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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of... WESTERN HIGHLANDS ... Report No. ROMETAM NO. 1 OF 1969-70

Patrol Conducted by... G. TUCK, ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled... WALIE - CAINA CENSUS DIVISION.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans... Nil

Natives... 1 I.M.O., 1 INTERPRETER, 1 N.M.O., 1 ASSISTANT FIELD OFFICER.

Duration—From... 17 / 9 / 19 69 ... to... 4 / 10 / 19 69

Number of Days... 13

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services... 9 / 19 68

Medical... 24 / 4 / 19 69

Map Reference... INTERNAL MAP

Objects of Patrol... 1. CENSUS REVISION AND INVESTIGATION OF 'ARAKULI'

2. INSPECTION BIRIR-MAKULI ROAD 3. CENSUS REGISTRATION.

Director of District Administration,
PORT MOUTESBY.

John Henry Sulea

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 ...

67-14-16
Division of District Administration,
Konedobu.

5th January, 1970.

District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
HOUST HASTA.

PATROL NO. KOMPIAM 1/69-70:

Your reference WHD.790 of 3rd December, 1969.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Annual Census and Area Study by Mr. G.A. Tuck, Assistant Patrol Officer, to WHE - FARM Census Division.

This is a well presented report of a useful patrol. The covering comments supplement the matters raised by Mr. Tuck.

The Area Study is interesting and quite informative, but it is noted that the sections 'Attitude Towards Central Government' and 'Accommodation, Services, Facilities' have not been included. Please refer to my Circular 67-1-0 of 21st June, 1968. Whilst the material that could be submitted under these headings would not be extensive, it is essential that this is not omitted.

Mr. Tuck has done well.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Secretary
Department of the Administrator.

c.c.
Mr. G.A. Tuck,
Patrol Post,
KOMPIAM.
Western Highlands District.

Whilst political education is a continuing process, it is becoming a more specialised task, and you are still expected to participate fully in its extension at every opportunity.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67.14.16.

Telegram JK:MIG

Telephone

Our Reference WHD790

If calling ask for

Mr.



Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
District Headquarters,
MOUNT HAGEN. W.H.D.
3rd December, 1969

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The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU

PATROL REPORT - KOMPIAM NO. 1 OF
1969/70. WALE-TARUA - MR. G. TUCK - C.P.O.

Please find attached two copies of the above report and comments of the Assistant District Commissioner, Wabag, which adequately cover points raised in the report.

Mr. Tuck is to be congratulated on a good patrol and informative report.


S. M. FOLEY
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

67-1-1.

Sub-District Office,

WABAG.

K.H.D.

18th November, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
MOUNT HAGEN.

PATROL REPORT - KOPPIAM NO. 1 OF 1969/70
WALE-TARUA - MR. G. TUCK - C.P.O.

Please find attached four (4) copies of the above mentioned.

The report is very informative and well written.

The difficulty between the Mase Baga people of the Ambum Census Division in the Wabag Administrative area and that of the Wale-Tarua Census Division has existed for years. Those people in the Tarua area are reported to be break-away groups from the Ambum, particularly at Homogum. They were then likely left because of fighting or land pressures, rather than internal clan difficulties such as leadership changes. Mr. Tuck reports that many have left the Tarua to return to the Ambum Valley. I feel certain they have established their residence as being in the Ambum but are still basically residing in the Tarua as before. The matter will definitely clear itself up by the introduction of the local Government system into the Division.

I feel that with such a small population, as akin to the Marumud Division of the Wabag Administrative area, this Division would be better suited by a Community School as run by the Catholic and Lutheran Missions in the Pergera, and now being commenced in the Marumud and I am certain that both Missions have plans for the Wale-Tarua. The Community School at Pergera is working successfully and it results in a much more economical and static establishment than small inefficient schools for each Mission.

Road communications are very limited in this Census Division. The major communication is from Biritp to Laislam (Wale). This road is the access to and from the Wale-Tarua. As the writer mentioned in his report, the terrain is not really suitable for any good roads and at this stage I feel that other roads within the Koppiam area require greater priority than the internal system required for this Division. I feel that if the people could be given some basic equipment and a few survey pegs in the ground on the next patrol or visit to the area then they should, if they really desire internal roads, commence of their own accord as so many other areas have done in the past.

The economy of this Division is fairly poor and will be for sometime. The acquisition of a Rural Development Officer at Koppiam, the access to Laislam and the demand by the various buying agencies will mean the gradual increase in cash cropping, particularly in the realm of vegetables and peanuts. As was mentioned by Mr. Tuck, the recent Agriculture Report, by Mr. Davies, R.D.O., Wabag, on this Division is still not available but I am certain that the economic future of this Division lies in the small cash cropping, with a little coffee and pyrethrum and the gradual introduction of cattle.

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Mr. Tusk's Census figures are not in accord with the latest instruction and rather than delay the report, I have not requested their amendment.

Mr. Tusk is to be congratulated on another good patrol and an excellent report.

Contingencies for Camping Allowance are attached.


D.R. Schupp.
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c. Mr. Tusk,
ESPION.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

File: 67-1-0

The Assistant District Commissioner
Sub District Office,
MAIAI

Patrol Post
Kororian
Western Highlands
(21 November 1969)

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PATROL REPORT 101 1969/70 - MAIE/TARUA, MR S A TUCK APO

Please find enclosed four copies of the above patrol report complete with camping allowance for the writer and the interpreter Mr En Wakon; sketch maps enclosed.

Mr Tuck seems to have performed a good patrol and presented a good patrol report.

The following points.
Social Grooming

It is a good sign that no fights have been recorded in this primitive area in the last twelve months.

It is a moot point whether the Male Tarua people will be included in the Council as such, however I feel it is more than likely that the Male people should be included soon as they are traditional Sau Enga as opposed to the Tarua people who are Mae Enga.

Land Tenure

I will ensure that the two hundred coffee trees are inspected soon and a possible market found for the fruit.

Political Development

It is to be expected that the degree of political sophistication is low in the area, however with further patrols and contact by road the gap should be decreased.

For your information and onwarding, please.

(Signature)
(Ian F Smalley)
Assistant District Officer



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Telephone 67-1-0

Our Reference.

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Mr.

Patrol Post

Kompien

Western Highlands

9th September 1969

Mr G Tuck
Cadet Patrol Officer
Patrol Post
Nombiam

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - PATROL NO 1 1949/70
WALL TEARUA CENSUS DIVISION

Please depart on a patrol to the Male Tarua on or about the 17th September. The patrol should take approximately three weeks to complete.

- (1) Revise the census of the area
- (2) Carry out ~~RESEARCH~~ an investigation and survey of the land known as ARAKULI and submit documents on your return to this station.
- (3) Ensure that the people are maintaining the road from BIRIP to KATIAM and see that the road is being properly gravelled.
- (4) Constables MURUKAI, SENE, MAKENG and TOROPI will accompany you. Also you will take EN WAKOM as your interpreter.
- (5) Submit a Gull patrol report on your return with claims for camping allowance for yourself, the police and interpreter.

(Ian F Smalley)
Assistant District Officer

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REPORTING PERIOD NO. 1 OF 1969/70

SUB-DISTRICT

WILKES

DISTRICT

WESTERN HIGHLANDS

CONTOUR AREA

PATROL COMPLETED BY

G.A. TUCK

DESIGNATION

ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER

AREA PATROLLED

WALE-MANDA CENSUS DIVISION

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING

CONST. BERRY

PATROL

CONST. HAYES

CONST. GRIFF

CONST. TORCHI

MR. VENTRI LUMATA, ASSISTANT FIELD OFFICER

INTERPRETER IN-WANGI

DURATION OF PATROL

17-9-1969 TO 4-10-1969 18 DAYS

DATE AND DURATION OF

PAST D.B.A. PATROL

1-9-1968 TO 12-9-1968 11 DAYS

IN AREA

FUNCTIONS OF PATROL

(A) CENSUS REVISION

(B) GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

(C) INVESTIGATE LAND KNOWN AS 'ARABIAN'

TOTAL POPULATION OF

AREA PATROLLED

3,160

MAP REFERENCE

FOUR HUNDRED AND FORTY-NINE WALE-MANDA

FINANCIAL POPULATION

REMARKS:

ENCLOSED

SPECIAL PATROL NUMBER 1 OF 1969/70

PATROL DIARY

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Wednesday, 17-9-1969.

Patrol equipment and personnel, consisting of 4 members R.P.F. S.G.C., one interpreter, Mr. Vinura Tagata - Assistant Field Officer, and myself departed Kompiam Patrol Post by vehicle and travelled to Birip rest house. Patrol departed Birip on foot at 1155 hrs. and arrived at Lalalam rest house at 1515 hrs. Actual walking time was 3 hrs. Night at Lalalam.

Thursday, 18-9-1969.

Commenced census of lines Kuraip-Piam, Kuraip-Porealin, Kuraip-Naro, and Kuraip-Malali, and finished at 1207 hrs. Discussions with locals until 1244 hrs. Attended to census figures. Night at Lalalam.

Friday, 19-9-1969.

Patrol departed Lalalam at 0905 hrs. and arrived at Sangures rest house at 1025 hrs. Conducted census of lines Yogarin-Mik and Tagirap-Tigoo between 1050 and 1210 hrs. Discussions with locals. Patrol departed Sangures at 1235 hrs and arrived at Araguli rest house at 1232 hrs. Attended to census figures until 1305 hrs. Parade 1300 hrs.

Saturday, 20-9-1969.

At Araguli. Commenced census revision of lines Daboli-Yapan, Daboli-Pip, Daboli-Lyandapak, Maivai, and Pipia at 0930 hrs. and finished at 1230 hrs. Discussions with locals regarding sale of land 'Arahuli'. Attended to census figures.

Sunday, 21-9-1969.

At Araguli. Walked around land 'Arahuli' in the morning. Mr. Tagata surveyed the land during the afternoon. Night at Araguli.

Monday, 22-9-1969.

At Araguli. Mr. Tagata departed for Wabag. Conducted census of lines Tagirap-Kigura, Tagirap-Pabali, Lagan-Paimandan between 1100 and 1230 hrs. Completed land investigation. Parade 1800 hrs.

Tuesday, 23-9-1969.

Patrol departed Araguli at 0900 hrs. and arrived at Pitipit rest house at 1100 hrs. Supervised construction of new cook house during afternoon and attended to census figures. Parade at 1800 hrs.

Wednesday, 24-9-1969.

At Pitipit. New rest house constructed. Parade 1800 hrs. Night at Pitipit.

Thursday, 25-9-1969.

Conducted census revision of Kukun-Ambusi-Igipen, Kukun-Kamapi, Kukun-Wagumari and Aiyel lines between 0905 and 1020 hrs. Patrol departed Pitipit at 1103 hrs. and arrived at Kaiamas rest house at 1250 hrs. Census revision of lines Nowali-Kamank and Midipin conducted between 1415 and 1510 hrs. Night at Kaiamas.

Friday, 26-9-1969.

Patrol departed Kaiamas at 0715 hrs and arrived at crest of Wale-Tarua divide at 1030 hrs. Departed at 1105 hrs and arrived at Kaiamanda rest house at 1302 hrs. Actual walking time was 4 hrs 57 minutes. Parade at 1800 hrs.

Saturday, 27-9-1969.

At Kaiamanda. Conducted census revision of lines Wasin-Pongelan and Wasin-Pibi between 0950 and 1100 hrs. Discussions with locals. Compiled census figures from 1400 to 1610 hrs. Parade 1800 hrs.

Sunday, 28-9-1969.

Patrol departed Kaiamanda at 0820 hrs. and arrived at Tarua River at 0855 hrs. A washed out bridge was replaced over the river and the patrol continued on at 1030 hrs. Arrived at Rakamanda rest house at 1230 hrs. Actual walking time was 3 hrs. 10 minutes. Met by Mr. Davis, D.A.S.F., on patrol from the Karamundi Census Division, who was camped at Rakamanda. Night at Rakamanda.

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PATROL DIARY (Continued)

Monday, 29-9-1969.

Conducted census revision of lines Walmera, Kabubun-Poyowa, and Aljurnin, had discussions with locals and minor disputes settled. Patrol departed Rahamanda at 1045 hrs. and arrived at Lalalam (Tarua) rest house at 1205 hrs. Compiled census figures during afternoon. Parade 1800 hrs.

Tuesday, 30-9-1969.

Completed census of line Kabubun-Kanguruli at 0905 hrs. and had discussions with locals. Patrol departed Lalalam (Tarua) at 1000 hrs and arrived at Tarua River at 1045 hrs. Departed same at 1055 hrs. and arrived at Kemar rest house at 1250 hrs. Actual walking time Lalalam (Tarua) to Kemar was 3 hrs. 15 minutes. Compiled census figures until 1540 hrs. Parade 1800 hrs.

Wednesday, 1-10-1969.

Commanded census revision of lines Newali-Mali, Newali-Anjor, Newali-Tonde, Newali-Andit, and Anualin-Tangap at 0900 hrs. and completed it at 1115 hrs. Discussions with locals until 1140 hrs. Discussions with Missionary at Kemar Catholic Mission. Attended to census statistics between 1430 hrs. and 1745 hrs.

Thursday, 2-10-1969.

Patrol departed Kemar at 0830 hrs and arrived at Lalalam rest house at 1140 hrs. Night at Lalalam.

Friday, 3-10-1969.

Patrol proceeded on foot to Kompian while I remained at Lalalam.

Saturday, 4-10-1969.

Departed Lalalam by vehicle at 1300 hrs. and arrived at Kompian at 1445 hrs.

End of Patrol.

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AREA STUDY

WALE-TARUA CENSUS DIVISION

The WALE-TARUA Census Division is situated to the west of Kompilan Patrol Post and is bounded by the ARUW Census Division (incorporated in the Wabag Local Government Council) to the south, the HARAUW Census Division in the west, the WAPI Census Division in the north east, and the UPPER and LOWER SAW Census Divisions in the east (both incorporated in the Kompilan Local Government Council).

The area encompasses the water sheds of the WALE and TARUA rivers, which flow north and eventually join the YUAL river. The WALE-TARUA has mainly steep peaks and valleys (from 2500' to 9000' ASL) with very few flat areas. The area is heavily timbered, has a typical midland climate, and an approximate annual rainfall of 140 inches.

A vehicular road from BIRIE on the Kompilan-Wabag road to the LALALAM rest house and the nearby LALALAM Lutheran Mission has now been completed. It is the only road in the area. Access to the rest of the Census Division is by walking track.

The post at Kompilan was established in 1953 and since then the people of the WALE-TARUA have been visited by at least one patrol per year. Their attitude towards the Administration is still quite good, and the conditions encountered by the previous patrol (see Kompilan Patrol Report No. 2 of 1968/69) were found by this patrol to have remained for the most part quite static during the intervening period.

POPULATION DISTRIBUTION AND TRENDS

The total population of the WALE-TARUA Census Division at the end of this latest census revision was 3150, as opposed to 3110 at the time of the previous census - an increase of 40. Of this total 1596 were males and 1554 were females. 57 males were born and 51 females were born. 106 males were employed under the Highland Labour Scheme. There was 1 male adult from the area attending an Administration school as opposed to 2 females at the time of the last census, and 11 male children and 2 male adults attending Mission schools as opposed to the former 23 male children, 2 female children, and 4 adult males.

At RAKAMANDA and LALALAM (TARUA) there has been some quite marked emigration of people to the Wabag area. Last year at RAKAMANDA there were approximately 23 people from the Waimera line and approximately 30 people from the Kabubun-Beyowa line who moved into the Wabag area. At LALALAM (TARUA) approximately 30 people from the Kabubun-Kanguruli line went last year.

These people originally came from the Wabag area and they own land there, and now that inter-clan fighting is dying out and the people can move about freely they want to return to their former area. Many of them already pay tax to the Wabag Local Government Council, even though they are still recorded in the Kompilan census books.

However, the remainder of the Waimera, Kabubun-Beyowa, and Alyurin lines at RAKAMANDA of 61, 48, and 47 people respectively, said they intended to migrate back to the Wabag area. If they all go back the population of RAKAMANDA, at present 156, will be nil.

The greater part of the LALALAM (TARUA) population has already returned to the Wabag area and the present population at LALALAM is only 36, but these people intend to stay in the Kompilan area.

WALA TAMA (Continued)SOCIAL GROUPING

There are 31 groups within the Census Division. The Kuraip, Nowali, Wasin, Kikom, Daboli, and Tagirap clans are contained entirely within the Census Division. The rest of the lines are affiliated with lines in either the Wabag or Kompiam Council areas. The people speak mainly Mac-Anga, but some Sau-Anga is spoken in the north eastern area.

The people are of a typical Enga society. The main social unit, apart from the family, is the lineage, with sub-clans having less obligations for the individual, and clans even less. The clans have formed various alliances in the past in times of trouble. These alliances have been unstable, being formed, broken, and reformed according to the changing situations that encouraged the alliances.

Fighting has consisted mainly of ambush, hit and run, and pay back killings. Since the Administration has started spreading its influence in the area fighting has been decreasing.

LEADERSHIP

The WALA-TAMA Census Division is under the village Lalual and Tultul system. These leaders are for the most part traditional leaders, and the people seem satisfied with them. There is no one in the area with sufficient education to have seriously considered questioning the traditional leadership.

Many of the young men go to the coast and work under the Highland Labour Scheme but when they return they have little inclination to oust the present leaders. They are unable to continue working or start their own businesses so once they have spent their money they return to the traditional way of life.

The WALA-TAMA will probably become part of the Kompiam Local Government Council area in the future and below are the most probable of the present leaders who might be possible candidates for Councillors.

Lalual (Wale)

Lalual KANDALA. He is a traditional leader and very pro-Administration.

Sengara

Lalual KICGAU. A traditional and forceful leader who has had several convictions for adultery and stealing.

Amali

Lalual IANGUAI. A co-operative and pro-Administration leader.

Tultul KUNDUALI. He is younger than most of the leaders but is quite forceful.

Pitimit

Lalual KAMBAU. A strong leader who co-operates with all patrols. He has been convicted of riotous behaviour.

Kaiama

Lalual IYAKI. He is a possible candidate but is not a particularly strong leader.

Koiama

Lalual KAMBAU. He is a young man and was convicted of riotous behaviour while working on the coast.

Keran

'Boss' LEMAN. Another strong leader, who was convicted of riotous behaviour.

AREA STUDY (Continued)

LAND TENURE AND USE

The basic land holding unit in this and other Enga societies is the sub-klan, with the family group holding its land within the sub-klans area through patrilineal inheritance. Women have no land rights other than gardening rights given by the male owner of the land.

There is plenty of land in the area for the small population, and much of it is unused. However, there are a number of land disputes apparently originating from the time of inter-klan bickering when the land boundaries were constantly changing with each clans success or failure in the disputes.

There is little economic agriculture in the area because of the unsuitability of the terrain. One exception is a group of people at PITIPIT who some time ago planted approximately 200 communally owned coffee trees, with the intention of selling the beans to the Baptist Mission near Kompian.

The only alienated land in the WALE-TARUA is that held by the two Missions there.

EDUCATION

There are no recognised Government schools in the Census Division. The nearest schools are the Baptist Primary T School at GAVANDA in the UPPER SAN Census Division of the Kompian ~~area~~ area; the Lutheran Primary T School in the Ambum Valley of the Wabag area; and the Kompian Primary T School.

While the patrol was in the area the people constantly said that they wanted a ~~REKESKKE~~ school in their own area for their children. However, few children are sent to schools in other areas. At present only 1 adult male and 11 males under 16 years of age attend Government schools, and 2 males attend Mission schools. This is a considerable drop on last year's figures when there were 2 females under 16 years of age attending Government schools, and 23 males and 2 females under 16 years of age and 4 adult males attending Mission schools.

literacy is almost entirely restricted to the school pupils and those few who have recently left the schools. Few adults can read or write, some of them can speak 'pidjin', and practically none of them can speak English.

STANDARD OF LIVING

The people still live a relatively traditional way of life. They live in their typical highland houses with earthen floors and low thatched roofs. Pigs still retain their former importance in the people's culture and economy.

The Lutheran Mission at LAIALAM operates a trade store which supplies a few items of clothing (although the majority of the people retain their traditional style of dress), rice, tins of meat and fish (which few of the people can afford as a regular part of their diet), and steel axes and bush knives. Almost every adult male possesses an axe or a knife. A trade store at the KEMAN Catholic Mission sells a few food items as does another mission store at ARABULLI.

The 'doctorboy' who accompanied the patrol reported a fair amount of sickness in the WALE-TARUA. There are 4 Aid-posts in the area: at LAIALAM (WALE), ARABULLI, RAKMAMPA, and KEMAN. However at the time of the patrol the Aid-posts at LAIALAM, ARABULLI, and KEMAN were closed down and only the Aid-post at RAKMAMPA was operating.

The missionaries at LAIALAM and KEMAN give what medical assistance they can to the people, but the people continually came forward with requests for more Aid-post Orderlies to be sent to the area. At the time of the previous patrol the people at PITIPIT asked for an Aid-post to be established in their area. At present some of the people from the southern sections of the WALE Valley go to an Aid-post in the Wabag area, situated some several hours walk away from LAIALAM.

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AREA STUDY (Continued)

STANDARD OF LIVING (Continued)

The entire population of KAYAMANDA intends to emigrate to the Wabag area, and if the people do go the Aid-post at KAYAMANDA will most probably be closed down and the Aid-post orderly moved to one of the other Aid-posts. The Lutheran Mission intends to KAYAM send one of its own 'doctorboys' to the Latalan mission early in 1970, which should greatly help the present situation, and improve the health of the people.

MISSIONS

There are two Missions in the WALE-TARUA. The Lutheran Mission (Missouri Synod) has a European pastor at LATALAN in the WALE Valley. The Mission is mainly involved in spreading religious ideas at present but some thought has been given to establishing a Primary School. If the school is started it will not be for some time yet. A small chicken project has been recently begun by the Mission but it is too early to determine its degree of success. A number of local LATALAN men are employed by the Mission as labourers and have been since the Mission was established. The Lutherans have been in the area the longest and seem to be the most influential.

A Catholic Mission has been established at KEMAN in the TARUA Valley for several years and is staffed by one priest. He is at present concerned mainly with religious teaching, but in the future he plans to widen his influence to education and to the improvement of the medical help he gives to the people.

Both Missions have numerous local pastors scattered throughout the area and have good relations between themselves and the people. There appears to be no inter-denominational conflict.

Most of the people living near the respective missions seem to identify with that mission, but they still cling strongly to their superstitions and traditional beliefs.

NON-INDIGENOUS

Apart from the missionaries mentioned above, there is no non-indigenous activity in the area besides Administration patrols.

COMMUNICATIONS

A road from BEMIP, on the Wabag - Kompiam trunk road, to LATALAN in the WALE Valley is now open to vehicles. Unfortunately much of the road was constructed without proper survey and supervision and one section climbs at over 15 degrees, which makes it unsuitable for heavy vehicles.

The rugged terrain and small population will be limiting factors to any extensions of the road further into the area. However the people at APANULI asked that the road be extended into their area. The people in the KEMAN area appeared very eager to have the road extended to their area too. They asked for picks, spades, and crowbars so that they could start work, but the present section of road needs a lot more work on it, as it is subject to landslides and a lot of gravel has yet to be put on it, before any extensions should be considered.

The Catholic Mission has a lease on some land where it intended to construct a light aircraft strip. This lease is one hour's walk from KEMAN and the priest there considers it unsuitable as it is so far away from the Mission. He has been considering an alternative much closer to the Mission but the gradient of this site might be too steep.

Movement throughout most of the area is by walking track. At the time of the patrol most of these tracks were in good condition, in spite of the heavy rain at that time.

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AREA STUDY (Continued)

COMMUNICATIONS (Continued)

The following are the various actual walking times between rest houses.

BIRIP to KALALAM (WALE)	2 hours
KALALAM (WALE) to SANGURES	1 hour 20 minutes.
SANGURES to APAGULI	1 hour.
APAGULI to PITIPIT	2 hours.
PITIPIT to KALAMAS	1 hour 35 minutes.
KALAMAS to KATAMANDA	4 hours 57 minutes.
KATAMANDA to RAKAMANDA	2 hours 10 minutes.
RAKAMANDA to KALALAM (TARUA)	1 hour 20 minutes.
KALALAM (TARUA) to KEMAN	3 hours 15 minutes.
KEMAN to KALALAM (WALE)	3 hours 10 minutes.

The distances between rest houses are not great and the walking times are not excessive but the rugged terrain makes some of the walks arduous.

STAGE OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT

The WALE - TARUA will be included in the Korpian Local Government Council some time in the future, but the people have adopted a guarded attitude about the Council. They have the Korpian Council on one side of their area and the Wang Council on the other and many of the Wale-Taruas have strong affiliations with people in these Council areas. Some of the people voluntarily pay tax to the Councils and some of them have been emigrating from the WALE-TARUA into the Wang Council area. Yet many of the WALE-TARUAS, who realize that ~~they~~ by comparison with these Council areas on either side of them their area is poorly endowed and economically backward, are apprehensive about joining the Council.

The main reason for this is their fear of not being able to pay the Council's tax rate, in strange contrast to those who voluntarily pay tax and are moving to a Council area. It has been explained to them for some time now that they would pay reduced tax rates when they join the Council but they have not fully grasped this fact yet. This apprehension should be allayed when they join the Council and get into the mainstream of things.

The House of Assembly seems to be beyond their comprehension at this present time in spite of attempts to increase their political awareness. During the last House of Assembly elections, while the rest of the Korpian area had 80% of the electors voting, the WALE-TARUA had only 50% voting.

The people have good relations with the two missions there and Administration patrols are well received. There are no cults in the area.

THE ECONOMY OF THE AREA

The WALE-TARUA has had little economic development, and the prospects for the future are not encouraging. The terrain is rugged, there are very few flat areas, the population is small, and there is limited access, which has meant little development to date.

Some time ago 200 communally owned coffee trees were planted at PITIPIT with the intention of selling the beans to the Baptist Mission (IMABUS) near the patrol post. Unfortunately, the Mission is 2 days walk from PITIPIT.

It has been estimated that the two missions spend approximately \$1000 per year for payment of carriers and labourers and the purchase of local food and building materials. The Administration spends between \$100 and \$200 per year on carriers.

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AREA STUDY (Continued)THE ECONOMY OF THE AREA (Continued)

Some of the people have been making tea baskets for sale to the Kompian Local Government Council, and get 40¢ each for them, and they are resold to the tea estates in the Waghi Valley, but this has not been very successful in the WAIK-PAWUA.

The main source of income is from the men who work on the coast under the Highland Labour Scheme and then return with their wages. At the time of the census there were 105 men working on the coast, out of a total for the area of 930 males over 16 years old.

POSSIBILITIES OF EXPANDING THE ECONOMY

The economic future of the WAIK-PAWUA is not very promising as the terrain is rugged, there are few flat areas, the population is small, and economy is poor. The Kompian Council's tea basket making project has not proved very successful in the area. The Catholic Mission at KEMAN might start a cattle project sometime in the future. There are a few reasonably flat areas of land around KEMAN but these are not very extensive, and the number of cattle would be limited.

The people are at present growing corn, peanuts, and cucumbers for their own use but they have had no means of transporting them to markets and have been limited to a lesser extent by large areas of suitable ground. Now that the road to KATIAH is open to vehicles the Lutheran Mission is able to transport products to the other Lutheran Mission Stations which supply the needed demand for them, so the Mission is now willing to buy corn at 3¢ per pound, wet, shelled peanuts for 6¢ per pound, and dry, shelled peanuts for 10¢ per pound. This land could be used for gardens if the people put their minds to it, but the terrain would limit such gardens to small sizes. The climate would be suitable for soy beans and passionfruit as well as the previously mentioned crops. Transport problems would restrict crops to those easily transported, and not overly hardy ones as most other vegetables would be damaged during transportation over the rough roads.

Mr. Davies of D.A.S.F., Wabag, recently looked at the area after returning through the WABAGONI Census Division but his report is not available at present, but it will provide the much needed expert opinions on the potential of the area.

Graham Tuck
 GRAHAM TUCK
 ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER

WALE-TARUA CENSUS DIVISION.

SITUATION REPORT

POLITICAL

The WALE-TARUA Census Division is not as yet included in the Kompilam Local Government Council. The people realise that they will be included in the Council sometime in the future but they have adopted a guarded attitude about becoming part of the Council as they consider the existing Council areas to be so much more advanced than their own area, which makes them look relatively backward by comparison.

The people are still not wholly convinced that when they do become part of the Council they will not necessarily have to pay the same tax as the rest of the Council (a fact which dampens some of their enthusiasm for the Council) in spite of their being told of graded tax rates for different areas.

The people are somewhat confused about the Council, and even more so regarding the House of Assembly. During the last Assembly elections only 30% of the WALE-TARUA electors voted compared with 80% in the other Kompilam areas. This present state of confusion should end when the people participate more in the determination of their own future, as when they actually take part in the Council.

The people's attitude towards the Missions and the Administration is quite good and the patrol was well received at all places. One concern of the people was the lack of Europeans permanently in the area, and they would like more Europeans there, possibly a Missionary at one of the less frequented areas.

ECONOMIC

The economic development of the WALE-TARUA has been severely restricted by the rugged terrain which is not conducive to cash cropping. There is a possibility of the Catholic Mission at KEMAN starting a cattle project. The largest areas of comparatively flat land in the WALE-TARUA exist near the KEMAN Mission, but these are only small and a cattle project would be fairly restricted. The Lutheran Mission at LALALAM is trying out a small poultry project but this is not aimed at making poultry raising a major industry in the WALE-TARUA.

The road from BURIE, on the Kompilam-Wabag road, to LALALAM in the WALE Valley, is now open to vehicles. This road should assist in the economic development of the area as the Lutheran Mission is willing and now able to buy and transport peanuts and corn to the other Lutheran Mission stations which provide a market for these products. Unfortunately the people have had only very small crops of peanuts and corn to date because until now they have had no markets and because of the lack of suitable ground.

Some of the men have been making cane tea baskets which are purchased by the Kompilam Local Government Council for sale to the tea estates in the Waghi Valley. The income derived from this has proved to be of little benefit to most of the WALE-TARUA people, but this industry might improve in the future.

The largest source of income for the area is from the men who go to work on the coast with the Highland Labour Scheme and return with their wages. At the time of the 1969 census there were 106 men working on the coast.

SOCIAL

The people still cling very strongly to their traditional way of life. Their old customs and ceremonies are still very important to them, and the inter-clan rivalries and frictions still persist.

There are two missions active in the area: one is the Lutheran Mission at LALALAM, and the other is the Catholic Mission at KEMAN. Both concentrate their efforts on religious teaching, although the Lutheran Mission is trying a small poultry project as a sideline.

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MALE-ARUA CENSUS DIVISION

SITUATION REPORT (Continued)

There are no recognised schools in the area, but 14 people attend schools in other areas. Both the Catholic and Lutheran Missions have been conducting religious classes.

The Administration has had four aid-posts in the area: at LAIALAM (WALE), KEMAN, ARACHULI, and RAKAMANDA, but at the time of this patrol in the area the ones at LAIALAM, (WALE), KEMAN, and ARACHULI, were closed down, and only the one at RAKAMANDA was operating. However, the Lutheran Mission at LAIALAM intends to have one of its own Mission Aid-post premises established at the Mission sometime early in 1970.

Graham Tuck

GRAHAM TUCK
ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER

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ROSTAM PATROL REPORT NO. 1 OF 1949/50

REPORT ON THE MEMBERS OF THE R.P.M.C. ACCOMPANYING PATROL

CONSTABLE SEENE NO. 1130.

CONDUCT: GOOD

APPEARANCE: REASONABLE

DISCIPLINE: GOOD

COMMENTS: A very experienced policeman with a lot of knowledge of local conditions but proved to be a bit lethargic at times.

CONSTABLE LIVING NO. 1272

CONDUCT: GOOD

APPEARANCE: SMART

DISCIPLINE: GOOD

COMMENTS: A steady and fairly reliable worker.

CONSTABLE CERO NO. 1726

CONDUCT: GOOD

APPEARANCE: GOOD

DISCIPLINE: GOOD

COMMENTS: A average member and very good on patrols.

CONSTABLE POROFT NO. 2056

CONDUCT: GOOD

APPEARANCE: EXCELLENT

DISCIPLINE: GOOD

COMMENTS: A young member but showed a lot of competence.



SKETCH MAP
KOMPIAM PATROL NO. 1 OF 1969/70.
WALE TARU.
SCALE 1" = 4 MILES.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of **WESTERN HIGHLANDS** Report No. **2-1969/70**

Patrol Conducted by **IAN F SMALLEY ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER**

Area Patrolled **LOWER SAV**

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans

Natives **5 MEMBERS RPSNCC (PART) ONE INTERPRETER**

Duration—From **7** / 19**69** to **12** / 19**69**

Number of Days **24**

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? **NO**

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services **17** / **1** / 19**69**

Medical / / 19.....

Map Reference **SKETCH MAP ATTACHED**

Objects of Patrol **CONSTRUCTION OF THE KOMBLAM(WINAKOS) TO LA PALAM 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

67.14.46. (11)
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

GFB:13

67-14-46

Division of District Administration,

KOMPIAN, PAPUA.

15th April, 1970.

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
KOMPIAN.

PATROL DIVISION NO. 2/60-70.

Your reference is WD.817 of 9th March, 1970.

2. I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by Mr. I.P. Smalley, A.D.O. to part Lower Son Comm. Division.
3. The extension of the road network appears to have been well organised by Mr. Smalley.
4. The report is of a reasonable standard, but the delay in submission is excessive. Please watch this aspect of Mr. Smalley's work in future.

(T.N. ELLIS)

Secretary

Department of the Administrator.

cc: Mr. I.P. Smalley,
Patrol Post,
KOMPIAN.

Mr. Smalley is to be congratulated on his efforts to have this most important road opened to traffic.

Contingencies for working allowances are attached.

[Signature]
T.N. ELLIS

67.14.46. (M)
TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

DF:MIG

Telegrams—

Telephone—

Our Reference WHD8:7

If calling ask for

Mr.



Department of the Administrator,
Division of District
Administration,
District Headquarters,
MOUNT HAGEN, N.H.D.
5th March, 1970

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDOBU.

KOMPIAM PATROL REPORT 2 - 69/70

The above numbered report submitted by Mr. I. Smalley A.D.S., covering patrol work carried out supervising the construction of the Kompiam to Lapalam roadway. This Rural Development Project has proceeded well under Mr. Smalley's supervision.

The project is justified in order to provide an outlet for economic development to the large population groups in the grassland areas around Lapalam.

Coffee plantings could now be considerably increased, peanut plantings increased and most importantly, cattle projects organised along the roadway as far as Run. It is important that this organised economic development should follow after the roadwork as soon as possible. The Department of Agriculture, Extension Officer at Kompiam should make this his main sphere of activity during the rest of this year.

In the meantime, the Saw River Bridge has been placed on the Estimates for next year's Rural Development Funds. A sum of \$5,000 has been allocated and it has been given an "A" priority.

S. M. FOLEY
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telephone

Telegram

Our Reference 67-1-1

If calling ask for

Mr.

Division

Department of District Administration,

Department of the Administrator,

WAPAG

W.H.D.

17th February, 1970.

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
MOUNT HAGEN.



PATROL REPORT - KOMPAN NO.2 - 1969/70
- LOWER SAU DIVISION - MR. I. SMALLEY. -

Please find attached 3 copies of the above mentioned report.

The object of the patrol - to carry out construction on the Koman - Labalan road. The road is a rural development project, and Mr Smalley was to assist in its completion by the local people.

The Deputy District Commissioner and myself have recently visited the area and inspected a portion of the road. It is possible to drive the complete length of the road, although there is still some work to be done generally to upgrade the conditions. The major construction works have been completed.

Apart from other factors this road gives access to the BURISAU flats which have considerable potential as resettlement areas. The administration already owns some nineteen and a half thousand acres in the area.

It is not really possible to get onto the PAUS, KIMAKAS grasslands except off the Wapenanda-Koman road which is another rural development programme reaching completion.

The Sau River is presenting something of a problem. Several officers have been to the site, to propose means of bridging the river. It would appear that the only solution would be the use of a swing bridge. Consequently because of the costs, separate funds must be required and the bridge made a separate project.

It would be appreciated if a survey could be made available to go to the BURISAU flats with the object of estimating the possible area of suitable cattle grazing and general cropping land for possible resettlement.

Mr Smalley is to be congratulated on his efforts to have this most important road opened to traffic.

Contingencies for carrying allowance are attached.

C.D.C.I.C.

Koman

D.R. Schupp

Assistant District Commissioner.

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Department of the Administrator,
HAZAG W.H.D.

17th February, 1970.

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
MOUNT HAGEN.

PATROL REPORT - KOMPAN NO. 2 - 1969/70
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Apart from other factors this road gives access to the RUMISAN flats which have considerable potential as resettlement areas. The administration already owns some nineteen and a half thousand acres in the area.

It is not really possible to get onto the PAUS, WENAKAS grasslands except off the Wapenmanda-Kompian road which is another rural development programme reaching completion.

The San River is presenting something of a problem. Several officers have been to the site, to propose means of bridging the river. It would appear that the only solution would be the use of a swing bridge. Consequently because of the costs, separate funds must be required and the bridge made a separate project.

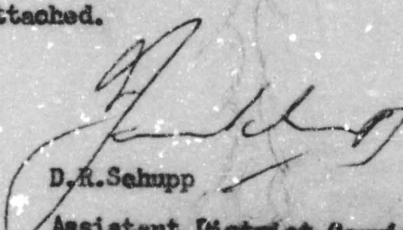
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Contingencies for camping allowance are attached.

C.C. I.C.

Mr. Smalley


D.R. Schupp

Assistant District Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

File: 67-1-0

Patrol Post
Kumtiam
Western Highlands
6th January 1970

The Assistant District Commissioner
Sub District Office,
MARAG

PATROL REPORT NUMBER 2-1965/701 LOWER SAN - ROAD CONSTRUCTION
LAKM 74 2000 - IAN F SULLIVAN ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER

Please find attached four copies of the above named patrol reports; sketch
maps and claims for camping allowances are attached

My apologies for the delay in forwarding this report, however commitments
on this station concerning land disputes prevented an early report.

Although the number of patrol days made at twenty four, many more days were
spent in this area from this station without camping out.

For your information, please.

Ian F Sullivan
Ian F Sullivan
Assistant District Officer

TERRITORY OF BANDA AND NEW GUINEA

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KOMPAN PATROL NO 2-1969/70

WARAS SUB DISTRICT

KOMPAN ADMINISTRATIVE AREA

LOWER SAN CENSUS DIVISION

IAN F. GILBERT

ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER

ACCOMPANIED BY: FIVE HUNDRED REFUGEES (IN PART)

FROM 19 TO DECEMBER 1969 (IN PART)

DATE ESTABLISHED: 24

LAST PATROL: JANUARY 1969

OBJECT:

CONSTRUCTION OF THE KOMPAN VILLAGE TO LADANAN ROAD

POPULATION: 8,000

SEVERAL HAS ATTACHED

VILLAGE POPULATION REGISTER NOT ENCLOSED

TERMINUS OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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- SEPTEMBER 8th: 0745 departed for LINGINAS to supervise planning of LINGINAS to
to RUM road. Overnight.
- SEPTEMBER 9th: Road construction at LINGINAS all day. 1800 returned Kompian
- SEPTEMBER 16th: 0800 departed for LINGINAS. Construction road. Some disputes heard
and settled. Overnight.
- SEPTEMBER 17th: Road construction all day. Overnight.
- SEPTEMBER 18th: Returned Kompian for station duties.
- SEPTEMBER 21st: Departed LINGINAS 0845. Road construction LINGINAS RUM road. Courts
heard. Overnight LINGINAS.
- SEPTEMBER 24th: Supervision road construction. Returned Kompian 1200.
- SEPTEMBER 29th: Departed 0845 for LINGINAS. Road construction. Overnight.
- SEPTEMBER 30th: Returned Kompian 1200.
- OCTOBER 6th: Departed 0830 for LINGINAS. Work on road. Heard disputes. Overnight.
- OCTOBER 7th: Construction work on road. Overnight.
- OCTOBER 8th: Road completed to RUM. Drove car to RUM then returned Kompian 1230.
- OCTOBER 11th: Departed for RUM 0815. To complete final section to LAPALAN. Overnight.
- OCTOBER 14th: At RUM. Checked gradients to river. Overnight.
- OCTOBER 15th: Returned Kompian 1100.
- OCTOBER 21st: Departed for RUM - work on road construction. Courts and discussions
during the evening. Overnight.
- OCTOBER 22nd: Construction work. B. Haisel, DAFV arrived 1300, held discussions
with engineers re economic development. Overnight.
- OCTOBER 23rd: Work on road construction. Overnight.
- OCTOBER 24th: Work on road construction all morning. Departed for Kompian 1200.
- NOVEMBER 15th: 0845 departed for RUM. Further work on construction. Settled minor
disputes at night. Overnight.
- NOVEMBER 11th: Returned Kompian 1400 after further work on road.
- NOVEMBER 24th: Departed for LAPALAN with Mr I Thompson. Road inspection. Overnight.
- NOVEMBER 25th: Spent all day at bridge site. Realized blasting equipment would
be required. Overnight.
- NOVEMBER 26th: Returned to Kompian 1330, after stopping all work on the road.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

CONSTRUCTION LAPALAM ROAD

In 1963, small sections of the road from WINAKOS to LAPALAM were constructed by the people, however due to other priorities in the Kumpian area these sections were allowed to fall into disrepair and subsequently re-routing had to be done on most of the sections. In 1967 the road was nearly completed as far as YAMANDA however again this section was never used and soon fell into disrepair. With an allocation of five thousand dollars from rural development funds in 1969, work was started in February 1969 at WINAKOS and subsequently finished in December at the SAU river just beneath LAPALAM airstrip.

The area through which the road runs has proved to be extremely fertile (refer agricultural section, general economics, situation report). From WINAKOS to YAMANDA the road drops steeply for about two thousand feet through heavily wooded country until it reaches a shelf along which the road runs. From YAMANDA the road runs on a level gradient to YAMALIMANDA overlooking the Lai River and Lower Jini areas. From YAMALIMANDA to LINGINAS there exists a very steep section which has been overcome in part by constructing a switchback part of the way. LINGINAS TO RUM would be the most stable section and best part. After an initial drop the road runs levelly towards RUM along some extremely fertile flats for about three miles. From RUM to the SAU river the road climbs gently over a small ridge and then curves down into the SAU river.

Large outcrops of gravel have been found at intervals along the road and these have already been made use, however some few areas are void of gravel, namely RUM to the SAU river, which will involve considerable cartage. This can be overcome with the use of transport in the dry season.

Initially construction of this road was made from this station, as certain areas were fairly close. However as the road progressed a patrol was mounted and certain days of the week were spent at LINGINAS, RUM and LAPALAM. The people of the SAU valley were given sections to complete under supervision thus linking up with each other when their sections were constructed.

The most difficult section will be from the SAU river to LAPALAM. This section rises steeply from the river through heavily wooded country interspersed by large rocky outcrops. A certain amount of blasting may have to be done, however construction will be mainly through use of pick and crowbar.

The SAU river crossing constitutes a major problem. The width at the site would be some 150 feet, clearly impractical for a single span log bridge. Mr Hurley from FWD inspected the site and suggested a suspension bridge such as over the Whagi river near Kerowli. Another alternative would be to drill through two large boulders in the river further upstream and create a three span log bridge, that is, in three separate sections adjoining. In any event the construction will be costly and will require qualified supervision. In the event of no funds being made available for the bridge as such, it would be wiser to consolidate this years efforts in the coming dry season, that is widening, regravelling and purchase of bridge decking, as the road already serves over five thousand people and is being constantly used by Agriculture and private enterprise.

The following clans and sub clans constructed the road and have subsequently received five thousand dollars in payment.

NAIFOKAM	LAPALAM
PINDIPALS	SOKOM
KAINDAH	KAIMAN
WINAKOS	KAIMAN
WINAKOS	RURISAU
KAINDAH	RURISAU
YAMANDA	LEO'BO
WAKUMANDA	WADIN
LINGINAS	WAREALAM
PAGAU	WAREALAM
RUM	IMBILIK
KLANDI	MALIPIO
RUM	
RUM	

Local enthusiasm has been high at all times and the people have received considerable benefits from the road

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YAMANDA TO YAMANDA: DISTANCE TEN MILES: 6000 ft to 4000 ft:

Originally constructed in 1967, but never used, this section had to be completely reconstructed on this patrol. Work was started in February and completed in April when it was opened. Eventually parts of this section may have to be re-routed owing to its extremely steep gradients. Owing to the stability of the road surface and availability of good gravel, the road is passable to four wheel drive vehicles in all weather. The road opens up the YAMANDA Council aid post and I school. From YAMANDA or YAMALIMANDA an access road could be built to the lower Lai kumai flats where the Baptist Mission have a lease and also where the Administration intends purchasing 1200 acres for a cattle resettlement block, BAUS. It would be fairly easy to build this road, following a low spur for some four miles to the BAUS MAMANDA area.

YAMANDA TO LINGINAS: DISTANCE TEN MILES: 4000 ft to 3000 ft:

This section was totally constructed between May and August 1969. The first part of the section as far as YAMALIMANDA is almost level with a good surface. This follows the range in a curve. From YAMALIMANDA to LINGINAS there is an extremely difficult hairpin section subject to landslides with a poor surface. Small sections of this road will have to be re-routed, but this will not be too difficult in the dry season. LINGINAS is the centre of a large coffee growing area which receives weekly visits by vehicle from WAGO Lai, Wapenamanda.

LINGINAS TO RUN: DISTANCE FOUR MILES: 3000 ft to 2000 ft:

This would be the best section in the whole road, although gravel is hard to come by in some sections. The road drops immediately from LINGINAS to the RUN flats and passes through flat kumai and tropical growth. A large coffee centre, RUN also grows papaya, pineapple, passionfruit and some coconuts. This section will need no re-routing in the future but will need fairly extensive gravelling.

RUN TO THE RIVER SAU: DISTANCE SIX MILES: 2000 ft:

This section is only partially constructed, although a vehicle has been driven to the river SAU. Work was stopped in December owing to the wet conditions and the fact that the people needed a rest from construction work. Drainage in this part of the country is bad, with a poor red clay surface which is evidenced. The road sinks steadily from RUN for 600 ft and then drops 600 ft to the SAU river. Much work needs to be done on this section, however as I stated earlier, it may be wiser to consolidate the road as far as RUN in view of forthcoming economic development and interest shown by outside private enterprise groups.

Ian F Smalley

(Ian F Smalley)
Assistant District Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL NUMBER 2-69/70: CONSTRUCTION LAPALAM ROAD

SITUATION REPORT

a) Political:

1) Local Government:

The people of this area are fairly primitive and as yet have only a small grasp of the reasons for local government. Slight contact with the Baptist mission and annual census patrols have given them some degree of sophistication but not very much. The people still consider a councillor a form of Luluai, and in fact many of the councillors in the area were Luluais and have only really changed in name. An application for money to build a Community centre at Rum has been put in, and with the completion of this road the people should become more aware of the Councils position and aims in their area. It is noticeable at Council meetings that the majority of councillors who are consistently absent are from the area through which this road runs, the Lower Sau. A council school is at YAMANDA however this some distance from the bulk of the population in the Lower Sau valley. With increased participation in council projects such as poultry and pigs, education and community development the people should raise above their fairly static political situation.

11) House of Assembly:

The local member for this area is from Kaiyer River, a completely different ethnic and language group. He occasionally visits the Lower Sau however only spends up to one day in the area with the people. The people seem to understand his position and that if they request money or staff for the area from their member this may be acted on in the House, however they have no idea of national unity economically or politically. In conjunction with the department of Agriculture, this years census patrol should spend much time dealing with political and economic development in the area. As stated earlier the Department of Agriculture is spending a great deal of time with these people, who are now reaping small benefits from the construction of the new road.

b) Economic:

1) General Development:

The area in question reaches from the Kumai flats on the Lai river, PAUS and MAHANDA (Baptist Lease), westward towards Lapalam and Leoleo. The valley floor from the Kumai flats to LAPALAM is very fertile and has an altitude varying from between 2000 and 3000 ft, with the valley walls on either side rising to approximately 6,000 ft. The valley floor west of Lapalam rises to about 4,500 ft at WARIALAM, this tends to be swampy in places.

At present the only agricultural production on the area is that of coffee and a few cattle.

COFFEE

The following figures were obtained from the Department of Agriculture at Kompiam.

1966 coffee census figures indicate that there were 61,000 coffee trees in the area at that time. Observations to date, have indicated that these figures have increased by approximately 30-40% since 1966. It is also estimated that this coffee is producing only 60-70% of its possible potential. This being due to (a) the large number of immature trees, and (b) the lack of incentive to constantly maintain gardens - this being mainly due to the fact that all coffee in the area is hand husked, and then after drying it must be carried for the best part of a day, in most cases, to be sold at either LAPALAM or KOMPIAM where it is airfreighted out. Coffee can now be driven out from RUM, LINGINAS and YAMANDA.

Estimating that there are 61,000 productive trees in the area (i.e. 61,000 trees in 1966 plus a 30-40% increase, less approximately 30-40% due to immature and neglected plantings), which would produce an estimated 1.7lbs per tree per annum, which at present is being purchased at 11 cents a pound. Therefore the annual production would be worth \$11,500. One can of course predict an increase of 25-30-40

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an increase of 30-40% in production in the near future.

It is obvious that the opening of the new road to LAPALAM will provide greater incentive to the growers and increased prices and production should result.

MIGRATI

PEANUTS

Two years ago an attempt was made to introduce peanuts into this area as a cash crop. 30.2 acres were initially sown but due to several factors the organized marketing of the crop failed, and so at the time destroying the growers confidence. However peanuts have become firmly established as part of subsistence gardening, and as markets are available there is no reason why this cash crop cannot be re-established. It seems Councilors are more than willing to re-establish peanut cropping.

I have been assured that Agriculture will initially undertake the buying of these peanuts at 10 cents per lb shelled or 8 cents non-shelled. Apparently yields under Territory conditions vary from 800 to 1200 lb lbs of kernels per acre. The soil and climate conditions in this area seem to be ideal, therefore it could be assumed that growers should be able to produce 1000 lbs per acre. If plantings are returned to the original 30.2 acres growers should receive approximately \$5000 per annum. At present planting should exceed 50 acres as the Department of Agriculture are engaged on a large programme of peanut planting in this area.

CATTLE

At present there are only 8 native owned cattle and 14 Mission owned cattle in the area. There have been several requests made to myself and the Agricultural Officer by people interested in investing in cattle. There are several suitable grass areas available for leasing that have yet to be exploited.

CROPS WITH POTENTIAL BUT NOT YET INTRODUCED

PASSIONFRUIT

Judging from passionfruit crops in existence in this area, vines would do very well if introduced. If introduced it would not be in competition with gardens as the vines would grow near the valley walls where it is slightly cooler. With the opening of the Kompiam to Wapenamanda road, bringing Wapenamanda closer to this area, WASO may be interested in this particular crop.

VEGETABLES

With the variation in altitude from the valley floor to the tops of adjacent ridges, any type of vegetable could be grown in this valley. Again a market could be found through WASO Ltd at Wapenamanda.

c) SOCIAL

The people of this area still follow the traditional methods of building and gardening. Unlike some of the Kompiam areas they have not yet copied the square type building with raised floor, but prefer the security of the round house with earthen floor. Incidence of malaria and pneumonia is very high owing to hot damp conditions. All aid posts inspected, YAHANDA, RUM, LAPALAM were in very good condition and were well patronised by the people.

The Baptist Mission through the Kompiam Council have been engaged in a programme of Adult Education, through a system of Reading CENTRES supervised by indigenous teachers and run from Kompiam. Unfortunately due to the resignation of the Supervisor, Mr Cole and the inability of the Mission to provide a replacement, the scheme has closed down and will not be started again. The people showed an initial enthusiasm, however when it became apparent that effort was required they failed to support the scheme.

Law and Order in the area is good and only minor disputes and infringements of the Gambling Ordinance were brought to my notice.

KOMPIAM LAPALAM RD.

TO LOWER JIM

TABAGINOS

RURISAU

BAU RIVER

FLATS FLATS RURISAU

RAIVER

AINKINOS

COUNTRY

YAWALIPANDA.

PAUS

AID POST

YAWANOR COUNCIL 'T' SCHOOL

KAIPOKIS SAUL

GRASS LANDS

KAIPAKAM

WINAKOS

GRASS LANDS

WAPAKAM

WAPENAYADA ROAD

WINAKOS

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I. SMALLEY ADD
MILEAGE
KOMPIAM TO LAPALAM
36 MILES

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UAPI

KOMPIAM LAPALAM RD.

LAPALAM
BAPTIST MISSION

LEOLEO

LABAIGINOS

GUBIAU

DAU RIVER

FLATS

FLATS

RURISAU

DAUH

FLAT

COUNTRY

INDONES

WAPAHAMANDRA AREA

POST

KAIPOKIS
SAUL

WAIPAKAM

INDALIK

WAPAKAM

KOMPIAM

KOMPIAM TO WAPAHAMANDRA ROAD

RIVER

TO WABAG



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of WESTERN HIGHLANDS Report No. KOMPLAM NO. 3 OF 1969-70

Patrol Conducted by G. TUCK, ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled UPPER SAU CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NO

Natives 2 MEMBERS R.P. & N.G.S.

Duration—From 4/12/1969 to 9/12/1969

Number of Days 6

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services JULY-DEC/1969 24 DAYS (BROKEN PERIOD)

Medical/...../19.....

Map Reference 56

Objects of Patrol PREPARE KOMPLAM TO RUM ROAD FOR DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS VISIT.

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

GFB:SK

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Division of District Administration,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEDONU.....Papua.

67-14-36

12th February, 1970

District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
MOUNT HAGEN.

PATROL NO. KOMPIAM 3/69-70.

Your reference WHD.808 of 6/2/70.

2. I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by Mr. G. Tuck, A.P.O, to part Upper San Census Division.
3. The attention of the Officer in Charge, Kompian, and Mr. Tuck should be drawn to Circular 67-1-0 of 21st June, 1968, as it relates to Special Reports. Mr. Tuck should have submitted a report on the work undertaken by his patrol - the diary does not convey anything. Also, a map of the patrol's route should have been enclosed.
4. Please ensure that these requirements are observed in future.

(S. J. Pearsall)

a/Secretary

Department of the Administrator,

c.c. Mr. G. Tuck,
Patrol Post,
KOMPIAM.....Western Highlands District.

Whilst political education is a continuing process it is becoming a more specialized task, and you are still expected to participate fully in its extension at every opportunity.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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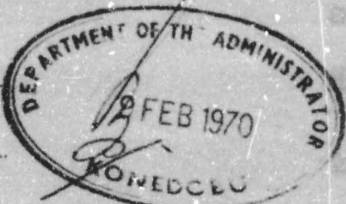
Telegram—

Telephone

Our Reference WHD. 808

If calling ask for

Mr.



Department of the Administrator,
District Headquarters,
District Office,
MOUNT HAGEN. W.H.D.

6th February, 1970.

The Secretary,
Department of the Administrator,
KONEBOBU.

KOMFIAM PATROL NO. 3. 1969/70

MR. G. TUCK - A.P.O.

Please find attached two copies of the above report and the patrol was conducted for routine road preparations only.

For your information please, and in view of the fact that the patrol was conducted for routine road preparations only, and in view of the fact that the patrol was conducted for routine road preparations only.

Enclosures are attached for your approval.

S. M. Foley

S. M. FOLEY,
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

67-1-1.

Sub-District Office,

WABAG.

W.H.D.

22nd January, 1970.

The District Commissioner,
Western Highlands District,
MOUNT HAGEN.

KOMPIAM PATROL NO. 3 OF 1969/70
MR. G. TUCK - A.P.O.

Please find attached three (3) copies of the abovementioned report.

The report is straightforward and involved final road preparations on the Labalam road when you were to make the opening and inspect the work done on this Rural Development programme.

Contingencies are attached for your approval.

For your information and further action, please.


D.R. Schupp,
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c. Officer in Charge,
KOMPIAM.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Patrol Post
Kompian
W.H.D.
1-12-69.

Mr. G. Tuck
A.P.O.
Kompian


Kompian Patrol No. 3 Run-Kompian

Please depart by vehicle on the 4th December to prepare the Kompian to Run road for the District Commissioners visit on the 11th December.

Constables TORONI and GURO will accompany you.

Please be at Yamanda on the 18th December when a vehicle will return your party to Kompian.

On your return, submit your Field Officers' Journal and camping claims enclosed in a patrol report cover.


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Ian F. Smalley
A.D.O.

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KOMPAN PATROL NO. 3 OF 1969/70 - SPECIAL

PATROL DIARY

Thursday, 4th December.

Patrol personnel, consisting of Constables GURU and TOROPI, and myself, and patrol equipment departed Kampilan by vehicle at 1330 hrs. Arrived at Linginas rest house at 1450 hrs. and camp set up. Had discussions with locals regarding the work on the Kampilan-Rum road. Parade 1800 hrs. Night at Linginas.

Friday, 5th December.

Departed Linginas at 0810 hrs on foot and inspected the road and all bridges between Linginas and Yamanda, and the work being carried out on same. Returned to Linginas at 1325 hrs. Patrol equipment prepared and at 1420 hrs the patrol departed for Rum. Arrived at Rum rest house at 1605 hrs. and camp set up. Had discussions with locals regarding the road. Night at Rum.

Saturday, 6th December.

Departed Rum at 0835 hrs and inspected part of the road between Rum and Labalan. Returned to Rum at 1305 hrs. then inspected some of the bridges between Rum and Linginas between 1350 hrs. and 1615 hrs. Parade at 1800 hrs. Night at Rum.

Sunday, 7th December.

Sunday observed at Rum. Night at Rum.

Monday, 8th December.

Departed at 0820 hrs. and inspected the work being carried out on the road between Rum and Linginas. Returned to Rum at 1410 hrs. Parade at 1800 hrs. Night at Rum.

Tuesday, 9th December.

Patrol departed Rum at 0930 hrs. and proceeded to Linginas, arriving there at 1125 hrs. Patrol departed Linginas at 1215 hrs. and arrived at Yamanda at 1420 hrs. Vehicle arrived and patrol personnel and equipment conveyed to Kampilan. Patrol equipment stored.

Patrol stood down.