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1965/1966

BUKA PASSAGE

<u>Report No.</u>	<u>Officer Conducting Patrol</u>	<u>Area Patrolled</u>
4 - 1965/1966	P.R. Hunter	Nissan Island
6A- 1965/1966	P.R. Hunter	Nissan & Pinepil Isl.
6B- 1965/1966	M.S. Goldie	Atolls Carteret Islands
7 -1965/1966	A.G. Lang	Nissan

TINPUTZ

3 - 1965/1966	G.J. Williams	Teop/Tinputz Census Div.
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RWB/LMW.

67/1/10.

Bougainville District,
SOHANO.

20th. September, 1966.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

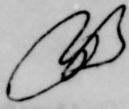
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The Census which followed was a success here due no doubt to Mr. WILLIAM's ground work.


(P. J. MOLLISON).
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

67-11-21

18th October, 1966.

District Commissioner,
Bougainville District,
SOLANO.

TINPUTZ PATROL REPORT NO. 3-65/66:

Receipt of Mr. G.J. Williams' report and covering memoranda is acknowledged.

2. The scope of the patrol was limited and so little requires reporting upon. The comments about Birth Date Cards have been noted.

3. The memoranda covered all other aspects of the patrol which was satisfactorily carried out.

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

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RWB/LMW.

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(P. J. MOLLISON).
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

67/2/2

HUTJENA.
Buka Passage.
9th September 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Bougainville District,
SEKANG.

Subject: TINPUZ PATROL REPORT No. 3 - 65/66.

Refer your 67/1/10 of the 6th July 1966.

Attached please find 2 copies of the above mentioned patrol report submitted again by Mr CPO Williams, together with the duplicate of Mr Simms covering letter .

Mr Harraban has already commented on the patrols activities in his 67/2/2 of the 30th June 1966.

K. J. Harraban
K.J. Harraban.
Assistant District Commissioner.

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Mr.....

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Department of District Administration,
Patrol Post, Tinputz
Via Sohano, Bougainville.
24th August, 1966

The Assistant District Commissioner,
HUTJENA

TINPUTZ PATROL NO 3 - 65/66. - C.P.O. Mr G.WILLIAMS

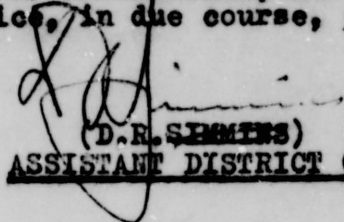
Your 67/2/2 of 19th July and relevant District Commissioner's correspondence, refer.

Please find enclosed three copies of the abovementioned patrol Report, resubmitted as requested in the abovementioned correspondence. In my covering Memo submitted with Mr William's Memorandum of Patrol, previously submitted, I gave reasons why I had instructed him to submit a Memo and not a Report. The mistake is mine.

As Mr Williams states in his conclusion to the Report, the patrol had a limited scope and there is little to report. The Patrol accomplished its main task, that of informing the people of the then forthcoming Territory census. The issue of Birth date cards was abortive but made because of the lack of S.D.A. and Methodist Mission Birthday records for the people of the area. The other task of telling the people about the multi racial elections held in May and June was also accomplished without fuss.

Concerning Mr William's remarks about the people of Rarie under "RECEPTION OF PATROL", Page 2, I have had a talk with the newly elected Councillor MATIASI about the attitude of the people. I shall be visiting the area in September, and hope to stay in the RARIE - WASPUS - PUSUPA area longer than previously, with a view to stimulating development for the people, in their home area or closer to the coast.

For your information, and on forwarding to the District Commissioner's Office, in due course, please.


(D.R. SIMPES)
ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER



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Mr.....

Patrol Post,
Tinputz.
Bougainville.
1st August, 1966.

District Commissioner,
Sohane.

TINPUTZ PATROL No. 3-65/66.

STATION	Tinputz Patrol Post.
SUB-DISTRICT	Buka Passage.
DISTRICT	Bougainville.
PATROL No.	3-65/66
CONDUCTED BY	G. J. Williams C.P.O.
AREA PATROLLED	Teop/Tinputz Census Division.
PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING	2 Members R.P. & N.G.C.
DURATION OF PATROL	10.5.66 to 18.5.66. Nine days.
LAST PATROLLED D.D.A.	March 1966.
	D.A.S.F. November 1965.
	P.H.D. March 1966.
OBJECTS OF PATROL	Give talks on forthcoming Territory Census. Issue Territory Census Birth Date Cards. Give talks on forthcoming Multi-racial Council Elections.

INTRODUCTION

The area patrolled was a portion of the Teep Tinputz Local Government Council Area, of the Buka Passage Sub-district, which is situated on the North East coast of Bougainville Island.

The area of the Teep Tinputz Local Government Council Area is bounded by the Umum River in the North, Inus Plantation in the South, and the Emperor Range of Mountains in the West. The villages of this area are split into three geographical groups: the villages north of the Ramazon River; the coastal villages south of the Ramazon River; and the villages situated inland, in the mountainous region. It was this latter group of villages which was patrolled.

The villages vary from Hantobin; which is three-quarters of an hour's walk from the coast, and 400 - 500 feet above sealevel; to Rarie Village, which is six hours walk from the coast, and 2,000 - 3,000 feet above sealevel.

Roads in this region are non-existent, and, after heavy rain, the foot tracks are impassable, owing to flooded rivers.

The main purpose of the patrol was to give talks on the forthcoming Territory Census, and to distribute completed Census Birth Date Cards. A mention was made of the forthcoming multi-racial Council Elections.

As it happened, the distribution of the Birth Date Cards proved unnecessary. I did not realise that photostat copies were being made of the Tax Census Sheets of the various villages involved in the Census. I had intended the Cards to be used by one interviewer, leaving the Tax Census Sheets free to be used by the other interviewer during the Census.

The original purpose of the Birth Date Cards was that they were to be issued to Missions, who would complete them from their records of births, baptisms, etc., and then issue them to the villagers concerned. As the people concerned were mainly of the Methodist, and Seventh Day Adventist faiths, I approached Kekesu Methodist Mission, and Kepisea Seventh Day Adventist Mission, and asked them if they could be of assistance.

However, owing to incomplete (and non-existent) records, both missions were unable to be of any assistance.

Also, because of the state of the river, the track from Kekesu Mission to Kepisea (which follows the river, for the greater part) is, in parts, non-existent. It is a very rough track, rather than a well-

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RECEPTION OF PATROL

The reception of the patrol was very good, with the usual exception of Rarie Village. It was not a case of the Rarie people being unfriendly - just unco-operative. E.g. Asking them to be ready at a certain time, and them arriving one or two hours late. In contact with these people, I have yet to find them co-operative with a patrol.

VILLAGE COUNCILLORS

Judging by what was seen, the Councillors are doing an above-average job with their people. I found them to be both hospitable and efficient.

REST HOUSES

The conditions of the rest houses at Namatea and Kotoita Villages was unsatisfactory. The former was in a bad state of disrepair, and infested with bed-bugs. The roof of the rest house at Kotoita Village is leaking badly. A new rest house was promised from Namatea, and a new roof from Kotoita.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

As mentioned earlier, there are only foot tracks in this area. One large improvement in this field, is that a native-style foot-bridge has been constructed across the Iruai River, between Waspus Village, and Teabaum Mission. It is approximately fifteen feet above the river, and should therefore, be of a somewhat permanent nature.

The construction of this bridge had become something of a necessity recently, as this river has been constantly in semi-flood for the past few months.

Also, because of the state of this river, the track from Teabaum Mission to Kotoita (which follows the Iruai, for the greater part) is, in parts, non-existent. It became necessary to wade, rather than walk.

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CEMETRIES

Ketoita Village has recently greatly improved their burial ground. Up until now, vegetation had been more or less allowed to have a free hand. On this visit, the ground showed recent signs of maintenance, in fact, the finished product was most praiseworthy.

CONCLUSION

Owing to the limited scope of this patrol, there is little to report. It was an uneventful patrol, where each village was visited, a talk on the then forthcoming Territory Census given, Birth Date Cards issued, and a mention made on the then forthcoming Multi-racial Council Elections.

This patrol gave me a further opportunity to maintain close contact with the people of this area.

G. J. Williams

(G. J. Williams)

Cadet Patrol Officer.

