at a time when the people feel they require more money.

e. Until the inhabitants of this C/O can be educated to demand more of the worldly goods now freely available in this country there will be little incentive for the villagers to make the effort to improve his lot at village level. Should these people come into the Amanab L.G.C. the obligation to pay council tax annually will be the first occasion when these people are committed to think about a source of revenue to meet this new commitment. This may then be expected to create a previously unprecedented demand for developmental assistance from the Government and its agencies.

G.F. Payne (A.D.S.)  
3rd January, 1974



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ARAB PATROL REPORT No.5 of 1973/74.

KUWAITI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

G. ATTITUDE TOWARDS LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

It became apparent that the average citizen has a very limited knowledge on the functions of Local Government. During discussions held on the subject most persons indicated a sincere desire to come under local government. No-one at any time voiced objection to the idea in principle. Generally the reason stated for the wish to become a council area was a belief that businesses would automatically follow once council representation was established.

It was obvious to the patrol that the subject of councils had been discussed at fair length by the villagers prior to the coming of the patrol, and unanimous approval had been voted to becoming a council area without such idea of the problems involved. The difficulties, such as communications, apathy, low income, low population density were all explained by the patrol but this did little to dampen the enthusiasm for the idea.

A point was made on several occasions but appeared to have originated at Utaf village. This was a demand for council member representation of one councillor for every village. The difficulties and associated problems to this request were explained to the villagers and a suggestion was made that they agree to the present system as it now stands and later once they have council representatives they can bring up any problems at a council meeting in a very democratic manner. Mostly this idea was accepted, but only to overcome any stalemate.

No objection was made to a suggested two dollar tax rate.

G.F. Payne (A.D.O.)  
3rd January, 1974.

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AMANAB PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1973/74.

KUORTARI CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

P. ATTITUDE TOWARDS CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

There appeared to be no change in the attitude towards the central government and the following report made by Mr. F.S. Donovan P.O. in Amanab Patrol Report No.7 of 69/70 are still relevant.

" Being so far removed from Amanab, and seeing so little of the Administration and its work, the attitude towards the central government is naturally guided by what the people do see. Their contact is limited to an annual visit by a D.S.A. Officer, a couple of police patrols, and also visits by medical or agricultural personnel. The people themselves visit Amanab once or twice only in the year. Those that have been away either to plantations or working elsewhere have an idea of a larger 'Gowman', however this is more from stories rather than actual contact. They see Police and other Administration vehicles, they see various officers, and mostly they take any advice given as the truth. Their attitude is more one of respect and 'haris tuk' rather than participation in a democratic system. The Government is the boss and so do as the government and its officers say. Respect rather than participation for services rather than a realisation that the money had to come from somewhere else to provide these things, Gowman halpis mipeller, as i nasba wan bilong mipeller."

There continues to be little contact other than by patrol. Very few persons other than the village officials visit the station at Amanab. Even shotgun licence renewals have been unforwarded by the mission, this was discouraged.

Self Government has made little impact as nothing has happened at village level for the people to see. The new flag of Papua New Guinea was displayed for the first time and was accepted as the symbol of Government without any reservation.

Several villagers indicated a desire to see more of government officers and went so far as to suggest a basecamp/patrol post be established at Utai.

Interest was also given to other suggestions that their N.M.A. visit them. This could easily be arranged by the Catholic Mission flying the N.M.A. from his base at Ombia to Utai for a day or two.

Patrol were well received and a 90% sighting at Census was recorded.

E.F. Payne (A.D.O.)  
3rd January, 1974.

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ARABIA PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1973/74.

KHARTOUM CENSUS DIVISION.

AREA STUDY.

9. ACCOMMODATION SERVICES AND FACILITIES.

All amenities are extremely limited.

Walking tracks vary in condition from reasonable to poor and deteriorating rapidly in wet weather.

Fresh foods can be purchased but only eggs and smoked pig meat is guaranteed available.

The Catholic Mission at Utaf runs a small trade store, free mail bag, and aid post. Most visitors to the area are welcomed warmly as visitors are a rare source of enjoyment for inhabitants of this area.

All strategically placed villages have a rest house of condition variable, but it is usual for a n immature coconut to be offered as refreshment and a peace offering on arrival.

There is no demand for further facilities or services and little increase can be expected for some time.

G.F. Payne (R.U.O.)  
3rd January, 1974.

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RADIOS

<u>VILLAGE</u>	<u>No. RADIOS</u>	<u>FUNCTIONING</u>	<u>BATTERIES</u>	<u>REPAIRS</u>
YEBDIDI	2	1	0	1
BAIBAI	0	0	0	0
ITOMI	4	1	0	3
PIERI	2	1	0	1
FINANOI	1	0	0	1
UTAI	3	3	3	0
EKAS	1	1	1	0
WORUBAI	4	4	4	0
FAS 3	3	3	3	0
AIAMINA	3	0	0	3
MUFUAR	2	2	0	0
GURIASO	3	3	0	0
PARACIN	1	1	0	0
YARI	4	3	1	1
YERARI	4	1	3	0
BAIBERI	4	3	3	0
RANGO	0	0	0	0
KUOPTARI	0	0	0	0

Total numbers of radios recorded as 41 I. C/Division.

H.R. 1

## PATROL REPORT

Station:	AMOMAE	Population:	7,424
Subdistrict:	AMOMAE	Council Area:	BOI COUNCIL
District:	WEST SEPIK	House of Assembly Electorate:	BEWANI OPEN
Report No:	5 (a) of 1973/74	Map Reference:	FOURMIL AIRARE
Conducted by:	G. F. PAYNE MID ANTON SALASANI	Last Patrol:	JUNE 1970
Designation:	A.D.U. and T.P.U.	Objects of Patrol:	Census revision, area study Council survey Survey establishment of school
Duration:	4/12/73 - 22/12/73		
No. of Days:	19		
Census Division:	KUMUTARI		

DEPARTMENT OF THE  
CHIEF MINISTER  
AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION  
**18 FEB 1974**  
DISTRICT OFFICE  
VANIMO  
WEST SEPIK DISTRICT

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 4 To 9 ,	( / )
Patrol Instructions,	( / )
The Report and my comments.	( / )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1-5 ,	( / )
Patrol map,	( )

DATE: 14 / 21974 .

*Ray H. Andrews*  
Assistant District Commissioner *rd*

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1-5	( / )
.....	( )
.....	( )
District Headquarters assessment of Patrol & Report	Above average Average Below average

Date: / /19

District Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

P.O. Box 2396  
KONEDOBU  
Papua New Guinea

Ref.: 67-16-43  
Date: 11/3/74.

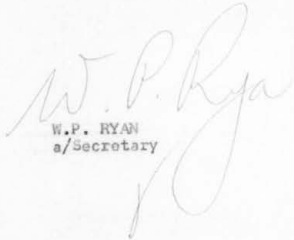
The District Commissioner  
West Sepik District .....  
P.O. Box 42 .....  
VANIMO .....

RE: AMNAB ..... PATROL NO. 5(a) OF 1973/74..  
CONDUCTED BY MR. G.F. PAYNE AND MR. A. SALAWANI .....  
TO: KIOMTARI ..... CENSUS DIVISION (5).

... I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

- Situation Report Nos. 1-5 .....  
together with assessments. These have been distributed  
to appropriate Headquarters' Branches for information  
and any action required.

~~\*\*\* See Study amendments/recommendations \*\*\*~~

  
W.P. RYAN  
s/Secretary

DDA 67. 16. 43

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Si-Han.

25th February, 1974.

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SI-HAN PATROL NO. 5 - 1973/74

1. Receipt of the report (numbered 5 (a)) for the aforementioned patrol no is hereby acknowledged.
2. Attached please find my assessments of the situps 1-3.
3. Further field training & reporting should enable Mr. Salawani to improve his reporting abilities.
4. Camping allowance claim has been funded.

*J Apini*  
J. APINI,  
Assistant District Commissioner.

cc The Secretary,  
Dept. of the Chief Minister &  
Development Administration,  
Si-Han.

cc Mr. A. Salawani,  
TPO,  
F.O.S. Training Centre,  
Si-Han.

Sub-district Office,  
AMBIAS,  
West Sopik District.

14th February, 1974  
67 - 2 - 5  
R. M. PRESS  
A. O. O.

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

AMBIAS PATROL HQ. 5 OF 1973/74

Forwarded herewith in triplicate the abovesubmitted patrol report, (Actually numbered 5(a)), submitted by Anton Salasani, Trainee Patrol Officer. This report is in addition to that submitted by Mr. Payne, Assistant District Officer (NY 67 - 2 - 5 dated 18th January 1974 refers), and is intended mainly as a training exercise for Mr. Salasani.

Mr. Salasani's original report is poorly typed (Admitted the defective typewriter he used did not improve the situation) and his expression is below standard. Mr. Payne assisted him with the correction of the original report and advised him the correct procedure with regard to expression and situation reporting.

The edited version of the report is submitted, however I have attached a copy of the original report for comparison.

Mr. Salasani has adequately commented on most aspects of the patrol.

My assessments of Situation Reports Nos. 1 to 5 are attached.

Mr. Salasani has made a commendable effort and will develop into a valuable member of the field staff. It will be necessary for him to take note of the few weaknesses he has and make every effort to overcome them.

Camping allowance claim is appended for your funding, authorization and forwarding to Treasury for early payment please.

*Peter H. Andrews*  
Peter H. Andrews  
Assistant District Commissioner

C.C. Mr. Anton Salasani,  
Trainee Patrol Officer,  
P. S. S. Training Centre,  
INDRANG.



Sub-district Office,  
AMHAB,  
West Sepik District.

14th February, 1974  
67 - 2 - 5  
R. R. PRESS  
A. O. O.

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

AMHAB PATROL NO. 5 OF 1973/74

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Leaving allowance claim is appended for your funding, authorisation and forwarding to Treasury for early payment please.

*Peter H. Andrews*

Peter H. Andrews  
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. Mr. Anton Salasani,  
Trainee Patrol Officer,  
P. O. B. Training Centre,  
AMHAB.

Sub-district Office,  
AFANAH,  
West Sopik District.

4th December, 1973  
67 - 4 - 1  
G. F. Payne  
A.O.O.

Mr. Anton Selasani,  
Trainee Patrol Officer,  
Sub-district Office,  
AFANAH

PATROL No. 5 TO THE KHUMTARI CENSUS DIVISION

As recently discussed, you now find yourself commencing your first experience in C.N. & D.A. type rural patrols.

You will accompany Mr. G. Payne (A.O.O.) as part of your in the field training and you will take note, offer your opinions and have clarified any uncertainties you have on all aspects of the patrol, including preparation of equipment, management of carriers, police duties, camp establishment, contact with villagers, area study revision, collection of information for patrol report, and all general duties associated with patrolling.

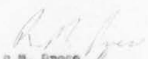
In particular it is your duty to collect information which will allow you to complete a survey to establish the area within the Amanab L.C.C. You will be responsible to check all bank books and current deposits plus survey the current financial trends of the people in this area. You will also survey the quantity and quality (functionability) of radios, spades, axes, knives (hand tools) and frequency and type of European type kitchen artifacts.

Do not hesitate to query any action you observed but failed to comprehend whilst the patrol is in progress.

In your approach to the people be confident in your manner, clear and concise and above all do not commit yourself or the patrol to any promises or actions that will be difficult to fulfill.

A patrol report will be submitted 5 working days after your return to the station.

I wish you the first of many pleasant patrols.

  
R.F. Payne  
Assistant District Commissioner

H. A. 1

### PATROL REPORT

Station: Amanab. Population: 551  
 Subdistrict: Amanab. Council Area: Amanab.  
 District: West Sepik. House of Assembly Electorate: Bewani Open.  
 Report No: 6 of 1973/74. Map Reference: Border Sheet 2.  
 Conducted by: James M. KoiKoi Last Patrol: 29th May 1973.  
 Designation: Trainee Patrol Officer. Objects of Patrol: (1) Up-grading Imonda Road.  
 Duration: 7-1-74/24-1-74. (2) Routine Administration.  
 No. of Days: 13. (3) Political Education.  
 Census Division: Part Amanab Local.

The District Commissioner,  
 West Sepik District,

Vanimo, .....

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Field Officers Journal Folios 6 To 7, (✓)
  - Patrol Instructions, (✓)
  - The Report and my comments, (✓)
  - Area study, ( )
  - Updating of area study, ( )
  - Situation Reports Nos 1- , (✓)
  - Patrol map, ( )

DATE: 29/1 1974 .

*[Signature]*  
 Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
 KONEDOBUBU, Papua New Guinea.

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Area study, ( )
  - Updating of area study, ( )
  - Situation Reports Nos 1- , (✓)
  - ..... ( )
  - ..... ( )
  - District Headquarters assessment of  
 Patrol & Rep. .... ( )

Above average

Average

Below average

*[Signature]*  
 District Commissioner

Date: 8/2/1974

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DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

F.O. Box 2396  
KONEDOBU  
Papua New Guinea

Ref.: 67-16-42  
Date: 20th February 1974

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

RE: ~~AMARA~~.....PATROL NO. <sup>This has</sup> 6.....OF 1973/74  
CONDUCTED BY MR. ~~JAMES M. KOIKOI~~  
TO: ~~PART AMARA LOCAL~~.....CENSUS DIVISION.

... I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

. Situation Report No's...1.....  
together with assessments. ~~These have~~ been distributed  
to appropriate Headquarters' Branches for information  
and any action required.

. ~~Area Study amendments/compilation.~~

Mr. Koikoi has made an honest attempt to achieve the patrol's objectives.

It would be quite in order for Mr. Koikoi to discuss political parties etc. if the people evince a genuine desire for information. What he has to avoid is any suggestion of favouritism or bias and I feel quite sure that an officer of his competence could do so with ease.

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

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*Am. Am. Am. Am.*

West Sepik District,  
VANUATU.

17th October, 1973

67-3-3

F.S. GALL  
D.D.C.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
AMANSB. S.S.D.

67-2-2

16/11/73

AMANSB PATROL REPORT NO. 6 of 1972/73  
RAI PARINGI CENSUS DIVISION

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

1. I am extremely pleased to note that this patrol was accompanied by a Rural Development Officer. I had thought this practice had become extinct. But no Medical Assistant? The District Health Officer is only too pleased to ensure that EVERY patrol is accompanied by a Health Department representative. Please ensure this happens with future patrols.
2. It would appear from comments in the patrol diary that regular Health patrols are required in this area and that possibly some of the areas most in need of health attention are those in close proximity to Amansb Station.
3. Malnutrition seems a feature of the Amansb area and subsistence diet will need to be a major consideration of the proposed area development planning.
4. MARAGE was not visited although situated within the Census Division. There appears to be no reference to its census either. Please advise.
5. Patrol report - 'Agriculture' - this makes disturbing reading but unfortunately true for much of Papua New Guinea. However, with the current Eight Point Plan, emphasis on rural community development, District team work and initiatives rather than departmentalism, the situation has changed - as you are aware - with the development proposals for the Amansb Sub-District.
6. I shall be pleased to be informed on any progress which follows assistance to the area in gold production, by the Mining Assistant.
7. The endeavours with respect to conservation are both original and commendable.
8. Amansb/Green River road - how are the proposals by the patrolling officer with respect to re-organising the system of road work proceeding? Please advise.

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9. Education: The situation here is the last remnants of the culture clash which heralded the entry of western education to every part of Papua New Guinea. That it is happening now in the West Sepik District is indicative of our relative 'advancement' vis-a-vis other parts of the country.
- ... 10. Copies of comments upon situation reports are enclosed.
11. A good report indicative of fruitful field work and informative two-way discussions with the community.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING *BB*  
District Commissioner.

MINUTES TO:

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

- ... Herewith 2 patrol report jackets and relevant parts of the report.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING *BB*  
District Commissioner.

DDA 67.16.42

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District Office,  
P.O. Box 42,  
VANIMO. W.S. D.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
AMANAB.

8th February, 1974.

63-3-3  
P.J. BROADHURST  
A.D.O.

62-2-4

29th January, 1974

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AMANAB PATROL NO.6 - 1973/74.

1. Receipt of the report for the abovementioned patrol is acknowledged.
2. The patrol appears to have been efficiently conducted by Mr. KOIKOI. My only comment is the Mr. Koikoi, as a field Officer of the Government, should not discuss individual M.N.A.s or the policies of various parties; they should only discuss the aims of the Government when carrying out political education.
3. Claim for Camping Allowance has been funded.

*PJB Broadhurst*  
P.J.K. BROADHURST.  
s/District Commissioner. *OK*

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

cc Mr. J. Koikoi,  
AMANAB.

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West Sepik District.

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
WANINGU.

29th January, 1974  
57 - 2 - 4  
R. M. Press  
A. D. C.

AMANAB PATROL NO. 6 of 1973/74 - PART AMANAB LOCAL CENSUS DIVISION:  
JAMES M. KOIKOI - TRAINEE PATROL OFFICER.

Forwarded herewith the following documents pertaining to the abovenumbered patrol, submitted by James M. Koikoi, Trainee Patrol Officer:-

- Patrol Report (Triplicata)
- Situation Report (Quadruplicata)
- Patrol Instructions.

My comments are:-

1. Upgrading of Imonda Road

Once the two mile section of the Imonda Road from the Ahera turn off is upgraded, a tractor will be able to gain access to Iafar No. 1. As stated by Mr. Koikoi, work is progressing well and I anticipate the project will be completed in about another months time.

The peoples willingness to offer their services under the 'self-help' scheme indicate their desire to open up and develop their area.

2. Routine Administration

It is pleasing to note that all villages in the area are clean and tidy. The council's rules must be explained thoroughly to the people and enforced where and when necessary to ensure a general overall improvement in the area.

The spacing of residences to minimise fire hazards cannot be emphasised too much. Recently two villages, Konebasi and Kabaineri, have been burnt to the ground, due mainly to congested layout of these villages.

3. Political Education

Assessment attached herewith.

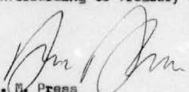
4. Conclusion

Again Mr. Koikoi has conducted an excellent patrol. His report has been promptly submitted, is concise, informative and well written. An above average report for a Trainee Patrol Officer.



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Camping Allowance claim is appended for your funding, signature and forwarding to Treasury for earliest payment please.



R. H. Press  
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. Mr. James M. Koikoi,  
Trainee Patrol Officer,  
Sub-district Office,  
AMANAB

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Sub-district Office,  
AMNAB,  
West Sepik District

Mr. James Kalkoi,  
Trainee Patrol Officer,  
Sub-district Office,  
AMNAB

31st December, 1973  
67 - 2 - 4  
J. R. Press  
A. D. C.

AMNAB PATROL NO. 6 of 1973/74 - PART AMNAB LOCAL CENSUS DIVISION.

As discussed please be ready to depart on patrol to the Aheri area of the Amnab Local Census Division, on or about the 7th January, 1974.

Your duties will be:-

1. Supervise the upgrading of the Imanda Road from the Aheri turn off to Musainori boundary. You will recruit about seventy able bodied men from nearby villages and they will be paid by the Amnab Local Government Council. If tools are short you can obtain some from the Council's store, to be returned at the completion of the project.

For the most part you will only need to deepen drains and level the camber of the road, however some small sections are too steep and will have to be completely re-routed.

2. Routine Administration: Discuss with the people any problems they may have, visit their villages, ensure village cleanliness is up to the standards laid down under the Local Government Council's Sanitation and Hygiene Rules. Also impress on the people the necessity for them to construct their houses at a reasonable distance apart, to minimise potential fire hazards. Also acquaint yourself with the Council's Road Maintenance Rules and explain the provisions of same to the people.

3. Political Education: Explain to the people the implications of Self Government and Independence. Also explain to the people the provisions of the Government's recently introduced eight point development programme.

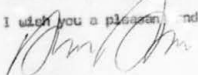
It will be necessary for you to establish a camp on the road head.

If you have any problems, or if there is anything you are not sure about, do not hesitate to contact me.

A member of the Royal Papua New Guinea Constabulary has been detailed to accompany you.

I expect your patrol to last four weeks. Your patrol report will be submitted not later than three working days after your return to the station.

I wish you a pleasant and successful patrol.

  
J. R. Press  
Assistant District Commissioner

DDA 67-16-50 1/4

### PATROL REPORT

Station:	Green River	Population:	
Subdistrict:	ANANAE	Council Area:	Green River
District:	WEST SEPIK	House of Assembly Electorate:	Bewani Open
Report No:	IB&M No. 6701	Map Reference:	Border Special
Conducted by:	G.F. Payne	Last Patrol:	April, 1974
Designation:	A.D.O.	Objects of Patrol:	Investigate reported lawless- ness Idam School, promote rice growing, inspect the Iabaru - Green River Track.
Duration:	13.5.74 to 18.5.74		
No. of Days:	6 days		
Census Division:	Idam and Yablahai		

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To	( )
Patrol Instructions,	(-)
The Report and my comments,	(✓)
Area study,	(-)
Updating of area study,	(-)
Situation Reports Nos 1-	(✓)
Patrol map,	(-)

DATE: 9/7/74

*[Signature]*  
Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1-	( )
	( )
	( )
District Headquarters assessment of Patrol & Report	Above average Average Below average

Date: / /19

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

P.O. Box 2396

KONEDORU

Ref. : 67-16-50

Date : 20/8/74

The District Commissioner

... West Sepik District.....

.... P.O. Box 42.....

.... VANIMO.....

RE : AMANAB ..... PATROL NO. 6 ..... OF 73/74 .....

CONDUCTED BY MR. G.F. PAYSE .....

TO : IDAM AND YABIAHAI ..... CENSUS DIVISION.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket.

P. BOURAGA  
Secretary



DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

TELEGRAMS:  
TELEPHONE:

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

Date: 9th July, 1974.

Our Reference: 67-3-4

Action Officer: P. H. Andrews

Designation: A.D.C.

Your Reference:

Date:

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

GREEN RIVER PATROL No. 6-1973/74; Part IDAM/YARALHAI CENSUS DIVISION

Enclosed please find the Patrol Report on the abovesmentioned patrol, together with Situation Report No. 1, field officer's journal and claim for camping allowance submitted by Mr G. F. Payne, Assistant District Officer.

My comments are as follows:

1. Comments on the situation as regards the school are attached.
2. As the land in the Idam area is more fertile than other sections of the Green River area, the prospects for rice planting and other suitable cash cropping are enhanced. Access to the area will be a problem for the foreseeable future in marketing produce but as an interim measure the airfield could be a central pickup point. It is essential in the Green River area that follow up action be maintained on rice plantings etc. as local people are easily discouraged after making the effort and having nobody inspect and purchase the produce. Non availability of rice seed for planting is a problem for the whole Green River area and I would request your support in having Department of Agriculture provide supplies as a matter of urgency. Promotion of rice planting has been carried out by Mr Payne for several months now and I do not want enthusiasm to wain.
3. Maintenance of the airfield is going to be a problem. It is a private mission airfield which has not been used for quite some time now. I consider that we would have some use for the airfield in servicing the school and aidpost - say once per fortnight or once a month in which case it will devolve on us to do the necessary maintenance of cutting the grass. I would recommend that funds be made available to have it out on a permanent basis by perhaps three labourers. This could be supervised by the headmaster of the school and inspected every so often by the C.I.C., Green River.

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It would appear that the area has some potential so consideration should be given to the situation as regards the airfield.

4. The case involving incest has been investigated and one person has been committed for trial before the Supreme Court.
5. I do not think at this stage that the census division should be included in the Green River Council due to its remoteness and subsequent difficulty in providing planned consistent development. At this stage such a proposal may place an unnecessary burden on the Council and the people of this census division. The matter should however, be reviewed in the next two years.

Forwarded for your attention.



Peter H. Andrews  
Assistant District Commissioner

## PATROL REPORT No. 6 of 1972/74.

Station Green River ..... Officer Compiling G.F. Payne  
 District West Sepik ..... Subdistrict Amanab.  
 Census Division IDAM & YABLAHAI ..... L.G. Council Idam non-council

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- This brief patrol was organised to;
1. investigate reports of lawlessness at Idam Village concerning acts of aggression against the government school.
  2. gauge the popularity and support for cash crop rice farming.
  3. Inspect the Iabaru to Green River Track.
  4. Investigate a reported case of Incest at Iabaru Village.
  5. Introduce to Mr. John Onolok (T.P.O.) some aspects of river patrolling.

The patrol was well received at all villages, and unfortunately it was again mosquito time on the river and they too seemed pleased to see us.

The patrol arrived at Idam on the second day, and were lucky in being able to make the whole distance by speed boat as the Idam river has a fast filling draining action which often leaves too little water in the creek to allow movement by outboard propulsion.

The reported discontentment with the school was investigated and is reported on in situation report No. 1, attached.

It was also noted that the land appeared to be relatively productive by Green River standards, and an abundance of fresh foods were obtainable. A trial movement of fresh foods was arranged for the Green River market for the Friday pay week. The Idams were to travel to the confluence of the Idam and Sepik Rivers where it was arranged that they be met by the C.M.M.L. mission double canoe and motor and bought the 12 miles downstream to the mouth of the Dio River where the tractor can meet them and bring them to the station another 10 miles distance. At the time of writing this feat had been accomplished and the Idams seemed pleased with their rewards and the station people happy to have fresh foods obtainable. It is now hoped the people of Idam are interested enough to perpetuate this market day.

The Idams also stated they were prepared to plant rice, however no seed is available at the moment, and also plant chillies, for which they are now establishing nurseries, under the guidance of the school teacher.

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The Airstrip was inspected it had a landing area of 18000 length by 100' wide. At the time of inspection it was obvious that it had not been cut for some time, the grass was 15 - 18" high and there were numerous sapplings up to 6 - 8 feet high. The reason given for its lack of attention was lack of use, only rarely did a plane ever land. It was suggested that if they showed they could produce enough dried chilli planes could be diverted to pick up the produce for movement to Vanimo. Naturally great enthusiam was demonstrated on this idea so it was stressed that a fair amount of continuous hard work was involved, which might have slowed them down a bit.

Political education subjects were discussed and the people had more thoughts on the subject than I would have expected due to their isolation in recent years.

The possibility of joining the Greesh River L.G.C. was discussed but generally not favoured on the grounds of no means of making money. It was however stated that they would certainly revue the case should either the chilli gardens or rice crop offer them a reliable source of money.

A site for the proposed M.N.W. aid post to be built this financial year was inspected. The villagers were instructed to prepare the site and gather kwila stumps.

It is my opinion that despite the disadvantages of isolation this area suffers its prospects of improving village life contributing to the well being and prqperity of the area in general are good if the people are offered guidance and organisation.

  
G.F. Payne,  
Assistant District  
Officer.

25th May, 1974.



## SITUATION REPORT No.

Station GREEN RIVER Officer Compiling G. F. PAYNE  
 District WEST BEPIK Subdistrict AMANAB  
 Census Division IDAN/YABALMAI L.G. Council -  
 Subject: IDAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Subdistrict Officer  
AMANAB

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

25/5/74

Regrettably, the offenders could not be denounced. I concur with the information as given by Mr. Payne. The District Education Board were prepared to close this school as a result of the incident as reported directly to them by the Headmaster at Idan. I consider it imperative that the school remain open as do the bulk of the local people as evidenced by the speedy repairs effected at the school. I am not ruling out the possibility of there having been a clash between the teacher and a few local people which could have resulted in the incident reported. The loss of property of the school teacher is still the subject of police investigation.

Action Taken: Officer-in-Charge, Green River, to ensure periodic visits made to the school and village.

Sgd. Peter H. Andrews  
 Peter H. Andrews  
 Date 27/7/74

## PATROL REPORT No. 6 of 1973/4.

Station Green River Officer Compiling J.P. FAYAS  
 District West Sepik Subdistrict AMARAK  
 Census Division YAKIM & YAKAMAT I.G. Council Idam ach council

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Govt. Print.—1972/40,000.—5.72.

This brief patrol was organized to:

1. investigate reports of lawlessness at Idam Village concerning acts of aggression against the government school.
2. gauge the popularity and support for cash crop rice farming.
3. inspect the Isbaru to Green River Track.
4. investigate a reported case of incest at Isbaru Village.
5. introduce to Mr. John Guelok (P.S.O.) some aspects of river patrolling.

The patrol was well received at all villages, and unfortunately it was again requisite time on the river and they too seemed pleased to see us.

The patrol arrived at Idam on the second day, and were lucky in being able to make the whole distance by speed boat as the Idam river has a fast falling draining action which often leaves too little water in the creek to allow movement by outboard propulsion.

The reported discontent with the school was investigated and is reported on in situation report No. 1, attached.

It was also noted that the land appeared to be relatively productive by Green River standards, and an abundance of fresh foods were obtainable. A trial movement of fresh foods was arranged for the Green River market for the Friday pay week. The Idams were to travel to the confluence of the Idam and Sepik rivers where it was arranged that they be met by the M.S.M. mission double canoe and motor and brought the 12 miles downstream to the mouth of the Idam River where the tractor can meet them and bring them to the station another 10 miles distance. At the time of writing this feat had been accomplished and the Idams seemed pleased with their rewards and the station people happy to have fresh foods obtainable. It is now hoped the people of Idam are interested enough to perpetuate this market day.

The Idams also stated they were prepared to plant rice, however no seed is available at the moment, and also plant chillies, for which they are now establishing nurseries, under the guidance of the school teacher.

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SIBIA 201 REPORT No.

The airstrip was inspected it had a landing area of 1600' length by 100' wide. At the time of inspection it was obvious that it had not been cut for some time, the grass was 15 - 18" high and there were numerous saplings up to 6 - 8 feet high. The reason given for its lack of attention was lack of use, only rarely did a plane over land. It was suggested that if they showed they could produce enough dried chilli planes could be diverted to pick up the produce for movement to Quilno. Naturally great enthusiasm was demonstrated on this idea so it was stressed that a fair amount of continuous hard work was involved, which might have slowed them down a bit.

Political education subjects were discussed and the people had more thoughts on the subject than I would have expected due to their isolation in recent years.

The possibility of joining the Fresh River L.S.S. was discussed but generally not favoured on the grounds of no means of making money. It was however stated that they would certainly try even the case should either the chilli gardens or rice crop offer them a reliable source of money.

Plans for the proposed . . . aid post to be built this financial year was inspected. The villagers were instructed to prepare the site and gather building stamps.

It is my opinion that despite the disadvantages of isolation this area suffers the prospects of improving village life contributing to the well being and prosperity of the area in general are good if the people are offered guidance and organisation.

J. J. Payne,  
Assistant District  
Officer.

25th May, 1974.

**SITUATION REPORT No. 1.**  
of Patrol Report no. 6 of 1973/4.

Station..... GREEN RIVER ..... Officer Compiling..... G.F. PAYNE .....

District..... WEST SEPİK ..... Subdistrict..... AKAUAB .....

Census Division..... IDAM ..... L.G. Council..... MONS .....

(For the reporting of information specifically of Headquarters value and requiring Headquarters knowledge or actions. Information is required on matters of political significance, important trends in the economic and social structure, cult and unrest situations, law and order problems, and miscellaneous matters that Headquarters needs to know. One report will be compiled for each specific topic. Each to be submitted to Headquarters in duplicate.)

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Subject: IDAM PRIMARY SCHOOL.

This school was established at the beginning of this year.

The teacher/headmaster, Mr. Robert Hayaku has regularly reported to me problems of lack of co-operation, stealing and lastly an act of arson by persons unknown wishing to destroy the recently completed school building and the destruction of school books.

An investigation of the damage showed that approximately half of one room in a double classroom block was destroyed by a fire before being put out by the headmaster and other citizens. Books were dumped down a toilet and in the creek.

No lead was given to who caused the trouble. The only lead given was that some Idam No. 2 women were reported as having a cross on with the Idam No. 1 people and it was rumoured that it was these women who wanted to destroy their part of the building, and stop their children going down to that village. This was not substantiated.

During discussions with the villagers no-one raised any anti school notions and they demonstrated their co-operation by quickly rebuilding the school. It was repair when the patrol inspected it. The villagers were warned that repeated performances of this nature would necessitate the closure of the school.

Since the patrol Mr. Hayaku has again advised me that someone has stolen 11 items of clothing/personal property from him.

Mr. Hayaku stated that should the school be closed it and he should be re-established at Iabaru village on the Sepik River, by some co-incidence his village of birth. This attitude may cause Mr. Hayaku to be a little less understanding and patient than would otherwise be the case.

To reiterate, it was found that most people supported and wanted the school to remain. It is only the acts of a few which are causing concern and worry to Mr. Hayaku and other villagers. If Mr. Hayaku can recognise some of his stolen property on the backs of the thief I am sure we can demonstrate that they cannot continue to act with impunity.

Date: 25th May, 1974.

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## PATROL REPORT

Sation:	AMANAB	Population:	
Subdistrict:	AFIANAB	Council Area:	AMANAB
District:	WEST SEPIK	House of Assembly Electorate:	BEWANI
Report No:	7 OF 1973/74	Map Reference:	BORDER SPECIAL 2
Conducted by:	G.F. PAYNE	Last Patrol:	August 73
Designation:	A.D.O.	Objects of Patrol:	Road construction supervision, Council water supply at Biska, Political Education.
Duration:	21 days		
No. of Days:	5/11/73 - 8/2/74 (broken)		
Census Division:	Nai-Faringi		

The District Commissioner,

West Sepik District,  
VANIMO

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios	24 To 25, 37, 41-44	( / )
Patrol Instructions,		( / )
The Report and my comments,	DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION	( / )
Area study,		( )
Updating of area study,	20 FEB 1974	( )
Situation Reports Nos	DISTRICT OFFICE VANIMO	( )
Patrol map,	WEST SEPIK DISTRICT	( )

DATE: / 2 19 74 .

Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1—	( )
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.....	( )

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

Above average

Average

Below average

*J. Albin*  
District Commissioner

Date: 25 / 2 / 1974 .

Govt. Print.—452/10,000.—2,73.

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

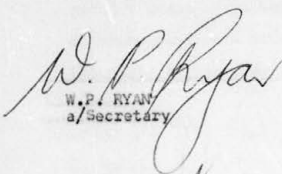
P.O. Box 2396  
KONEDOBU  
Papua New Guinea

Ref.: 67-16-44  
Date: 11/3/74.

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

RE:..AMAR.....PATROL NO..7.....OF 1973/74.  
CONDUCTED BY MR...G.F. PATHE.....  
TO..NAI - FARINGI.....CENSUS DIVISION(■).

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket.

  
W.P. RYAN  
a/Secretary

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West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

*W*  
Assistant District Commissioner,  
AMANAB.  
West Sepik District.

25th February, 1974.  
67-3-3  
P.J. Walshe  
a/D.O.  
67-2-2  
18th February, 1974.

AMANAB PATROL NO. 7 - 73/74.

Receipt of the report for the above mentioned patrol is acknowledged.

It is hoped that the rice planting program is more successful than it has been in other areas of the Sepik Basin.

Your comments regarding the road work are noted. There is no possibility of sending any of the available service equipment to Green River at the moment. If any additional service equipment comes to hand, it is hoped to forward some to Green River.

Mr Payne's comments regarding the Fibre glass tanks are noted. This information, as suggested by you, will be circularised amongst Councils in this District.

Mr. Payne continues to carry out excellent field work.

The claim for camping allowance has been funded.

*J Apini*  
J. Apini,  
a/District Commissioner.

→ c.c. Secretary,  
C. M. & D. A.

KOMODOBU.

c.c. Mr. C. Payne,  
a/D.O.

AMANAB.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

TELEGRAMS:  
TELEPHONE:

AMANAB  
West Sepik District

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO AND DISTRICT OFFICE

20 FEB 1974

DISTRICT OFFICE  
VANIMO  
WEST SEPIK DISTRICT

Date: 18th February, 1974.

Our Reference: 67-2-2

Action Officer: Peter H. Andrews.

Designation: District Officer

Your Reference:

Date

AMANAB PATROL REPORT No 7 - 1973/74 ; NAI FARINGI C/D - G.F.PAYNE

Enclosed please find the abovementioned Patrol Report together with claim for camping allowance.

The report is necessarily short but covers the situation adequately.

Road work is progressing well at Baribari and Biaka however approximately twelve miles of track are still to be constructed and there is only a total of approximately \$3000 left if Green River and Amanab Council votes to cover the work. Advice on the likelihood of Servco equipment moving to Green River would be appreciated. If this plant moves to Green River in the next few months, road development will not be brought to a halt and thus lose momentum.

Rice planting requires a lot of publicity and follow up action by staff to ensure success on individual plots. Mr Payne will be attending to this aspect of development in the next few weeks. One thing I want to avoid initially is sporadic unplanned rice and chillie plantings where a few failures could dampen local people's enthusiasm. Planned development maximises the prospects of success if followed up by DASD effort.

Mr Paynes's remarks on the Water Supply at Biaka should be noted. Possibly you could circularise this information through the D.L.S.O. Other Councils contemplating this type of tank should be acquainted with the fact that materials deteriorate over a short period and are costly to replace as mentioned in the report.

A good patrol in which the continued efforts by Mr Payne are achieving results and slowly overcoming the apathy previously displayed by local people.

*Peter H. Andrews*

Peter H. Andrews.  
Assistant District Commissioner



Sub-district Office,  
AWANAH,  
West Sepik District.

1st November, 1974  
67 - 2 - 2  
H. P. Press  
A.D.O.

Mr. G. F. Payne,  
Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-district Office,  
AWANAH.

REFUGEE PATROL No. 7 of 1973/74 - PART NAI-FARINGI CENSUS DIVISION

As discussed be prepared to depart on patrol to the above named census division on or about the 5th November, 1973.

The objects of your patrol will be:-

1. Supervise the construction of the Asanoh to Green River path.
2. Supervise the construction of the Biaka aid post and water supply. The fibre glass resin for this project has recently arrived, and as it has a limited shelf life the project should be given priority.
3. Political education, with emphasis on the Government's eight point improvement plan.
4. Routine administration as and where required.

I expect your patrol will last about four weeks, however you may extend this period should you consider it necessary.

  
H. P. Press  
Assistant District Commissioner

# PATROL REPORT

H/O.

Station:	ARAHAB	Population:
Subdistrict:	ARAHAB	Council Area: HAI-FARINGI C.D., ARAHAB & WILSON RIVER
District:	WEST NEW IRE	House of Assembly Electorate: BOHANI OPEN
Report No:	S-73-74	Map Reference:
Conducted by:	G.F. PAYNE	Last Patrol: JANUARY, 1974
Designation:	A.S.O.	Objects of Patrol: Road construction, rice growing promotion, and general administration.
Duration:	14.2.74/7.3.74	
No. of Days:	10 days	
Census Division:	HAI-FARINGI & GREEN RIVER LOCAL	

The District Commissioner,

WEST NEW IRE District,  
VANIMO.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To	( )
Patrol Instructions,	( )
The Report and my comments,	( ✓ )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1—	( ✓ )
Patrol map,	( )

DATE: 22/4/74

*G.F. Payne*  
Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1—	( )
.....	( )
.....	( )

District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report	Average
	Below average

Date: / /19

District Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

P.O. Box 239C  
KONEDOBU  
Papua New Guinea

Ref. : 67-35-2  
Date : 21/8/74.

The District Commissioner  
West Sepik District  
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P.O. BOX 42  
.....  
VANIMO  
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RE : .. AMANAB ..... PATROL NO. ... 8 ..... OF. 1973/74.  
CONDUCTED BY MR. ... G.F. PAYNE .....  
TO : ... NAI-FARINGI & GREEN RIVER, L.G.C. .... ~~SENTER DIVISION~~

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

- Situation Report Nos. ... 1 .....  
together with assessments. These have been distributed  
to appropriate Headquarters' Branches for information  
and any action required.

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P. BOURAGA  
Secretary

Sitrep: 67-35-2

DOA 67-16-56



DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

TELEGRAMS:  
TELEPHONE:

District Office,  
P. O. Box 42,  
VANIMO. W.S.D.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

The Secretary,  
Department of the Chief Minister &  
Development Administration.  
P. O. Box 2396,  
KORORUA.

Date: 24th July, 1974  
Our Reference: 67-3-3  
Action Officer: A. E. WOODS  
Designation: D.O. (SPECIAL DUTIES)  
Your Reference:  
Date:



PATROL REPORT NO. 8 - 1973/74 - AMANAB.

Enclosed please find your copies of the above report.

The report has been well conducted by Mr. Payne who expresses himself in a clear manner.

*J. Apini*  
APINI  
District Commissioner.

AMANAB  
West Sepik District

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIEO

22nd April, 1974.  
67-2-2; 67-3-3

Peter H. Andrews.  
ADC

AMANAB PATROL No 8 - 1973/74; Part NAI/FARINGI and GREEN RIVER  
LOCAL CENSUS DIVISIONS

Enclosed please find the report on the above patrol together with  
claim for camping allowance.

Road work is progressing at a fairly good rate and I anticipate  
that a motor cycle will be able to travel between Green River  
and Amanab by the end of May. The 3/4 miles of track remaining  
should be completed by that time with additional labourers  
being engaged on both ends of the road.

Rice plantings are minimal at present but with Mr Payne at Green  
River for the next month, I envisage an increase in the number  
of growers with the object of bringing the mill into use on a  
more consistent basis than has been the case in the past. It is  
anticipated that the Hammermill to be purchased by the Amanab  
Council will be placed at Green River initially to process the  
byproducts of rice for poultry feed. Production of this feed will  
enable a significant increase in poultry projects at village level.

As regards DASF extension work, I am having no success here. The  
officer posted here has been absent for over a month however I will  
try to get him across to Green River to learn and assist in the  
rice planting. Could DASF authorize this and subsequent movements  
in this sub-district to further developmental activity of an  
agricultural nature as envisaged by for this area.

Apathy on the part of local people to rapid change to cash economy  
is probably in part the result of the lack of constant effort and  
initiative by DASF in the past. With the increase in village projects  
and enthusiasm for development as shown by Mr Payne in his patrol,  
this problem should not be difficult to overcome.

A good piece of field work.

*Peter H. Andrews*  
Peter H. Andrews.  
Assistant District Commissioner

PATROL REPORT No. 8 of 1973/74.

Station AMWAB Officer Compiling C.F. PAYLE  
 District WEST SIKKIM Subdistrict AMWAB  
 Census Division HALEFANGING & GROOM B. LOCAL G. Council AMWAB & GREEN RIVER

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In response to the attached patrol instructions (File 67-1-1 of the 13th February, 1974) a patrol was organised to carry out the required tasks. Generally the patrol was well received although at times difficulty was experienced in obtaining carriers at short notice.

Road construction on the Amnab/Green River section of the Sopaik River/Wadia road is continuing to progress. Work by about 75 Sikka and Monabon men had been in progress for about a month after a two month recess over the Christmas period. Work had commenced from a point about one mile S.W. of Sikka village to a point 1/2 mile N.E. of the village, (actually the Amnab/Green River administrative border). The labourers were paid 5574 for this work. Another team of men from Baribari, Miriari, Wana and Akrai numbering approximately 70 persons had commenced work at the Baribari road head. Their progress has been slower than anticipated and these labourers although regularly changed appear to have gone stale on the work. These people have been committed to this road construction for over 12 months, they have been reluctant to seek assistance from other village groups as they wish to do the work which traverses their land themselves. In the three weeks prior to the patrol's visit about 650 yards of road had been constructed, sufficient, for use as a motor cycle track.

The patrol returned on Green River three weeks later and the Sikka section had progressed a further 1000 yds and the Baribari section a further 1050 yards.

Efforts were made to obtain rations and employ men from the Kuentari 1/3 to assist on the Inchi River to Baribari section. There remains approximately 2 1/2 miles of track to be constructed and five bridges to be built on the Amnab I.S.C. sponsored section.

The Green River section, from Inchi to Sikka village had over 150 men working on it for over four weeks, several miles of track was constructed and now only a short mile remains to be completed to link up with the Sikka section. Inchi villagers insisted they complete this work and they have stated they will recommence work by the 1st April, 1974.

Sikka water supply, the 3,000 gallon fibre glass tank was 25% filled with water when inspected and no leaks were apparent. The top of the tank and the one at the end of the 30' supply line were to be functioning. For the tank to be fully utilized a larger roofing attachment area is required, now approximately 400 sq. yds. However a house will have to be saved for space to be made available for an extension.

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Rice growing in the Green River area was promoted, with emphasis in the villages of Saini, Saini, Diaru, Balu, Bifru, Isharu, and Suru. It was disappointing that although seed rice has been available to growers free of charge for the last five months only three gardens have been planted. Saini village had two gardens of approximately an acre each and a third garden was owned by a Rana villager, Rana who showed great tenacity in producing 85 lbs of 'paddy' rice, plus his seed for next plantings. He originally purchased \$1.50's worth of rice from C.A.S.F. which failed to germinate so did a subsequent purchase until on the third attempt his crop gave a harvest, however by this time his plantings had been proportionally reduced by his previous failures hence the small harvest. However Rana had the distinction of being the first man to have his crop grown, pulled, polished, cooked and eaten at Green River. His 85 lbs as purchased by the U.S. yielded 36 lbs of clean polished rice but there was a high percentage of broken grain in the sample.

A further 100lbs of seed rice was distributed to persons showing an interest in following the industry. It is now anticipated that rice plantings should increase hopefully before the advent of the dry season when the drier conditions have a detrimental effect on a rice plants ability to produce grain.

To date there has certainly not been the rapid over production as prophesied by C.A.S.F. and extension on their part would benefit the industry. It is estimated that Anesh Sub District Mission and Government centres at present consumption levels could dispose of a minimum of 20 tons of polished rice per annum. A further 20 tons will be utilized as stock feeds on council and village projects and the growers will retain half of their production for village consumption, this indicates that the Sub District is a market for a minimum of 80 tons in any one year. It would be expected that once rice was cheaply and readily available usage would increase for example councils could feed permanent road labour lines and work efficiency should improve with higher nutrition levels.

Political Education was centered around the Government's Eight Point Development Plan. Discussion highlighted the theme of self reliance and the object of decentralization in the establishment of small scale rural enterprises. The patrol gathered a distinct impression that many of the more progressively minded villagers were ripe for indoctrination into the field of cash croppers. Small scale plantings of C.A.S.F. promoted cash crops, such as coconut, chillie and rubber would gather considerable momentum should a concentrated effort by C.A.S.F. be considered i.e. continual patrolling in the area by two or three proficient field workers.

In conclusion I suggest that the patrol completed its aim and progress on the road is continuing at a pleasing rate. Present indications are that it will be possible to motor cycle the forty odd miles between Green River and Anesh by the 1st July, 1974. Sadly by the people towards a demand for more rapid change from their level of subsistence to a part cash economy, and a lack of awareness to the many political changes now taking place in their country is widening the cultural and social gap between these people and their more progressive counterparts in the advanced regions.

PATROL REPORT No. 8 of 1973/74.

Station..... Officer Compiling.....  
 District..... Subdistrict.....  
 Census Division..... G. Council.....

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In response to the attached patrol instructions (File 07-1-1 of the 12th February, 1974) a patrol was organized to carry out the required tasks. Generally the patrol was well received although at times difficulty was experienced in obtaining carriers at short notice.

Good construction on the Gumbi/Green River section of the Gumbi River/Vedra road is continuing to progress. Work by about 15 Gumbi and Vedra men had been in progress for about a month after a two month recess over the Christmas period. Work had commenced from a point about one mile S.W. of Gumbi village to a point 1 mile N.E. of the village, (actually the Gumbi/Green River administrative border). The laborers were paid \$274 for this work. Another team of men from Darburi, Mariani, Urua and Gumbi numbering approximately 70 persons had commenced work at the Darburi road head. Their progress has been slower than anticipated and these laborers although regularly changed appear to have given up on the work. These people have been dissatisfied to have road construction for over 12 months. They have been reluctant to work again even from other village groups as they wish to do the work which increases their land ownership. In the three weeks prior to the patrol's visit about 500 yards of road had been constructed, sufficient, for use as a water table track.

The patrol returned on Green River three weeks later and the Gumbi section had progressed a further 1000 yds and the Darburi section a further 1500 yards.

Plans were made to obtain ration and employ men from the Darburi / G to assist on the road from the Darburi section. These men are approximately 20 miles of track to be constructed and five bridges to be built on the Gumbi / Gumbi sponsored section.

The Green River section, from Gumbi to Gumbi village had over 100 men working on it for over four weeks, several miles of track was constructed and was only a short mile remaining to be completed to link up with the Gumbi section. Local villagers insisted they complete this work and they have stated they will recommence work by the 1st April, 1974.

Since water locally, the 1,000 gallon fibre glass tank was 2/3 filled with water inspected and no leaks were apparent, the top of the tank and the end of the tank supply line were both functioning. For the tank to be fully utilized a larger roofing material was required, one approximately 400 square feet. However a house will have to be saved for space to be made available for an extension.

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Rice growing in the Green River area was procected, with emphasis in the villages of Samini, Sami, Biara, Sate, Mifra, Isbara, and Sawa. It was disappointing that although seed rice has been available to growers free of charge for the last five months only three gardens have been planted. Sadi village had two gardens of approximately an acre each and a third garden was sowed by a Sami villager, Sams who showed great tenacity in producing 85 lbs of 'pecky' rice, plus his seed for next plantings. He originally purchased 21.50's worth of rice from U.A.S.F. which failed to germinate as did a subsequent purchase until on the third attempt his crop gave a fair set, however by this time his plantings had been proportionally reduced by his previous failures hence the small harvest. However Sams had the distinction of being the first man to have his crop green, tilled, polished, cooked and eaten at Green River. His 85 lbs as purchased by the U.A.S.F. yielded 36 lbs of clean polished rice but there was a high percentage of broken grain in the sample.

A further 100lbs of seed rice was distributed to persons showing an interest in following the industry. It is now anticipated that rice plantings should increase hopefully before the advent of the dry season when the drier conditions have a detrimental effect on a rice plants ability to produce grain.

To date there has certainly not been the rapid over production as prophesied by U.A.S.F. and extension as their part would benefit the industry. It is estimated that Samrah Sub District Pession and Government centres at present consumption levels could dispose of a minimum of 20 tons of polished rice per annum. A further 20 tons will be utilized as stock feeds on council and village projects and the growers will retain half of their production for village consumption, this indicates that the Sub District is a market for a minimum of 60 tons in any one year. It could be expected that once rice was cheaply and readily available usage would increase for example councils could feed permanent road labour lines and work efficiency should improve with higher nutrition levels.

Political education was centred around the Government's Eight Point Development Plan. Discussion highlighted the theme of self reliance and the object of decentralization in the establishment of small scale rural enterprises. The patrol gathered a distinct impression that many of the more progressively minded villagers were ripe for industrialization into the fields of cash crops. Small scale plantings of U.A.S.F. produced cash crops, such as coconut, chillis and rubber could gather considerable revenues should a concentrated effort by U.A.S.F. be considered i.e. continual patrolling in the area by two or three proficient field workers.

In conclusion I suggest that the patrol completed its aims and progress on the road is continuing at a pleasing rate. Present indications are that it will be possible to motor cycle the forty odd miles between Green River and Samrah by the 1st July, 1974. Apobly by the people towards a demand for more rapid change from their level of subsistence to a part cash economy, and a lack of awareness to the easy political changes now taking place in their country in widening the cultural and social gap between these people and their more progressive counterparts in the advanced regions.