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## PATROL REPORT

Report number: <i>One 73/74</i>	Objects of patrol: <i>Census</i>
District: <i>West Sepik</i>	Station: <i>OKSAPMIN</i>
Patrol conducted by: <i>R.F. Lanaghan</i>	Subdistrict: <i>TELEFOMIN</i>
Area patrolled: <i>OM River C/D.</i>	Designation: <i>A.D.D.</i>
Duration of patrol: <i>10 days. 23/7 - 2/8</i>	Personnel accompanying: <i>1 member P.I.N.E.C.</i>
Last D.D.A. patrol: <i>August 70</i>	Number of days: <i>33</i>
Last O.L.G. patrol: <i>—</i>	Total population of area: <i>330</i>
Map reference: <i>Blades Range</i> <i>3854-7</i>	Council area: <i>—</i>
	House of Assembly Electorate: <i>Upper Sepik</i>

The District Commissioner,  
*West Sepik* District,

*VAPIMO*

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Field Officers Journal Folios 1 To 3 ,	( 1 )
Patrol Instructions,	( )
The Report and my comments,	( 2 )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports No's 1—	( )
Patrol map,	( 2 )

DATE: *27/8* 1973.

*[Signature]*  
Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Report No's. 1—	( )
.....	( )
.....	( )
District Headquarters assessment of Patrol & Report.....	Above average Average <i>✓</i> Below average

Date: *29/10* 1973.

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner  
*235*

POPULATION

Date of Census	Village	TOTALS (Excluding Absentees)				ABSENTEES (Resident outside Electorate)				Grand Total	Date of Census
		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT			
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		
27/7/73.	AKIAPAIN	8	7	12	17			1		45	
25/7	EKIAPAIN	4	3	8	8			1		24	
24/3	GOBI	8	10	11	11			-			
30/7	revised	8	10	11	11			-		40	
23/3	KAMAGOLANA	29	21	37	40			7			
31/7	revised	29	21	35	38			7		130	
26/3	TOMIANA No. II	8	2	14	13			1			
29/7	revised	8	2	14	13			1		38	
24/7	YOLIAPE	<del>7</del>	7	17	19			3		53	
										<u>330</u>	
30.5.	DURAMIN	18	16	28	33					95	
	SURAMIN	2	2	12	3					19	
										<u>446</u>	

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

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P.O. Box 2396

KONEDOBU

Ref.: 67-16-2

Date: 22/11/73

The District Commissioner  
West Sepik District .....  
PO Box 42 .....  
VANIMO .....

RE:.....OKSAPMIN.....PATROL NO...1.....OF 1973/74...  
CONDUCTED BY MR....R.F. LANGHAM.....  
TO.....OM RIVER.....CENSUS DIVISION.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket.

*W.F. Ryan*  
W. F. RYAN  
a/Secretary *[Signature]*

DDA 67. 16. 2

(9)

West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

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

25th October, 1973  
~~27th~~ 67-3-10  
P.S. GALL  
D.D.C.

67-2-7  
21/8/73

OK-LAPMIN PATROL REPORT No. 1 of 1973/74  
OM RIVER CENSUS DIVISION

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

1. Assistance will be sought from the Department of Agriculture in setting up sweet potato plantings. This should be done with a view to the gardens being established on the Okesapmin side of the OM River so that when the bridge is built there will be food for the affected groups to move into.
2. As previously advised I shall endeavour to fund the OM River bridge from Minor New Works funds at the next allocation meeting on the 1st November. I anticipate no problem re this.
3. I shall inform the Assistant District Commissioner Ambunti of the AKIAPHIN moves. If and when the remainder of this group moves please advise me accordingly with as much detail as possible for onward transmission to Ambunti.
4. Until such time as Departmental Headquarters, Konedobu approves any census division adjustments recommended by Sub-District or District level no unilateral action implementing such changes will be made at Sub-District level as this not only causes confusion but additional correspondence.

Likewise such matters have to be the subject of a special submission and action should not be initiated merely because it has been suggested in a patrol report. In this regard I think there are several such requests from the Telefomin Sub-District for which submissions are in progress or required. Those which are held here pending action will be attended as soon as possible.

I shall endeavour to have the District Rural Development Officer liaise direct with you concerning Item 1 as soon as convenient.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING  
District Commissioner.

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

... Two patrol report jackets are forwarded herewith. Also a copy of the patrol report for the information it contains.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING, D.C.



DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

TELEGRAMS:  
TELEPHONE:

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

┌ The Assistant District Commissioner ┐  
Sub District Office  
TELEFONIN  
└ West Sepik District P.N.G. ┘

Date: 1973-08-13  
Our Reference:  
Action Officer: R.F.L.  
Designation: A.D.O.  
Your Reference:  
Date:

PATROL REPORT No. CNE 1973-74

... Attached please find the above mentioned Patrol Report.  
No incident or event worthy of an Sitrep was noted.  
Claims for camping allowance for Interpreter and self are enclosed.

For your information please,

R.F. Langanhan  
A.D.O.



**PATROL REPORT No. ONE 73/74**

Station..... **OKSAPMIN** ..... Officer Compiling..... **R.F. LAMAGHAN** .....  
 District..... **WEST SEPIK** ..... Subdistrict..... **TELEPOMIN** .....  
 Census Division..... **OM RIVER** ..... L.G. Council..... **N/A** .....

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

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**(1) Walking Times**

- OKSAPMIN to MASUM CAMP** ; Climbed to 6000' over north west wall of Oksapmin Battlements. Descended overgrown bush track to 4000' Encamped at native house.  
FIVE HOURS
- MASUM CAMP to YOLIAPE** ; Descended overgrown bush track, kunai and bamboo thicket to OM river, four hours. Crossing, thence short distance to rest house further four hours.  
EIGHT HOURS
- YOLIAPE to ENIAPMIN** ; Followed first **KARU** then **KEINU** rivers, Steep climb from Parge creek to Eniapmin house site. 2500'  
SEVEN HOURS
- ENIAPMIN to KARU CAMP** ; Retraced route for one hour, followed Mdi creek (1600') ascended to 2200' descended to Sabun creek, followed, ascended to 2500' descended to **KARU** River, followed. Encamped banks of **KARU**.  
SEVEN HOURS
- KARU CAMP to AKIAPMIN** ; Followed **KARU** for short distance, thence **Eli** creek, ascended to 2300' to house site. Back to **Eli** creek. Ascended steep ridge to 3000'. Followed ridge. Descended to Akiapmin house site.  
EIGHT HOURS
- AKIAPMIN to KUTIK CAMP** ; Retraced route for one hour, descended to **Musili** creek followed to junction with **KEINU** River. Followed to **OM** river. Taking five hours. Crossing thence short distance along southern bank, crossing **KUTIK** river a further two hours.  
SEVEN HOURS

## Walking Times (Cont)

- KUTIK CAMP to TOMLANA II** ; Followed OM River downstream, thence Kanokel creek upstream to 3400'. Track seldom used.  
FOUR HOURS
- TOMLANA II to GOBI** ; Followed overgrown track, finally descending to KUTIK River 1800'. Ascended to 3200' descended to KONDIP River 2800'. Followed same to GOBI.  
FOUR HOURS
- GOBI to KUTIK** ; Ascended to 4500' then descended to 4000' to the KUTIK river and rest house  
TWO HOURS
- KUTIK to DISANA** ; Ascended to 6200. track in poor condition. Descended to Ain creek, thence up to Yusanin. Further to 7000' then along excellent track to DISANA.  
FOUR HOURS
- DISANA to OKSAPAIN** ; Slight descent to TEKIN River along well maintained track. Ascend to 5600' overlooking Oksapain Station. Descend to Station 5000'

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(2) Introduction

A routine census patrol that accomplished its aims with no untoward incident. The area patrolled covered that previously covered by Patrol Report No. 5 72/73 as well as that country on the northern bank of the OM River, enclosed within the CM RIVER CENSUS DIVISION boundary.

Almost no fresh foods (other than meat) was available to the patrol due to the recent re-location of houses and the inevitable 'hungry' period between the last of the old garden and the beginning of the new.

This, coupled with the fear of a flooded OM river caused the Patrol to limit its time in the field to a one house one night operation. Truthfully the population doesn't warrant much more, but little can be achieved in this short period of time. Hopefully the next patrol into this area from this Office will be able to spend more time at each house site.

(3) Political

The division in its entirety can be classified among the most politically un-informed groups in P.N.G.

Many things account for this, infrequent contact (even after contact in the field they are still reluctant to attend Station functions, see below for one of the major reasons) due to expense, their own nomadic nature and lack of material benefits from existing situation.

The present system of Administration has not much altered their mode of existence, and subsequent changes in political status will have as little affect. In truth, there is probably nowhere to be found a more independent people.

Selective education is the only answer, and courses will start as soon as the necessary material arrives at this Office.

During discussions, regarding the above, it was found that the host country nationals indigenous to the OM River area are reluctant to absent themselves from their home area for one major reason, that of the necessity to supply foodstuff to their families. For the most part they subsist on foods either killed or gathered, not much is available to them from a domesticated garden source. Hence previous accusations of 'uninterested' 'unmotivated' when these people fail to appear on the Station.

There is little hope that these people will ever become politically active as they just cannot spare the time from a far more important activity.....that of keeping alive.

#### (4) Social

People retain their traditional 'Fortress' type house ( tho it is felt that this method of housing is for protection from their enemies in the insect world rather than those in the human world.) elevated some fifteen to twenty feet off the ground, made of plaited bamboo and rough hem planks rooved with bamboo leaf thatch.

For the most part, the entire 'village' resides in one of these houses.

Married men their wives and children lining the walls to the left and right of the entrance and single men and widowers in a small room opposite the entrance. As many people as 44 were counted in one of these houses. Probably at no time, other than a census, are all these people gathered together. Most of the men at any given time, would be hunting, while the women gathering. Many bush houses were noticed scattered throughout.

A survey conducted whilst taking census revealed that there is an infant mortality rate of 50%. All women questioned had lost at least one child since last census. On questioning, it was found that most die at about six months old and the cause was always put down to sorcery. No amount of questioning could find a common symptom. There are very few children alive between the ages of five and ten, and a lot of those censused were between the age of two months and two years. At the present rate many of these willnot be alive come next census,.

To try and combat this decimating mortality rate an effort has been made to have the Raiapain people relocate themselves closer to the Okapain Station. It was unfortunate that these people had just constructed a new house...so for the moment there is little chance in getting them to shift, for at least two years. A generally favourable response was recieved to suggestions of relocation. The newly constructed house is much closer to the Station than ever before. The new site is within three days walk, which makes it comparable to most rest house units in the Okapain area, but it is still on the 'other' side of the OM river. This river governs all traffic to and from the Sisimin area. Until a suitable and permanent bridge can be established, those on the far side of the river, for the most part of the year, may well be in another Sub district, for all the contact and assistance that this Station can offer.

Further efforts will be made to attract these people to this side of the river, as there is ample ground and they are one with the present inhabitants.

Social (cont)

The AKIAPMIN group are slowly moving north; a large number of their people are now situated on the headwaters of the WALIO River, north towards the SEPIK River. It is predicted that when comes the time to build a new house, the remaining six families will also move north, to be then, censused from AMBANTI. This migration will take place in the near future.

This group differs from all others in the OKSAPMIN area, having its source to the north, by virtue of its language. From what could be ascertained, there is no inter marrying with other groups of the OM RIVER census division, similarly with all other social activities.

The rest house unit of KAMAGOIANA is now deserted but for two families. A number of deaths, four, in a short period of time, frightened the inhabitants into leaving. They are now building houses and gardens in the vicinity of the KUAMIN Rest house. And will be censused with this group in the future. Figures were included in this report for statistical convenience only.

A recently constructed rest house has clinched the TOMIAPANG.II / POROGU amalgamation and the latter should be now deleted from the records. (Patrol Report No.5 72/73)

(5) Medical

Apart from the unknown causes of the high mortality (infant) rate, there seems to be little outwardly wrong with the people under review.

No ulcerated sores were noted, and few other physical complaints were brought to the attention of the Patrol.

Malaria and 'Grille' (*Tinea imbricata*) were as typical to such altitudes, much in evidence.

(6) Economical

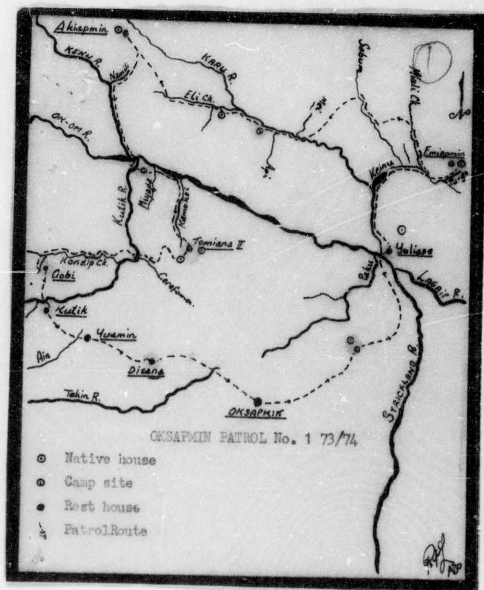
Little hope is held that these people will ever have a recurrent revenue, or, for that matter, a non-recurrent revenue. Their isolation precludes any participation in Oksapmin activities.

The only means open to these people is the sale of artefacts - in notably short supply, or sale of themselves as labourers either on the Oksapmin Station or further afield.

(7) Census

DURANMIN and SUARMIN have been deleted from the Oksapmin books. The figures, have for statistical purposes, been included in this report. Future census will be conducted from TELEFOMIN.

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## PATROL REPORT

Report number: *Two 73/74*  
District: *West Sepik*  
Patrol conducted by: *R.F. Kanaphan*  
Area patrolled: *Port BAK - Gulin c/o*  
Duration of patrol: *17/9/73 - 30/9/73*  
Last D.D.A. patrol: *JUNE '73*  
Last O.L.G. patrol: *-*  
Map reference: *Blucher Range*  
*SB 54-7*

Objects of patrol: *Road Route Survey*  
Station: *OKSAPMIN*  
Subdistrict: *TEREFOLIN*  
Designation: *A.D.O*  
Personnel accompanying: *1 member R.P.N.G.C.*  
Number of days: *14*  
Total population of area: *2,444*  
Council area: *-*  
House of Assembly Electorate: *Upper Sepik*

The District Commissioner,  
**WEST SEPIK** District,  
**VANIMO** .....



In respect of this patrol, I attach  
Field Officers Journal Folios 1 ( 1 )  
Patrol Instructions, ( - )  
The Report and my comments, ( 3 )  
Area study, ( - )  
Updating of area study, ( - )  
Situation Reports No's 1- , ( 3 )  
Patrol map, ( 1 )

DATE: *10/10 1973*.

*R. F. Kanaphan*  
Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
**KONEDOBU**, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
Area study, ( )  
Updating of area study, ( )  
Situation Report No's. 1- ( ✓ )  
..... ( )  
..... ( )  
District Headquarters assessment of  
Patrol & Report. *1973/10/11/73* Above-average  
Average  
Below-average

Date: *29/11/1973*.

*A. H. P. G.*  
District Commissioner  
*P.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

P.O. Box 2396  
KONEDOBU  
Papua New Guinea


Ref.: 67-16-16  
Date: 12/12/73

The District Commissioner  
West Sepik District.....  
P.O. Box 12.....  
VANIMO.....

RE:.....OKSAPMIN.....PATROL NO...2.....OF 1973/74.  
CONDUCTED BY MR....R.V. LANGCHAN.....  
TO.....PART BAK - BIMIN.....CENSUS DIVISION.

... I acknowledge with thanks receipt of:-

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

  
P. BOUFAGA  
a/Secretary

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West Sepik District,  
VARINGO.

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



3rd December, 1973  
87-3-10/39-12-4  
G.W. G'arien,  
S.L.G.O.

OKSAPMIN PATROL REPORT No. 2 of 1973/74  
PART BAR-BIWIN CENSUS DIVISION

Situation Report NO. 1 and your comments thereon refer.

The report and the attached map are both satisfactory as far as they concern the Oksapmin area.

However the information necessary to give a technical assessment requires more detail.

Could you please arrange to have details of the Strickland River to Road Head Lake Kapiago supplied on a sketch map with explanations as necessary.

As Mr. Lanaghan visited Lake Kapiago a brief description of the work being undertaken on the Eastern bank of the Strickland would be appreciated. It is known that the Lake Kapiago Council has applied for \$2,000 in the 1974-75 Rural Improvement Programme for work between BARAI (3 miles from Lake Kapiago) towards YOKOMA and the TUNA river.

As work in the Lake Kapiago area is currently planned to be by hand labour and appreciation of the labour potential available at Oksapmin would be of assistance.

If the above information could be supplied a request for a Photographic Interpretation and ground check will be made to the Department of Public Works.

B. BUNTING  
District Commissioner.

c.c. Officer-in-Charge, Patrol Post, OKSAPMIN.

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

... Two copies of relevant parts of Patrol Report are attached hereto for your records.

B. BUNTING  
District Commissioner.

### PATROL REPORT

Report number: *OKS. 4 - 1973/74*  
District: *WEST SEPIK*  
Patrol conducted by: *R.F. KANASHAN*  
Area patrolled: *TERANIN - TERIN CIA*  
Duration of patrol: *5/2 to 12/2/74*  
Last D.D.A. patrol: *FEB 73*  
Last O.L.G. patrol: *-*  
Map reference: *BUCHER RANGE*

Objects of patrol: *ROUTINE CENSUS*  
Station: *OKSAPAIN*  
Subdistrict: *TELEPOMIN*  
Designation: *A. O. O.*  
Personnel accompanying: *1 member R.P.N.G.C.*  
Number of days: *8*  
Total population of area: *3673*  
Council area: *-*  
House of Assembly Electorate: *UNDA SEPIK*

The District Commissioner,  
District,

*W.S.*

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
Field Officers Journal Folios 1 To 2,   
Patrol Instructions,   
The Report and my comments,   
Area study,   
Updating of area study,   
Situation Reports No's 1- ,   
Patrol map,

DATE: *11/3 1974.*

*[Signature]*  
Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
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Updating of area study,   
Situation Report No's 1-   
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District Headquarters assessment of  
Patrol & Report..... Above average  
Average  
Below average

Date: / /19

.....  
District Commissioner

POPULATION

Date of Census	Village	TOTALS (Excluding Absentees)				ABSENTEES (Resident outside Electorate)				Grand Total
		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT		
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
7/2	PARAKINAP	93	87	90	96			26		392
5/2	BETIANAP	31	81	33	106			27	3	401
11/2	BISAPAP	53	52	79	88			24	1	297
8/2	DIYANAP	166	123	140	160			24	2	615
6/2	KUSANA	115	100	110	116			25	1	467
12/2	OKSAYAP	82	56	108	126			24	1	397
3/2	TEKAP	131	104	108	136			58	12	549
7/2	TOMIANAP	78	67	92	102			17		356
10/2	QUAMIN	31	33	36	42			7		149
		840	703	856	972			132	20	3623

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## PATROL REPORT

Report number: <i>OKS-4-1973/74</i>	Objects of patrol: <i>ROUTINE CIRCUIT</i>
District: <i>WEST SEPIN</i>	Station: <i>OKSARMIN</i>
Patrol conducted by: <i>R.F. FRANAGHAN</i>	Subdistrict: <i>TELEFONIN</i>
Area patrolled: <i>TEBANAUN-TEBUN</i>	Designation: <i>ADD</i>
Duration of patrol: <i>5/3 to 12/2/74</i>	Personnel accompanying: <i>1 member R.P.N.G.C.</i>
Last D.D.A. patrol: <i>FEB 73.</i>	Number of days: <i>8</i>
Last O.L.G. patrol: <i>-</i>	Total population of area: <i>3623</i>
Map reference: <i>BUCUSA RANGE</i>	Council area: <i>-</i>
	House of Assembly Electorate: <i>UPPER SENIK</i>

The District Commissioner,

District,

*W.S.*

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 1 To 2	( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> )
Patrol Instructions,	(    )
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Area study,	(    )
Updating of area study,	( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> )
Situation Reports No's 1—	(    )
Patrol map,	( <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> )

DATE: *11/3 1974.*

*[Signature]*  
Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

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Updating of area study,	(    )
Situation Report No's. 1—	(    )
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District Headquarters assessment of Patrol & Report.....	Above average Average Below average

Date: / / 19

.....  
District Commissioner



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DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

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

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TELEPHONE:

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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

Date: 24th July, 1974  
Our Reference: 67-3-10  
Action Officer: A.R. WOODS.  
Designation: D.O. (SPECIAL DUTIES)

Your Reference:  
Date:

OESAPMIN PATROL REPORT NO. 4 - 1973/74.

Enclosed please find copies of the above report.

Mr. Lanaghan writes a good report and his ability to draw maps can be seen from the enclosed copies.

For your information.

*J. Apini*  
J. APINI.  
District Commissioner.

District OKSAPMIN

THE Assistant District Commissioner  
Sub District Office  
TELEFOMIN W.S.D.

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PATROL REPORT No.4 OKSAPMIN 1974

... Enclosed please find the above mentioned patrol report,  
F.O.J. and camping allowance for Interpreter and myself.  
Camping allowance for Police have been onforwarded under separate  
cover.

For your information please,

R.F.LANAGHAN  
Assistant District Officer  
PATROL POST  
OKSAPMIN



Distrof OKSAPMIN

THE Assistant District Commissioner  
Sub District Office  
TELEPOMIN W.S.D.

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PATROL REPORT No.4 OKSAPMIN 1974

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For your information please,

R.F.LANAGHAN  
Assistant District Officer  
PATROL POST  
OKSAPMIN

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Police No. 1  
Patrol No. 4 OKS.

- 5/2 Para 1 Organized carriers and dispatched cargo 1030  
Followed by motorbike 1390, arriving Betiana rest house  
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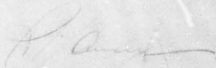
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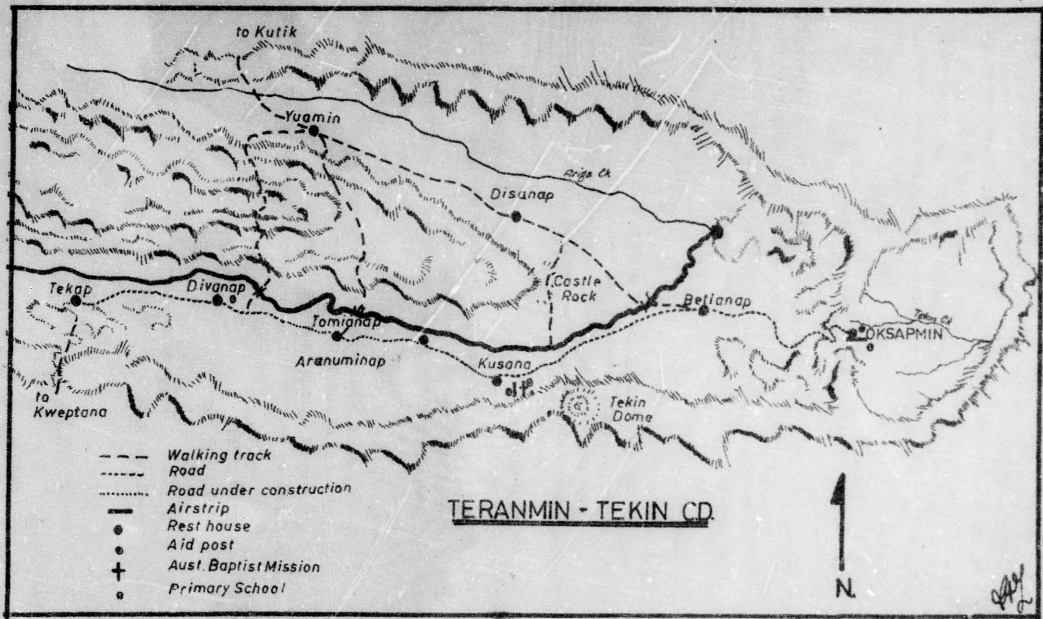
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Dusana	115	100	110	116			75	1			467		
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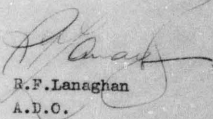
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