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MOROBE DISTRICT
PATROL REPORTS

1970-1971

MENYAMYA AND ASEKI

<u>Report No.</u>	<u>Officer conducting Patrol</u>	<u>Area Patrolled</u>
<u>MENYAMYA</u>		
1-70-71	G.C. CONNOR	Wapã Census Division.
2-70-71	G.C. COMMOR	Part Lower Kapau and Part Kapau/ Kabu Census Division.
3-70-71	G.C. CONNOR	Non Council Census Divisions. Northern/Western/South Western.
<u>ASEKI</u>		
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2-70-71	C.H. LONG	Upper Kapau-Kabu Census Division.
3-70-71	R.P. MORRISON	Langimar Census Division.
4-70-71	(SPECIAL) R.P. MORRISON	Part Kapau/Nanima Census Division.
5-70-71	I.V. KNOX	Langimar Census Division.
6-70-71	R.P. MORRISON	Kapau/Kabu Census Division.
7-70-71	I.V. KNOX	Langimar Census Division.
8-70-71	R.P. MORRISON	Upper Watut and Kapau/Kabu Census Division. (Part) Watut C. Area.
9-70-71	I.V. KNOX	Lower Kapau/Nanima Census Division.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MOROBE Report No. ASEKI No. 1-70/11

Patrol Conducted by Mr. C. H. Long, ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled LANGIMAR CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

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

Duration—From 3/7/1970 to 14/8/1970

Number of Days 33 Patrol was broken.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 20/6/1970

Medical 14/5/1970

Map Reference FOURMIL OF WAW

Objects of Patrol Further construction of Langimar airstrip.

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation \$.....
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund \$.....
Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund
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GFB:KP

67-6-9

Division of District Administration,

KOROROE, PAPUA.

1st October, 1970.

The District Commissioner,
Kororoe District,

ASSET PATROL NO. 1/70-71

Your reference 67-2-41 of 5th September, 1970.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by
Mr. C.H. Long, Assistant Patrol Officer, of part LANGINAR Census
Division.

The covering comments are noted. Sound progress has
been made on this project.

(P.H. HALL)
Departmental Head.

67-6-9. (6)



67-2-11

Division of District Administration,
Marobe District,
LAE.

9th September, 1970.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MEKILANJA.

ASKEI PATROL REPORT NO.1/1970-71

Receipt is acknowledged of the above report. Claim for Camping Allowance has been forwarded to Treasury for payment.

- 2. Situation reports are required in all reports such as this. Please ensure they are submitted in future.
- 3. Funds for purchase of replacement wheelbarrows will be forwarded you shortly.
- 4. Work is obviously progressing satisfactorily on the airstrip project.

MINUTE:

(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner

→ The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

Two copies of the above report together with copy of the Assistant District Commissioner's comments forwarded herewith.

B. Bunting
(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner

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Sub District Office,
MUYANZA

1st of September, 1970

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
LAW

PAVING REPORT - ARRII ROAD - 1970/71

I attach three (3) copies of the above report by Mr. G.H. Long, Assistant Patrol Officer covering a patrol he has made to the Longview Census Division of this Sub District for the purpose of building an airstrip.

As the patrol is of a standing nature no Situation Report or map are included as these have been done in numerous other reports, covering the construction of this airstrip.

It would appear that work is progressing at a satisfactory rate and it is hoped to have at least 1300 ft or perhaps even 1500ft graded and ready for use by January, 1971.

Mr. Long makes frequent references to "shellborew problems". The three or four borrows that he has on the job are all over 4 years old and fall apart with maximum regularity. Construction of the airstrip could be speeded up if you could see your way clear to allocating \$100 for the purchase of replacements. This would also give a lift to the labourers on the project as carrying hundreds of cubic yards of earth on basket "beds" is quite difficult and time consuming.

Plans for camping allowance is also attached.

For your information please,



R.J. Lancaster,
s/Assistant District Commissioner.

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11/19 WEDNESDAY

Departing Aseki 0930 by car, started walking at 0100. Sheltered from heavy rain in narrow woods, Aseki 1000. Patrol Post all present with the exception of present members of Monday last. Patrol Aseki BENYANYA of Sub-District Solop.

12/1/70 MONDAY

KOROBE District

12/1/70 TUESDAY

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No. 1-70/71.

Patrol Conducted By: Mr. C.H. Long, Assistant Patrol Officer,

Designation: Assistant Patrol Officer,

Area Patrolled: Langimar Census Division, Aseki.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol: 1 Member R.P. & S.C.

Duration of Patrol: 3rd. July, 1970 to 14th. August, 1970.

Number of Days: 33. Patrol was broken.

Last E.D.A. Patrol to Area: 20th. June, 1970.

Objects of Patrol: Further construction of Langimar airstrip.

Population of Area: 774.

Map Reference: Fourmil of Wau, refer report 6-69/70.

Village Population Register not included.

12/7/70 MONDAY

13/1/70 WEDNESDAY

14/1/70 THURSDAY

17/1/70 SUNDAY

Patrol temporarily stood down while I observed some National Guard bases at Benyanya.

3/7/70 FRIDAY

Departed Aseki 0930 by car, started walking at OIwa 1000. Sheltered from heavy rain in native house, arrived Benula 1500. Talked to all present and instructed them to present themselves on Monday for work. Entire Atapaura line of workers still in Buolo.

4/7/70 SATURDAY

Observed at Langimar.

5/7/70 SUNDAY

Observed at Langimar.

6/7/70 MONDAY

Benula, Otetie and Wap'palala workers reported 0800. Work commenced on grids 27 and 28 at the 1400 foot mark.

7/7/70 TUESDAY

Labor reported 0800. Sent ten men to Aseki to bring back 24 spades, 2 wheelbarrows and some medicine. Two grids nearly finished.

8/7/70 WEDNESDAY

Labor reported 0800, work continuing.

9/7/70 THURSDAY

Labor reported 0800, work continuing.

10/7/70 FRIDAY

Labor reported 0800, 700 feet now ready for grasing.

11/7/70 SATURDAY

Observed at Langimar.

12/7/70 SUNDAY

Observed at Langimar.

13/7/70 MONDAY

Wap'palala labor line reported 0800, work commenced on 600 foot drain down west side of airstrip.

14/7/70 TUESDAY

Labor reported 0800, work continuing on drain, stopped in afternoon due to heavy rain.

15/7/70 WEDNESDAY

Labor reported 0800, work continuing.

16/7/70 THURSDAY

Labor reported 0800. Work continuing, selected carriers for return trip.

17/7/70 FRIDAY

Labor reported 0800. Gave instructions and departed for Aseki 1000. Despite heavy rain during the week a lot of work had been done and grids 34 & 33 been levelled.

Patrol temporarily stood down while I observed some Supreme Court cases at Menyanya.

Patrol Resumed28/7/70 TUESDAY.

Departed Aseki 1030, arrived Benula 1630 after stopping several times to look at possible road routes. Inquired as to whereabouts of workers, many still in their gardens.

29/7/70 WEDNESDAY.

Labor line reported 0830, Wap'palala 19, Benula 3 Atapaura 2. Work commenced, instructed Otetie luluai to get his line.

30/7/70 THURSDAY.

Similar sized labor line reported 0800, all working on filling depressions, Wheelbarrow broke.

31/7/70 FRIDAY.

Labor reported 0800 including some from Atapaura. Despatched Atapaurans to their land to obtain some bamboo for carrying platforms. Some wrangling over where the bamboo should be obtained, gave lecture on the value of all villages pulling together.

1/8/70 SATURDAY.

Observed at Langimar.

2/8/70 SUNDAY.

Observed at Langimar.

3/8/70 MONDAY.

Far bigger labor line today, Benula 21, Otetie 34, Wap'palala 26. Atapaurans returned in afternoon with bamboo. Gave pep talk on economic and political development in relation to their airstrip. All pleased to hear my good opinion of their vegetables and coffee. Otetie luluai, Yawi, in reply said he was sure all wanted to finish the airstrip quickly and get on with producing cash crops. I think it was quite a genuine and frank discussion.

4/8/70 TUESDAY.

Labor reported 0830. Work delayed by heavy morning rain. One case of pneumonia reported. A lot of work done today. Bought more vegetables.

5/8/70 WEDNESDAY.

Labor reported 0800, work proceeding.

6/8/70 THURSDAY.

Labor reported 0800, work continuing.

7/8/70 FRIDAY.

Labor reported 0800, a lot of filling done today, at the 1300 foot mark.

8/8/70 SATURDAY.

Observed at Langimar.

9/8/70 SUNDAY.

Observed at Langimar.

10/8/70 MONDAY.

Labor reported 0800, filling continuing.

11/8/70 TUESDAY

Labor reported 0800, pneumatic tyre sent to Aseki for repairs.

12/8/70 WEDNESDAY.

Labor reported 0800, work progressing.

13/8/70 THURSDAY.

Labor reported 0800, filling continuing, had a brief chat on local anthropology.

14/8/70 FRIDAY.

Labor reported 0800, Selected carriers and departed for Aseki 1130. Met by CIC at Aseki-Menyamya road 1505.

END OF PATROL

This report is an interim report on work in progress on the Langimar airstrip. For background information see reports 5-69/70 and 6-69/70. There is no change to the information given in the Situation Report and Area Study of report 6-69/70.

At the time of writing patrol report 5-69/70, in June, 400 feet had been levelled and was ready for grassing. In July an extra 500 feet was levelled. This involved mostly surface grading which was completed quickly. Tall grass hid the amount of work involved at the 1800 and 2000-2200 foot marks and I originally underestimated the amount of filling required. Filling at the 1800 foot mark is almost completed. This was slow work as the black topsoil had first to be removed and set aside and the red clay underneath used for the bulk of the filling. Filling was obtained from the west side of the airstrip.

Some men from Atapaura were sent a couple of miles north to get some bamboo for earth carrying platforms until some more substantial wooden ones can be made. We are also considering making some wooden pneumatic tyred wheelbarrows. The three steel ones we are using at present are in need of repair and are insufficient. Buying replacements is too expensive. The proposed trailer mentioned in previous reports is too heavy to push and so has not been used.

Apart from most of the Atapaura men absconding for two months the labor line is working regularly and well. On my last visit I had a long talk with all the workers about rural development. They were impressed with the fact that the Aseki-Menyanya road is now open to 4 wheel drive vehicles and stated their keenness to have their airstrip. This was helped by me telling them that I considered their vegetables to be generally good and that New Guinea coffee sold well on world markets. They also expressed interest in building a trade store and coffee store. My impression is that they have a better understanding of their future potential. Talk about payment for labor has stopped.

My time at the Langimar in the next two or three months will be limited to fortnightly visits of a few days duration as the C.I.C. is about to be transferred and I will have several other duties to attend to on the station. However I have instructed the Langimars to complete the required filling which should be finished in two weeks. While on the station in September I intend to mark out a new walking track linking the Aseki-Menyanya road near Ciwa to the existing road previously built by the Langimars which runs northward for four miles in varying widths and quality. This track will follow the proposed road route. I doubt if it will be difficult to build as it follows a gently sloping ridge and the Langimar River. It will make communications easier.

At the time of writing grass seed and fertiliser are being obtained and it is hoped that planting will commence by the end of August, thus enabling 1300 feet to be used by Christmas. With improved earthmoving equipment further excavation between the 700 and 900 foot marks will not take too long and the required 1500 feet could be ready for use by January-February, 1971. The Summer Institute of Linguistics will probably use it most at first until the road link is built and when cash crops are well established.



J.H. Long,

Assistant Patrol Officer



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number..... **ASEKI No. 2 of 1970/71.**

Subdistrict..... **MENYAMYA**

District..... **MOROBE**

Type of Patrol..... **SPECIAL**

Patrol Conducted by..... **C.H.LONG** **Assistant Patrol Officer.**

Area Patrolled..... **Upper Kapau-Kabu census division**

(~~OGOMIGORGE~~)

Census Division/s.)

Personnel Accompanying Patrol.....

1 Member R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration of Patrol—from..... **28 10/70** to..... **18 12/70**

No. of Days..... **39, Patrol was broken.**

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: **ASEKI 2-69/70**

Date..... **19/10/69** Duration..... **66 days, broken.**

Objects of Patrol (Briefly)..... **Carry out improvements and new construction**

Aseki-Slate Creek road.

Total Population of Area Patrolled..... **Nil.**

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner.

WJ:KP

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



To: [unclear]
Date: 67-6-44

Division of District Administration,
KONEDOMU, PAFUA,
3rd February, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE, District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
PORT MORSBY.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT NO. 2-70/71.

Your 67-2-11 of the 25th January, 1971 refers.

I acknowledge with thanks the receipt of a report submitted by C.R. Long, Assistant Patrol Officer, covering his road construction supervisory duties for a period of 39 days.

It would appear that the people have a monumental task in front of them in constructing and maintaining this road in difficult terrain. It is to be hoped that their enthusiasm matches the long term nature of the project and that it will be possible to bring more mechanical assistance to bear on the project as the length of the road increases, as it is possible that new construction and the maintenance of past constructions may be beyond the physical capabilities of the group concerned.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Departmental Head.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67-6-44 (8)

DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR
27 JAN 1971
KONEDOBU

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

In Reply
Please Quote
No. 67-2-11

Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
Morohe District,
LAE.

25th January, 1971

Departmental Head,
Division of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT NO. 2/70-71

Enclosed are two copies of the above Report
together with comments from the Assistant District Commissioner,
Menyama.

I have no comments to add to those of the
Assistant District Commissioner.

B. Bunting
(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner

Enc's.

67-3-4

Sub District Office,
MERTANVA

4th of January 1971

22nd December, 1970.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MERTANVA

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
JAN

ASEKI PATROL NUMBER 2 - 1970/71

I attach 3 copies of a report of a special patrol made by Mr. A.P. Olong for the purpose of supervising the construction of the ASEKI/STATE CREEK road.

It would appear that work is progressing at a satisfactory rate and the labourers are reasonably contented.

I think that Mr. Olong's estimate of 12 months before the road head reaches the WAN administrative border is a little optimistic as a particularly difficult section down to the Kapan River and up the other side has to be traversed. This alone may take 12 months due to the rocky nature of the landscape. I would estimate on at least 2 if not three years before a decent road reaches the Non area.

It is pleasing to see that the tractor and terracer blade are producing good results on the road surface. When a second tractor is allocated to Aseki then one will be kept full time on this work.

I have nothing further in the way of comment to add.

Claims for camping allowance are also attached.

For your information please,



(G.C. Connor)
Assistant District Commissioner

G. Olong
Assistant Patrol Officer



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telephone
Telegrams
Our Reference
If calling ask for
Mr.

Department of the Administrator,
Division
Department of District Administration,
Patrol Post
ASEKI
Morobe District,

22nd December, 1970.

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

ASEKI PATROL No.2 of 1970/71.

Herewith the above report and my claim for camping allowance.

Station	ASEKI Patrol Post
Sub-District	MENYAMYA
District	MOROBE
Council	None
Patrol conducted by	C.H. Long
Designation	Assistant Patrol Officer
Area patrolled	Part upper Kapau-Kabu C/D
Personel accompanying	1 Member R.P. & N.G.C.
Duration	Thirty-nine days, broken
Date out	28th. October, 1970
Date in	18th. December, 1970
Last D.D.A. patrol to area	October, 1969
Objects of patrol	Carry out improvements and new construction Aseki Slate Creek road
Population of area	Nil
Map reference	Fourmil of Wau, map enclosed.

C.H. Long
C.H. Long
Assistant Patrol Officer

Monday November 21

Wednesday October 28

Aseki 0800 for road head by motorbike. Gave instructions. Departed Aseki 0800 with OIC for roadhead by car. OIC departed for Hiakwata. Returned to Aseki to get cargo. off Jar malfunctioning, returned to Aseki to repair. Car bogged 4 miles from station, had to be left, slept at Aseki.

Thursday October 29

0900 removed car from mud with tractor, proceeded up to roadhead, set up temporary camp and explained purpose of the patrol to road workers. removal continuing.

Friday October 30

Sup. used roadwork, road in bad shape. Car bogged twice on steep, slippery hills. Returned to Aseki 1630.

Monday November 2

Departed for road camp 0800, set up camp and gave instructions for proper camp to be built. Brought all workers down to the 4 mile mark where the car was stuck the previous week. Work started on widening and resurfacing.

Tuesday November 3

Labour reported 0700, roadwork at 4 mile mark. better. Decided to continue removing tree

Wednesday November 4

Labour reported 0700, roadwork at 4 mile mark.

Thursday November 5

Labour reported 0700, roadwork at 4 mile mark. removal now completed, half a mile ready for tractor.

Friday November 6

Labour reported 0700, roadwork at 4 mile mark, returned to station 1700.

Saturday November 7

Road repair work completed, further hand work for tractor. Departed for road camp 0800, work at 4 mile mark.

Tuesday November 10

Roadwork at 4 mile mark.

Wednesday November 11

Roadwork at 4 mile mark, tractor and trailer brought down in the afternoon.

Thursday November 12

Roadwork at 4 mile mark continuing with tractor.

Friday November 13

Road repair work completed, returned to Aseki 1630.

Monday November 16

Departed Aseki for road camp 0800. Work commenced at the 6 1/2 mile mark where there was a lot of bad corners and small steep hills.

Tuesday November 17

Work continuing near roadhead. Gave practical demonstration of effects of positive and negative camber on bends.

Wednesday November 18

Roadwork continuing. Several large stones removed. tractor arrived without grader blade. Despatched driver to get it, tractor had a flat tyre.

Thursday November 19

Work continuing, tractor failed to arrive, more large rocks removed.

Friday November 20

Work continuing removing tree stumps to allow tractor access to earth filling. Returned to Aseki 1630.

END OF PATROL

Monday November 23

Departed Aseki 0800 for road head by motorbike. Gave instructions that tree stumps alongside road just back from the roadhead were to be removed to allow the tractor to scrape off humps and fill in the dips.

Tuesday November 24

Tree stump removal continuing.

Wednesday November 25

Tree stump removal continuing.

Thursday November 26

Tree stump removal continuing.

Friday November 27

Tree stump removal continuing, returned to Aseki 1630.

Monday November 30

Departed Aseki 0800 for road camp with Const. Nop. Sai-Watut. Stump removal continuing close to camp.

Tuesday December 1

Walked around rear of a particularly bad hill in hope of improving gradient. No better. Decided to continue removing tree stumps.

Wednesday December 2

Stump removal now completed, half a mile ready for tractor.

Thursday December 3

Roadwork on narrow, damaged section adjacent to camp.

Friday December 4

Road repair work completed, further hand work impractical, left for tractor.

Saturday December 5

Returned to Aseki 0830.

Sunday December 7

Departed Aseki for road camp 0800. Work commenced on new road construction. Very poor lineup, told that many men were involved in mission activities this week.

Tuesday December 8

New road construction continuing.

Wednesday December 9

New road construction continuing.

Thursday December 10

New road construction continuing.

Friday December 11

Built bridge over small creek. Seventy yards completed, this week. Returned to Aseki 1630.

Monday December 14

ADC, Mr. J.C. Connor, arrived for station inspection. I departed for road camp 1030, new road construction proceeding, many tree stumps to be removed.

Tuesday December 15

New roadwork continuing.

Wednesday December 16

Roadwork continuing, built bridge over small creek.

Thursday December 17

Roadwork continuing.

Friday December 18

170 yards completed this week, many working hours lost due to heavy rain. Returned to Aseki 1530 with all cargo.

END OF PATROL

(A) POLITICAL

There are no villages in the area patrolled. The nearest village is Angabena, about one hour's walk away. This and the other Kapau Valley villages are still governed entirely by D.D.A. with lulais and tultuld. As far as I can gather from talking to the men there is not much political sophistication, although they appear to know more than other Asekis and more of them know who their open and regional M.H.A.'s. are and what they do, probably because of their proximity to Wau.

(B) ECONOMIC

Few crops are grown in the area patrolled. There are odd sweet potato gardens scattered about but generally the road goes through virgin bush. I haven't inspected the Kapau villages but crops grown include bananas, sweet potato and sugar cane. The locals say that their land is not as fertile than that of the Langimar Valley to the North and this could account for the lack of variety and poorer quality of their food. Coffee is grown on quite a large scale as a cash crop. It is sold through the Sai-Watut Coffee Society at Aseki although some is sold direct at Wau. I was unable to obtain an accurate figure for the cash value from either the D.A.S.P. or Sai-Watut officers in Aseki, though 200 bags worth approximately \$3,000-00 annually could be close to the mark.

(C) SOCIAL

At Hiakwata there is a Primary "T" school and Aid Post. The main illnesses appear to be eye diseases, malaria, pneumonia and recently influenza, although most of them appear fit and healthy.

The warlike habits of the people have ceased due to the influence of the government and fighting is rare. In the time I spent with them no serious disputes were brought to me and they appear to live peacefully.

The dominant mission is the Lutheran. I doubt very much if the locals have much religious understanding. Recently the Aseki Lutheran Missionary, Rev. D. Giesler made one of his infrequent patrols to the area.

SPECIAL REPORT ASEKI-SLATE CREEK ROAD

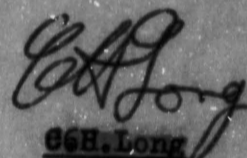
The purpose of this patrol was to correct mistakes and make improvements to some existing sections that were likely to be affected by bad weather.

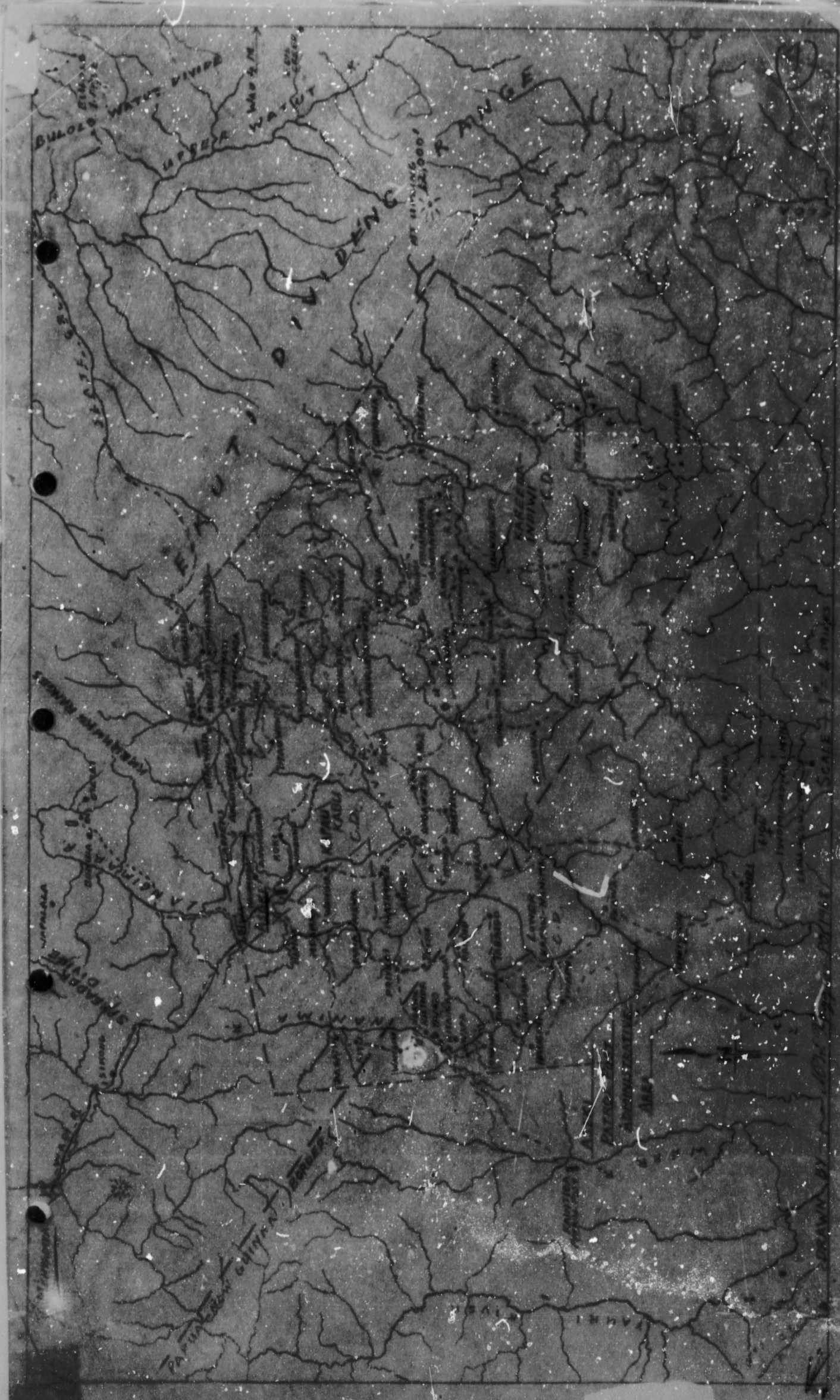
At the start of the patrol 7 miles had been completed, the last 1 1/2-2 miles on a contract basis of \$120-00 per 1/5 mile. This system means that the workers need not be supervised to see that they are working as they are paid at the completion of their allotted work no matter how long they take. The major drawback is that the locals know very little about gradients, camber and good drainage, with the result that several parts of the last mile had to be improved. Two weeks were spent improving a section of badly damaged road 4 miles from the station as it is useless building new road further away that can't be reached.

The last mile of the road twists, descends and climbs a lot as it goes from one ridge line to another. It is difficult to see where a suitable alternative route would go. This section has a lot of dangerous and potentially impassable curves and dips. Some pick and shovel work has been done on them but the amount of earthmoving required and the difficulty involved makes hand work uneconomic. The bulk of the work on this bad section will have to be done later by the tractor and grader blade. The workers have spent most of their time removing large rocks and tree stumps from these hills to enable the tractor to work. It is hoped that the tractor will produce a straighter, more even and gentler slope than the present jumble. The use of the tractor is entirely dependent upon the weather and condition of the road closer to the station.

There are two alternating groups of workers (60-70 men each from the upper Kapan Valley villages. The lineup was generally good and all worked well considering the fairly long hours, 0700 to 1700, and hard work. Some working time was lost on most days due to heavy rain, but this was not as great as I expected.

In the last two weeks 70 and 170 yards of new road and two small bridges have been built. At present the roadhead is 7.2 miles from the station according to the motorbike speedometer. After the Christmas-New Year break the roadhead should be in sight of Angabana and Angewunga villages by the end of February 1971. I estimate that at least twelve months or more of continuous work will be required before the road reaches the Aseki-Wau border. The availability of Rural Development Funds will largely determine how soon the road will be finished.

C. H. LongAssistant Patrol Officer



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MOROBE Report No. ASAKI No. 3 OF 1970/71

Patrol Conducted by R. P. MORRISON PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled LANGIMAR CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives CONST. BILL

Duration—From 10./11./1970 to 13./11./1970

Number of Days FOUR

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services AUG./1970

Medical 14./5./1970

Map Reference ATTACHED PATROL MAP

Objects of Patrol (1) ANNUAL CENSUS (2) INSPECT AIRSTRIP

(3) ROUTINE ADMIN

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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21-6-38

Division of District Administration,
Konedobu, Papua.

22nd January, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Monyava District,
ASEXI

ASEXI PATROL NO. 3 OF 70/71.

Your reference is 27-2-11 of 21st December, 1970.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Annual Census and Situation Report by Mr. R.P. Morrison, of Langiara Census Division.

The report should not have been referred to this Headquarters without an updated area study.

There are no covering comments by the Assistant District Commissioner, Monywa.

Though short, this report has too many typographical and grammatical mistakes which appear to be the result of carelessness.

I shall expect reporting of a higher standard from the Monywa Sub-District in future.

(T.W. K...)

Executive Head

c.c. Mr. R.P. Morrison,
Patrol Post,
ASEXI.

BR-SBS

67-6-38

Division of District Administration,
Kororua, Papua.

20th January, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,

L.A.S. Departmental Head,
Division of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
Kororua.

ASIKI PATROL NO. 3 OF 1971.

Your reference is 67-0-11 of 21st Dec 1970.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Annual Census and Situation Report by Mr. R.P. Morrison, of Langiur Census Division.

The report should not have been referred to this Headquarters without an updated area study.

There are no covering comments by the Assistant District Commissioner, Menyaya.

Though short, this report has too many typographical and grammatical mistakes which appear to be the result of carelessness.

I shall expect reporting of a higher standard from the Menyaya Sub-District in future.

(T.N. ELLIS)
Departmental Head.

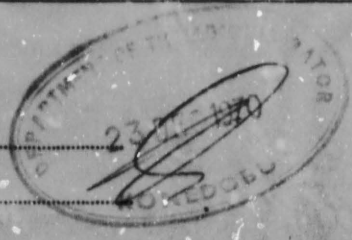
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21st December, 1970

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Division of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
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ASEKI PATROL NO. 3/70-71

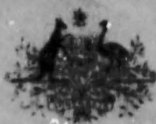
I attach the original and one copy of a report of a patrol to the Langimar Census Division conducted by Mr. R. P. Morrison, Patrol Officer, together with a copy of comments by the Assistant District Commissioner.

The Assistant District Commissioner at Menyamra has been referred to your memorandum 67-1-0 of 25th September, 1970 regarding area studies and has been advised that the question of staff should have been taken up by separate memorandum.

The Report gives a reasonable assessment of Mr. Morrison's activities and it is clear that progress on the airstrip will be slow unless an officer can be made available for full time supervision.

The Report is marred by typographical errors. Copies of the Village Population Register are enclosed.

H. P. Seale
(H. P. SEALE)
District Commissioner



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Department of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
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Morobe District,

23rd November, 1970.

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

ASEKI PATROL No.3 OF 1970/71.

Herewith the above report along with Census Statistics
and my claim for camping allowance.

Station	ASEKI PATROL POST
Sub-District	MENYAMYA
District	MOROBE
Council	NON- COUNCIL AREA
Patrol Conducted by	R.P.MORRISON
Designation	PATROL OFFICER
Area Patrolled	LANGIMAR CENSUS DIVISION
Personal Accompanying	CONST. BILL
Patrol	No 1955
Duration of Patrol	FOUR DAYS
Date Out	10th NOVEMBER, 1970
Date In	13th NOVEMBER, 1970
Last D.D.A. Patrol to th area	OCTOBER, 1970 1970
Objects of Patrol	1/ ANNUAL CENSUS 2/ INSPECT AIRSTRIP 3/ ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION
Population of Area	VILLAGE CENSUS FIGURES ENCLOSED
Map Reference	SEE PATROL MAP

R.P. Morrison
R.P.MORRISON
Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION.

Main aim of the Patrol were to conduct the Annual Census and to inspect work being done on the Langimar airstrip site. These were carried out. Details of the progress on the airstrip site are given in ~~xxxxxxx~~ a later report. As the area was covered by a thorough Area Study last year, Aseki Patrol No.6 of 1969/70, an Area Study was not compiled on this Patrol.

PATROL DIARY.

10th November, 1970. By Toyota to road, thence by foot to Benula Rest House. Arrived 1810. Discussions with Village Officials. About 15 working on airstrip site when it was inspected. Overnight Langimar Rest House.

11th November, 1970. Lined and censused Benula and Otetel. Heard several disputes, one Local Court and alleged rope charge. Man taken into custom for latter, child sent to Aseki for medical examination. Talks given on airstrip and economic development. Overnight Langimar Rest House.

12th November, 1970. Lined and censused Wapalela and Atapaura. More disputes heard and settled. Further talks on airstrip and economic development. Pointed out work still required at bottom end of the airstrip.

13th November, 1970. Departed Langimar 0815 via Bonula and arrived Aseki 1600.

END OF PATROL.

ECONOMY.

Development of the area is hampered by the lack of roads. The nearest road is an hour's walk away. That is, five hours without carrying anything. To carry coffee into Aseki for sale required an overnight stop on the track.

The only cash crop of note in the area is coffee. Other crops of note are selling vegetables to patrols and Aseki and through working on the roads. (Not many of them). The coffee crop is mostly left on the trees, although a considerable income is derived from what is harvested. Future prospects for the area seem to lie in developing the coffee industry. There of course would be a need for roads through Aseki to Blaise Green and for a means of establishing the industry and marketing the products.

SOCIAL.

There are the small primary school at Benula and the health clinic in the area. Although some children go to the school at Benula and Aseki Primary 1 School.

The only mission in the area is the small one at Benula. Although the church is small, it is well attended. There are some 100 members and the church seems to be the only place where people go to church. There seems to be a fairly good standard of health and hygiene and the church seems to be the only place where people go to church. There seems to be a fairly good standard of health and hygiene and the church seems to be the only place where people go to church.

SITUATION REPORT.

POLITICAL.

Being an isolated area this Census Division has not had an notable contact with Political trends in the country. Apart from visits by Govt. Officers and the talk brought by returning town workers the area has no contact with the outside. As there are no roads or airstrip in the area, the area is somewhat hard to reach, and thus is unlikely to feel the influence of the outside world until a communications link is established.

Several topics which were featured in "Pangu Pati Nius" recently were brought up for discussion during the patrol. But apart from the item on pay for Luluai's and ~~Pati~~ Tultuls no particular interest was shown in the subject. These newsletters are distributed from Lae, apparently one per village.

The subject of Local Government was mentioned by the Luluai from Otetei, who stated that the people thought it was a good thing but due to the ~~area~~ lack of cash and development in the area, the people were not interested in having or being in one, until the area had some communications and thus a means of making more money.

From the discussions with the villagers they didn't have much contact with their local M.H.A's namely Mr. Maino and Mr. Voutas. Although Mr. Voutas had visited the area some time ago, apparently they haven't seen Mr. Maino.

ECONOMIC.

Development of the area is hampered by the lack of communications. The nearest road to the area is Aseki- Menyamya road which is about 5 hours walking away. That is, five hours without carrying anything. To carry coffee into Aseki for sale, required an overnight stop on the track.

The only cash crop of note in the area is coffee. Other sources of income are selling vegetables to patrols and Aseki and through working on the roads. (Not many of them). The coffee crop is mostly left on the trees, although a considerable income is had from what is harvested. ~~Future~~ prospects for the area seem to lie in developing ~~a~~ cattle or timber industry. These of course wouldn't be linked by road through Aseki to Slate Creek and had a means of establishing the industry and marketing the products.

SOCIAL.

Apart from the small Mission school at Benula there are no education facilities in the area. Although some children do attend Hiakwata and Aseki Primary T Schools.

The only Mission in the area so far is Lutheran. Although the German Missionary from Aseki pays infrequent visits to the area, the faith seems to be relatively un-inspired ~~and~~ and local pastors seem to bear the bulk of preaching, etc. There seems to be a fairly amicable situation between the polygamists and the other converts and the only disputes involving males with two or more wives were generally about lack of responsibility on the males part in looking after the brood. Unlikely other areas there seems to be no attempt made by the Mission, to have the polygamists ostracized, or the marriage broken-up.

Health in the area was good, very few reports of

really sick people, and few deaths during the period between censuses.

Rough soccer and basketball areas provided the only sporting facilities in the area.

PROGRESS - LANGIMAN AIRSTRIP

Since my first visit on October 8th, 1970 there appears to have been little done. The area on the eastern side which required filling had been filled to a certain degree, but still require 12'-15' of area filled to provide the needed width. The villagers had filled what they considered enough and then left the work altogether. The area which was marked by myself was still in need of considerable filling. Apart from this no work had been done on the higher section of the site, and grass was starting to grow back over the area previously cleared.

The area which was to be filled on the eastern side was once again pointed out, and the work to be recommenced at the top of the site also explained.

Following talks with the people during which the economic advantages of the airstrip were once again re-emphasized, the various Luluais informed me that their people would just forget about the airstrip when I returned to Aseki. They further explained only when the Patrol Officer had been stationed there before had they really worked. I told them that it was improbable that I would be able to send anyone there at least until the New Year, due to other commitments in the area.

This appears to be the root of the matter, that, if someone is there to ensure that the workers turn up, they will, otherwise they remain in the villages and show no interest.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MOROLE Report No. ASEKI (Special) No. 4 of 1970/71

Patrol Conducted by R. J. MORRISON Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Part Kapau/Nanina Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Wife

Natives Const. Bill, Interpreter: Nakiop

Duration—From 2/12/1970 to 4/12/1970

Number of Days Three

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services /Jan/1969

Medical /19

Map Reference Attached Patrol Map

Objects of Patrol 1. Inspect Aseki-Paiyu Road

2. Recommend work on the road

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

BR:KP

67-6-43

Division of District Administration.

MONEDOBU, PAPUA.

29th January, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
AE.

ASEKI PATROL NO. 4 OF 1970/71.

Your reference 67-2-11 of 21st January, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special
and Situation Report by Mr. R.P. Morrison, Patrol Officer,
of part KAPAU/NANIMA Census Division.

A report as short as this could have been more
competently checked for spelling and other careless mistakes.

I trust Mr. Morrison's next effort will be of a
higher standard.

(T.W. ELLIS)

Departmental Head.

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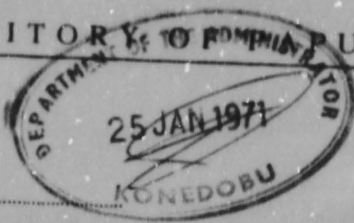
Mr. R.P. Morrison,
Patrol Post,
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Morobe District,
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21st January, 1971

Departmental Head,
Division of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
KONE DOBU.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT NO. 4/70-71

Attached are two copies of the above Report.

This report of a routine road work patrol
requires little comment.

Mr. Morrison will be requested to pay more
attention to his spelling, typing and presentation.

B. Bunting

(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner

Attach.



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Patrol Post,
ASEKI,
Morobe District,

8th December, 1970

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

ASEKI PATROL No.4 OF 1970/71.

Herewith the above report and my claim for camping allowance.

Station	ASEKI PATROL POST
SUB-DISTRICT	Menyama
District	MOROBE
Council	NON
Patrol Conducted By	R.P. MORRISON
Designation	Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled	PART KAPAU/NANIMA C/D
Personal Accompanying	Const. BILL 1955 Interpreter NAKICE
Duration	THREE DAYS
Date Out	2nd December, 1970
Date In	4th December, 1970
Last D.D.A. Patrol to the Area.	JANUARY, 1969
Objects of Patrol	1. Inspect Aseki-Poiyu Road 2. Recommence work on the road
Population of Area	SEE PATROL MAP
Map Reference	" " "

R.P. Morrison
R.P. MORRISON
Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION.

This short patrol was made with the intention of familiarizing myself with the road route, and getting work restarted on upgrading the road to four wheel drive standard. Some work has been done over the past two months but when I arrived in the area no-one was working on the road. After consultations with the villagers of Aiewa, Bakia, Poiyu and Feisu it was agreed to recommence work in the New Year. With people from these villages starting at the TUTUKEO River and working back towards Aiewa. Another labour line will be started at the Menyanya road and will work down to the river.

PATROL DIARY

2nd December, 1970. By Toyota to road mouth thence followed cycle track to A. W. and Bakia. Talks with Officials from Aiewa and Bakia.
Overnight Bakia.

3rd December, 1970. One hours walk to Poiyu Rest House. Talks with officials from Poiyu and Feisu. Walked to Feisu to inspect road. Returned in p.m.
Overnight Feisu.

4th December, 1970. Departed Poiyu 0830, arrived Menyanya Road 1230, returned to Aseki p.m.

END OF PATROLSITUATION REPORT.POLITICAL.

The patrol was hardly in the area long enough to learn much about the Political Development of the area. A census patrol to the area is proposed for the early New Year when a full report will be given.

ECONOMIC.

Main reason for the upgrading of the road is the vast potential of the area as a producer. Already about a third of the area's coffee comes from this vicinity, and as the Saitani Society are sending a tractor and trailer into the area in the near future, it is essential that the road be brought up to vehicular standard as soon as possible.

If the people are able to sell coffee in the village instead of carrying it to Aseki it is certain that more will be harvested and the standard of living in the area improved.

Apart from coffee and the sale of some vegetables there is no other cash income in the area (apart from working on the road). The provision by the society of the tractor and trailer should provide a spur for the people to get the road to vehicular standard.

SOCIAL.

Schools at Aiewa and Poiyu provide preparatory class, these schools are Mission run.

No court cases were heard during the patrol, although complaints that people from the Menyanya side were encroaching on their lands, were voiced.

SPECIAL REPORT.ASEKI - POIYU ROAD PROGRESS.

Although the present road is adequate for motor cycles and in places for four wheeled vehicles, there is still quite a deal of road reforming, before it will be suitable for four wheeled vehicles right through to Poiyu or Peisu.

The section from the Menyanya road to Hamo is almost solely a motor-cycle track, this will have to be widened and in a number of places, a lot of rock will have to be removed. Also there is a large bridge to be erected over the Tutubeo river, between Oiwa and Hamo. From Hamo to Bakia, there is also a considerable amount of rock to be removed. From Bakia to Poiyu is almost all suitable for four wheel drive vehicles, apart from a few areas where bridges need replacing and the road has slipped away.

It is proposed that work be commenced on upgrading the road in the New Year, with labour lines starting at the Menyanya road and the Tutubeo River.

R. P. Morrison

R. P. MORRISON
Patrol Officer.

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Asst. Patrol No. 4 of 1971
Patrol Route



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ASST. PATROL No. 4 of 1971
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number..... Aseki Number 5 of 1970/71

Subdistrict..... Menyamya

District..... Morobe

Type of Patrol..... Special

Patrol Conducted by..... I.V. Knox Assistant Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled..... Langimar Census Division

(Council and/or

Census Division/s.)

Personnel Accompanying Patrol..... C.I.C. Aseki R.F. Morrison (Part)

..... Const. Tawalon No. 2981 (Part)

..... Const. 1/C Gonapa No. 0803 (Part)

Duration of Patrol—from 14/1/71..... To 19/2/71 (Broken)

No. of Days..... 24

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area :..... 10/11/70

Date..... 10/11/70 to 13/11/70..... Duration..... Four Days

Objects of Patrol (Briefly)..... Further construction of the Langimar airstrip

Total Population of Area Patrolled..... 820

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner.

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KONEDOHU, PAPUA

10th June, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
SAE.

ASEKI PATROL NO. 5 OF 11/20/71

Your reference is 67-2-11 of 2nd April, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special/Situation Report by Mr. I.V. Knox, Assistant Patrol Officer to the Langimar Census Division.

Your comments adequately cover all aspects of the report.

Mr. Knox appears to be keen and has carried out his tasks ably. A good report by an observant officer.

(T.F. HILLS)
Secretary.



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Department of the Administrator,
Morobe District,
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2nd April 1971.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDU.

PATROL REPORT, ASEKI NO. 5 - 1970/71.

Forwarded herewith please find two copies of a report by Assistant Patrol Officer, Knox. This is the first report submitted by Mr. Knox. It describes, inter alia, the construction of a small airstrip in the Langimar Valley.

The airstrip will provide for the export of coffee which now has to be carried out to Aseki. The job will be completed this year and the new communication will provide a stimulus for further economic cash crops. In the meantime the purchase of a tractor by the Sai-Katut Co-operative and the extension of the road head to Langima are achievements in themselves.

I have noted the report of insect infestation in coffee and the Department of Agriculture has been requested to examine the problem.

I am not surprised at the low level of political awareness. This is common in many areas of this District and others. The fact is that people are just not interested in national politics. They have a Member of the House. When he fails to satisfy their expectations they become disillusioned with him and the House in general.

There is further evidence in the report of the migration of unskilled labour to Lae. In my personal assessment the migrant population is now comparable with that of Port Moresby as it existed in 1963. However, with the industrial development in Lae, the increasing traffic via the Highlands Highway, and a very large District population, I can foresee an upsurge in the present migration rate which even now approaches 10%. The potential growth and expansion of Lae lies in the fact that it is the port for one million people.

The report indicates that Mr. Knox is observant and has applied himself to the job in hand.

(R.T. GALLOWAY)
District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Morobe District,

18th January, 1971.

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

ASEKI PATROL No. 5 OF 1970/71

Herewith the above PATROL INSTRUCTIONS :
ASEKI PATROL No. 5 OF 1970/71.

Station ASEKI PATROL POST

Please prepare to depart to the Langimar on the 20th of January, where you will supervise work on the airstrip site, as instructed during our visit to the site last week.

Main points to follow are :-

1. Have the excavated top end of the strip leveled and rope level put across the strip.
2. Have drains dug either side of the section to be moved, and levels placed in these.
3. Concentrate on removing the top 300 feet, which will then give a total length of 1600 feet. Which is the minimum required for category "C" operations by D.G.A.

Leveling of the lower area and minor filling at the bottom of the site, can wait until the major excavating at the top is completed.

You are to return to the station on Wednesday, January 27th as I propose going to Lae on the 28th, and you will have to look after the station.

Objects of the Patrol

Population of Area

Map Reference

R.F. MORRISON
Officer in Charge.

c.c. The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office
MENTANYA.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Morobe District,

23rd February, 1971


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The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
MENYAMYA.

ASEKI PATROL No.5 OF 1970/71

Herewith the above report and my claim for camping allowance.

Station	ASEKI PATROL POST
Sub-District	Menyama
District	Morobe
Council	Nil
Patrol Conducted By	I.V.KNOX
Designation	Assistant Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled	Langimar Census Division
Personnel Accompanying	R.P.Morrison (Part) Const. Touralom No. 2981 (Part) Const. 1/C Gonapa No. 0803 (Part)
Duration	Twenty One Days (Broken)
Date Out	14th January 1971
Date In	19th February 1971
Last D.D.A. Patrol to the Area	November 1970
Objects of the Patrol	Further construction of the Langimar airstrip.
Population of Area	820
Map Reference	See Patrol Map


I.V.KNOX
Assistant Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was initially conducted as an inspection of the Langimar airstrip and as a familiarization patrol on which to base plans for the completion of the strip.

Subsequently it became a patrol to supervise and to initiate the plan for setting levels for the cutting of the remaining 300 feet. See special report.

Work which up until this patrol had been at a standstill is now progressing at a satisfactory rate with the cutting of two substantial trenches in which to place the levels. Work is also nearing completion on the new Aid Post for the area. The previous one having been condemned during this patrol.

PATROL DIARY.

- 14-1-71 AM. Departed Aseki with OIC at 0815 for the walk to Langimar. Object to deliver four new wheelbarrows and to make plans for the setting of levels for the completion of the strip. PM. Arrived Langimar at 1550 and purchased vegetables.
- 15-1-71 AM. Inspected airstrip with OIC and village officials and discussed the work to be done. Assembled the wheelbarrows and ceased at a hearing into a fight which had occurred over the New Year period. PM. Observed at the settling of two disputes.
- 16-1-71 AM. Departed Langimar for Aseki at 0815. PM. Arrived Aseki at 1530.
- Patrol Stood Down Temporarily.
- Patrol Resumed.
- 20-1-71 AM. Departed Aseki for Langimar at 1100. PM. Arrived Langimar at 1700.
- 21-1-71 AM. Lined the men from Bemula and Otetei and work commenced. PM. Work continued. Dispatched Const. Touraloni to investigate a grass fire in the Atapaura area. He returned having been unable to find the culprits. 1800 slight earth tremor felt.
- 22-1-71 AM. Lined the workers and work continued. Marked the two new trenches to be dug to set levels. PM. Work continued. Progress satisfactory.
- 23-1-71 Observed at Langimar.
- 24-1-71 Observed at Langimar.
- 25-1-71 AM. Lined the workers from Wapalala and Atapaura and delivered a talk on the lighting of grass fires and instructed them to obtain a permit in future. PM. Work continued.
- 26-1-71 AM. Work continued. Inspected the local Aid Post with the Medical Assistant from Menyanya and condemned it. Issued instructions for the building of a new one. PM. Work continued.
- 27-1-71 AM. Departed Langimar for Aseki at 0815. PM. Arrived Aseki at 1315. Paid off the carriers and was briefed by the OIC in preparation for taking over the station for the long weekend.

Patrol Stood Down Temporarily.

Patrol Diary Cont.Patrol Resumed

- 9-2-71 AM. Departed Aseki for Langimar at 0920. Unable to leave on 8-2-71 as planned as carriers failed to appear.
PM. Arrived Langimar at 1520 and inspected work on the new Aid Post and the airstrip. Paid off the carriers and bought some vegetables and firewood.
- 10-2-71 AM. Lined the Wapalalas and Atapauras (42) and work continued on the airstrip with a further 5 men working on the Aid Post.
PM. Work continued.
- 11-2-71 AM. Work continued - 47 men present.
PM. Work continued.
- 12-2-71 AM. Work continued. Only 35 present. The Julusi from Wapalala expressed his wish to resign as his young men were not taking any notice of him. Talked to him on his duties and the reason for his appointment and he seemed satisfied with this.
PM. Work continued but at a slower rate due to misty rain during the afternoon.
- 13-2-71 AM. Observed at Langimar.
- 14-2-71 AM. Observed at Langimar. Slight earth tremor felt at 0810.
- 15-2-71 AM. Lined the men from Benula and Otetel (52) and work continued on both the airstrip and the Aid Post.
PM. Work continued.
- 16-2-71 AM. Work continued. Only 50 men present.
PM. Work continued.
- 17-2-71 AM. Work continued. Only 42 men present. Others away getting timber for the new Aid Post.
PM. Work continued but ceased at 1500 due to heavy rain.
- 18-2-71 AM. Work continued. 47 men present.
PM. Work continued but ceased at 1400 due to more heavy rain.
- 19-2-71 AM. Departed Langimar for Aseki at 0705.
PM. Arrived Aseki at 1230. Routine office work after paying off the carriers and reporting in to the OIC.

End Of Patrol.

SITUATION REPORT.1. POLITICAL.

Amongst the Langimars in general there is a distinct lack of knowledge of Government functions. They are aware of the House of Assembly and that there is a Public Service with various departments. However their knowledge of these functions of these apart from the work of the Patrol Officers, Aid Post Orderlies and Rural Development Officers is extremely limited.

They claim that their local member - from the Watut - has only visited the area once since his election and they tend to think that they have been forgotten in this respect. Consequently there is little or no knowledge of the functions or work of the House of Assembly, but there appears to be a sincere desire to learn. There is also a desire to have a member elected from the Sub-District so that the area interests can be looked after and area problems voiced.

It should however be pointed out that the Langimar is a comparatively isolated area with a population of only 820 and until the area is accessible by either air or road, it is likely to be shown less attention than other more accessible areas. By current members and prospective candidates that is.

The theories of politics, the party system and nationalism are unknown subjects and I have not attempted to delve into these with them as at this time I am not sufficiently qualified to do so.

There is within the area the basis for a future Local Government Council and with men returning from the outside and telling of the advantages it could bring, there is a strong interest for this, particularly amongst the older local leaders. But they themselves realize that this is by no means an immediate prospect.

An Administration that when the airstrip and access road are completed, the resultant improved economy would be quite adequate to such a venture.

2. ECONOMIC.

The area of the Langimar Valley is a potentially very rich one in vegetables and coffee, which at the moment are grown only on a small scale. Also as the area has extensive grasslands it is a potentially good area for livestock. With the abundance of feed and the prevailing mild climatic conditions, it is my opinion that cattle could flourish in the area.

The soils of the area are a good quantity and currently the crops are not flourishing as they should. The coffee stems are being killed by insects and consequently the production is low. But at the moment with the airstrip completion in sight, the people are preparing to expand their production of both coffee and vegetables in order to capitalize on the improved communications.

Recently the problem of transporting their coffee to Aseki in order to sell it was lessened to some degree with the acquisition by the Sai - Watut Co-operative Society of a tractor and trailer. Now they have set up a buying point at the head of the Langimar walking track and the Society clerk can buy it there and transport it to Aseki with the tractor. But it is hoped that with the opening of the airstrip, a branch co-operative and some form of commercial enterprise in the form of a trade store will be established in the area.

Some income is derived from young men working in Rabaul, Bulolo and Lae, but their income largely goes to support themselves and the other "hangers on" who move in on them and expect the workers to finance and support them.

On the whole however the area income is based on the sale of their coffee and vegetables, supplemented by the occasional employment as carriers.

Vegetables grown in the area are both of a local and European nature and in most cases are of high quality.

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3. SOCIAL.

There are some social problems in evidence in the Langimar with a degree of ill feeling by the Oteteis and Benulas towards the Wapalalas and Atapauras. This stems from the fact that most of the women in the area prefer to marry men from either Wapalala or Atapaura as they are quite noticeably the more industrious workers. The Benulas and Oteteis being of a more indolent and idle nature. This recently caused a fight which lasted for three days and resulted in twenty-three men being sentenced to two months detention at the Aseki Corrective Institution and there is a strong feeling that the fight will be resumed on their release.

Many of the young men have expressed their desire to move to the bigger area such as Lee and Bulolo to work on the "Big Lines" and this trend has severely depleted the population of both Benula and Otetei. The Wapalalas and Atapauras are being held in the area by the strong will of their Luluais at least until the airstrip is completed. It is necessary to note that very few of these emigrants do in fact find work, as they are by and large unskilled and uneducated. Those who are unsuccessful do not return to their village, but remain to "sponge" on the few fortunate ones.

At present there are four churches in the area. One in each village. These are by and large well attended, but the people feel that they are being neglected as they receive very very few visits from the European Lutheran missionary at Aseki and is a disconcerting factor in their approach to Christianity. There is a strong desire for an Administration school to be established in the area, and it is my opinion that when the airstrip and access road are completed, the resultant improved economy would be quite adequate to support such a venture.

Aligned with this, the people have requested that a Patrol Officer be permanently stationed in the area after the completion of the airstrip. But it should be noted that at the moment they receive far more visits than does a large proportion of the Patrol Area. Also when the airstrip is completed together with an outlet road to the Aseki/Menyanya road, they will be easily accessible to Aseki and will receive quite adequate attention by the administration from Aseki.

During my stay in the area, several land disputes were brought to me, but on examination it was found that these had all been settled previously and they were simply trying for a "better deal". These cases have been brought to the attention of the OIC from Aseki.

While there is a Demarkation Committee in the Langimar area for this purpose, it remains something of a non-entity and very little if any attention is paid to it or to the rare decisions it does make.

On the whole however there is a strong feeling for development in the Langimar. Not only is this of a social nature, but also for political and especially economic growth and progress, and the completion of the airstrip is the key to the opening up of a potentially rich agricultural area and the main factor motivating the people in their desire for development.

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PROGRESS REPORT - LANGIMAR AIRSTRIP

At the present time there still remains 300 feet of earth to cut out before the 1600 foot mark projected for the opening of the strip is reached. But consequent upon this mark being reached, there is still an area in the centre which has been poorly cut and must be filled. This is approximately 200 feet in length by 100 feet wide.

Currently the workers are cutting a trench on either side of the uncut area in an endeavour to set levels for the cutting of the centre. This has been necessitated by the sporadic work performed on the strip and the lack of a firm plan for the necessary levelling. When Mr. James the D.C.A. Inspector completed the plans for the strip it would appear that apart from rough marks, no actual levels were placed on the site. These trenches are on an average of 8 feet deep by 6 feet wide, to enable the effective use of picks and wheelbarrows.

Whilst this operation is in progress, the majority of the workers are cutting the top 4 to 5 feet of the trenches and removing the topsoil and vegetation from the uncut section.

Due to the rotation of work between the two groups - the Benulas and Oteteis working one week and the Wapalalas and Atapauras working the next - I would estimate that another six weeks will be required to complete both trenches, which at the moment are only completed to a length of 50 feet.

Until recently, no work has been undertaken during the absence of a Patrol Officer to supervise. But now with the definite goal in mind of completing the two trenches and the airstrip completion following closely, the people are working by themselves. However, regular visits are required to correct errors and maintain an active interest in the work.

I would estimate that at the present rate of work and providing that this work is continuous the airstrip should be completed by the end of this year. Possibly sooner.

At the present time, the problem of soil erosion has arisen as recent heavy rainfall has caused small gutters to form on the surface, and extensive cracking to a depth of 3 to 4 inches has occurred. To lessen this effect in future, I would recommend that before being put into full operation, the airstrip be coated with the local black topsoil before being grassed. This would provide a suitable binding for the now crumbling clay surface.



IAN V. KNOX
Assistant Patrol Officer



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3 MILES

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WATER DIVISION

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WATER DIVISION

WATER DIVISION

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AREA

PAPUA NEW GUINEA



SAINTER
PATROL POST

DRAMA



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number... ASEKI Number 6 of 1970/71.

Subdistrict... Meryayya.

District... Morobe.

Type of Patrol... Annual Census/Area Study.

Patrol Conducted by... R.P. Morrison. Patrol Officer...
 Area Patrolled... Kapau/Mabu Census Division.
 (Council and/or
 Census Division/s.)

Personnel Accompanying Patrol
 Const. 1/c. Haratsa. No. 1045. (part)
 Const. Teuralen. No. 2981. (Part)
 Interpreter Nagiop.

Duration of Patrol— from 4 / 2 / 71 To 18 / 2 / 71

No. of Days... Fifteen Days

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area :... July, 1969.

Date... 3/7/69 to 19/10/69 Duration... Sixty Six Days.

Objects of Patrol (Briefly).....
 1. Annual Census
 2. Area Study.
 3. Mark work on Slate Creek Road.
 4. General Administration.

Total Population of Area Patrolled.....

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

[Signature]
 District Commissioner.

[Handwritten notes]
 Area study
 not contained
 in this report
 22/8/72

15/3/71

GFC:KP

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KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

26th May, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.


PATROL NO. 6 OF 1970/71.

Your reference 67-2-11 of 12th March, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Area Study and Situation Report by Mr. R.P. Morrison, of KAPAU/KAPU Census Division, Menyamya Sub-District.

I would appreciate your forwarding details of the "return of Public monies collected by the local M.H.A." mentioned in the Introduction at Page one (1).

It is noted that this is the first patrol since July, 1969. More frequent patrolling is essential, particularly in areas such as this, to encourage development.


(T.W. ELLIS)
Secretary.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Department of the Administrator,
Division of District
Administration,
Morobe District,
IAE.

12th March, 1971.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No. 6-1970/71.

Enclosed herewith please find the original and duplicate of a patrol report by Mr. Morrison, Patrol Officer. The report is accompanied by a map of the patrol and census revision figures.

Considerable social and economic changes are occurring now as the result of new communications expanding through the area. These communications, mainly roads and airstrips, are bringing groups of people together who themselves now communicate, and commute, in a way which is quite different from their tradition. The new roads now link Menyama to Aseki and the road head from Aseki is being driven on further to the Slate Creek road from Bulolo. These roads are vital for economic development and important also for social and political advancement.

Even so, it is necessary to take a critical look into the future. Mr. Morrison reports an opinion that when the Slate Creek road is open the people will become more affluent because no longer will they have to fly produce out. However, the maintenance of these roads will be an enormous factor, and this, together with the cost of trucking over long and hard conditions, will be a costly sum to the growers. Airfreight from these remote areas will be more than competitive for years ahead.

There has been some discussion about the road and the council. I do not consider that further road extensions should be set as the criterion for the establishment of the council. Other councils have been established with lesser communications. However, quite clearly I do not have the staff and furthermore I consider the establishment of a council at this time could bring early problems. I do not quite understand why these people want a council but I fear that they may have certain cultish expectations of extraordinary and unnatural advancement.

I note also from the report (1) that when the booklets on Local Government were distributed and explained, response was generally enthusiastic and comments were made about learning more about councils (page 5) and, (2) that in the whole area with a population of 7154 there were only 23 adult males who were semi literate in Pidgin, and no females (page 5).

Overall I am satisfied that the work done by this patrol was of a high standard. Comments by the Assistant District Commissioner are attached.



(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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If calling ask for
F.O.L.

Mr.

Department of District Administration,
Menyanya,
Morobe District.

5th March, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
Lae.

ASEKI PATROL No. 6 - 1970/71
KAPAU/KAPU C.D. R.F. MORRISON

The attached report and camping claims are forwarded herewith.

The Situation report is brief but the Area study gives an up to date picture and is well done. The following are general comments on the situation as a whole.

The economic situation of this area is quite pleasing and it is, by far, one of the most progressive areas in the whole sub-district. From the report it can be seen that there is not an abundance of wealth but at least a considerable number of people are earning a reasonable amount.

I shall be interested to see the effect on the economy when the Wax - Slato creek road gets into the Angabena area - as the report states this is not too far off. There has been a noticeable change in attitude towards road building in the area after the initial negative reaction was overcome and the people are demonstrating much keenness. The combination of roads and the Sai/Watut Society tractor should make life much more comfortable for these people as far as marketing their produce is concerned.

It would seem that the people are generally becoming more politically aware and this new awareness should be capitalised on without delay. This can be done in conjunction with road construction. Informal talks with the road labourers after work etc.

The keenness for a council in the area is a known factor but it is essential to get the road system working first. Aside from the economic aspect of the road it will make council administration and organisation much easier and will place a new council in a much strong position.

P. J. LANGCASTER,
Assistant District Commissioner.

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Overall I am satisfied that the work done by this patrol was of a high standard. Comments by the Assistant District Commissioner are attached.



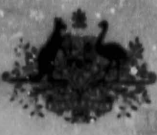
(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner.

c.c. Assistant District Commissioner,
MENIAMYA.

What is the reference concerning the "return of monies collected by the local M.H.A." on page (1) enc.



(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner.



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Mr.

Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
Patrol Post,
ASEKI,
Morobe District,
24th February, 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MEUYANYA.

ASEKI PATROL NUMBER 6 of 1970/71.

Herewith the above report and my attached claim for camping allowance.

- Station : Aseki Patrol Post
- Sub-District : Meuyanya.
- District : Morobe.
- Council : N.I.L.
- Patrol Conducted By : R.P. Morrison.
- Designation : Patrol Officer.
- Area Patrolled : Kayau/Kabu Census Division.
- Personnel Accompanying : Const. I/c Maratse, No. 1045. (Part)
Const. Touralca, No. 2981. (Part)
- Duration : Fifteen Days.
- Date Out : 4th February, 1971.
- Date In : 18th February, 1971.
- Last D.D.A. Patrol to the Area : July, 1969.
- Objects of Patrol : 1. Annual Census.
2. Area Study.
3. Mark work on Slate Creek Road.
4. General Administration.
- Population of Area : See attached figures.
- Map Reference : See Patrol Map.

R.P. Morrison
R.P. MORRISON
PATROL OFFICER.

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INTRODUCTION.

The main purpose of the patrol was to conduct the census in the area and collect information for an Area Study. As the area had not been censused for two years, this did not prove easy, as most of the male inhabitants had no idea what name they had used for the last census, so it was usually the females who remembered and got the family organised. Apart from the census and Area Study, which were completed and are included, the other objects of the patrol were successfully carried out: two sections of road at the top of the Angabena Escarpment were marked so that work on the Slate Creek road could be recommenced, and several other outstanding Administration items were cleared up, i.e. return of monies collected by the local M.H.A. and the location of several people wanted in connection with Workers' Compensation claims.

Patrolling the Kapau/Kabu involves fairly easy walking, mainly along ridges, of about 2 to 3 hours distance between the various villages. The only area which presents any problems is in the crossing of the Kapau River between Mungo and Iwatinga, this involves a crossing about 100 yards wide. As there is no bridge the river has to be forded and this is only possible when it is at a low level.

PATROL DIARY.

- 14th February, 1971. Departed Asaki 1000, arrived Wungia 1200. Lined and censused Wungia, Aringi Iwatinga. Talks given. Returned Asaki 1530.
- 4th February, 1971. Departed station 0830 by Toyota, arrived Slate Creek Roadhead 0930. Marked two sections of road into the Kapau Valley, walked along ridge top to Angabena "ladders", then to Angeiwanga. Arrived village 1245. Talks with Village Officials. Overnight Angeiwanga.
- 17th February, 1971.
- 13th February, 1971.
- 5th February, 1971. Lined and censused Wungia, Angeiwanga, Pinamanga and Titawana. Talks given on Local Government, Roads, Society, etc. Overnight Angeiwanga.
- 6th February, 1971. Departed Angeiwanga 0820, arrived Iagobel 1000. Lined and censused Hiakwata and Iagobel. Talks given. Overnight Iagobel.
- 7th February, 1971. Departed Iagobel 0940, arrived Kobakini 1140. Overnight Kobakini.
- 8th February, 1971. Lined and censused Kobakini, Anggale and Komagwatta. Talks given. Departed 1250 and arrived Kapau River Rest House 1557. Overnight Kapau Rest House.
- 9th February, 1971. Lined and censused Kwadawati, Kamagaga, Hogeneiwa and Kanalkainang'ga. Talks given. Overnight Kapau Rest House.
- 10th February, 1971. Departed Rest House 0830, arrived Paiwini 1230. Lined and censused Kaitongata and Dums'ia. Talks given. Overnight Paiwini.

been on the possibility of... the road link with Slate Creek was completed. His interest was shown in joining with the Wabut Council. Feeling was that the Kapau area should have their own Council and then as the other Asaki areas became more developed they to could be included. Booklets explaining the work of Local Government Councils were handed out and were well received. Consensus of opinion seemed to be that when the Slate Creek road was through they would have an outlet for the coffee and vegetables and they would be able to earn more as they wouldn't have to airfreight the produce out.

PATROL DIARY, cont.

11th February, 1971.

Lined and Censused Paiwini.
 Departed 1030, arrived Passa'ia 1230.
 Lined and censused Yamowya and Passa'ia
 Overnight Passa'ia.

12th February, 1971.

Lined and censused Aningi. Departed
 1010, arrived Kwadungwe 1400. Lined
 and censused Yeggie in p.m. Fight at
 Passa'ia investigated.
 Overnight Kwadungwe.

13th February, 1971.

Lined and censused Kwadungwe. Departed
 0920 and arrived Mungo 1730. Lined
 and censused Kortelo and Angaweta on
 the road.
 Overnight Mungo.

14th February, 1971.

Lined and censused Mungo and Kalasu.
 Departed 0920, arrived Aseki 1530.

15th February, 1971.

Departed Aseki 1000, arrived Wengia
 1050. Lined and censused Wengia, Aringi
 Iwatimaga. Talks given. Returned
 Aseki 1530.

16th February, 1971.

Hearing Court concerning Passa'ia fight
 in a.m. Lined and censused Koki in p.m.

17th February, 1971.

Lined and censused Window and Haungu
 in a.m. Working on census figures in
 p.m.

18th February, 1971.

Lined and censused Aseki in a.m.
 Worked on census figures in p.m.

END OF PATROL.SITUATION REPORT.POLITICAL.

There is no organized sport in the area, all the
 very regular soccer matches are played between the Aseki
 Station and outlying villages teams.
 Although the area is relatively
 unsophisticated and the people unfamiliar with Politics as such, a
 surprising interest and some comprehension of aspects of local and
 national items of political mechanics was shown. On a local scale
 there was generally some understanding shown of the work of such
 things as Local Government Councils, Co-operatives and the various
 Administration Departments, whilst some surprisingly correct answers
 were forthcoming on the subjects of the House of Assembly and its
 functions, Workers Associations, and the meaning of self-government,
 etc. Although most of the general answers were forwarded by those
 who had some education and those who had been to the towns, it was
 evident that the village people are also becoming interested in the
 topics which are discussed by the ones who return home from the
 towns.

All villages without exception were
 keen on the possibility of having a Council in the area when the
 road link with Slate Creek was completed. No interest was shown
 in joining with the Watut Council. Feeling was that the Kapau
 area should have their own Council and then as the other Aseki
 areas became more developed they to could be included. Booklets
 explaining the work of Local Government Councils were handed out
 and were well received. Concensus of opinion seemed to be that
 when the Slate Creek road was through they would have an outlet
 for the coffee and vegetables and thus would be able to earn more
 as they wouldn't have to airfreight the produce out.

SITUATION REPORT, cont.ECONOMIC.

The only cash crop in the area is coffee, which provides a steady income for most inhabitants of the area. As the beans have to be carried to either Aseki or the Watut, the distances involved restrict the amount actually harvested. When the Slate Creek Road is through, most of the villages in the Kapau will either be linked by the road itself, or by subsequent feeder roads which should encourage them to harvest more coffee and thus improve their income. Arrival of the tractor and trailer provided by the Sai-Watut Society has given the people a considerable boost. As they now believe that the roads are going to be used by others than the Administration, and also that the sooner the roads reach their villages the sooner the Society will be able to pick up their coffee from them at the villages, instead of their carrying it in to be brought.

Apart from coffee there appears to be no other potential cash income in the area. Timber stands in the area don't appear to be of economic value, although no survey has ever been done, and no exploitation is possible until the area has a road out. Experimental plots of various ~~pink~~ products such as cardamon are being set up at Aseki to determine their suitability as potential crops for the area.

SOCIAL.

As with most other areas at Aseki there are several settled and unsettled land disputes which are brought up periodically. Several were heard during the patrol and both sides were amicably satisfied. Shortly after the patrol left Passa'ia a brawl developed which was later investigated and appropriate Court action taken. The incident involved some 30 men from Passa'ia and Dumau'ia and was the result of a disagreement over a clump of bamboo jointly owned by people from both villages. The miscreants said that as no one had been seriously injured and no bones broken they couldn't see why there should have to be any trouble let alone a Court.

There is no organized sport in the area, although fairly regular soccer matches are played between the Aseki Station and outlying village teams.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number: Asoki Number 7 of 1970/71

Subdistrict: Manysays

District: Morebe

Type of Patrol: Special

Patrol Conducted by: I.V. Knox Assistant Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled: Langimar Census Division

(Council and/or
Census Division/s.)

Personnel Accompanying Patrol: Const. Touralom No. 2981

Duration of Patrol—from 22/3/71 to 31/3/71

No. of Days: 10 Days

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: 9/2/71

Date: 14/1/71 to 19/2/71 (Broken) Duration: 21 Days

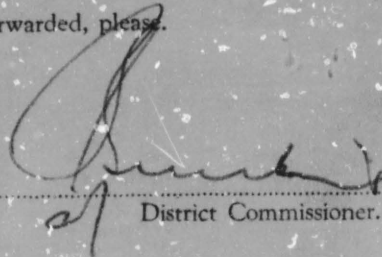
Objects of Patrol (Briefly):

1. Check and supervise work on the airstrip site.
2. Revise Common Role.
3. Make discreet inquiries as to the situation in the area.

Total Population of Area Patrolled: 820

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.



District Commissioner.

6/16 1971

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KONEDORU. PAPUA.

15th June, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morebe District,
LAE.

ASEKI PATROL NO. 7 OF 1970/71.

Your reference 67-2-11 of 4th June, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by
Mr. I.V. Knox, Assistant Patrol Officer of LANGIMAR Census Division.

The reaction of the people to political education is only
to be expected. It was only a few years ago that the LANGIMAR group
were the most volatile and warlike in the MERYALYA area.

I endorse your remarks on the report.

(T.W. HILLIS)
Secretary.

coffee in the Asuki area. On page 4 of this report Mr. Knox makes brief mention of the insect. Perhaps I could have further details and be advised how it attacks the coffee, the areas of infestation, and the results of infestation to the tree and production.

5. What is the Department of Agriculture's view on the potential for cattle raising in the LANGIMAR area?

Please encourage your field officers to provide more detailed information in their reports in future.




(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner



c.c. The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

Copy for your information and two copies of the report herewith.


(B. BUNTING)
a/District Commissioner

67-2-11

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Merabe District,
LAE.

4th June, 1971

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MENYANYA.

PATROL REPORT ASEKI NO. 7 of 1970/71

Thank you for the Patrol Report by Mr. Knox,
Assistant Patrol Officer.

I am disappointed with the presentation of this report. It obviously did not receive the same attention which Mr. Knox gave to his earlier report, Aseki Patrol No. 9. The report also contains a number of spelling errors.

I would like Mr. Knox to provide more information in future and in particular I would like you to bring the following matters to his attention.

1. The report states that copies of a political party's leaflets have been distributed and discussed through the area. What message did these publications contain and what was the interpretation by the people who read them? Who are the political spokesmen and what is their background and association? Are any fees being levied? Are political parties being associated in any way with the Administration?
2. The report contains an assessment that "if they ignore the House and its work then it will leave them alone to continue as they are". What is the fear of the House of Assembly based on? This fear should be removed and the concept of self-government made attractive and acceptable to them. These people may feel that self-government is a remote possibility and that they, the present generation, will be excluded from involvement. They should be told that self-government does not come only after a country is fully civilised and economically developed; it comes before that and it is but a step along the way - an arbitrary point in the process began long ago in which they assume an increasingly greater role in the management of their own development.
3. Please remember that the majority of the indigenous people are farmers and always will be farmers. This should not deny them the right of education. Mr. Knox suggests that it is a disturbing thing that those who have been educated are returning to the family gardens. This is not so. It is in fact disappointing that not more of those who have been educated on this low level do not return to their gardens; the future of Papua and New Guinea is in many respects the production of agricultural crops and not the production of many clean-shaven clerical workers.
4. In my letter 67-2-11 of 2nd April, 1971 to the District Rural Development Officer, I mentioned the pest infestation in



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**Menyanya,
Morobe District.**

7th May, 1971.

**The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.**

ASEKI REPORT NO 7-70/71 - I.V.KNOX

LANGIMAR C.D.

Three copies of the abovementioned report and camping claims are attached.

It would seem that local enthusiasm as regards to the airstrip is waning but this is to be expected when the enormity of the task and the available population to carry it out are compared. In general though the total result of construction is quite pleasing and a rest would not do anybody and harm.

Difficulty was experienced in two villages with Cowson Hall Revision - as the O.I.C. Aseki has intimated this could be related to present thoughts on airstrip construction and the relating to the Revision thoughts of an assessment of labour. I don't think there is any serious problem involved.

Many of the Local People in the sub-district are heartily fed up with Patrol Officers trying to impart abstract ideas concerning Government and the House of Assembly in meetings. Mostly they are confused and there are serious shortcomings in using Patrol Officers for this task as we are certainly not trained "educators". However, as political education is a continuing process and there is no better system available we can only keep on trying.

The presentation and effort evidenced in the report is quite pleasing. Mr. Knox should, however, try to obtain a slightly broader outlook when assessing the local situation but this will come only with experience.

**P.J.LANCASTER,
Assistant District Commissioner.**



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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17th March, 1971.

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

Mr. I. Knox,
Patrol Post,
ASEKI.

Sub-District
District
General

PATROL INSTRUCTION:-
ASEKI PATROL No.7 OF 1970/71.

Please prepare to depart to the Langimar Census Division on March 22nd for 10 days for the following purposes:-

1. Check and supervise work being carried out on the airstrip site.
2. Visit all villages and revise the Common Roll.
3. Whilst at these villages make discreet inquiries as to the situation in the area. Keeping in mind that the villagers have stated that they still have to straighten out scores, after the fight which put 23 of them in jail.

Revising the Common Roll shouldn't take more than 3 days, so the rest of the time can be spent at the airstrip.

R.P. Morrison
R.P. MORRISON
Officer in Charge.

c.c. The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
KENYANYA.



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2nd April 1971.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub District Office,
MENYAMYA.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No. 7 OF 1970/71

Herewith the above report and my claim for camping allowances.

Station	Aseki Patrol Post
Sub District	Menyanya
District	Morobe
Council	Nil
Patrol Conducted By	I.V.Knox
Designation	Assistant Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled	Langimar Census Division
Personnel Accompanying	Const. Touralou No. 2981
Duration	Ten Days
Date Out	22nd March 1971
Date In	31st March 1971
Last DDA Patrol to the Area	February 1971
Objects of the Patrol	1. Check and supervise work on the airstrip site. 2. Revise Common Role 3. Make discreet inquiries as to the area situation.
Population of Area	820
Map Reference	See Patrol Map

I.V.KNOX
Assistant Patrol Officer.

25-3-71

27-3-71

INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was conducted with the threefold purpose of checking and supervising work on the airstrip, revising the Common Role and making discreet inquiries as to the situation in the area, and Police House

All three tasks were accomplished. Little work had been done on the airstrip during my absence and area enthusiasm for the project had waned. In two villages - Benula and Otetei - considerable opposition was encountered to the Common Role revision and generally little area interest was shown. Thirdly, all Villagers were just a little too emphatic that area relations were good to be entirely convincing.

One satisfying factor was that the new Aid Post mentioned in Aseki Patrol Report No. 5 of 1970/71 has finally been completed and is now in full operation.

PATROL DIARY.

- 22-3-71 AM. Commenced the walk to Langimar at 1030. En route I encountered the Lulua from Benula and was shown over his coffee garden which had been demolished by renegade pigs. PM. Arrived Langimar at 1605 and inspected work on the airstrip. Little done during my absence and no-one from Atapaura was present.
- 23-3-71 AM. Supervised work on the airstrip but only 27 men were present. PM. Work ceased at 1330 due to heavy rain which continued all afternoon.
- 24-3-71 AM. Work continued, but again a poor turn up. Settled a minor dispute and gave a talk on the law relevant to pigs ruining gardens. PM. Work continued. Settled another minor dispute.
- 25-3-71 AM. Visited Benula and revised the Common Role. Little interest shown. Discussed the village problems with the Lulua and others and collected some coffee samples to be taken to Aseki for D.A.S.F. examination. Delivered a talk on the importance of all men working on the airstrip. PM. Supervised work on the airstrip. Progress slow due to a poor turn up again.
- 26-3-71 AM. Visited Otetei and revised the Common Role, but not without difficulty. The people were extremely obstructive and showed no interest at all in the House of Assembly or in elections. Discussed village problems and delivered a talk on the importance of all men working on the airstrip. PM. Supervised work on the airstrip and again only 27 present as all the Atapauras refused to come down.
- 27-3-71 AM. Walked to Wapalala to revise the Common Role. PM. Revised the Common Role (a most helpful village) and discussed village problems and delivered a talk on the airstrip work. Slept at Wapalala.

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PATROL DIARY CONT.

28-3-71 AM. Returned to the Benula/Otetei Rest House but first instructed the Laluai from Wapalala to have a new Rest House and Police House built as the current ones are not habitable and the patrol had to be accommodated elsewhere in the village.
FK. Observed at Langinar

29-3-71 AM. Walked to Atapaura via the road through Otetei. 2 1/2 hours walk. PM. Revised the Common Role and heard several village problems and gave a strong talk on the importance of their helping in the work on the airstrip. Also instructed the Laluai to have a new Rest House and Police House built - again these were not habitable and the patrol had to be accommodated in the new unoccupied Mission house. Slept at Atapaura

30-3-71 AM. Returned to the Benula/Otetei Rest House via the lower track. 1 1/2 hours walk. PM. Supervised work on the airstrip and prepared to return to Aseki.

31-3-71 AM. Departed Langinar for Aseki at 0800. PM. Arrived Aseki at 1305 and was briefed by the OIC prior to his departure to the Road Camp on the WAU road.
END OF PATROL

This refusal by many of the villagers, especially from Benula and Otetei to take any open interest in Territorial affairs is a most definite retrograde step in their move towards Local Government. Even after a careful explanation of their rights as citizens as regards voting and a brief talk on how the work of the House of Assembly can benefit them and how important it is to select the right man for the job little change was notable. Their apathy appears to be based on the illogical presumption that if they ignore the House and its work, then it will leave them alone and they can continue as they are. This attitude is not at all consistent with their approach to economic and social progress.

2. ECONOMIC

As this patrol enabled me to spend some time in the villages, it was possible to have a good look at those gardens in the immediate vicinity of them. These appear to be well tended and producing well, although many of the vegetables are being picked before they reach full maturity. Consequently the standard of vegetables being offered for sale is not as high as it could be. However the quantity and the quality are still quite high and in nearly all cases very acceptable.

SITUATION REPORT.1. POLITICAL.

During this patrol the occasion arose to investigate the extent of political interest in the Langimar area. This was occasioned by the revising of the Common Role for each village, and it served to widen the gap between the four villages as regards their attitude towards area development.

Whilst all have had a reasonable amount of Political Education in the past - duly noted in the village books by the relevant officers - they deny the fact and claim that they know nothing of the House of Assembly or of elections. This is completely contrary to their previous conversations with me, during which they displayed some sound if only elementary knowledge. This attitude was especially noticeable in Bemula and Otetei where the people at first refused to assist in the revision. The necessary assistance was eventually given but it was given grudgingly. In fact they appeared afraid to have it recorded that they were eligible to vote.

A certain and quite appreciated degree of interest was shown by the people from Wapalala and Atapaura and there did appear to be a desire to learn exactly what their rights are and how to properly exercise them as regards elections.

Conversation with the more educated people revealed a disparity in the non co-operation. Several copies of the Pangu Parti's leaflets and newsletters were produced and I was assured that these had been read to the people, and that a considerable interest had been shown in them at the time. The lack of co-operation could therefore be connected with the relatively poor turn ups for work on the airstrip and my constant urgings that all able bodied men should work on the airstrip during their allotted week. This will be covered more fully in Part 3 on the Social aspects of the area.

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It is my opinion that they are waiting for the matter to be forgotten by the Asaki Administration as the whole area attitude is just a little too blasé to be convincing.

2. ECONOMIC

All Lulusais are now working hard to keep in the area as they have become alarmed. As this patrol enabled me to spend some time in the villages, it was possible to have a good look at those gardens in the immediate vicinity of them. These appear to be well tended and producing well, although many of the vegetables are being picked before they reach full maturity. Consequently the standard of vegetables being offered for sale is not as high as it could be. However the quantity and the quality are still quite high and in nearly all cases very acceptable.

ECONOMIC CONT.

A large proportion of the area economy is still derived from these and many gardens are being extended to cope with the hoped for future demand. In fact, a communal garden situated approximately half-way to Aseki has been cleared to approximately triple its original size and is now being planted.

Area coffee production while of a high grade, is still hampered by insect infestation and several samples have been brought back to Aseki for D.A.S.F. examination with the view to providing an effective spray to protect the coffee. Many coffee gardens are not in full production as yet as the plants have not yet reached their full bearing capacity. But the area is potentially rich in high grade Coffee Arabica and this will be a great economic booster in the future.

Some income is derived from absent workers in the bigger areas and the Common Role revision revealed that quite a substantial percentage of the male work force is absent. They appear to be concentrating on the Rabaul plantations and the Bulolo timber industry.

Negotiations are currently underway for the purchase of timber rights to an area of land claimed by the Atapaura villagers. The relevant company being the Golden Pine company from Wau. If this goes through it will give a substantial boost to the area economy.

The extent of the areas grasslands is far greater than at first thought and if in the future a livestock industry is introduced it should flourish. The accent here being on cattle.

On the whole the Langimar is potentially a rich area with agricultural production being the basis of the economy both currently and in the future.

While there is a strong feeling for social and particularly economic development in the area it now appears to be based on only a limited amount of

3. SOCIAL. As regards Political development, there is some individualism. As mentioned in my report in Aseki Patrol Report No. 5 of 1970/71, the Langimar area is socially a rather volatile one, with a degree of illfeeling existing between the four villages.

Visits to all four villages revealed that as mentioned in the previous report, the men from Wapalala and Atapaura are by far the most industrious and it is quite obvious why the women from Benula and Otetei wish to marry into these clans in preference to their own. Previously this caused a rather large fight but the predicted return match has not yet eventuated, but it is still quite a strong possibility. It is my opinion that they are waiting for the matter to be forgotten by the Aseki Administration as the whole area attitude is just a little too biased to be convincing.

All Luluais are now working hard to keep the young men in the area as they have become alarmed by the numbers now absent in the more economical areas of Rabaul and Bulolo. Whether or not all these men have in fact found employment is of course another question but as quite a few have taken their families with them it would appear that they do not anticipate returning. Consequently the area is suffering from this loss.

SOCIAL CONT.

The area approach to education is again not consistent with their request for an Administration school. Those children who are sent to school are being permitted to go as far as they can and are then being told to return to their village and put to work in the family garden. This is a disturbing factor, as the education is not being put to any constructive use and consequently many of these students are refusing to return.

Talks with village pastors revealed that all four churches are well attended but observation of village life etc. leads me to the conclusion that christianity is only a superficial belief as yet. To all intents and purposes however, the foundations are there and the four pastors are conscientious in their work and are all hopeful for the future.

Sport is a growing thing in the area and both soccer and basketball are played throughout the weekends and frequently during weeknight evenings.

The lack of co-operation during the revising of the Common Role as previously mentioned could in my opinion have been an attempt to conceal the actual number of men available for work on the airstrip as they have been constantly told that all able bodied men should participate in this work. During this patrol very few men - an average of only 27 per day - appeared for work, and when these were questioned they claimed that they were the only men in their villages. The Common Role revision revealed however that approximately 35 able bodied men were present in each village. The momentum of enthusiasm for this work has waned to a considerable degree.

During my stay in the area, several more land disputes were brought to me. These have all been referred to the OIC Aseki.

While there is a strong feeling for Social and particularly economic development in the area it now appears to be based on only a limited amount of self-help. As regards Political development, there is good individual interest and a willingness to learn, but when in a group or when asked to do anything constructive about it, they perform a complete "about face" and deny any interest at all.

PROGRESS REPORT - LANGIMAR AIRSTRIP

During the absence of this officer at Aseki very little work was done on the airstrip. The reason given was that a respected man from the area had died and in sympathy, all villages had taken a week off. In view of the rotation system of work, this meant that no work had been done for a period of two weeks.

The trenches which are being cut on either side of the uncut area have now reached the 140 foot mark and are now being cut on an average width of 9 feet and a depth of 8 feet.

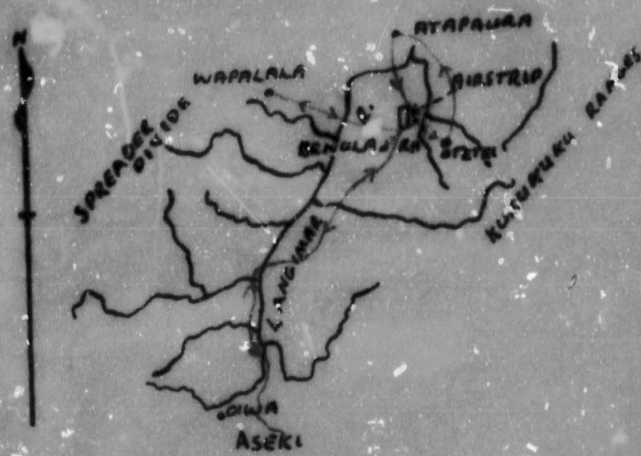
Little has been done as regards the removal of the top 4 to 5 feet of these incomplete trenches and the one on the western side has not been touched. Consequently, I would not now venture to estimate a completion time for either trench and this current disinterest in the work could set the completion of the strip back by up to 4 or 5 months.

With the uncompleted area now measuring 500 feet in length, the completion date for the strip is now quite indefinite. The 200 feet at the northern end being so low lying and uneven that it will be of more value to cut a further 200 feet at the southern end than to attempt to fill this northern section as it would in time collapse.

While soil erosion as mentioned in my last report is assisting greatly in the cutting, it is still causing a great deal of damage to the finished surface. This will only be overcome when the strip is finished and the surface is top dressed and grass is planted.



SCALE 1" = 1/4 MILE
PATROL ROUTE



SCALE 1" = 1/4 MILES
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number..... **Aseki Number 8 of 1970/71.**

Subdistrict..... **Menyanya.**

District..... **Morobe.**

Type of Patrol..... **Special.**

Patrol Conducted by..... **A.P. Morrison.** **Patrol Officer.**

Area Patrolled
(Council and/or
Census Division/s.) } **Upper Watut and Kapanu/Kata Census Div.
(Part)**
Watut Council Area.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol **Const. Winia.**

Duration of Patrol—from..... **27/4/71**..... to **29/4/71**

No. of Days..... **Three.**

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area..... **February, 1971.**

Date..... **4.2.71 to 18.2.71**..... Duration..... **Fifteen days.**

Objects of Patrol (Briefly) **1. Familiarization with Aseki - Slate Creek Road Route.**
2. Discuss funds situation re the above, with Sai-Watut Society personnel.

Total Population of Area Patrolled..... **3,572.**

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

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District Commissioner.

REPUBLIC OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



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30th August, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
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ASSET PATROL NO. 3 OF 1970/71.

Your reference is 07-2-11 of 9th June, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report
by Mr. R.P. Morrison.

(T. S. HILL)
Secretary.

B. B. [Signature]



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ASEKI PATROL REPORT NO. 8 OF 1970/71

Forwarded herewith please find two copies of a report by Patrol Officer Morrison. The patrol was of short duration but the report shows a keenness and aptitude for field work and reporting.

The area patrolled contains approximately 4000 people who are at an early stage of economic development. Coffee is their sole cash crop. The stimulus for planting originated in Wau and nurseries are now located in the most isolated villages. Officers at Aseki have provided assistance for marketing facilities and in the construction of feeder and link roads. The progress so far achieved is reflected by the growth in coffee production, the purchase of a new tractor, an enlarged coffee holding store, and the recent improvements in road communications.

The Watut Council borrowed \$2000 for road improvements. This money and the money raised from their own revenue and out of grants has been fully committed for this financial year.

The report is adequate for the nature of this patrol. Comments by the Assistant District Commissioner are attached.

B. Bunting

(B. BUNTING)

District Commissioner

67-3-2

Department of Internal Administration
Mombasa, Kenya

Mombasa,
Moro District,
25th May, 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner,
The District Commissioner,
Moro District,
M.A.

ASKEI REPORT NO 4 - 1970/71 - R.P. JENKINSON.

Attached is a brief report covering Mr. Morrison's inspection of the Askei Biate Creek road route. My delay in unforwarding it is to be regretted as the report was to hand on time.

There is little that I can offer in the way of comment. It is particularly gratifying to see such a realistic attitude taken by the Kai-watut society. They are prepared to put their funds in a project that benefit any of their shareholders instead of sitting back and waiting for the task to be done for them.

I concur with Mr. Morrison's remarks that there are difficult sections remaining on the road but do not feel that the services of a qualified surveyor are necessary. We seem to have done quite well in the past years without their services and will continue to do so.


F.J. LANCASTER,
Assistant District Commissioner.

Area Patrolled

Personnel Assigned

Duration

Date Start

Date End

Initials

Remarks

Population of Area

Map Reference

1. Inspected with Askei Biate Creek Road route.
2. Discussed funds situation with the above, with Kai-watut Society personnel.

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See attached Map

R.P. JENKINSON
District Commissioner



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Department of District Administration,
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5th May, 1971.

**Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MENYAMYA.**

ASEKI PATROL NUMBER 8 of 1970/71.

Herewith the above report and my attached claim for camping allowance.

Station	: Aseki Patrol Post.
Sub-District	: Menyama.
District	: Morobe.
Council	: Watut. (Part area)
Patrol Conducted By	: R.P. Morrison.
Designation	: Patrol Officer.
Area Patrolled	: Upper Watut and Kapaung Kabu Census Divisions. (Part)
Personnel Accompanying	: Jonst. Winias.
Duration	: Three Days.
Date Out	: 27th April, 1971.
Date In	: 29th April, 1971.
Last D.D.A. Patrol to the Area	: November, 1969.
Objects of Patrol	: 1. Familiarization with Aseki - Slate Creek Road Route. 2. Discuss funds situation re the above, with Sai-Watut Society personnel.
Population of Area	: 3,572.
Map Reference	: See attached Map.

R.P. Morrison
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R.P. MORRISON,
Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION.

ECONOMIC. Main object of this short patrol was to walk in from Slate Creek to Aseki over the proposed road route, so as to obtain an overall picture of the problems involved, etc. Whilst at Wau and the Watut I also saw officials of the Sai - Watut Rural Progress Society, about the possibility of the 'Society contributing further funds towards the construction of the road. (They have already contributed \$1,000)

The walk from Paraowa to the road head at Aseki involved approximately 16 hours walking, over a well defined track.

PATROL DIARY.

27th April, 1971.

Watut RPS, through construction and the use of a tractor coffee at buying points, steadily increasing. hold coffee in before to stop buying coffee as soon as the store was full.

To Bulolo and Watut Council Chambers per Administration vehicle. Talks with Sai-Watut officials. Then by hired land rover to Paraowa village. Carriers obtained and departed 1300 for Menyil, arrived 1600. Overnight Menyil.

28th April, 1971.

Departed Menyil 0800, arrived Kobakini 1430, via Anggaie and Kkomagowatta. Overnight Kobakini.

SOCIAL.

29th April, 1971.

area by the Lutheran and organised clubs or activities.

Departed Kobakini 0800, arrived Hiakwata 1000. Talks with Teacher in Charge. Arrived road head 1430, then by motor cycle to Aseki station.

END OF PATROL

SITUATION REPORT. ASEKI - Slate Creek Road.

POLITICAL

Work on both ends of the road is currently at a halt due to lack of funds. Although the Watut Council still has \$5,000 available. Two contrasting areas are involved on this Patrol route, with the Upper Watuts already having a Council and the Kapaus without a Council. Although the Kapaus are probably at an equivalent state of development as the Watuts were when their Council was started, the Kapaus are not interested in either joining the Watut Council or having their own Council until the Aseki - Slate Creek road link is completed.

Whilst the Watuts have developed through the combination of communications, the Council and the Sai-Watut RPS, the Kapaus are still waiting for further development. The Kapau/Kaba Census Division is potentially a very rich coffee producing area, with the potential tonnage unknown, due to the fact that only a fraction of the potential beans are being harvested. As road communications in the area improve so will the amount of coffee harvested increase. With the advantage of having had a Council for several years the Watuts seem to have a greater grasp of the machinations of national politics, and a wider knowledge of the function of the House of Assembly, M.H.A's, etc. Whereas the Kapaus are still reliant on Political Education addresses, etc and returning workers to bring explanations of the various roles of Government bodies, etc.

ECONOMIC.

The importance of the Aseki-Slate Creek road is obvious. At present the Kapau area is solely reliant on selling their coffee at relatively low prices at Aseki or walking it to the Watut for higher prices, for their cash income. This income was estimated at approximately \$3 per head per annum at the last Area Study in February of this year. As has been explained in the "Political" section of this report no where near the potential coffee crop has been harvested in the area as yet, when the road and subsequent feeder roads are constructed in the Kapau, the coffee will be bought from the villages, with no walking to sell the coffee his should encourage greater production.

Even now with the increased capacity of the Sai - Watut RPS, through construction of a new large storage shed and the use of a tractor and trailer to get us out and buy coffee at buying points, the amount of coffee being sold is steadily increasing. Previously with only a small store to hold coffee in before transshipment to Watu, the 'Society had to stop buying coffee as soon as the store was full. Now with the construction of a new shed 60' by 30', there will be no such problem.

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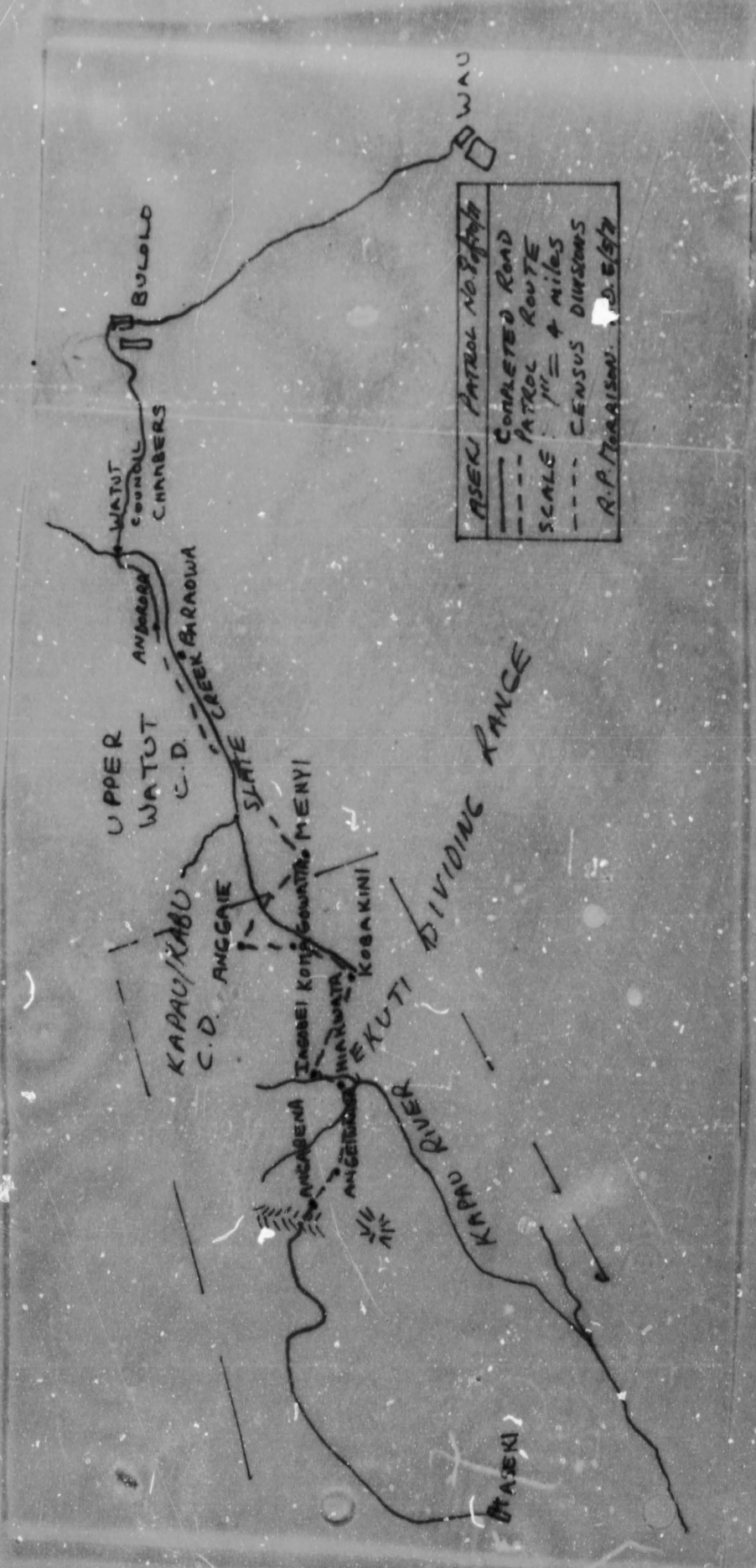
Apart from small village schools established in the area by the Lutheran and New Tribes Missions there is no organised clubs or activities in the area.

SPECIAL REPORT . ASEKI - Slate Creek Road.

Work on both ends of the road is currently at a halt due to lack of funds. Although the Watut Council still has \$6,000 available on the road vote, it is apparently holding it over until next financial year. The road has reached Paraowa from the Watut end and is 9 miles from Aseki on top of the Angabena escarpment at the Aseki end.

When walking over the route it was evident that the most difficult sections would be encountered between Anggaie and crossing the Ekuti Divide to Meny, and the present section at the Aseki road head which has just been started, going down the Angabena escarpment. These two sections should be surveyed by a qualified surveyor if at all possible. Apart from these sections the remainder of the route seems fairly reasonable.

It would seem that the best approach to the construction of the road would be to provide the Watut Council with the bulk of the funds to hire a bulldozer with which to push the road from the Watu end, whilst having a labour line at the Aseki end to build the road through to the end of the Aseki area. Some of the Sai-Watut Directors were quite keen on contributing a large portion of the 'Societys' last years profit to the road project through a grant to the Watut Council, however this has yet to be determined at the Annual Meeting in May.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number..... **ASEKI Number 9A of 1970/71**

Subdistrict..... **MENYAMYA**

District..... **LOROBE**

Type of Patrol..... **Annual Census and Area Study**

Patrol Conducted by..... **I.V.Knox Assistant Patrol Officer**

Area Patrolled
(Council and/or
Census Division/s.) } **Lower Kapau/Namima Census Division**

Personnel Accompanying Patrol
..... **R.P.Morrison (Part)**
..... **Const.1/C Maratsa No.1045 (Part)**
..... **Const. Touralom No.2981**

Duration of Patrol—from **17/5** /71..... to **31/5** /71

No. of Days..... **Fifteen Days**

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area:..... **December 1970**

Date **2-12-70 to 4-12-70**..... Duration **Three Days**

Objects of Patrol (Briefly)..... **1. Annual Census.**
..... **2. Area Study.**
..... **3. Political Education.**
..... **4. Familiarization with Census and Area Study requirements.**

Total Population of Area Patrolled.....

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

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District Commissioner.

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P.O. Box 2390,
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6th December, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.

ASEKI PATROL NO. 9 - 1970/71.

Your reference 67-2-11 of 14/7/71.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Annual
Census, Area Study and Situation Report by Mr. I.V.
Knox of the Lower Kapau/Warima Census Division.

T.W. Ellis
(T.W. ELLIS)
Secretary.



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Department of the Administrator,
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14th July 1971.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONELOBU.

PATROL REPORT ASEKI NO. 9 of 1970/71.

Forwarded herewith please find two copies of a report by Mr. Knox, Assistant Patrol Officer. The report is submitted with the revised village population register and an appendix to the report by Patrol Officer Morrison.

The purpose of this patrol was to up-date the Common Roll and to revise the census. This work has been completed.

The area patrolled is isolated and undeveloped. Communications are primitive. There is no concept of a national identity here. The people still look to their patrol post and the town of Lae as being the areas of central authority.

The report is adequate. I have, however, requested the officers at Aseki to provide more specific information on intelligence items in future. I have also referred Mr. Knox to departmental references on local government surveys. The roads mentioned so frequently in this report are an important consideration in commencing a new council; however, there are more important requirements and these include staff as advisers, financial assistance, a clear understanding of the principles involved and an acceptance by the people to enter into local government legislation.

R. T. Galloway
(R. T. GALLOWAY)
District Commissioner.



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The District Commissioner,
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ASEKI PATROL REPORTS No.'s 9 & 9A-1970/71.
R.P. MORRISON, I.V. KNOX.

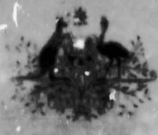
Attached are three copies each of the abovementioned reports covering the Lower Kapsu/Mamina G.D. I cannot see the reason why two reports were submitted but this has been done.

Attached are copies of Mr. Morrison's comments on Mr. Knox's report. These need little elaboration other than to say that I am pleased with the report and its contents.

The report was marred, however, by the submission of census figures that were incorrect. These have been returned to Mr. Knox for recompilation and will be forwarded to your office direct.

Census claims for Mr. Morrison have been forwarded under separate cover.


P.J. LANGASTER,
Assistant District Commissioner.



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14th May, 1971.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
Mr. I. Knox,
Patrol Post,
ASEKI.

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No. 9A OF 1970/71.

Herewith the above report and my claim for camping allowances.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS:- ASEKI PATROL No. 9 OF 1970/71.

Station
Sub-District

Please prepare to accompany me to the Lower Kapau/Nanima Census Division leaving Aseki 17th May, for approximately two weeks.

Patrol Conducted By
Designation
The patrol will have the following objectives:-

1. Compile new Tax/Census sheets to replace the missing ones.
2. Conduct the Annual Census.
3. Up-date the Area Study for the Census Division.
4. Revise Common Roll
5. Political Education.

Date Out
You will accompany me to Shon'hau, and then continue the patrol alone. I will return from Shon'hau so as to attend the Sai-Watut shareholders meeting at Aseki.

On return, submit your report in accordance with Chapter 5 of Departmental Standing Instructions, and the Directors 67-1-0 of 25th September, 1970, paragraph 2.

On return, submit your report in accordance with Chapter 5 of Departmental Standing Instructions, and the Directors 67-1-0 of 25th September, 1970, paragraph 2.

R.P. Morrison
R.P. MORRISON
Officer in Charge.

c.c. The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MENYAMBA.



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1st June 1971.

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

ASEKI PATROL REPORT No. 9A OF 1970/71.

Herewith the above report and my claim for camping allowance.

Station	: Aseki Patrol Post
Sub-District	: Menyama
District	: Morobe
Council	: Nil
Patrol Conducted By	: I.V.Knox
Designation	: Assistant Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled	: Lower Kapan/Nanina Census Division.
Personnel Accompanying	: R.P.Morrison (Part) Const. 1/C Maratsa No. 1045 (Part) Const. Touralom No.298
Duration	: Fifteen Days
Date Out	: 17th May 1971
Date In	: 31st May 1971
Last DDA Patrol to the Area	December 1970
Objects of Patrol	: 1. Annual Census 2. Area Study. 3. Political Education 4. Familiarisation with Census and Area Study requirements.
Population of Area	
Map Reference	: See Patrol Map

I.V.KNOX
Assistant Patrol Officer

INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was mounted for the purpose of completing new Tax/Census sheets for the Lower Kapau/Manima Census Division and of revising the Area Study of the area.

The patrol was accompanied by the O.I.C. Aseki as far as the village of Shon'Hau to introduce the writer to the techniques of taking a census. The O.I.C. then returned to Aseki for a meeting with the Sai-Watut Rural Progress Society whilst I continued down to the lower section of the census division to compile the census.

During the patrol the opportunity was taken to give talks on Political Education and to update the Area Study as much of the area had not been visited for two years.

28-5-71 AM. Departed Kainamba for Tabela at 0800 and arrived at 10:00. Lined and censused Tabela and gave talks.

PATROL DIARY.

- 17-5-71 AM. Commenced Census Patrol to the Lower Kapau/Manima Census Division with the OIC Aseki. Walked to Bakia - 2 1/2 hrs. Neither Bakia or Aiewa prepared for census.
PM. Prepared census sheets. Overnight at Bakia.
- 18-5-71 AM. Bakia lined and censused by the OIC and talk given on the new flag etc. Poiyu arrived.
PM. Departed Bakia at 1300 and arrived Nietnda at 1730. Heavy rain encountered during the walk. Overnight at Nietnda.
- 19-5-71 Wapa, Yangaiyu, Wongini, Aitu and Higin'ngowie lined and censused. New Tax/Census sheets compiled. Overnight at Nietnda.
- 20-5-71 AM. Lined and censused Nietnda. Talk given and heard a minor complaint re marital relations. No grounds for complaint.
PM. Walked to Shon'Hau. 2 hrs over a fairly good road. Overnight at Shon'Hau.
- 21-5-71 AM. OIC departed for Aseki via Kainamba. Lined and censused Shon'Hau.
PM. Lined and censused Haugini. Not all present. Gave talks re new flags etc. and had talks with village officials. Overnight at Shon'Hau.
- 22-5-71 AM. Departed Shon'Hau at 0800 and arrived at Iwapu at 1000. Lined and censused Iwapu and gave talks.
PM. Departed Iwapu at 1330 and arrived at Tengama at 1430. Lined and censused Tengama and gave talks. Overnight at Tengama.
- 23-5-71 Observed at Tengama.
- 24-5-71 AM. Departed Tengama at 0800 for Uyiewata and arrived Uyiewata at 1100. Road in very poor condition and very steep in places.
PM. Lined and censused Uyiewata and gave talks. Unable to line Wandu as they failed to appear. Overnight at Uyiewata.
- 25-5-71 AM. Lined and censused Wandu but only half the people present. Gave talks.
PM. Departed for Peawa at 1300 and arrived Peawa at 1430. Lined and censused Peawa and gave talks. Overnight at Peawa.

PATROL DIARY CONT.

- 26-5-71 AM. Lined and censused Angobio, and Kakiva and gave talks.
PM. Lined and censused Kukine. Discussed village and area problems with village officials and gave a talk on complying with the area LPO's instructions re sanitation and hygiene. Overnight at Paewa.
- 27-5-71 Departed Peawa for Kainamba at 0830 and encountered obstacles in the Kapau, Kabu and Nanira rivers. All well up and flowing strongly. 3hrs were spent in bridging these and the patrol arrived Kainamba at 1630. Actual walking time was 5 hrs. Overnight at Kainamba.
- 28-5-71 AM. Departed Kainamba for Tabaigo at 0800 and arrived at 1030. Lined and censused Tabaigo and gave talks.
PM. Departed Tabaigo at 1330 and arrived Bain'nu at 1430. Lined and censused Bain'nu. Overnight at Bain'nu.
- 29-5-71 AM. Gave talks at Bain'nu and departed for Peasu at 0930. Arrived at 1030 and lined and censused Peasu and gave talks.
PM. Departed Peasu at 1330 for Poiyu. Arrived at 1400 but unable to line Poiyu due to heavy rain. Worked on census figures.
- 30-5-71 Observed at Poiyu.
- 31-5-71 AM. Lined and censused Poiyu and gave talks.
PM. Departed Poiyu at 1320 for Aseki and arrived at 1630. Reported to the OIC.

END OF PATROL.

SITUATION REPORT.1. POLITICAL.

As the Lower Kapau/Nanima Census Division is comparatively isolated from the Aseki station there is little political knowledge or activity in the area. The people of this area are comparatively unsophisticated and apart from those living closer to Aseki, have very little knowledge of the functions of either the Central Government or of Local Government.

The area as far south as Poiyu is connected to the main Aseki/Menyanya road by a motorcycle track and the people inhabiting this area, particularly those from Hamo, Aiewa, Bakia and Poiyu seem to have a reasonable understanding of the government and of politics. They are quick to realise that the coming of Local Government to the area depends largely on the completion of the Aseki/Wau road. This and the subsequent upgrading of the existing motorcycle track to four wheel drive standard will boost the area economy by lessening the transportation costs for their coffee and will provide cheap transportation for the materials necessary to the establishment of a Local Government controlled community.

As the patrol went further south, the degree of political awareness decreased proportionately. The area has not been patrolled for two years and as the people are very ethnocentric in their outlook they very seldom venture out into the larger more populated areas. However, in the village of Angobio there is a committeeman for Mr. Anani's (M.H.A. for the Kaindi Open Electorate) committee. This appears to be organised on the same lines as that of Mr. Voutas M.H.A.

The committeeman was recently summoned to Bulolo to attend a meeting addressed by Mr. Anani, but this officer was unable to obtain any definite information as to the content or the result of the meeting. It does however mean that Angobio has some direct link with the territory political machine. But very little of this filters out to the nearby villages and the committeeman appears for some reason to be confining his activities and interests to Angobio.

Because of the comparative isolation of this area, the people rely almost entirely on the Administration patrols from Aseki to expand their political knowledge and as stated above, the committeeman from the area seems to be content to confine his activities to Angobio.

they are succeeding in containing the disease and illness rate to a controllable level. No serious outbreaks were observed by this patrol. The APCs seem to have convinced to come in for treatment when ill.

2. ECONOMIC.

As previously mentioned, the lack of adequate communications either by road or air is the limiting factor to the economic growth of this Census Division.

While all villages have coffee plots, the trees are not yet sufficiently mature to be a really good commercial cash crop and in some villages, much of what is picked is being left to rot as it is too far to carry it all to Aseki for sale. The solution to this is of course the completion of the Aseki/Wau road and the upgrading of the existing motorcycle track to Poiyu to four wheel drive standard. The improved communications will lower transportation costs and conversely raise the price paid to the grower. It is also hoped that when the road link to Poiyu is opened the Sai-Watut Society will set up a buying point at Poiyu with this being serviced by the Society tractor and trailer from Aseki.

Apart from coffee, the area to the south has a very limited economic potential as it is basically

ECONOMIC CONT.

composed of large limestone outcrops and thick rain forest. This patrol encountered a food shortage and was unable to purchase vegetables in good quantity, and those purchased were not of a very high quality. The shortage was caused by the fact that old gardens had been fully harvested and the new ones were not yet ready. No European vegetables were available at all. Although records show that previous patrols distributed the seeds for European vegetables in the area, these have either been thrown away or seen by the people to be of little value to them and therefore not cultivated. Apart from the sale of coffee, the only other source of income for this area, particularly in the lower regions is the very small amount filtering in from absent workers in Wau, Bulolo and Rabaul. This however is a negligible amount as currently the absentee rate is not overly high.

The only other possibility for the economic advancement of the area is that of the introduction of cattle into the Poiyu area. If this is done it should in all probability flourish, but even this will do little for the people lower down in the census division and at this time coffee seems to be their best prospect as a cash crop.

Employment as carriers was eagerly sought by the young men as a ready source of income, but this too is very limited.

3. SOCIAL.

The people of the Lower Kapau/Nanima Census Division appear to be comparatively law abiding and no trouble was encountered by the patrol. Of the disputes brought to this officer, all had been settled previously within their own organisation and the complainants were merely trying to see if I would reverse the decisions in their favour.

There are three Aid Posts in the area, at Peasu, Angobio and Nietnda and while they are encountering some problem in obtaining the village co-operation as regards their sanitation and hygiene instructions they are succeeding in containing the disease and illness rate to a controllable level. No serious outbreaks were observed by this patrol. The APOs seem to have convinced the people to come in for treatment when ill.

Mission activity in the area has spread as far south as Shon'Hau and Hangini, but has not as yet reached the lower regions. At Iwapu, the Luluai stated that they had asked for a Lutheran mission but as yet had received no reply or action. Further south at Tengama Uyiewata, Wandu, Peawa and Angobio there was the attitude that if the mission bothered to come, then that was alright by them. But they had no intention of forcing the issue by asking for one.

At present the Lutheran mission is the only strong body in the area, but recently the Seventh Day Adventists have begun moving out of their base at Hamo and two evangelists were observed moving south towards the more isolated areas and this could indicate an attempt to establish themselves there and open up the area to their own denomination.

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SOCIAL CONT.

No Administration schools have as yet been set up in the area, but there two Lutheran Mission Bible Schools. One at Poiyu and the other at Nietnda. Each of these is staffed with one teacher and while their classes are not large, they are at least a start. Currently only children from the villages close to the schools are attending and the absence of students from the lower villages was most apparent.

It was particularly noticeable in the lower villages that while the Luluai is the theoretical leader, no decision was made without consultation with the older members of the community and they still hold a great deal of sway over the activities of the people. This was particularly noticeable when any progressive move was suggested.

Most villages have areas cleared as soccer fields and it appears to be a popular recreation throughout the area.

Dysiwa	Peewa	20	Fair
Peewa	Kainamba	5	Poor - 3 hard river crossings.
Kainamba	Tabaigo	2 1/2	Fair
Tabaigo	Bain'mu	1	Good
Bain'mu	Peisu	1	Good
Peisu	Poiyu	20 minutes	Fair

APPENDIX "A" TC.AREA STUDY - LOWER KAPAU/NANIMA CENSUS DIVISION.WALKING TRACKS - TIMES AND CONDITIONS.

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>CONDITION</u>
Aseki	Bakia	2½	Good
Bakia	Poiyu	½	Good
Poiyu	Nietnda	4	Fair - steep
Nietnda	Shon'Hau	2	Good
Shon'Hau	Iwapu	2	Good
Iwapu	Tengama	2	Fair
Tengama	Uyeiwata	2½	Poor and very steep
Uyeiwata	Peawa	2½	Fair
Peawa	Kainamba	5	Poor - 3 hard river crossings.
Kainamba	Tabaigo	2½	Fair
Tabaigo	Bain'nu	1	Good
Bain'nu	Peisu	1	Good
Peisu	Poiyu	20 minutes	Fair



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1st June, 1971.

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MENYAMYA.

ASEKI PATROL NUMBER 9 of 1970/71.

Herewith the above report and my attached claim for camping allowance.

Station	: Aseki Patrol Post.
Sub-District	: Menyamya.
District	: Morobe.
Council	: Nil.
Patrol Conducted By	: R.P.Morrison.
Resignation	: Patrol Officer.
Area Patrolled	: Lower Kapsu/Nanima Census Division. (Part)
Personnel Accompanying	: I.V.Knox. A.P.O. Const.1/c.Maratsa. Const.Touralom.
Duration	: Ten Days.
Date Out	: 17th May, 1971.
Date In	: 31st May, 1971. (Broken Period)
Last D.D.A. Patrol to the Area	: December, 1970.
Objects of Patrol	: 1. Annual Census. 2. Area Study. 3. Political Education. 4. Common Roll Revision. 5. Familiarise A.P.O. with Census and Area Study requirements.
Population of Area	: 1540.
Map Reference	: See Patrol Map.

R.P.Morrison
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R.P.Morrison.
Patrol Officer.

INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was mounted for the prime object of compiling new Tax/Census sheets for the Kapau/Nanima Census Division, the last census of the area was in May, 1969, and since that time the original sheets had been lost or mislaid. Hence new sheets had to be compiled before the Common Roll could be revised. As the area hadn't been visited for two years I thought it also an opportune time to up date the previous Area Study and conduct Political Education talks.

A.P.C. Knox accompanied the writer to Shon'hau where I proceeded to return to Aseki, so as to attend a meeting of the Sai-Watut Rural Progress Society, whilst he continued into the lower part of the Census Division to compile the census there.

PATROL DIARY.

- 17th May, 1971. Departed station 1000, arrived Hamo 1100, neither Hamo or Mdamnga prepared for census as instructed. Proceeded to Bakia, arriving 1220. Neither Bakia or Aiewa prepared for census. Prepared census sheets in p.m. Overnight Bakia.
- 18th May, 1971. Lined and censused Bakia, took 4½ hours due to necessity compile new Tax/Census sheets. Talks on new flag, etc given. Departed Bakia 1300, arriving Poiyu II 1440, and Nieta'da 1730, after last few hours in heavy rain. Overnight Nieta'da.
- 19th May, 1971. Lined and censused Waps, Yango, Yanga, u, Wongini, Aitu, Higin'ngawie, new Tax/Census sheets compiled. Talks given. Overnight Nieta'da.
- 20th May, 1971. Lined and censused Hitangamanga, heard dispute involving pig. Departed 0230, arrived Onawa 1040. Lined and censused Onawa, heard pig dispute. Departed 1250, arrived Shon'hau 1340. Preparing census sheets in p.m. Overnight Shon'hau.
- 21st May, 1971. Departed Shon'hau 0830, arrived Kainamba 1230. Lined and censused Kainamba, compiled new Tax/Census sheets. Working on census figures in p.m. Overnight Kairamba.
- 22nd May, 1971. Departed Kainamba 0700, arrived Tabaijo 1140, paid carriers, arrived Bain'nu 1310, paid carriers, arrived Peisu 1440, paid carriers, arrived Poiyu 1540. Overnight Poiyu.
- 23rd May, 1971. Departed Poiyu 0730, arrived Aseki 1030.
- 25th May, 1971. Arrival of Messrs. Black and Gaskie, for Sai-Watut meeting. Attended meeting.
- 26th May, 1971. Working on census figures.
- 31st May, 1971. Lined and censused Hamo and Mdamnga.

END OF PATROL.

SITUATION REPORT.POLITICAL.

The area patrolled is comparatively isolated as there are no vehicular roads or airstrips in the area. The nearest Government Stations being at Aseki and Kaintiba, due to this isolation and the comparative lack of sophistication compared with the Upper Kapaus, the people of the area are not familiar with the majority of aspects of Central and Local Government. Similarly with the Upper Kapaus they seem to have their own timetable for entry into Local Government, and this ~~is~~ depends entirely on a road link into the area. At present a motor cycle track is almost to Peisu on the Papuan border, however upgrading of this road has been stopped due to lack of funds.

As a result of their isolation the only source of enlightenment on matters such as the function of the House of Assembly, apart from returning workers are the Administration patrols in the area and any courses held at Aseki. As far as I know neither of the M.H.A's for the area have visited it since election. Thus the people have little or no comprehension of the role of their elected members.

ECONOMIC.

Mentioned previously above was the lack of communications in the area and hence the hampered development of the area in all fields. Whilst an extension of the Peisu road into the Nanima area would open up that area and provide for the possible introduction of cattle, from routes observed I cannot see how a road could be built into the area, due to the high range behind Peisu and Poiyu, it would be possible to build a road into Bain'nu from Peisu, but no further. No possible airstrip sites could be seen in the area.

As coffee is a relatively new crop in the area it is expected that the full productive capacity of the area will not be reached for some years, by which time a vehicular road should have reached Poiyu, which will eliminate a days walk to Aseki to sell the coffee. Apart from cattle as mentioned above it is difficult to foresee any other cash crop being profitable in the area, due to the low grade soil and stony nature of much of the area. Poor soil was given as the reason for the lack of European vegetables in the area, only onions were brought to the patrol, and no other vegetables were seen.

Most of the coffee that is sold from the area is sold to the Sai-Watut R.P.S., apart from this little is sold to the Chee buyer due to low prices offered, or to the Leahy buyer, who offers better prices, due to loyalty to the Society.

SOCIAL.

Aid Posts in the area are located at Poiyu and Nietn'da, both receive their supplies from the Rural Health Centre at Aseki. There are no Administration schools in the area and the Lutheran Mission has only a Bible School at Nietn'da, staffed by a Finschhafen teacher.

No courts were necessary during the patrol and the area appears to be reasonably law abiding.

At present the area is a Lutheran one, but whilst at Onawa, I noticed two Seventh Day Adventists, who have been operating out of Hame. They were apparently patrolling the area seeking converts and another base to start further work.

