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1970 - 1971

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PATROL REPORTS

BOUGAINVILLE DISTRICT

BUIN, BOKU,, MOROTANA, SIWAI

Report no.

Officer conducting

patrol

Area patrolled

BUIN

1-70-71	P. van Staveren	Oria	village
2-70-71	Y. U-Yassi	Part	Lugakei C.D.
3-70-71	P. van Staveren	Aria	village

BOKU

1-70-71	G. Schweinfurth	Baitsi and Part
Nagovisi C.D.		
2-70-71	U. Togavul ' J.	Irah
& part Baitsi C.D.		Banoni, Nagovisi
3-70-71	G. Schweinfurth	Banoni & Nagovisi C.D.
4-70-71	G. Schweinfurth	Part Nagovisi C.D.

MOROTANA

1-70-71	W.R. Read	Nagovisi C.D.
2-70-71	W.R. Read	Banoni C.D.
Special report		
10-70-71	G. Schweinfurth	Siwai Local govern-
ment council special		

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
PATROL REPORT

Report Number : Boku No.1 of 1970/71

Sub-District : Buin.

District : Bougainville.

Type of Patrol : Special.

Patrol Conducted by : G.Schweinfurth, P.O.

Area Patrolled : Baitsi and Part Nagovisi Census Division.

Personnel Accompanying: Constable 1/c Tapiako Reg. No. 1159.

Duration of Patrol:29.7.70,-31.7.70;1.8.70,11.8.70,(?).8.70,26.8.70,  
27.8.70-7.9.70.

Number of Days : 17 days

Last D.D.A.Patrol

to the area : December 1969.

Date : 1/12/69 to 14/12/69.

Duration : 14 days.

Objects of Patrol : Census Check, Political Education, Routine  
Administration, Roadwork Supervision.

Total Population of Area Patrolled: 2018

Director of District Administration,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

16/10/1970

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 .....

HRD:KP

67-11-1

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

30th October, 1970.

The District Commissioner,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.

BOKU PATROL NO. 1/70-71

Your reference 67-11-1 of 16th October, 1970.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of annual Census,  
and Situation Report by G. Schweinfurth, Patrol Officer, of  
the BAITSI Census Division.

An informative and interesting report. it is pleasing  
to note the satisfactory situation in this area and that  
Mr. Schweinfurth has such good rapport with the people.  
Your comments and those of the Assistant District  
Commissioner adequately cover the report. The census figures  
will be further commented on under separate memorandum.

(T.S. ELLIS)

Departmental Head.

67-11-1

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67-1-7

If calling ask for

Mr ..... NJG/vh

In Reply

Phase Quote

No.

Department of the Administrator,  
District Headquarters,  
Bougainville District,  
Kieta.

16th October, 1970.

DEPARTMENT OF THE  
ADMINISTRATION  
2200 1970

KONEDOBU

The Departmental Head,  
Division of District Administration,  
Department of Administrator,  
Konedobu.

Boku Patrol Report No. 1 1970/71

Herewith original and one copy of this patrol report  
conducted by Mr Schweinfurth.

Mr Schweinfurth was previously posted to Boku for a short  
period last term. He has returned as Officer-in-Charge.  
He seems to have re-established a good rapport with the  
people of the area and the Council appears to be gaining some  
ground.

Roadwork to these people, as to the majority of village  
people in Papua and New Guinea, means alot and by concentrating  
on this need and achieving worthwhile results through Rural  
Development funds and a self help component, the Council should  
become a force in the area.

The Morotana - Panguna road link it seems will have a high  
position in the aspirations of those people and some illwill  
may be generated if the Administration does not assist with it  
or provide an acceptable alternative.

The people see and hear of the benefits enjoyed by the people



of Kieta through the coming of Bougainville Copper Company, and look on this road link as their opportunity to share in this prosperity.

(D.N. Ashton)

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Atts:

TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA

In Reply Please

Quote no. 67-2-2

ML.ML

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,

B U I N,

Bougainville District,

22nd September, 1970.

The District Commissioner,

District Headquarters,

K I E T A.

BOKU PATROL REPORT NO. I. OF 1970/71

Attached in triplicate, original and two copies, please find the abovementioned patrol report submitted by Mr. Schweinfurth, Patrol Officer.

2. Mr. Schweinfurth's report of the current situation in the area patrolled is encouraging in a number of respects, particularly from the point of view of the progress which the Bana Local Government Council now seems to be making, at long last. The Council, aided by Rural Development grants, was able to hire Barclay machinery to improve a number of feeder roads in the area, and this has given the people the incentive to increase their efforts in this direction. The people of the Boku Administrative Area are very keen on the idea of a road link between Morotana and Panguna, and are strongly opposed to the "Fingleton [illegible]" which advocates a road link through Toimonapu. A road between Morotana and Paguna would give the Boku people access to the Kieta market and provide them with the opportunity to supply C.R.A. with fresh fruit and vegetables, etc., which could develop into an important source of income for the people.

3. There now seems to be a general acceptance of C.R.A. throughout the area and some of the people are even beginning to concede some advantages in having the company on Bougainville. It is obvious that there is a great deal of confusion concerning the question of independence for Bougainville and the referendum proposal, and there is some evidence of a conservative reaction. Napidakoe Navitu has been unable to establish and rank and file support in the Boku area, and members of Napidakoe like Damen and ex-Council president Gananai have been censured by public opinion for their recent activities. Mr. Schweinfurth also reports that the people of Pikei, Boku, and Lavoro villages, who have remained outside

the Bana Council, are now beginning to show some interest in council activities, although committed to a "wait and see" policy.

4. Mr. Schweinfurth's Claim for Camping Allowance attached for signature, please.

(M. Lang.)

Assistant District Commissioner

Att.

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BOKU PATROL REPORT NO.1 OF 1970/71  
BAITSI AND PART NAGOVISI CENSUS DIVISION

PATROL DIARY

Wednesday

29th July, 1970.

Beretemba Village by ear. Arrived Beretemba 0600.  
0630 Departed Beretemba with Carriers for Lambalam  
village. Arrived Lambalam village 1330. Investigation  
carried out re sorcery and alleged kidnapping. 1500  
met A.D.O.M.Bell from Barapina. Discussed matter and  
proceeded to junction of Jaba and Currarrong rivers.  
Arrived at M.Bells' campy at 1700. General discussions  
regarding sorcery were brought by various local  
villagers. Slept night at junction of Jaba and  
Currarrong rivers where M.Bells' base camp is situated.

Thursday

30th July, 1970.

0600 Departed camp with M.Bell A.D.O. and  
proceeded to DAMERA village in the Guava Census  
Division. 0830 Arrived DAMERA village where two suspects  
were questioned re alledged sorcery and kidnapping by  
Damen of Irang. 0900 Departed DAMERA village and proc-  
eeded to Barapina Base camp. Arrived Barapina 1200.  
Talks with D.O. Henderson on the situation and started  
to question the two suspects. 1600 proceeded to DAPERERA  
village re further questioning of local people. Slept  
Dapera Village.

Friday

31st July, 1970.

0600 proceeded back to Barapina re further talks  
on Damen and the general situation. 1300 talks with  
Mr. B. Brown Chief Liaison Officer D.C. 1600 Departed  
Barapina for Kieta. Arrived Kieta 1740, talks and general  
discussions with District Commissioner Mr. D. Ashton.  
1900 Talks completed. Slept Kieta.

Saturday

1st August, 1970.

0700 General work re report on investigation  
till 1100. 1130 departed Kieta for Barapina. Further  
talks with Guava people till 1500. 1600 proceeded to  
Dapera Village talks continued till 2000. Slept Dapera.

Sunday

2nd August, 1970.

0800 Departed Barapina by helicopter for Boku.

Arrived Boky Patrol Port 0930.

Patrol Broken.

Tuesday

11th August, 1970.

0700 Departed Boku Patrol Post for Kupon Village,

Arrived Kupon Village 0900 by car. 0940 Departed Kupon village for Taroba Village. Arrived Taroba Village 1100.

Village inspected as well as the road. Supervision of roadwork carried out till 1720. Talks on Political Education till 2000. Slept Taraoba Village.

Patrol Broken.

Wednesday

26th August, 1970.

0900 to Beretemba Village re roadwork and count

work till 1800. General talks with the people on Political Education. Slept Beretemba Village.

Thursday

27th August, 1970.

0700 Departed Beretemba for Boky and Pikei Villages for Census and general roadwork supervision, 1800 talks on Political Education till 2000. Slept Pikei village.

Friday

28th August, 1970.

0700 Departed Pikei/Pikeio village for Lavoro village, arrived Lavoro Village 0730. Census and general village inspection carried out. Roadwork supervised till 1600.

Political Education till 1800. Slept Lavore Village.

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P.A.T R O L D I A R Y

Saturday

29th August, 1970 0700 Departed Lavoro village for Boku station re office duties and talks with the A.D.C.Buin. 1030 Departed Boku station and proceeded to Loro Village re roadwork supervision. 1850 Proceeded back to Beretemba village for the night. General talks and discussions on council rules till 2000.

Sunday

30th August, 1970. 0700 To Loro Village re roadwork supervision and talks on cutting of economic trees. 1800 back to Beretemba for the night.

Monday

31st August, 1970. 0700 Departed Beretemba village back to Boku Patrol post re office duties, 0800 Census carried out at Mewa village, roadwork supervised till 1800. Spent Mewa.

Tuesday

1st September, 1970. 0700 Departed Mewa Village for Mosigetta Village, arrived Mosigetta village 0730. Census carried out, Politica -I Education, supervision roadwork till 1600. Slept Mosigetta Village.

Wednesday

2nd September, 1970. 0700 Departed Mosigetta village and proceeded to Loro village re roadwork supervision, 1800 back to Beretemba for the night.

Thursday

3rd September, 1970. 0700 Departed Beretemba village for Boku station, arrived 0830. Met A.D.C.Buin for general talks and discussions on roadwork in the area. 0950 Departed Boku station for Loro Village re roadwork supervision. Slept Beretemba.

Friday

4th September, 1970. 0700 General roadwork supervision at Sovele road, 1400 Departed Beretemba for Buin re Political Education course members. 1800 Back to Boky thence Beretemba for the night.

Saturday

5th September, 1970. 0700 Roadwork supervision Sovele till 1800. Slept Beretemba.

Sunday

6th September, 1970. 0700 Roadwork supervision Loro village till 1700. Slept Beretemba.

Monday

7th September, 1970. 0700 Departed back to Boku Station, arrived 0830.

END OF DIARY

BOKU PATROL REPORT NO.1 OF 1970/71.  
BAITSI AND PART NAGOVISI CENSUS DIVISION  
SITUATION REPORT

The Baitsi Census Division is situated one mile from Boku Patrol Post, being situated north of Boku Station. It is approx. 40sq. ml. in area. It is bounded by the Siwei Area on the southern side, the Banoni Census Division on the western side and the Nagovisi Census Division on the northern and eastern side. It is the smallest census division in the Boku Administrative area and is comprised of only five villages, two of which are in the Bana Council and the other three are outside [of] the council.

The Nagovisi census division which was visited partly is situated north of Boku Patrol Post. It is the second largest census division in the Boku area and covers an area of 190 sq. ml. There are 46 villages in this census division and they are mostly situated close together all being approx. 30 minutes apart walking. The Nagovisi Census Division is bounded on the western side by the Banoni Census Division, the Siwai Census Division, on the southern side and the Kieta Sub-District on the eastern side.

The Baitsi and Nagovisi people have their own eastern side. understand each other and intermarry. The Baitsi people originating from the Siwai Census Division.

The people in both census divisions are generally friendly and quite helpful. The patrol was well met and full co operation/operations and assistance was given where required. Talks and discussions were openly held with interest being shown by the people.

POLITICAL :: LOCAL GOVERNMENT

The people in the Baitsi and Nagovisi Census Divisions are generally hard workers, especially in the marketing and farming of their produce as they themselves earn their money. But in regards to the roadwork in their area the majority of people like to sit back and let others do the work. However this has changed considerably, as the council is prosecuting all those people who do not observe the council rules, thus the area is locking up with the/then people themselves saying that the council is doing something and that it is what has been lacking for a long while.

The people are not interested in the political side of things [illegible] as on various occasions Navitu Napidakoe has asked for supporters but the people stated that they have too much of their own work to do and cannot go off to Kieta, or afford the time to start a branch of Napidakoe in the area. The people are generally keen to develop and better their living standards. This was especially noticed when a representative from Navitu Napidakoe came to Beretemba Council Chambers asking people to come [to] support Napidakoe and become members. however there were almost 100 people at Beretemba at the time and the overall result was that they told KIRIORI of ANGAHAI who was the representative, to back to Kieta and leave this area alone [illegible] are far too busy and away from Kieta to even think of joining



Napidakoe.

Damen of Irang also came to Beretemba to contact various people concerned with the sorcery and also to collect money for the Pangu Party, however one again the Nagovisi people told Damen to get out of this area or they will take him to the Kiap. Also during this patrol I went to Lambalam village and investigated the alledged kidnapping of a sorcerer from Lambalam village by Damen. This was followed up and the patrol went to Damona Village in the Guava Census Division and on to Barapina Base Camp.

The matter was then given to the Chief Liaison Officer Mr.B.Brown who took over this matter with the District Commissioner Mr.D. Ashton in Kieta. Whilst the investigation was going, the Nagovisi people accompanied [accompanied] the patrol and wanted to go to Irang in the Guava Census Division and fight Damen and his followers, as they had taken a man from Lambalam village. Only after a long discussion I managed to dissuade the people [from] going and fighting the people responsible for the taking of TANIPUA, an alledged sorcerer to Irang in the Guava area.

The people are very keen on getting a road built to Panguna [illegible] CRA as in the past as they stated that Cra is necessary

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POLITICAL - Local Government (Cont):

but this was enough now, as Cra was big enough and if it really is helping Bougainville we want to see the company build a road from Panguna to Moratona so that we can get our produce out. "The people further accept the fact that the company is here to stay.

Only a very few people spoke up against CRA, but they only were afraid of CRA coming and taking their land. The people could see that the only way they will be able to develop properly is that if they have a road to Keita.

Talks and lengthy discussion were also given, referendum and independence. Out of all people present all were in favour of further development under the Australian Administration. Only GANENI of Beretemba village stated that Bougainville should get immediate independence from Australian and the rest of the territory. However Ganeni was quickly overruled as he is not liked in the area, having a bad reputation as being a member of Navitu Napidakoe. The people are somewhat confused as the three members for the House of Assembly disagree over the referendum issue and the people are just uncertain of what is the best. Although the majority stated that they were quite satisfied now, that it would be a bad thing if Bougainville broke away from the rest of Papua and New Guinea and the people favored the present Australian Administration saying that they are far illiterate yet to even think of asking for independence. ISIRAS BARUNG of NUKUI village who is also a member of the District Advisory Council stated that there were a few Bougainville people in Port Moresby who just made very silly statements about Bougainville people wanting immediate independence. But he further stated that these people who are suppose to be the future leaders of this District know very little about the problems involved, and never consult the from KARIA of BERETEMBA village who is employed by D.A.S.F. mentioned the way Navitu Napidakoe function and strongly criticised this society as it is only looking for trouble and those people who are in it know very little about the future welfare of the Bougainville people.

An example used by WOIBUKO ex council president of BERETEMBA village, is DAMEN of Irang, who is a strong Navitu Napidakoe committee member and who took the law into his own hands, saying that he was the new Government and thus set himself up as the new Government at Irang in the Guava area, however DAMEN is now in jail and this is where he should have been a long time before. WOISUKO further stated that DAMEN and his followers all acted by the Napidakoe rules and under people like MIDDLEMISS it leads to nothing but trouble as there was only one Government and it looks after all of us.

Talks were also give on Local Government Councils and Council work especially to the three Baitsi villagers of PIKEI, BOKU and LAVORO. As these villages are the only ones in the area outside of the council. The council administration was thoroughly explained with the assistance of an interpret

as well as a blackboard.

With the prosecutions of those who do not obey council rules the council has raised its level as the people themselves claim that the council should have started this a long time ago. For over the years the people have not regarded the Bana council as a strong or effective body as even the council has stated this, as all the rules made were ignored and not enforced. However now with the enforcement of all council rules underway the councillors themselves are prosecuting these people who break the various rules.

President AUWAI of LORO village and Vice President TALIAU of POMALETTI village both are keen and very influential councillors and under their leadership the Bana Council has improved greatly.

Council projects are well underway and should all be completed this financial year.

Local Government is firmly entrenched in the Boku area apart from the three villages mentioned, however talks will continue with these villages as a number of the people from BOKU village have expressed their support for joining the council at a later date.

Only the Guava people which were briefly visited are outside the council area and in the Kieta area. These people are generally more backward and show no interest in the Council's or in the Administration. But with people like DAMEN of Irang in their area the people are easily misled and become very anti Government.

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POLITICAL - LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCILLORS.

In the Nagovisi Census Division which was patrolled there are four councillors.

They are President Auwai of Loro Village, who is an excellent councillor, being very influential and popular. He is very pro administration and anti Navitu Napidakoe. A good leader with honest and very sound ideas.

Vice President TALIAU of Pomaletti Village is also quite a good leader and is popular and generally a good councillor. He is also anti Navitu Japidakoe, being an [illegible] policemen and pro administration.

Councillor SIMIKA of Mosigetta village in the Baitsi Census Division is a capable and elderly councillor with his ward strongly [strongly] supporting him. He is also anti Navitu Napidakoe and pro administration.

Councillor GANANI of Beretemba Village he is the least effective councillor in the Bana Council, being generally lazy and ineffective in all [illegible] of looking after his ward. He is a committee member of Navitu Napidakoe and generally anti administration. He is very unpopular in the Bana Council as he has a reputation for being lazy and useless. All other councillors are keen to get him out of the council due to his general lazy attitude and little work which he does. The council has its General Elections next month and it is expected that the people from Councillor GANANI's ward will vote for a new councillor as they themselves have had enough of their present councillor.

At PIKEI village in the Baitsi [Baitsi] Census Division Luluai NAKI is looking after the affairs of and is doing quite a good job. The Pikei village people are generally very pro administration and good workers. Naki is popular and a hard worker with support from his people.

BOKU village is under Luluai KAMNA, he is also a very hard worker with good support from his people. He is popular and a capable leader.

LAVORO Village is under Luluai TANDAI who is elderly, but still quite effective with the people supporting him.

All three non council villages are led by capable men and are pro administration and hard workers. These non council villages stated that they will join the Bana council at a later date, for as yet they want to see how the council progresses over the next years. However as some of the people have asked for further discussions about council administration and projects

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

The Laws of the House of Assembly and its relation and comparison to the Bana Council was clearly outlined. Discussions and talks were held each night. The people were quite interested, especially after reading out statements from Nanasard. The similarity of the House of Assembly and councils was pointed out and the functions were compared.

Independence was mentioned and the people generally agreed that

Bougainville should stay together with the rest of Papua and New Guinea. Only Councillor GANANI of Beretemba village stated that Bougainville should be on its own with its own Government such as Navitu was aiming for. But the rest of the people present strongly opposed Ganani saying that Ganani was an example of Nativu Napidakoe's work and that he never does any work, like Navitu Napidakoe.

National unity was discussed and all those present except Ganani agreed that it was a good thing. Saying that only by staying and working together, will Papua and New Guinea become a strong and prosperous country.

#### POLITICAL EDUCATION

During the patrol political education was carried out each night.

The people seemed quite interested and good attendance was noted. There are only four radios in the area patrolled and a request to radio Bougainville for an extra two radios was made by the Bana Council.

The people stated that they were somewhat confused over the referendum and independence [independence] for Bougainville. This they stated was because of the three Members of the House of Assembly who disagreed on these issues. However the people were in favour of the Australian Administration staying, and also that they did not want to have independence [independence] yet until

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POLITICAL.. POLITICAL EDUCATION (Cont):

they were better developed and had enough of their own people properly education/educated. The people listen to Radio Bougainville programmes and state that they are interested to hear more about how the laws of the House of Assembly are passed and the general running of the Territory of Papua and New Guinea. The best method of communication in through radio Bougainville Broadcasts. As Political Education, Education, daily news and Territory News are properly explained and outlined on the broadcasts each day. Special programmes are also set up explaining laws of the Territory and other numerous [other] fields. Thus even [in] the isolated [areas] people villages are able to hear about what is happening. Questions are sent in by the people to Radio Bougainville on all types of matters and answers are broadcast over the radio. in this way the people clearly listen and write in their problems and requests.

ECONOMICS.

In the area patrolled there are 6 trade stores, they are:

BOKU VILLAGE 1 Licenced

PIKEI VILLAGE 1 Licenced

BERETEMBA VILLAGE 1 Licenced

LORO VILLAGE 3 Licenced

All these trade stores are licenced as the Bana Council regularly checks on all trade stores through its trade store committee. The stores are under good management and are generally well kept with proper and clean facilities.

The Trading regulations were fully explained to the people and the stores inspected were all in good order.

Eighteen men work for C.B.A. from the villages visited, either at Panguna of Kieta. The average wages range from 8 dollars per week to 23 dollars per week. All depending on the qualification of the worker.

Produce in the area is quite (?)mive with all spare time being spent in the cocoa gardens and carrying the produce to market. All produce is bought and handled by the Bana Co operative Producers Society at Beretemba. The roads in the area are becoming of a better standard due to the Bana Council which is working on the Beretemba Sovele road, and further towards Siandaru Methodist Mission. The people can now see that their Council is really doing some good work instead of previously when the councillors as well as the people were doing nothing and thus the Bana Council was not popular. However things have now changed and the Bana Council is really well under way with the Councillors and the people in full support. The people carrying produce on their backs are now able to hire a tractor or a truck to bring their produce to the Society. This is slowly becoming better as the road progresses and the people themselves are beginning to see that it is their roads and they have to work if they want anything, this being on a self help basis.

The people in the area are extremely by having good weather

roads to move on as they can buy their trading goods and go to sell their produce without any communication problems.

All the people are in the Society and thus are all shareholders and are able to purchase goods at steady and cheaper prices than from private stores. Plantings in the area are constantly growing as the people spend nearly all their time on their plantations. Agricultural field workers as well as the Agricultural hygiene rule which the Bana Council has passed helps a great deal in the promoting of development in the area. As the people themselves claim that it is good to develop ourselves and rules and laws are required to make everything move along at a steady pace otherwise things are not well run and development suffers.

The economy of the area is moving at a rapid pace agriculturally and the present route to market from Buin is still the only way out. However it is hoped that C.R.A. and the Administration jointly will put a road through from Moratona to the C.R.A. Pumping station which is situated at the junction of the Jaba and Cuarrarang Rivers. From the point [point] it is the only 11 miles and the terrain is not too difficult to build a road.

This is the dream of the whole Buin Sub-District at present as the produce will then be able to go to the markets via Kieta which is easily accessible and at the same time speed up the production and output in this area.

The people also grow vegetables and occasionally have a market and sell their goods, however the demand is not enough to create an incentive to supply. But once a road was/is/connected/connected to Kieta, then vegetables would be bought by C.R.A. as well as private people. Businesses would start to develop and

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ECONOMICS (Cont):

the whole area would benefit. The people have stated they are interested to see vegetables and oven artifacts to C.R.A. and other companies for they are keen to get good money for their wares. Especially after hearing what other people get paid for their produce in the Kieta area. Vegetables grown/grown include cabbage, english potatoes, mandarins and oranges as well as a wide variety of local vegetables. The climate is ideal further up in the hills for most of the vegetable growing as it rises to nearly 4000 feet.

Private businesses such as trade stores are flourishing as well as various private people who are purchasing tractors through the Development Bank. One person is already a tractor and it is on full time hire to F.W.D. in the Boky area. A Business Advisory Officer has recently held a trade store course at Beretemba Village and over 40 people took part, all being trade store owners.

ROADS

Roads in the area are generally at a satisfactory stage, however constant maintenance is required due to the heavy rainfall in the area. In the area patrolled there is 20 miles of road. Only half of this is good all weather road. The Bana Council has already spent over \$4000 in the form of money as well as labour in actually working on the roads.

The Sovele road has been completed and the people are still working on it as some minor clearing is still necessary. President AUWAI of Loro village organised the people to work on this road and they have worked for four months including weekends. Economic trees have been cut down which total up to \$8000/\$800, these trees have all been cut voluntarily and the people themselves can see that the administration will help them if they are willing to help themselves.

Bana Council is continuing to work on the roads in the area and is progressing, but the area is quite hard for building roads due to the lack of sand and stones. For the area is all plain clay soil. The Bana Council is anticipating to hire Barclays bulldozer later on this year or next financial year depending on the capital available. The bulldozer will be used for road work in the Bana Council Area. As the people can see what the bulldozer can xxx do they naturally are anxious for the dozer to work and they will do the labouring work after the bulldozer has finished. The people from Loro village have also collected \$200 for roadwork in the area and the money is reallocated through the Council's books.

Thus the people can see now how their money is used and the advantages of machinery.

SOCIAL.



Education in the area is quite satisfactory. There are two main schools in the area patrolled. They are Sovele Catholic Mission which centers for people from all surrounding villages, including Loro, Beretemba, and Mosigetta. All these three villages are catholic religion, being able to have a good education at the mission school. Standards range from 3 to 6.

Sovele Catholic Mission runs a day school at Mosigetta, this school runs classes for standard 1 to 3 and has three teachers looking after it. The Sovele school has eight teachers and is well run also. Boku station has a primary T School which also runs standard 1,2,4,5,6, and it looks after the villages of Pikei,Boku,Lavoro and Mewa. It is only staffed by two teachers and progress is satisfactory.

Bana Council enforces the Truancy Rule and there are no absentees.

Health in the area is also satisfactory and there is a mission hospital at Sovele staffed by two missions nuns which do an excellent job. This hospital is being renewed and should be completed date next year.

Law and order in the area is good, the Council enforces all its rules and the councillors themselves bring those to court who do not obey the rules.

Only the Catholic Mission is in the rea, this being at Sovele.

Father Mahoney is the father in charge and is generally liked and assists the council in its roadwork by leading his bulldozer. The non council villages are all methodist and there is a cathechist who holds service at weekends and during the week.

There is no cult or unrest in the area.

The Bana Council runs a womens club in the area and is assisted by the catholic mission sisters at Sovele. The club is well run and is quite popular with a good enrolment of over 100 women.

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CONCLUSION:

The general situation in the area is quite satisfactory, the people are keen and interested to develop themselves. The Bana Council is well underway with all its works programme and the people are themselves assisting in the council work voluntarily, especially on road work.

At present the people of Loro and Mosigetta are busy collecting money together to put into the councils revenue. This money is to be used for road work and the hire of a bulldozer.

The people have expected the fact that C.R.A. is here to stay and although they are not in full favour of the company taking home of their land, they are glad to see that the area is developing rapidly. The people are keen to get C.R.A. to build the road linking Moratona, as this is their main concern at present as it effects their development to a great extent.

Navitu Napidakoe is not popular in the area and the people are to busy with their produce to take time of/off to join it. Especially after DAMEN of Irang tried to take the law into his own hands by jailing all people suspected of sorcery, the people were really upset and wanted Damen brought to justice. As Damen claimed Navitu Napidakoe was their new Government the people took no notice of him, and stated that Damen and his Navitu Napidakoe are not welcome in this are as well as all it creates is trouble and ill feeling amongst the people.

Referendum and Independance [Independence] should not come until the people are educated enough and developed enough to take on their responsibilities of Government. This was stated by the people from Loro Village.

All people in the are have paid their council tax and the people want to increase the tax rate to at least \$6 next financial year. This has often been discussed as the Bana council is well entrenched in its work this financial year and with the people themselves keen to progress the whole area should prosper.

Thus the overall situation is quite good, economically, politically and socially.

(G. Schweinfurth)

Patrol Officer

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
PATROL REPORT

Report Number : Boku No.2 of 1970/71.

Sub-District : BUIN.

District : Bougainville.

Type of Patrol : Special.

Patrol Conducted

By : U. Togavul and J. Irah. L.G.A. and Council Clerk

Area Patrolled : Banoni, Nagovisi and Part Baitsi Census Division

Personnal

Accompanying : Constable Taungur Reg. No. 1244; Constable Yanun  
Reg. No. 489; plus Various Bana Councillors.

Duration of Patrol : 20/7/70 to 4/8/70.

Number of Days : 15 and 12 days respectively.

Last D.D.A. patrol

to the Area : December 1969.

Date : 1/12/69 to 14/12/69.

Duration : 14 Days.

Objets of Patrol : Tax Collection Bana Local Government Council.

Total Population

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:HP

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Division of District Administration

KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

11th November, 1970.

The District Commissioner,

Bougainville District,

KIETA.

BOKU PATROL NO. 2/70-71

Your reference 67-1-7 of 27th October, 1970.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by Mr. E.U. Togavul, Local Government Assistant, of the BANA Local Government Council Area.

It is indeed pleasing to read of the improved attitude of the people to self-help work. Mr. Togavul's informative report is a sound submission and the patrol appears to have completed its work in an efficient manner.

(T.J. ELLIS)

Departmental Head.

Att.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Department of the Administrator,  
District Headquarters,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.

27th October, 1970.

Telegrams-

Telephone 67-1-7

Our Reference .....

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Mr.....

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

BOKU PATROL NO. 2 1970-1

Herewith original and duplicate copy of this report covering a special patrol.

2. Mr. Togavul has submitted a brief report, but seems to have carried out a well organised patrol. Comments by the Officer—in-Charge Boku and Assistant District Commissioner, Buin, adequately cover report.

3. The standing of the Council in the community is improving particularly as their works programme gets underway and the people begin to equate the new roads with Council effort.

4. The Councillors themselves have carried out a useful patrol too. They took the opportunity to discuss unity in the Council, to explain the works programme, to check on the condition of trade stores and whether they were licensed or not, to adjudicate on tax exemptions and to indicate they would initiate tax prosecutions if necessary.

5. It is refreshing to read that the Council and the people seem to realise that to achieve any worthwhile capital works, tax rate must be raised.

(D. N. Ashton)

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

Att.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply Please

Quote No. 67-2-2

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Department of the Administrator,

Sub-District Office,

B U I N,

Bougainville District,

14th October, 1970.

The District Commissioner,

District Headquarters,

K I E T A.

BOKU PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1970/71

Attached in triplicate, original and two copies, please find the abovementioned patrol report, submitted by Mr. Togavul, Local Government Assistant.

2. This was a routine patrol which had as its principal objective the collection of council tax for the Financial Year 1970/71. The collections were made without difficulty, and there were few defaulters.

3. The Tax Review Committee, including the Council President and Vice-President, accompanied the patrol and took the opportunity of discussing the council's Capital Works Programme for the current year, with the people. In addition to three principal road projects, the council is also this year starting to build a permanent materials headquarters, the foundations of which have already been laid. The commencement of this project had been delayed in the past because of difficulties connected with finding a suitable site. These problems have now been solved however, land having been made available near Beretemba, on a good site which will lend itself to further development.

4. The people of the Bana Council area were greatly encouraged during the 1969/70 Financial Year by the use of contract machinery on a number of council road projects and on which good progress was made within the limits of available finances. As you know, Barclay Bros. has left a bulldozer in the Sub-District which is currently working in the Buin area, where the people have contributed large sums towards the hire of the machine. This equipment will eventually be available for hire in the Bana Council area, and it is anticipated that the same interest will be shown.

5. There was no claim for camping allowance attached to the report.

(M. Lang.)  
Assistant District Commissioner.



Patrol Post,  
BOKU.  
via Buin.  
Bougainville District.  
30th September, 1970.  
67-2-5

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

PATROL REPORT - BOKU NO. 2 OF 1970/71

Mr. U. TOGAVUL - LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSISTANT.

Forwarded herewith please find the above report.

Comments as follows:

This patrol covered the whole of the Bana Council Area and it was set up to collect council tax for this financial year 1970/71.

The object of the patrol was well achieved, with only absent workers not paying tax. The tax collection patrol was well met with all people eligible paying their tax. People with problems concerning payment of their tax straightened their problems out with the Tax Review Committee which accompanied/accompanied the patrol.

The people are quite satisfied over the present council's Works Programmes as it is well underway with some of the road projects already being partly completed. The people themselves are working on a self help basis on their roads with virtually all the council money going to hire of machinery.

At present the general feeling of raising council tax is very strong as the(n) people can see what their money is doing. They realise now that the present tax rate is far too low as they can easily afford to raise the rate of four and three dollars. It is expected that the tax rate will be raised by at least two dollars next financial year. The Council's Works Programme is expected to extend greatly next financial year also especially in projects concerning roadwork. The people have already given their word on doing their share of work on a self help basis thus the requirement for Rural Development Funds has increased greatly for the next financial year.

The only incident recorded is now settled with those workers being paid off accordingly. Councillor PRANARA from BIROS Village had forgotten to advise his people about the fact that the cheque was coming and that it had to be passed by the whole council.

The amount of tax collected by passed the estimated figure and some is still being collected from absent workers.

The situation is generally quite satisfactory in the area with the councillors playing a closer part in the affairs of their council thus the people are more aware of what is going on in their area.

Mr. U. Togavul has presented a good report and is a great asset to

the Bana Council Area.

Camping allowance for Mr. Togavul has been forwarded under separate cover.

For your information, please.

G. Schweinfurth  
Officer In Charge.

Boku Patrol Post  
Buin Sub-District,  
Bougainville District  
29th September 1970  
Officer in-charge  
Patrol Post,  
BOKU.

PATROL REPORT - BOKU No 2 OF 1970/71  
Forwarded herewith please find five copies of the  
above report for comments and onforwarding, please.

(W. Urban Togavul)  
Local Govt.Assistant

As all projects were underway with some partly completed. The Hire of Machinery was made with Barclay Bros and also a private Contractor from Buin. As nothing was done on roadworks over the last financial year the people were glad to hear that machinery was in a use and work underway.  
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The Tax Review Committee consisted of five councillors on each patrol. President Auwai plus 4 other councillors on one and Vice President Taliau plus 4 councillors on the other.

The tax review committee gave those who had no money two weeks to pay and then it would take legal action retrieve the due tax.  
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## Introduction

### Tax Collection Patrols BANA Council Area

Two tax patrols collected tax during this financial year 1970/71.

One patrol collected tax in the Banoni Census Division and the other patrol collected tax the Nagovisi and part Baitisi Census Division.

The tax collection went generally quite well, with nearly all people eligible paying tax.

The tax Patrol Programme was well publicised, over Radio Bougainville as well as copies given out to all councillors and committee members.

The Bana Council people tended to be well aware of the importance of tax and necessity of forming their council into a strong body.

It was emphasised [emphasized] that only by support from all the people will Bana Council be come strong. This was compared with national unity and the people generally were in power of the idea stating that is was a good thing.

The capital works Programme for 1970/71 was fully explained to all the people were glad to know that all the projects were underway.

The main projects are roadwork on the:

- (a) Beretemba-Sovele-Siandaru road,
- (b) Boku-Biros-Bakoram road,
- (c) Morotann-Taroba-Waruwaru.
- (d) Construction of Council Chambers.

Taxpayers meetings were also held two months before the tax rate was passed by the Council. The tax being the same as the previous year at \$4 and 40c in one area and \$3 and 30c in the more isolated areas.

Incidents: Ony one incident was recorded where various people from Biros village refused to pay tax as they were owed money by the council for road work. However a cheque for this money was already at hand and Cr. Doranara from Biros apparently did not let these people know, as it had to be passed by the first. After the explanation of the people paid the tax. The money owed has been now paid.

Works Programme 1970/71.

The general discussion and explanation on the Works Programme was actually conducted after the tax collection in each village.

Council President Mr. Peter Auwai and Vice President Mr. Taliau fully explained the Works Programme for this financial year.

As all projects were underway with some partly completed. The Hire of Machinery was made with Barclay Bros and also a private Contractor from Buin. As nothing was done on roadworks over the last financial year the people were glad to hear that machinery was in a use and work underway.

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Quite a large number are working outside the Bana Council area and steps have already been taken to collect this money.

No tax exemption were issued this financial year, only the amounts payable by some taxpayers varied due to ill health on simila [similar] reason.

Conclusion.

The tax collection in the Bana Council area was quite satisfactory with the people paying this due tax.

(W. Urban Togavul)

Local Government Assistant)

Patrol Diary - NAGOVISI AREA

20.7.70 Departed Boku at 8 am by TOYOTA to Kupon, then walk up by foot arrived Taroba at 9.05 am.

The patrol was accompanied the Tax Review Committee and Senior Const. 1/c YANUNA. Tax Collection held at Taroba. The Agabai people is also paid their Council Tax at Taroba Village.

After the tax collection, talks given on works programme 1970/71.

Then check with trade store owners, Licences to be renewed for 1970-71 financial year.

Then councillor PAKAPUREI of Agabai village reported that, the old HAUS KIAP now at Taroba is in a very bad condition.

People from Agabai and Taroba villages are no willing to build a new Haus Kiap near the Cocoa Fermentary Driyer which is central for Taroba and Agabai.

Left Taroba for Mokokoleo at 4.00 hrs. arrived 5.00 hrs in the after noon.

Night at Mokokoleo.

21.7.70 Tax collection held at Mokokoleo. Lera and Bibiaru villages was also came to Mokokoleo to pay their council tax. Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71 and check with trade store owners to Renew their Licences for 1970/71 financial year.

Left Mokokoleo at 3.30 p.m. for Borioko arrived at 4 p.m.

Night at Borioko.

22.7.70 Collected tax at Borioko. Puranavia, Momoganari, Koro and Sikorewa villages was also came to pay their council tax at Borioko.

Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71 and after that, check with trade store owners, Licences to be renewed and to build new houses for their trade stores. Then left at 3.00HRS for Waruwaru arrived at 4.30 p.m.

Night at Waruwaru.

23.7.70 Collected tax from Waruwaru, Perereki and Sianeki. Talks given on Works Programme. Also theck [check] that people who owned trade stores must build new houses for their stores, and to renew their trade store Licences for 1970/71. financial year.

Stay overnight at Waruwaru.

24.7.70 Departed Waruwaru at 6.30 am. arrived PANAM at 7.45 am. Tax collected at Panam from Parariau, Naponami and Lambalam. Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71. Also check with trade store owners to renew their licences and to build new houses for their trade stores.

One trade store was closed down at Panam because the never [newer] repair by the owner, unless he build a new one the Council allow him to sell out goods to the people. Left Panam at 4 p.m. arrived Waruwaru at 5pm.

Overnight at Waruwaru.

25.7.70 Departed Warwaru at 7am. arrived Bakoram No2 at 8am. Tax collected from Bakoram, Osiange and Angaua. Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71. As President Auwai expressed more talks to the people that you must build a new house for your store. You must not keep a bag of Rice or Caton of tin fish in your house, otherwisw [otherwise] it might give sick to your fellow citizen. Then left OSIANGE at 3pm arrived NUKUI at 400Hrs.

Night at Nukui.

26.7.70 Observed-Sunday at Nukui.

27.7.70 Tax collected at Nukui. Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71.

Chek [check] with all the trade store owners to renew their licences for 1970/71. Departed Nukui at 2.30 P.M. arrived SIANDARU [SIANDARUM] United Church Mission at 3.30 P.M.

Night at SIANDARUM.



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28.7.70 Collected Council tax at Siandarum Mission Station.

Moino, Okaru and Lotari No2, was also came to Siadarum [Siandarum] to pay their council tax.

Talks given by President Auwai on Works Programme 1970/71/

Stay vernight [overnight] at Siandarum.

29.7.70 Tax collected Bakupa. Taguri and Sipi villages was also came up to Bakupa to pay their council tax.

Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71. Also check with trade store owners to renew their Licences for 1970/71 financial year. Then left Bakupa at 2.30PM., arrived Beretemba at 4.45PM.

Night at Beretemba.

30.7.70 Departed Beretemba at 7.45am. by foot arrived POMALESTI at 8.15am. Collected tax from Pomaleti, Biroi, and Lopere villages. Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71. Also check with Trade Store owners to renew their Licences, and to build new trade store houses.

Left at 3.45PM. arrived Beretemba at 4pm.

Night at Beretemba.

31.7.70 Departed Beretemba at 8am. arrived TOVERA AID post at 10am. BIROS and BAKORAM No.1 was came to Tovera Aid Post to pay their council tax.

Some people from Biros were refused not to pay Council tax because Bana Council still owed them some money for being working for two weeks on the BIROS road.

President Auwai told them that Bana Council already prepared money by cheque to Biros village. As your councillor did not come in the last Council Meeting to pick up your pay.

You must pay your council tax now. Then they all paid their council tax.

Left Tovera Aid Post at 4pm arrived Beretemba at 5.45Pm.

Nigh t at BERETEMBA.

1.8.70 Departed Beretemba at 7.45 am. by foot arrived LORO at 8.45am.

Sovele Catholic Mission, Lotari No. 1 village was also came to LORO to pay their council tax.

Returned to Beretemba in the afternoon. Leaving Beretemba at 4 pm arrived Boku station at 4.30 pm.

2.8.70 OBSERVED Sunday at Boku.

3.8.70 Departed Boku at 8 am by TOYOTA arrived a 3.35am. Tax collected from Beretemba and Sisiruai villages. Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71.

Then left Beretemba for Boku at 3.30 pm, arrived at 4.35pm.

Night at Boku Station

4.8.70 Departed Boku at 900hrs. by TOYOTA arrived MENDAI at 9.45 am.

Tax collected from Mendai, Mosino and Masavakore villages.

Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71. Left Mendai for

Boku at 3.30pm arrived at 400Hours.

Night at BOKU.

END OF PATROL.

Patrol Diary - BANONI + PART BAITSI AREA

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20.7.70 Departed Beretemba at 9.30 am by TOYOTA arrived Haisi Hiruhiru at 10.05 am. Tax collected and talks given on Works Programme 1970/71.

The Patrol was accompanied by V.President mr. Taliau whom also appointed in the Tax Review Committee and Senior Const. TANGUR. Then returned to Beretemba by TOYOTA in the afternoon.

Night at BERETEMBA.

21.7.70 Departed Beretemba at 800hrs by TOYOTA arrived Mabes at 9.15am. Collected council tax from Babes, Jarara Mariga, Kongare and Masunkei villages. Then return to Beretemba by TOYOTA in the afternoon.

Night at Beretemba.

22.7.70 Departed Beretemba at 8 8 am by TOYOTA arrived Mosigeta at 8.20 am. Collected council tax and talks given on Works Programme 1970/71. Then left for Beretemba at 12. noon.

Over Night at Beretemba.

23.7.70 Departed Beretemba at 800hrs by TOYOTA arrived Kupon at 8.35 am. Collected Council tax, then left Kupon at 10.30am, arrived Jaba at 2.30 p.m.

Overnight at Jaba.

24.7.70 Departed Jaba at 800hrs, by foot arrived Koiare at 1.30pm. Mom village was also came and pay their council tax at Koiare. V/President Mr. Taliau talks to the people on how Bana Council is going to spent its money in 1970/71 financial year.

Overnight at KOIARE.

25.7.70 Departed Koiare at 7am, arrived KAREKOPA at 2.30 pm. Collected council tax. Talks given on the capital Works Programme for 1970/71.

Night at KAREKOPA.

26.7.70 OBSERVED- Sunday at KAREKOPA.

27.7.70 Departed Karekopa at 7am, arrived KOROBİ at 11am, collected council at Korobi then left at 1pm, arrived at TENGETRIPAIA at 5.30 PM.

Night at TENGEIRIPAIA.

28.7.70 Collected council tax from TENGEIRIPAIA and SITO villages. Talks given on council Works Programme 1970/71. Then left for KARIANA at 11.30 am arrived 2.30 PM.

Night at KARIANA.

29.7.70 Tax collected from Kariana, Lesiopaia and Piaterepaia villages. Talks given on Works Programme 1970/71. Then left at 2 PM arrived KEGIRI at 4 PM.

Night at KEGIRI.

30.7.70 Collected tax at KEGIRI. Piva and Laruma villages was also came up and pay their council tax at Kegiri. Talks given on council. Works Programme 1970/71.

Overnight at KEGIRI.

31.7.70 Departed KEGIRI at 6 AM, arrived Jabs at 6 PM. Night at JABA.

1.8.70 Departed JABA at 8 by foot, arrived Beretemba at 2 PM.

Night at Beretemba.

END OF PATROL.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
PATROL REPORT

Report Number : Boku Patrol Report No.3 of 1970/71

Sub-District : Buin.

District : Bougainville.

Council/Non Council Area : Council Area.

Patrol Conducted By : G. Schweinfurth.

Designation : Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled : Banoni and Nagovisi Census Division

Personnel Accompanying : Mr. Togavul L.G.A., Mr. Ihrah Council Clerk, Mr.S.

Patrol Bunava Clerk; Constable 1/c Yamuna Reg. No. 1244;

Constable Pokio Reg. No. 2170; Constable 1/c Biriba

Reg. No. 1755.

Duration of Patrol : 21.9.70 to 14.11.70.

Number of Days : 36 days, 34 nights

Date and Duration of last : Nagovisi Census Division 27.8.70, Banoni Census

D.C.A. Patrol to the area Division 1.12.69 to 14.12.69.17 and 14 days  
respectively.

Object of Patrol : Council General Elections, Census, Routine  
Administration, Political Education.

Total Population of area : 8285

Patrolled

Map Reference : Milinch Bougainville South; Fourmil Series.

Director of District Administration,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

11/1/1970

District Commissioner

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

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

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

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KONEDOBU PAPUA

12th March, 1971

The District Commissioner,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA

**BOKU PATROL REPORT NO. 3 - 1970/71  
BANONI/NAGOVISI/BAITSI CENSUS DIVISION**

Thank you for the Situation Report, Area Study and Election Report by Mr. G. Schweinfurth, Patrol Officer, under cover of your memorandum 67-1-7 of 7th January, 1971.

I agree with your remarks about Mr. Schweinfurth's press and syntax and he would do well to closely examine and then discuss his draft with the Assistant District Commissioner in future, in order to improve the presentation of the report. Without reducing the information in his report, it could be cut to almost half its length, as there is a great deal of repetition and unnecessary qualification of statements.

The resultant report would be of greater value.

Mr. Schweinfurth put a great deal of effective effort into his field work and has recorded a lot of useful information. The above remarks should not be regarded as being critical of his obviously sound approach and deep interest in his work.

Both your and the Assistant District Commissioner's comments are noted with interest.

(T.W. ELLIS)

Secretary

67-11-11

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KIETA.

7th January, 1971.

The Departmental Head

Department of the Administrator,

KONEDOBU.

BOKU PATROL NO. 3 1970/71

Original and duplicate of the above specified report

by Mr. Schweinfurth, Patrol Officer, are submitted herewith.

Copies of the Assistant District Commissioner, Buin's covering memorandum are also attached.

2. Mr. Schweinfurth's patrol report covers in detail the Buin Council area and he is to be commended for the obvious interest and attention to detail he has shown. The patrol was quite obviously conducted in depth and in a workmanlike manner. It is unfortunate that Mr. Schweinfurth's phraseology tends to become verbose and rambling at times.

3. Proposals concerning a road link between the Nagovisi and Panguna have been dealt with in a number of submissions over the last twelve months. It is a fact that pressure from the people of the Buin Sub-District and to a lesser extent Kieta, to have a road link established, is the most pressing domestic issue in southern Bougainville at this time and is not expected to diminish.

4. Although Mr. Schweinfurth states that the people are generally anti-Napidakoe Navitu, they are not anti-secessionist. Although the people of the Bana Council are not so vociferous as others, there is still a substantial political demand in the area for a referendum on the secession issue. It is pleasing however, to note the good reception of our political education

programme.

5. The rapid change in the standards of living caused by the increase in cash cropping will probably continue. The demand for manufactured foodstuffs in lieu of subsistence food drops is evidenced by the 76 trade stores operating in the area. Mr. Schweinfurth is quite "The Specialist" in his description on page 9.

6. Land for the Morotana Hospital has now been purchased; funds for the Bana Council and have just arrived.

7. Proposals concerning the re-establishment of Torokina airstrip were supported by you in a submission to the Transport Department.

8. Forwarded please.

(D. N. Ashton)

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Atts:



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

In Reply Please

Quote No. 67-2-2

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Department of the Administrator,

Sub-District Office,

BUIN,

Bougainville District,

The District Commissioner,

District Headquarters,

K I E T A .

BOKU PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1970/71.

Attached in triplicate, original and three/two copies, please find the abovementioned patrol report submitted by Mr. Schweinfurth, Patrol Officer, Officer-in-Charge, Boku Patrol Post.

2. The main object of this patrol were the Bana Local Government Council general elections. In addition, the patrol revised census and carried out routine administration and political education.

3. Mr. Schweinfurth's patrol has been a good one, and his report is most informative, containing a great deal of useful information about the Boku area. The report also confirms an earlier trend towards better relations with and a great appreciation of the Administration in this area.

4. Mr. Schweinfurth's comments concerning the attitude of the electorate towards the Member for South Bougainville are of interest. There is little doubt that Mr. Lapun has neglected the Buin, Siwai and Boku areas during his term in the house, and is politically active only in the Kieta area. Where are many people in the Buin area who have never seen the Member, and he has largely ignored local institutions like the councils and societies and their leaders. It is by no means a foregone conclusion that he would be successful should he seek a third term in 1972, and it is certain that he will be opposed by other candidates.

5. Administration through the Boku Administrative Area is facilitated by a good network of vehicular roads, with the exception of the Torokina area. This writer is of the opinion that no significant progress will be made in that area until such time as an airstrip is established there. This would enable officers of the field departments to visit Torokina much more frequently than they do now, and

alternative to the resident mission.

6. Mr. Schweinfurth's claim for camping allowance attached for signature, please.

(M. Lang.)

Assistant District Commissioner

Att.

BOKU PATROL REPORT NUMBER 3 OF 1970/71

PATROL DIARY

- .70 MONDAY 0900 Departed for Beretemba Council Chambers re council work. Arrived Beretemba 1000 Council work until 1200. Thence departed Beretemba for Moratona C.M. and Kupon Village re roadwork supervision. 1700 Departed for Beretemba village. Political education carried out. Slept Beretemba village.
- .70 THURSDAY 0600 Departed Bou for Kupon village, roadwork supervision carried out. Talks with people on hire of bulldozer. Political education carried out. Slept the night at Kupon village.
- .70.FRIDAY 0600 Departed Kupon village for Taruba village. Arrived Taruba 0800. Roadwork supervision carried out, talks on political education. Slept the night at Taraba village.
- .70. FRIDAY 0700 Departed Boku for Bal(?)aran Nol village re roadwork supervision. Political education carried out. Splet night Bakaram Nol village.
- 0.70.SUNDAY 1600 departed Boku for Taruba village re roadwork inspection. Slept the night at Taruba village.
- 0.70.MONDAY 0600 Departed Taruba village for Jaba village, arrived Jaba 1000. Village inspected and political education carried out. 1300 Departed Jaba village for Mawareka village. Arrived 1600, village inspected and political education carried out. Slept night at Mawareka village.
- 07.70.TUESDAY 0630 Departed Mawareka village for Matsunkei village. Arrived 1000. Village inspected and political education carried out. Slept night Matsunkei village.
- 0.70.WEDNESDAY 0630 Departed Matsunkei village for the villages of Kongare, Mabis, and Mariga. Arrived Kongare village 1100, villages inspected, talks on roadwork and political education carried out. Slept night at Mariga.
- 0.70THURSDAY 0700 Departed Mariga village for Boku, arrived Boku 0815. Talks with A.D.C. on roadwork projects in the area. General station duties till 1100.1115 Departed Boku Jarara village, roadwork supervision carried out and political education. Slept night Jarara village.
- 0.70FRIDAY 0700 Departed Jarara village for Mosigeta and Mewa villages. Villages inspected. Talks on roadwork and political education carried out. Slept night at Mewa village.
- 0.70SATURDAY 0600 Departed Mew for Boku re station duties. 1600 Departed Boku for Birou village. Roadwork inspected and political education carried out. Slept night at Biros village.
- 0.70.SUNDAY Observed Biros village. Slept night at Biros village.
- 0.70.MONDAY 0700 Departed Biros village for Boku and Pikei villages, inspection carried out. Talks on roadwork and political education. 1000 Departed Boku village for Lavoro village, arrived 1030. Village inspection and political education carried out. Slept Lavoro village.
- 0.70 TUESDAY 0700 Departed Lavoro village for Boku, arrived Boku 0730. Station duties carried out. 1000 Departed Boku for Sisiruai village. Arrived

1045, village inspection carried out, talks on roadwork and council elections. 1300 Departed Sisiruai village for Masawakori village, arrived at 1500. Village inspected and political education carried out.

0.70.WEDNESDAY 0700 Departed Masawakori village for Mosino and Mendai villages. Arrived 0930, villages inspected, talks on council elections and political education carried out. Slept night at Mendai village.

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## BOKU PATROL REPORT NUMBER 3 OF 1970/71

## PATROL DIARY

10.70.THURSDAY 0700 Departed Mendai village for Beretemba village. Arrived at 0900.

Attended Council Meeting until 1700. Slept night at Beretemba village.

10.70.FRIDAY 0700 Departed Beretemba village for Boku. Arrived Boku 0830.

Station duties carried out and general discussions re council elections. Slept Boku.

10.70 SUNDAY 0400 Departed Boku for Buin. Arrived Buin 0545. Thence proceeded

Kangu Port to proceed per M.V. Hazel to Koiare Village. Arrived

Koiare Village at 1400. Village inspection carried ou. 1900

Koiare people decided to vote for their new councillor. 2100 Voting

completed. Talks on political education carried out. Slept night at

Koiare village.

10.70 MONDAY 0600 Departed Koiare Village for Mom village. Arrived Mom Village at

1300, village inspection carried out. 1340 Departed Mom village for

Karekopa Aid Post. Arrived Karekopa Aid Post 1400 aid post inspection

carried out, talks with aid post orderly. 1430 departed aid post

Karekopa village arriving at 1500. Village inspection carried out,

Council elections carried out. Karekopa, Karatu and Atangato people

all turned up, election completed 1700. Political education carried

out. Slept night Karekopa Village.

.10.70 TUESDAY 0600 Departed Karekopa Village for Karatu Villae [Village], arrived Karatu

village 0900. Village inspection carried out. 0940 Departed Karatu

village for Koniana Village which is a now hamlet of Karatu village.

Arrived Koniana village at 1120, village inspection carried. 1230

Departed Koniana village for Karatu village thence proceeded on to

Atangato village. Arrived Atangato village 1500, village inspection

carried out. 1530 Departed Atangato village for Korobi village,

arrived Korobi village 1830. Political Education carried out.

Slept night Korobi village.

.10.70 WEDNESDAY 0630 General council elections held till 730, thence departed Korobi

village for Tengerepaia village. Arrived at 1300 at Sito village thence

proceeded on to Tengerepaia village, both villages were inspected

and general talks on political education were given. 2000 council

general elections were held till 2200. Slept night Tenegerepaia

village.

.10.70. THURSDAY 0600 Departed Tengerepaia village for Piva Airstrip arriving at

0800 thence proceeded on to the villages of Keriana, Beteriopaia, and

Lesiopaia. All villages were inspected and council general elections

were carried out. Arrived Keriana 1000, the elections were completed

at 1200. Slept night at Kierana village after talks on Political

Education.

.10.70 FRIDAY 0600 Departed Keriana village for Leruma village, arrived at 1015

village inspection carried out. Council elections carried out till 1200. 1230 Departed Laruma village for Kegiri village, arrived at 1600, village inspection carried out and council election. Talks on political education, slept night Kegiri village.

.10.70 SATURDAY 0600 Departed Kegiri village for Piva village, arrived Piva 1115 village inspected and council elections carried out. Political education carried out also inspection of piva Airstrip and Piva Hansenide. Slept night at Piva village.

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## BOKU PATROL REPORT NUMBER 3 OF 1970/71

## PATROL DIARY

22.10.70.THURSDAY 0700 Departed Mendai village for Beretemba village. Arrived at 0900.

Attended Council Meeting until 1700. Slept night at Beretemba village.

23.10.70.FRIDAY 0700 Departed Beretemba village for Boku. Arrived Boku 0830.

Station duties carried out and general discussions re council elections. Slept Boku.

25.10.70 SUNDAY 0400 Departed Boku for Buin. Arrived Buin 0545. Thence proceeded

Kangu Port to proceed per M.V. Hazel to Koiare Village. Arrived

Koiare Village at 1400. Village inspection carried ou. 1900

Koiare people decided to vote for their new councillor. 2100 Voting

completed. Talks on political education carried out. Slept night at

Koiare village.

26.10.70 MONDAY 0600 Departed Koiare Village for Mom village. Arrived Mom Village at

1300, village inspection carried out. 1340 Departed Mom village for

Karekopa Aid Post. Arrived Karekopa Aid Post 1400 aid post inspection

carried out, talks with aid post orderly. 1430 departed aid post

Karekopa village arriving at 1500. Village inspection carried out,

Council elections carried out. Karekopa, Karatu and Atangato people

all turned up, election completed 1700. Political education carried

out. Slept night Karekopa Village.

27.10.70 TUESDAY 0600 Departed Karekopa Village for Karatu Villae [Village], arrived Karatu

village 0900. Village inspection carried out. 0940 Departed Karatu

village for Koniana Village which is a now hamlet of Karatu village.

Arrived Koniana village at 1120, village inspection carried. 1230

Departed Koniana village for Karatu village thence proceeded on to

Atangato village. Arrived Atangato village 1500, village inspection

carried out. 1530 Departed Atangato village for Korobi village,

arrived Korobi village 1830. Political Education carried out.

Slept night Korobi village.

28.10.70 WEDNESDAY 0630 General council elections held till 730, thence departed Korobi

village for Tengerepaia village. Arrived at 1300 at Sito village thence

proceeded on to Tengerepaia village, both villages were inspected

and general talks on political education were given. 2000 council

general elections were held till 2200. Slept night Tenegerepaia

village.

29.10.70. THURSDAY 0600 Departed Tengerepaia village for Piva Airstrip arriving at

0800 thence proceeded on to the villages of Keriana, Beteriopaia, and

Lesiopaia. All villages were inspected and council general elections

were carried out. Arrived Keriana 1000, the elections were completed

at 1200. Slept night at Kierana village after talks on Political

Education.

30.10.70 FRIDAY 0600 Departed Keriana village for Leruma village, arrived at 1015

village inspection carried out. Council elections carried out till 1200. 1230 Departed Laruma village for Kegiri village, arrived at 1600, village inspection carried out and council election. Talks on political education, slept night Kegiri village.

31.10.70 SATURDAY 0600 Departed Kegiri village for Piva village, arrived Piva 1115 village inspected and council elections carried out. Political education carried out also inspection of piva Airstrip and Piva Hansenide. Slept night at Piva village.



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## BOKU PATROL REPORT NO.3 OF 1970/71

## PATROL DIARY

- 1.11.70 SUNDAY 0700 Departed Piva village for Torokina Catholic Mission and Koromakina village. Talks with the Father in Charge and schoolteachers re school attendance [attendance] and general problems. Arrived at Torokina C.M. at 0900. 1000 proceeded to Koromankina village, village inspection carried out. Day observed Torokina Area. Slept Koromakina village.
- 2.11.70 MONDAY 0400 Departed Koromakina village for Koiare thence proceeded on to Buin. Arrived Buin 1340 talks with A.D.C. on patrol generally. 1600 departed Buin for Boku, arrived Boku 1830. Slept Boku.
- 4.11.70 WEDNESDAY 0600 Departed Boku for Nukui village, arrived Nukui 1000. Village inspection carried out as well as council elections and political education.
- 5.11.70 THURSDAY 0600 Departed Nukui Village for Waruwaru Village, arrived 1000 village inspected, council elections carried out. Political education carried out. Slept night at Waruwaru Village.
- 6.11.70 FRIDAY 0600 Departed Waruwaru Village for Panam village, arrived 0740. Village inspection carried out. Council elections and political education held. Slept night Panam village.
- 7.11.70 SATURDAY 0500 Departed Panam village for Boku re station duties, arrived Boku 1200. Slept Boku.
- 8.11.70 SUNDAY 0600 Departed Boku for Borioko Village, arrived 1100. Roadwork talks with people from Puranavia, Borioko and Waruwaru. Slept night Borioko.
- 9.11.70 MONDAY 0600 Departed Borioko Village for Koro Village, arrived 1030. Village inspection carried out. General elections for council carried out. Political education and talks on roadwork [roadwork] held. Slept night at Koro village.
- 10.11.70 TUESDAY 0600 Departed Koro village for Berereki Village, arrived 0900. Village inspection carried out. Council general elections held. Political education and talks on roadwork also held. Slept night Berereki Village.
- 11.11.70 WEDNESDAY 0600 Departed Berereki Village and proceeded for Takimari Village, arrived 0840. Village inspection carried out and council general elections carried out. Talks on roadwork and political education also held. Slept night Takimari village.
- 12.11.70 THURSDAY 0600 Departed Takimari village for Leira village, arrived 1000. Village inspection carried out. Council general elections held as well as Political education and talks on roadwork. Slept night at Leira village.
- 13.11.70 FRIDAY 0600 Departed Leira village and proceeded for Taruba village, arrived 0800. Village inspection carried out, also talks on roadwork and political education. 1400 General council elections held. Slept night at Taruba village.
- 14.11.70 SATURDAY 0600 Departed Taruba village for Mendai village, arrived 0730. Village inspection carried out. Council general elections held as well as talks on roadwork and political education. 1400 Departed Mendai back to Boku,

arrived Boku 1600. Slept night at Boku.

CENSUS WAS REVISED IN BANONI, NAGOVISI AND BAITSI CENSUS DIVISIONS.

PATROL COMPLETED

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## BOKU PATROL REPORT NUMBER 3 OF 1970-71

## SITUATION REPORT

## POLITICAL:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT; The area surveyed is all in the council except for the three villages of Boku, Pikei, and Lavoro. Local Government is quite satisfactory in the area with the people supporting their council. With the council general elections over the Bana Council can again settle down to routine work. The Bana Council is generally well run by President Auwai who is the driving force behind the Council. Bana Council should be able to move onto stage one very shortly as it is keen to get ahead. The non council villages were asked whether they would join the council in the future and they replied that they wanted to see how the council was running first before they joined it. About a third of these people have stated that they will join the council. The rest refused on grounds of having to pay tax. With the Council President and various councillors assisting these people seem quite interested to join the council except for a few people who were not sure what they wanted. But with the Bana Council moving ahead the non council villages may decide at a later stage.

All the villages in the council are generally in the full support of Local Government and as seen in the general elections the attendance [attendance] was good with the people showing interest.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCILLORS; all Councillors have been newly elected and re elected

and there are quite a number of new councillors who are ideal and competent. Please refer to attached election report.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY: The general House of Assembly work was once again outlined to the people and with the assistance of Kansard books and Political Education booklets the talks and discussions went well. The people are starting to take greater interest in their House of Assembly and with various booklets and regular political education programmes the area will benefit greatly and understand more about their laws and their Government.

National Unity was again discussed and stressed to the people, the people who are aware of the importance of unity were in full support of it. Only the few isolated and backward people tended to ignore the importance of the country being one nation.

## HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBER:

The member of the House of Assembly for this area is Mr Paul Lapun. However the people are generally not very pleased with their member as he never attends their council meetings or assists them in any way. Due to Mr. Lapuna activities with Navitu Napidakoe in Kieta the people stated that he should live at Kieta and thus they will be able to elect a new member who will help them. Thus support for Mr. Lapun is going down slowly. One councillor from Mr. Lapuna village also criticised him openly at the council meeting for ruining the council roads. This came about after Mr. Lapun hired a large trunk to take his trade store goods to his village. For the road was closed due to heavy rain, but Mr. Lapuna still

decided to go ahead and now the people themselves from Mr. Lapuna village have to repair the road again.

The people feel that it is not their member but Kieta's as he constantly goes to Kieta and never into the other villages of his own areas. This if he continues Mr. Lapun may lose quite a number of votes in the next Elections.

**POLITICAL EDUCATION:**

In the Boku Area Political Education is still further required due to the isolation of quite a number of Villages. Especially in the Banoni area. The present Political Education Courses are quite good with the teachers and people in this area taking great interest. The use of pidgin English booklets is excellent and if more were on hand then the people would greatly be assisted. As talks and discussions should properly be carried out. The regular programme on Radio Bougainville is also very popular and the people are able to send in their questions and learn.

**PREFERENTIAL VOTING:**

The majority of people in the area fully understand the preferential voting system. This system was again outlined to the people during the patrol as the election were carried out. Only a small number of people are still somewhat confused but these are the more elderly and backward people who are illiterate.

**b. ECONOMIC:**

**GENERAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT:** At this stage Rural Development in the area is progressing slowly. This is due to the people having already expended their money as well as the Bana Council money. Capital expenditure for roadwork in the area has been used up on road work and the work so far completed is minor. Bana Council has

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two tractors working in the Nagovisi Area at present on the Moratona to Taruba road and another and the Sovele to Siandaru Road. The people are working voluntarily on a self help basis. Bana Council has also asked for a further Rual [Rual] Development Grant of 22,000 for 1971-72 due to the increased roadwork in the area.

**ACTIVITIES OF DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENTS:**

Bana Council with Administration assistance in the main body concerned and actually doing development work on the Bana roads. Roads are the major requirements in developing this area due to the produce output.

D.A.S.F. is also assisting development in their planting of cocoa and coconuts and with their guidance the number of planting and amount of produce is expected to quickly reach a glot proportions. With no proper outlet such as Kieta [?] a lot of the produce in this area may suffer severe setbacks. The main concern or want from the people in this area is the Moratona to Panguna road for with this road open the whole area will benefit and be able to send their produce durect [direct?] to the Copra Marketing Board and other markets. Thus no delay or holdup will then be able to hold up the development of the area.

**PROCESSING AND MARKETING:**

At present all produce is processed by a rotary drier at Beretemba, as well as privately owned driers in various villages where the area is to/too isolated. Marketing is difficult at times as it depends on shipping as all produce is shipped out through the port at Kangu Buin. Then it is taken to Rabal or Moresby for sale. However if the roads are impassable due to floods or seas at Kangu to/too rough or no ships then the produce will this have to wait and quite often a lot in lost due to bad communications and transport. However with the road to Panguna this would be by passed as the produce would get to market without delay.

**VILLAGE CASH CROP EXTENSION:**

Cash crop extension is being undertaken at a rapid pace due to the increase in the development of the area. All cash crop extension work is carried out by D.A.S.F. filed workers and also the people themselves.

**NON INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT:**

There is no non indigenous development in the area.

**C. SOCIAL:**

**EDUCATION:** Education in the area is satisfactory with all children attending school. There are enough schools in the area and teachers. Bana Council enforces its Truancy Rule and with the Education Committee regularly inspecting the class rolls and pupils attendance [attendance] is up to a very high standard.

**HEALTH:** Health in the area is satisfactory, the people tend to regularly attend clinics at Administration aid Posts as well as Mission Hospitals. Only the isolated village people tend not to turn up due to the distance being involved. Thus a few people die because of neglect by the people concerned to advise anyone in order to assist them.

**LAW AND ORDER:** In the area surveyed Law and Order is quite satisfactory with the people

generally obeying the council rules as well as the law. only a few cases are brought to court and these are usually ones which the council cannot settle himself.

**SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND GOVERNMENT AGENCIES:**

The administration runs a Commonwealth Savings Bank Agency at Boku Patrol Post. This agency is almost in constant use and shows that the people in the area are keen in saving their money and banking. This is also seen by the number of new accounts opened each year. All aid posts and medical patrols are by the Administration as a service to help these people. D.A.S.F. provides assistance through cash crop extension and all spheres of land development as well as Development Bank Loans. D.I.E.S. also provides assistance to the people in taping their traditional songs as well as council meetings and showing films in the area.

Administration Schools and schoolteachers provide education to their children in the area this being the major assistance in the development of this area.

Political Education courses are also regularly held and this helps a great deal in explaining to the people the importance of their House of Assembly and Political outline in all spheres.

P.W.D. assists the people in looking after the main Boku to Moratona road as this is the lifeline of the whole Nagovisi area.

Boku airstrip is also looked after by P.W.D. and the airstrip is in daily use, assisting the local people in their routine work as regular M.A.F. cessna's operate between BOKU, BUIN and Kieta and is nearly always full with passengers from this area who go to seek employment at Kieta or just people who are on private visits. For the distance to Buin is 60 miles and with the airstrip this is no worry to the local people in the area.

The Administration also looks after the area on having a radio for telegrams and conversation [conversation] which is well used by the local people also. Bana Council and Bana Society

and Tutuna Cooperative are also all looked after by administration advisors thus assisting the area develop. Justice and land disputes and all other matters are also looked after from the Administration through Boku Patrol Post.

**MISSIONS:**

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Missions in the area are nearly all Catholic except for a small member of Methodists and Seventh Day Adventists.

Relations with the missions are very good in all spheres.

**CULT AND UNREST:**

There are no cargo or any other cults in the area. Unrest is also not recorder in the area as the situation is good.

**COMMUNITY EDUCATION:**

The area at present had three separate womens clubs and these are all run by the Catholic Mission. Bana Council also employs three womens club assistants who do a good job in the area in helping mothers and girls as well as children in all spheres of work. The girls and women are taught sowing, cooking and dressmaking as well as how to look after their children properly and hygiene. An adult education course is due to be started late december 1970 at Sovele and quite a number of adults mainly men are interested. Political Education courses are also regularly held being popular in the area.

**YOUTH ACTIVITIES:**

The only youth activities in the area is a regular sports competition in the area between schools and also various mission, administration and village teams.

**d. MISCELLANEOUS:**

The last civil action programme carried out by a recent army patrol was mid 1969. The patrol assisted the local people in building a bridge at Mariga. The local people were quite impressed by the patrols visit and the people are interested to have further patrols in their area for they want to see their army more regularly in the civil, section patrols. The visits would not have any future effects upon Administration activities in the area. Especially if the visit of the patrol was properly explained to the people in this area.

(G. Schweinfurth)

Patrol Officer

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**BANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL GENERAL ELECTION REPORT**

This is the fourth general election held in the Boku Administration for the election of councillors for the Bana Local Government Council.

The following report accompanied by a brief biography on each councillor newly elected is attached herewith. The actual statistics have been forwarded under separate cover. The period of election was 24/10/70 to 18/11/70.

**Type and Duration of Pre Election Campaign:**

All 28 wards in the same Bana Council are had been visited prior to the elections and the people had been advised how to vote as well as on the electoral system of how to fill out their ballot papers. Thus the full procedure of voting was explained and discussed with the people.

**Manner of the Election:**

Polling was conducted during the period as stated above. There were two polling teams. The first team done the Nagovisi Area and it was led by Mr. J/ ibrah Council clerk and assisted by Mr. S. Bunava who is a clerk for the Administration. The second team consisted of the officer in charge Mr. G Schweinfurth and Mr. U. Togavul L.G.A.

Explanations were still required on the actual day of elections but only by the elderly people who could not speak pidgin english. assistance by the Poll clerk was given where required, but only a small number required assistance. The actual casting of the votes in each ward took at an average one hour. No informal votes were made during the elections. The actual polling was done through the whispering system. All but two wards were delayed in the voting this being due to bad weather. In four wards the actual count was determined on the second vote. One ward stood down as the election was unopposed.

Much interest was shown by the people as the votes were cast and taken out of the ballot box and then counted up. As votes were taken out of the ballot box, the vote was called out and a mark was given to the candidate whose name was written on a small blackboard. In this was all the people know how the votes were counted.

**Feminine Interest in the Election:**

The women generally who voted showed great interest in the actual casting of their votes. This as well as the choosing of the candidate. As they tended to vote independently and not after their husbands choice. No women were nominated during the elections.

**Incidents:**

No incidents were recorded during the elections.

**Absenteeism:**

The total number of people on the electoral roll in 4241. As the votes were counted quite a number of people were unavoidably absent. Most were males who are working for C.R.A. at Panguna or another private company in the Kieta area. Some of the women absent were attending clinics or working in their gardens. Generally the attendance [attendance] was quite satisfactory.



Summary of the Election:

The fourth general elections were successful, votes were cast according to choice and interest amongst the people was shown.

Elected Office Bearers:

Name : PAUL MARA KAILE Ward1

Village : MOSIGETTA

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 30 years

General : Paul Kaile as councillor is an excellent choice. he is very popular among his own people as well as people from surrounding villages. he is a businessman and has his own trade store and car. Being educated to standard 9 at Talena C.M. Dulei. He is an ex mission teacher and spoke fluent english. He is married with three children.

Name : DODOI TAKOPA Ward 2 He has been re elected.

Name : MAGOSI NARUTAES Ward 3 Being an ex councillor he has been re elect-

Name : KARIETO TANA Ward 4 He has been re elected.

Name : DAA MERASI Ward 5

Village : MOSINO

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 48 years.

General : Dan is a capable and should make a good councillor. He reached standard two education at Mortona C.M. At present he is employed as a boss boy for P.W.D. at Boku. He is married with three children. he is pro administrat-  
-ion [administration]

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Name : SIIBA KUKUTAN Ward 6

Village : AGABAI

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 50 years

General : Siiba is a capable person and should make a suitable councillor. he is an ex policeman and has reached standard 4 education at Moratona C.M. He is popular and respected in his ward, being a subsistence farmer he is married with two children. he has been village committee for 2 years. he is generally pro administration.

Name : GENAMAI AURIA Ward 7 has been re elected.

Name : AUWAI MATENAI Ward 8 has been re elected.

Name : PORONARA UNAGO Ward 9 has been re elected.

Name : OTOLOI KIDU Ward 10

Village : POMALETTI

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 43 years

General : Otoloi is an ex mission teacher being educated to standard 9 he speaks good English and should make a very good councillor. He is a good spokesman and popular among his people. he is a subsistence [subsistence] farmer and is married with two children. He has also attended political education courses and with his knowledge of english should help his people quite a lot.

Name : MUNGARA TAURIKO Ward 11

Village : TAGURI

Religion : Methodist

Age : 36 years.

General : Mungara is a satisfactory [satisfactory] choice as councillor being a good spokesman. He is

a subsistence farmer married with three children. He also owns a trade store, at school he reached standard three education at Sinadaru M.M. He is a director of Tutuna Co operative Society and generally pro administration.

Name : ORAWA KUNDUKI Ward 12 He has been re elected.

Name : ISIRAS BARUNG Ward 13 He has been re elected.

Name : TANEPURA WOXOIE Ward 14 He has been re elected.

Name : NATUNA WARUNAI Ward 15

Village : SIPI

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 22 years

General : Natuna is a single man and he left school in 1968 after obtaining standard 6.

This was at Sovele C.M. He is a young man with a keen attitude. He is a subsistence farmer and should make a satisfactory councillor.

Name : AGABUA NAMINGO Ward 16

Village : PURANAVIA

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 35 years.

General : Agabua is a married man with four children. He is a subsistence farmer and has had no education. He is keen and popular amongst his village and should be satisfactory.

Name : OPERI LEMBAI Ward 17 He has been re elected.

Name : LOBI TAUKO Ward 18 He has been re elected.

Name : WARI NARAKO Ward 19

Village : ANGAUA

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 33 years

General : Wari should [should] make a satisfactory councillor. he reached standard two education

at Moratona C.M. He is married with three children and is a subsistence farmer.

Being pro administration.

Name : LABOKETA POPTAKO Ward 20

Village : LABONAMI

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 30 years

General : Laboketa is a young married with two children. He is a subsistence farmer and reached standard 2 education at Moratona C.M. He is a satisfactory spokesman and should make a good councillor.

Name : KIDO LENDAI Ward 21

Village : LAMBALAM

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 43 years

General : Kid should make a satisfactory councillor, he is married with 7 children

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He has no education and runs a small trade store in his village. He has been village committee for two years and is quite capable in becoming a good councillor.

Name : KOBUMA TEWARA Ward 22

Village : KORO

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 42 years

General : Kobuma is a subsistence farmer married with 4 children. He is popular in his village and should make a good spokesman as councillor. He is pro administration.

Name : TORIU MANU Ward 23 He has been re elected after being an ex councillor in his ward during 1968

Name : DOSI LOFUSI Ward 24

Village : KOROMOKINA

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 35 years

General : Dosi is a married person with three children. he is a subsistence farmer and also owns a trade store [store] in his village. Being an ex boatscrew he is quite a popular person in his ward and he has reached standard three education at Torokina. he is a capable chap and should make a good councillor.

Name : LOPAU IWO Ward 25

Village : KOROB

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 40 years

General : Lopau is married with three children. He is a subsistence farmer and has been married two two wives. He has three children and should make a satisfactory councillor. he has had no education.

Name : SIWAIPAN PAKEMAI Ward 26

Village : KARATU

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 36 years.

General : Siwaipan is [x] capable of becoming a good councillor. He is very popular in his area due to his large build and personality. he is also a committee member with Navitu Napidakoe and one of its strong supporters. however at present he is quite good in his new role as councillor. having been in jail for cargo cult movements and general anti CRA person he is known and respected by the people in his area. Some are too afraid to disobey him as he has a reputation for sorcery. He has two wives and five children. I feel that he may make a good a good councillor in his ward but his area should be regularly visited in order to check the situation.

Name : MAMI NAUBA Ward 27 He has been re elected.

Village : KOIARE

Name : PUIPUISIRA NAIQBIRI Ward 28

Village : LESIOPAIA

Religion : Roman Catholic

Age : 43 years

General : Puipuiaira is quite a popular person in his rea and seems like an ideal person to becoma [become] councillor in his ward. He is a subsistence farmer and married with 4 children. He reached standard 4 education at Torokina C.M. He is popular and a good spokesman and proadministration/prodadministration.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUWEA  
PATROL REPORT

Report Number : 4 Bana Local Government Council  
Special Report : No.1 of 1970-71.  
Sub-District : Buin  
District : Bougainville  
Council-Non Council Area : Council Area  
Patrol Conducted by : G.Schweinfurth  
Designation : Patrol Officer-Council Advisor  
Area Patrolled : Part Nagovisi Census Division  
Personal Accompanying : President Bana Council Mr.P.Auwai,  
Patrol : Constable Neiap Reg.No.2332  
Duration of Patrol : 14.4.71 to 24.4.71.  
Number of Days : 11, 10 days actually slept out.  
Date and Duration of last 21.9.70 to 14.11.70 ,36 days out.  
D.D.A.Patrol to the Area :  
Objects of Patrol : Special Patrol to link up a track or (?)  
from Sikoreva Village to the Jaba River  
Total Population of Area : 3700  
Patrolled  
Map Reference : Milinch Bougainville South, Fourmil S(?)  
Director District Administrator,  
PORT MORESBY.  
Forwarded, please.  
19 /6/ 1971  
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 .....

KJH:MD

67-11-22

KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

9th July, 1971.

The District Commissioner,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.

BOKU PATROL NO.4 OF 1970-71

Your reference 67-1-7 of 25th June, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by Mr.  
G. Schweinfurth, Part Nagovisi Census Division.

The report indicates that the Bana Councillors are taking  
a very active role in development. Furthermore, they seem to have the  
strong support of their electorates. That the people are willing to  
contribute considerable sums of money to hire heavy equipment for road  
development shows a remarkable awareness of future needs and ability  
to act on it. Quite refreshing.

I have read your submission on the trans island road, Buin-  
Kieta, and have taken the matter up with the Secretary, Department of  
Transport.

Mr. Schweinfurth has obviously established good rapport with  
the Nagovisi people which is a decided change from a few years ago.

(T.W. ELLIS)

Secretary.

KJH:MD

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(b) consideration by you of an Administration Rural Development  
Current budget in the 1971/72 of (?)13,700 for this specific project.

I would greatly appreciate if you would this project  
priority so that the spontaneous support that has been shown can be exploited  
to the full.

(T.W. ELLIS)

Secretary.

C.C. The District Commissioner,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.



67-11-22

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KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

12th July, 1971.

The Secretary,  
Department of Transport,  
P.O. Box 914,  
PORT MORESBY.

EXTRACT FROM PATROL REPORT

The following information has been extracted from Patrol Report No. Boku 4 1970/71 covering Nagovisi Area Buin Sub-District, Bougainville District. Patrolling Officer Mr. G. Schweinfurth.

The period of patrol : April/May 1971.

(ILLEGIBLE): "SIKOREVA TO JAVA RIVER ROAD" The main aim of this patrol was to push a track or small road through from Sikoreva to the Jaba river. This was achieved by a D7e bulldozer and its operator Mr. Blanchfield who took the machine over the rough terrain. The actual length of the road from Sikoreva to the Jaba river is under four miles.

At present there are 43 men working on the road still clearing and for almost 20 days 127 men worked full time on the road. The Nagovisi people are very keen to develop their area and open up this road link so they can then start their own businesses.

The Nagovisi have started to raise funds for the roadwork in the area and hope to have a man to hire Mr. Blanchfield's bulldozer when it returns to Sikoreva next week. Spades and shovels have also been taken up by the local people and voluntary work is still underway with various councillors supervising the roadwork. The people are all interested in hiring the bulldozer when it arrives and money is still coming in. The road linkup would mean economic and political development for all of the Buin Sub-District as well as for Kieta and Bougainville district as a whole."

This refers to a section of the trans island road Buin-Kieta, which was the subject of the District Commissioner Kieta memoranda 10-5-6 of 21st May, 1971, and 15th June, 1971 to you.

This road has received considerable publicity in Southern Bougainville and has generated an extremely high interest among the village people, to the extent that they have made cash contributions over and above council tax levies, and have donated their labour free, as the above extract shows.

The road has been given District Priority No.1 on the Rural Development Programme by the District (ILLEGIBLE) committee. Bougainville Copper Pty. Ltd. have indicated its financial support.

From his correspondence the District Commissioner requires:

- (a) a ground survey of the Sikoreva ridge to Jaba river meeting

by an Engineer/Surveyor of the Level Government Engineers' Office.  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67-1-7

If calling ask for

Mr DBM/vh

In Reply

Please Quote

No.

Department of the Administration,

District Headquarters,

Bougainville District,

KIETA.

29 JUN 1971

25th June, 1971

The Secretary,

Department of the Administrator,

KONEDOBU.

BOKU PATROL NO. 4 OF 1970/71.

Original and duplicate copy of the above-specified patrol report is forwarded herewith. Copy of the Assistant District Commissioner's covering memorandum 67-2-2 of 27th May, 1971, is also enclosed, and that of the District Local Government Officer 39-1-30 of 2nd June, 1971.

2. Patrol Officer Schweinfurth continues to perform most creditably in the Boku Patrol Post area. The opening of the pilot track along existing and planned rural development feeder roads is a most significant step forward to the long range objective of a trans-island road linking Buin and Kieta. Both Mr Schweinfurth and Mr Lang are to be commended for their initiative and every. Detailed proposals to exploit the passage opened up have been submitted to the Secretary for Transport vide my 10-5-6 of 21st May, 1971 - copy of which was directed to you. We await his reply.

3. The reference to a "head tax" disturbs me - what is meant are voluntary village contributions by individuals which for accounting purposes are handled under the aegis of the Council. Nonetheless, the terminology could lead to misconceptions arising. The District Local Government Officer will make the distinction between contributions to a fund for a specific purpose and a tax quite clear to the people.

4. The numbering of the report has been changed to the

accepted system.

R.F. Hearne

a/DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

Att:

c.c. Assistant District Commissioner,

Sub-District Office,

BUIN.

c.c. Officer-in-Charge,

Patrol Post,

BOKU.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

In Reply Please

Quote No. 67-2-2

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Department of Administrator,

Sub-District Office,

B U I N,

Bougainville District.

25th May, 1971

District Local Government Office,

District Headquarters,

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BANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL SPECIAL  
REPORT No. 1 of 1970/71.

Attached please find original and three copies of  
the abovementioned council patrol report, submitted by  
Mr. Schweinfurth, Patrol Officer.

2 The route in question was recently inspected  
by myself in company with Messrs. Moorhouse and Schwein-  
furth, and it would appear to be the most feasible and  
practical way of linking Buin and Kieta Sub-Districts by  
road. The distance between Morotana and the pumping  
station is about 14 miles. The first section of 10 miles  
between Morotana and Sikorova village is easy going, follow-  
ing an existing road alignment which is used by tractors in  
dry weather. The gradient is a gentle 1% or 2% with three  
river crossings which are no worse than those between Buin  
and Siwai. It is also well drained and there are ample  
quantities of surfacing material within a convenient distance  
of the road. In addition, this section of the road is part  
of the once proposed Jaba to Lambalam road, which was purchased  
by the Administration in 1966, including compensation for  
economic trees on the alignment. In the estimation it would  
be within the capacity of Bana Local Government Council to  
upgrade and surface this section of the road. In fact, the  
Morotana - Sikorova - Lambalam road is included in the  
Council's 1971/71 Rural Development Programme. It is also  
possible that other councils and the co-operative societies  
would assist Bana Council on a joint enterprise basis.

3. The remainder of the route, approximately  
4 miles, between Sikorova village and the pumping station,  
descends through timber from the top of the ridge through  
a vertical height of about 500 feet. This section is a more

difficult proposition than the first and would require proper survey and the use of heavy equipment. A bridge would probably also be necessary over the Jaba River near the pumping station. The river here is fairly narrow and such a bridge would not be a major project. It is possible that C.R.A. could be induced to provide assistance on this section.  
(M. Lang.)  
Assistant District Commissioner

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Department of the Administrator,  
District Headquarters,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.

LG39-1-30

DJD/vh

2nd June, 1971.

The District Commissioner,  
Division of District Administration,  
KIETA.

BANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT SPECIAL  
REPORT NO. 1 of 1970/71.

Attached are three copies of a report by the Council  
Adviser Mr G Schweinfurth, Patrol Officer.

The transisland link from Buin Sub-District to Kieta has  
been the wish of the Bana people and indeed the whole Buin Sub-  
District for a considerable time now.

The sea access is by lighter and if such a road as  
suggested by Mr Schweinfurth is completed then the demand for  
a barge for the transportation of produce will cease.

The bulldozer referred to is a Fiat of similar working  
capacity to a D6. It has now made its way over the island and  
is in the Bana area.

The manner in which labour is being given is commendable,  
however the fact that Isuzu 6 wheel drive trucks will be using  
the road when completed could pose a major problem in maintenance.  
As to who accepts this maintenance will have to be decided as it  
will be in fact a trunk road.

The "head tax" referred to is most likely the manner in  
which the Buin Sub District people have been contributing to the  
hire of the bulldozer. It is usually produced by the people of  
a particular villages when the bulldozer starts in the village  
area. I will however ensure that the Adviser makes it quite clear  
that these are voluntary donations, not a tax either Government or  
Council, but purely the wishes of the individuals.

C.R.A. involvement or its intentions could possibly be  
felt out by the Chief Liaison Officer.

Good work by Mr Schweinfurth.

Onforwarded for your comments please.

D.J. Duggan

DISTRICT LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER

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BANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL SPECIAL PATROL REPORT  
NO.1 OF 1970-71

PATROL DIARY

14-4-71 1400 Departed Boku Patrol Post for Beretemba and Moratona

W to advise various councillors of the Bulldozer coming along the road. Organised labour to place logs over causway crossings and assist with the bulldozer if difficulties were met.

1700 Departed Moratona back to Beretemba. General talks with people on the bulldozer work in the Nagovisi area.

Slept night at Beretemba.

15-5-71 0700 Departed Beretemba for Amio and Tonu airstrip re compl-

T -etion of bulldozer work. +1600 Departed Tonu for Moratona arrived Moratona 2400 with operator and bulldozer.

16-4-71

F 0600 Departed Moratona for Taruba Village after repairing some very bad sections of road arrived Taruba Village 1500.

Talks with the people on roadwork in the area. Slept night at Taruba Village.

17-4-71 0600 Departed Taruba Village for Agabai Village, road repairs

S done. General talks with the people on road maintenance.

Slept night Agabai Village.

18-4-71 0630 Departed Agabai Village for Mokokolio Village arrived

S at 1000. Road repaired in bad places and sections surveyed.

Talks with people on roadworks and bulldozer hire. Slept night Mokokolio Village.

19-4-71 0630 Departed Mokokolio Village for Viviaro village, arrived

M 0840 Roadwork inspected during day. Talks and discussions on road maintenance and bulldozer hire. Slept Viviaro Village.

20-4-71 0600 Departed Viviari Village for Koro, Leira thence Sikoreva

T village re roadwork inspection and some repairs to bad sections

arrived Sikoreva Village 1300. Roadworks started from Sikoreva

Village to Jaba River. 1800 proceeded back to Sikoreva village

for the night. General talks and discussions re labour and

route to the Jaba river.

21-4-71 0600 Departed Sikoreva Village and proceeded with roadwork

W towards the Jaba river. 127 men from various villages turned

up for work and assisted the bulldozer in clearing and cutting

dense jungle/ The terrain being very rugged [rugged] made progress slow

down. 1800 bulldozer and labour stopped work and proceeded to

Sikoreva for the night.

22-4-71 0600 Roadwork continued with labour assisting the bulldozer.

T Work progressing well as the main ridge being passed and track

being completed to the bottom of a steep ridge.



People working well under their councillors with the bulldozer.

1800 Work stopped and departed for sikoreva for the night.

23-4-71 0530 Departed Sikoreva Village and work started again with  
F labour and bulldozer. Progress slow in the morning due to  
bulldozer being badly bogged down and also with a broken hydraulic  
hose. After repairs work progressed again towards to the Jaba  
river. Track finally completed to the Jaba river. 1800 stopped  
work and proceeded to Jaba River rest house.

24-4-71 0530 Departed rest house and continued building track and  
S cutting down jungle. 0900 track completed and toyota land crui-  
-ser taken across the Jaba river after a crossing was put in.

1030 track completed with bulldozer and toyota being parked and  
later taken up to Panguna.

PATROL COMPLETED

BANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL SPECIAL REPORT NO. 1 OF 1970-71

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SITUATION REPORT

(a) POLITICAL:

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Local Government in the area is progressing satisfactorily. Bana Local Government Council covers the whole area patrolled and the attitude towards the council is good. This off/of course has a lot to do with the councillors themselves who are taking an active and keen interest in their own words.

The council President Mr. peter Auwai is probably the main reason why Bana Council is developing as he spends all his time in local government and matters as he did again on this patrol. For through their President the other councillors have a good example to follow. Regular local government talks are given and general discussions are held between councillors and committee with the advisor attending. Thus a lot of questions are cleared up as well as respect being given to the councillors. Council rules being enforced with regular checks on al rules by the committee members.

All council projects as estimated are expected to be completed this financial year. Thus the people themselves can see what their council is doing.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCILLORS: Councillors in the Bana Council are generally good with each councillor taking an active part in the affairs of his village. after the general elections last October, nearly all new councillors were elected and within the last six months four short courses have been held to explain the various jobs to the councillors. Through these courses I feel the council will benefit greatly.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY: The general outline [outline] or system of the House of Assembly was outlined to the councillors during these courses and the system of Government was compared with the actual council. Council members feel more important after these courses as they can explain things to their people and create a better understanding between the Bana council and the individual.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY MEMBERS: The member for this area is Mr. Paul Lapun however he has never visited the Bana Council during its general meetings or taken any interest in his own home area.

The council President Mr. Auwai has sent a letter to Mr. Lapun in trying to get his assistance with the roadwork from Sikoreva to the Jaba River. however as yet no word has been heard or interest shown by the member. If more interest was taken by the Members of the House of Assembly then the area would probably understand things better as the people will know what is going on in the

House of Assembly and other matters concerning their country.

POLITICAL EDUCATION: The last political education course in the area was satisfactory and another is set down for the 19th and 20th of May, 1971. The councillors as well as individuals in the area are interested in Political Education and regular courses would be of great help in assisting the people to understand their Government.

ROADS: Politically the Sikoreva to Jaba River road is very important as it is a linkup with the Kieta Sub-District and the Buin Sub-District. This road if and when completed will be assisting development for all of the people in the Buin Sub-District as well as businesses which will start to be set up. The actual link up with the two sub districts will better relations and especially in the economic side where all produce can be then shipped out from Kieta instead of waiting at Kangu Port at Buin. For shipping facilities are very bad at Kangu due to no anchorage being there and a lot of produce is often waiting for months and goes bad or even full bags are sometimes lost into the sea. All three councils and Society's in the Buin Sub-District are keen to get the road open as with the great produce output at present and future can not cope with the poor facilities at Kangu Port.

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BANA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL SPECIAL PATROL REPORT NO.1 OF 1970-71

(b) ECONOMIC:

GENERAL RURAL DEVELOPMENT: Rural Development in the Bana area patrolled is satisfactory. At present Bana Council is still awaiting further work to be done by a private bulldozer belonging to Mr. Blanchfield and Mr. Porteous from Buin. This private bulldozer is expected next week to start work in the Sikoreva area to complete Rural Development money on road work.

The people at present are collecting some bulldozer hire money which Bana Council will use on the Sikoreva to Jaba River road. Money is also being collected for work by the bulldozer on other Rural Development roads and once the actual bulldozer is on the site then the roadwork can be completed. The people have themselves worked on the roads which shovels but to complete the roads properly a bulldozer is required.

PROCESSING AND MARKETING: At this time all produce is still carried [carried] by the people to the main road at Moratona where it is picked up by Council or Society tractors and taken to Beretemba to be processed and then it is taken to Kangu Port for shipment to Rabaul. This is not very satisfactory as a lot of time is wasted in waiting for ships and transport. If the road from Sikoreva to the Jaba River was completed then all produce would be sent direct to Kieta for shipping with very little time being wasted.

At present Bana Society ships out 250 tons of cocoa per year. This amount is increasing and there are also various private businessmen in the area who also ship their produce out from Buin. Copra and some coffee is also marketed through Buin.

With the road linked to the Jaba River the time involved [involved] would be reduced considerably as there would be no shipping delays or risk of bags going bad or falling into the sea.

With Siwai and Buin produce also it is far cheaper and more economical to ship their produce from Kieta port instead of wasting time at Buin port of Kangu.

VILLAGE CASH CROP EXTENSION: The Rural Development Officer with local staff regularly visits villages in the area and assists the people in their cash crop extension. The people of Sikoreva, Koro, Leira, Lambalam, Panam, Labonami, Berereki, Puranavia, Waruwaru and Sianeki villages all attend a weekly held by CRA at Panguna. The people from all these villages carry their cash crops by hand over the Sikoreva to Jaba river track and are taken by truck to Panguna to sell their produce.

Money made by selling cash crops amounts to an average of \$350

per week. CR.A. is planning to build another market area at the Jaba River which will suit everybody better.

NON INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT: There is no no/non indigenous development [development] in the area.

(c) SOCIAL:

EDUCATION: In the area patrolled all children of school age attend school. The smaller children go to Koro village school that is if they are up to standard 4 all other older children attend Moratona Catholic Mission School and overnight there. The children all attend school and a regular visit to schools is made by the council education committee who also enforce the Council Truancy rule.

HEALTH: Health in the area is satisfactory with the people being served by an aid post at Puranavia and a large modern hospital at Moratona Catholic Mission. Nursing sisters from Moratona also visit the villages every month and attend the sick.

The new hospital at Moratona is looked after by dr. Harding who is also a priest and he is an excellent doctor helping all in the area. The new hospital is still not fully completed but there is no more money thus it is now in use hoping to get some money from other sources.

LAW AND ORDER: No complaints were heard in the area and all is satisfactory. As most of the village problems are handled by councillors.

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MISSIONS: All people in the area patrolled are Roman Catholic people usually go each Sunday to Moratona Catholic Mission for Mass.

Mission and Administration relations are very good in the area with the mission doing an excellent job in giving medical aid to the people

CULT AND UNREST: There is no cult or unrest in the area. The villages of Koro, Leira and Sikoreva have a number of Navitu Napidakoe people who pay tax to Napidakoe Society. However this is virtually stopped as the people are very pleased that a track has been but through to the Jaba River. Thus they are no longer cut off or isolated and are now saving their money for the hire of bulldozer and concentrating [concentrating] on working on their road. Previously little could be done to assist all aiming for their road to the Jaba river. In this way the Bana Council is getting full support amongst its people. Cr. Genanai of Beretemba village is a strong Napidakoe committee member and he visited the village of Sikoreva to collect tax for Napidakoe. However the people stated to him that they were no longer interested and are saving their money for the bulldozer hire.

WOMEN'S CLUB: Bana Council has two women's club assistants in the area and they patrol the area assisting the women in the villages with raising money, sewing and general hygiene matters. Clothes are also made and sold to the people by the women.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES: There are no youth activities in the area as the villages are all at some distance from each other and also the young people are mostly at school or working at Panguna.

## (d) MISCELLANEOUS:

SIKOREVA TO JABA RIVER ROAD: The main aim of this patrol was to push a track or small road through from Sikoreva to the Jaba river. This was achieved by a D7e bulldozer and its operator Mr. Blanchfield who took the machine over the rough terrain [terrain]. The actual length of the road from Sikoreva to the Jaba river is under four miles. There are only small difficulties existing. These are small streams which cut the road in various places but with a number of small culverts or pipes this problem can be easily overcome. The complete section of road has been well cleared back and the sun is drying out the thick dense cut vegetation. The road is extremely hard after it has dried out as it is a sandy soil with clay mixtures. Part of the road is actual gravel and stones and already well and firmly together. Gravel and sand is available at three points along the route and their owners have agreed to give them for roadwork. With a competent operator like Mr. Blanchfield and 4 to six tractors on the job with the local people assisting the linkup would not take long.

At present there are 45 men working on the road still

clearing and for almost 20 days 127 men worked full time on the road. The Nagovisi people are very keen to develop their area and open up this road link as they can then start their own businesses. Two men from the area are waiting to buy two Isuzu trucks they have the money but not the road and the people will be able to sell their cash crops to CRA as well as get their cocoa copra and coffee shipped out far more easily than in Buin. The cost of putting a reasonable road with surfacing material on it would be around \$50,000. This amount would also cover some of the road sections between Sikoreva and Moratona. There are large gravel and sand deposits at various river crossings and with the people and council tractors working together the road could be built. Thus the previous amount of a million dollars is out of the question and a mere \$50,000 should [should] do the job. Bana Council has written to Siwai and Buin Council for their views on this road and also to see if those councils can assist with some labour money or tractor. A letter has also been sent to the General Manager of Bougainville Copper asking them for their views and assistance. Bana Council/The Nagovisi has/have started to raise a head tax/funds for the roadwork in the area and hopes/hope to have a sum to hire Mr. Blanchfields Bulldozer when it arrives at/returns to Sikoreva next week. Spades and shovels have also been taken up by the local people and voluntary work is

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Bana Council will be applying for Rural Development funds in due course for this road as it is the main roadlink for the whole of the south Bougainville area.

Societies have also been approached to assist with some money for the actual roadwork. Their reply is still being waited on.

Bougainville Copper have stated that they are very interested in this road and would buy cash crops for canteens at Panguna as well as recruiting labour. At present there are approximately 340 men employed by Bougainville copper from the nagovisi area and a lot more are working with other companies.

Traffic along this road is amazing as all day and night the road is in use by people going to Panguna for work or just going to buy things or sightseeing. The nagovisi people buy virtually all their goods from the Panguna trade store and they buy beer to all types of trade store goods.

In conclusion the aim of the patrol was achieved and the Bana people are working on their road and hope that some assistance can be given for it will benefit Bougainville as a whole and help all those isolated area which previously have had very little to no assistance.

The general keen attitude by the Nagovisi people is excellent and I hope they will not be disappointed as they are really making an effort to achieve this road linkup to the Jaba river.

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