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REPORT NO.	FOLIO	OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL	AREA PATROLLED	MAPS/ PHOTOS	PERIOD OF PATROL
[1] 1 OF 1974/75	1-6	G. BOWANE A.P.C	GOGODALA WEST & EAST (ASPT)		12/8/74 -- 16/8/74

HR. 2.

# PATROL REPORT

Station: **BALIMO** Population: **APPROXIMATELY 4,000**  
 Subdistrict: **BALIMO** Council Area: **COCODALA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL**  
 District: **WESTERN** House of Assembly Electorate: **SOUTH FLY OPHI**  
 Report No.: **BALIMO NO. 1 of 1974/75** Map Reference: **AMEY SERRES SB STRATUS**  
 Conducted by: **G. BOWANE** Last Patrol  
 Designation: **ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER** Objects of Patrol: **LOCATE MARKS OF 100 YES**  
 Duration: **12/8/74 TO 16/8/74** **KIWA/ BANUSTU ROAD & GEN ADMIN**  
 No. of Days:  
 Census Division: **COCODAL WEST AND EAST (PART)**

The District Commissioner,  
 District,  
 WESTERN  
 DISTRICT

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Field Officers Journal Folios 9 To 10. (✓)
  - Patrol Instructions, (✓)
  - The Report and my comments, (✓)
  - Area study, (✓)
  - Updating of area study (✓)
  - Situation Reports Nos 1+2, (✓)
  - Patrol map, (✓)

DATE: 19 / 8 / 19 74

*[Signature]*  
 G.H. HENKE  
 Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
 Department of the Chief Minister and Development Administration,  
 KONEDOBUBU, Papua New Guinea.



- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Area study, ( )
  - Updating of area study, ( )
  - Situation Reports Nos 1-2, (✓)
  - Patrol & Report..... Below average
  - District Headquarters assessment of Average ✓
  - Above average

DATE: 27 / 8 / 19 74

*[Signature]*  
 District Commissioner

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DEPARTMENT OF THE CHIEF MINISTER AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

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PORT MORESBY  
PAPUA NEW GUINEA

The Secretary  
Department of the Chief Minister and  
Development Administration  
KONIEDOBU

Date: 30th October, 1974  
Your Reference: 67-2-1  
Author Officer: Davies/ds  
Designation: a/DO(L)

Your Reference:  
Date:

PORT MORESBY PATROL REPORT NO. 11 OF 1973/74  
MR. T.J.A. HEUSTON, A.D.O.

Attached please find Patrol Jacket covering this  
"continuing" patrol.

Assistant District Commissioner, Port Moresby,  
the Report is a special one, a progress report

This report deals solely with Land DA601.

Mr. Heuston is to be commended on his approach to a  
most complex problem.

I will keep you informed on developments as they come  
to hand from Ela Beach Office.

*D. J. Clancy*

D.J. CLANCY  
District Commissioner  
Central District

BALIMO PATROL NO. 1 OF 1974/75

SITUATION REPORT NO 1

ATTITUDES OF THE PEOPLE

Both of the villages mentioned there visited by the patrol and the people from there respectably have spent and made great effort on their blocks and the road. Most of the men who were allocated with the blocks have finished with the planting of the rubber and other are still undergoing clearing.

With the information the people received regarding the work on the proposed road, it would be clear to everybody that most of the men will stop working on their rubber blocks for while and commence working on the road. The whole aim of the people from the two villages visited is to work on the road and have it completed so that the transportation of produce to either Kewa or Bamastu would be easy.

In regard to the amount of funds been allocated for this road, they were happy to work with the exception of the tools which the Gogodala Local Government Council is going to provide. The people of Bamastu in regard to the tapping of the rubber and the transportation of the same will concentrate on the road until it is completed so that their produce would be transported to Kewa which has an excellent site for the wharf and would become a shipping port for these two villages in the future.

Discussions held between us and the village people revealed that they would certainly complete this road by mid-June or July. As this is one of the things the people consider most beside other work, the road work has been regarded as been their first priority. This is would be the other big development to take place and the people are willing to work except the tools.

BALING PATROL NO. 1 OF 1974/75

SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

WORK CARRIED OUT

The main task of this patrol was to mark out 100 yards all in sections for the people to work on when the funds are made available. A total of 378 sections were marked and among them 97 of them have been occupied by the people from Kewa. The Bamustu section has not been occupied. Village people were informed about the sections and it is obvious that the work would resume on the road about a weeks time.

It would also take a fair while before the middle of the road will be reached as it takes a whole of the morning before reaching the middle section.

The people were very happy to work and occupied five to six sections to work on. I myself estimated the distance from Kewa to was approximately 35 miles. As mentioned earlier in the report, the people regard this road to link up both villages as being their first priority and would commence working immediately. The section from Kewa end have been cleared and are awaiting sun to dry the ground so that they would be able to work instead of having wet ground which would make it impossible to work.

People from Kewa have sent words to their relatives from the nearby villages to come and occupy some of the blocks so that the people would finish the work on the road quickly.

CONCLUSION

As mentioned earlier that this road being their first priority, the people do not want any interruption from their work. The problem with the tools on the construction work will be the sole responsibility of the Gogodala Local Government Council. I believe the Gogodala Council as mentioned to me are going to provide the people with the tools. The people request that the tools must be made available so that they would start work soon.

No difficulties were encountered ~~and~~ the work was efficiently carried out. People themselves are very happy and the Council must act quickly regarding tools. The finance side would also have to be ready as several men from Kewa have completed their sections of the road. The patrol was completed successfully.



G. BONAME  
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BALIMO PATROL NO. 1 OF 1974/75

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SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

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