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CENTRAL DISTRICT PATROL REPORTS 1959/60

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GUARI

<u>Patrol No.</u>	<u>Officer Conducting Patrol</u>	<u>Area Patrolled.</u>
Tapini 4-59/60	B.F.Duffy	Ivane Census Division
Woitape 5-59/60	B.F.Duffy	Auga Census Division
Guari 1-59/60	R.Hill	Kataija Census Division
" 4-59/60	A.F.Wadsworth R.Hill	Upper Kunimaipa Census Div.
" 5-59/60	R.Hill	Keruama Census Division
" 7-59/60	B.Hill	Lower Kunimaipa Census Div.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of GOILALA Report No. GUARI No. 159/60

Patrol Conducted by R. Hill Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled KATRIJA CENSUS DIVISION OF THE GOILALA DISTRICT

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NO

Natives 3

Duration—From 30/6/1959 to 7/7/1959

Number of Days SEVEN

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 8/1958

Medical 7/18

Map Reference PATROL MAP ATTACHED

Objects of Patrol ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION, TAXATION AND CENSUS

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

/ /19

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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30-1-116

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KORSDONJ

17th September, 1959.

The District Officer,  
Gailala District,  
TAPINI.

PATROL GUARI 1/59-60

The Report indicates a real improvement in the general attitude of these people over recent months.

Community centres, as suggested, may be the answer to the Gailala main problems - that of their peculiar temperament and the social sanctions for reciprocal attacks.

Secret ballot for Village Official selection can often be effective.

Concerning Appendix C you may care to make direct representations to the Department of Forestry should you consider the situation so warrants.

Your paragraph 5. Agree.

*AAR*  
(A.A. Roberts)  
Director



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

57-1-1 ✓  
32/1/1 ✓



District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Goilala District.

*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No.30-3-3/31(122)

17 July 59

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL GUARI 1/59-60 - KATAIJA CENSUS DIVISION.

1. Herewith the following documents:-
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  - (C) Camping allowance claim. -
2. A copy of the map will be forwarded after reproduction.
3. The patrol is programmed for July and was so done.
4. I propose transferring LAMINA (CG.130) from the KATAIJA to the BOBOI Census Division - this may help ensure its regular patrolling. A separate memorandum will be submitted.
5. The patrol has been well done and I am pleased to note a big improvement in Mr. HILL's documentation.

*W.E. Tomasetti*

(W.E. Tomasetti).  
District Officer.

cc:  
District Officer,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

P.O. i/C.,  
GUARI.

*Being processed by...*

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District Office,  
TAPINI;  
Goilala District.

30-3-3/31(122)

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District Officer.

cc:  
District Officer,  
Central District,  
PORT MORESBY.

P.O. 1/C.,  
GUARI.

DISTRICT OFFICER.



WThw

District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Goilala District.

30-3-3/30(121)

17 July 59

~~Patrol~~ Officer i/c.,  
GUARI.

PATROL GUARI 1/59-60 - KATAIJA CENSUS DIVISION.

1. Thank you for the report of the above patrol and associated documents:-
2. Some comments follow. Bracketed numbers apply to page and paragraph numbers.
  - (A)(1- 4) I think caution is needed in judging the efficiency of villages officials on short knowledge. Perhaps your observation that there has been no serious crime in the KATAIJA indicates the exercise of a good influence by the village officials?
  - (B)(1- 7) What do you propose to do if this order is ignored?
  - (C)(2-11) I will deal with these per separate memo. but it is worth noting here that marketing of citrus fruits in FORT MORESBY has proved difficult in the past. A market is now under construction at TAPINI and should help in marketing.
  - (D)(2-13) I am still pursuing an extension policy for this district
  - (E)(3-15) At present the Regional Forests Officer is visiting TAPINI and I hope a forestry policy will result from his visit. I will advise further.
  - (F)(4-18) I know nothing of this proposal but have heard PORUELAYAVA is a possibility.
  - (G)(5-21) Legal preparations for foot-track maintenance are in hand.
  - (H) The report on police is not necessary - I presume RSI's have been forwarded to the Commissioner.
3. In all memoranda arising from a patrol the heading or text should indicate the number of the patrol and the census division patrolled. Use the "CG" as a prefix for all village reference numbers but not for Census Division numbers.
4. A useful, well documented, patrol.

Director,  
Nat. Aff. KONEDOBU

*WET*  
Offr., Cent. Dist. P. MORESBY. (W.E. Tomasetti).  
District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No.

PATROL REPORT GUARI No.1-59/60

KATAIJA CENSUS DIVISION

PATROL DIARY

Tuesday 30th June, 1959.

Departed GUARI Patrol Post 0800 hours for TORORO arriving 1630 hours. Packhorses used. Slept TORORO Rest House.

Wednesday 1st July, 1959.

Departed TORORO 0730 hours for LARAMAITE arriving 0900 hours. Packhorses used. Censused LARAMAITE Village. Taxation exemptions granted. Slept LARAMAITE Rest House.

Thursday 2nd July, 1959.

Departed LARAMAITE 0700 hours for JANIALAVAVA arriving 0900 hours. Carriers used. Censused JANIALAVAVA, LAMANAIPA and MOROA Villages. Taxation exemptions granted. Slept JANIALAVAVA Rest House.

Friday 3rd July, 1959.

Departed JANIALAVAVA 0715 hours for LAMINA arriving 1500 hours. Carriers used. No Rest House. Patrol slept in native owned houses. Slept LAMINA Village.

Saturday 4th July, 1959.

Censused LAMINA Village. Taxation collected. Departed LAMINA 1500 hours for ARIOME arriving 1900 hours. Slept ARIOME Rest House.

Sunday 5th July, 1959.

Patrol rested ARIOME. Self departed for TAPINI Slept TAPINI.

Monday 6th July, 1959.

Departed ARIOME 1500 hours for TORORO arriving 1900 hours. Slept TORORO Rest House.

Tuesday 7th July, 1959.

Patrol returned to GUARI Patrol Post.

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END OF PATROL

Patrol Post,  
Guari,  
Gailala District.

10th July, 1959.

The District Officer,  
Tapini,  
Gailala District.

Patrol Report - GUARI No.1-59/60

Enclosed please find the above mentioned  
Patrol Report.

Introduction.

The first Rest House in the area lies a full days walk from GUARI in a S.S.E. direction. The Census Division is approached by a graded bridle track from GUARI to TORORO which branches off at the latter place in a S.W. direction to the LARAMAITE Rest House.

The main features of the Census Division are to small ranges rising to heights of not more than 7,000 feet above sea level on either side of the KATAIJA River. The area is for the most part heavily forested with primary growth except where there have recently been gardens. I have discussed forestry in some length in the body of the report and it is sufficient to say here that the forestry problem is not as acute as in the LOWER KUNIMAIPA but could become so if nothing positive is done.

There are two Rest Houses in the area which serve four villages. These are at LARAMAITE and JANIALAVAVA which are connected by bridle track. LAMINA is 6½-7 hours walk away from JANIALAVAVA and a recommendation for it to be transferred to the BOBOI Census Division is the subject of a separate memo.

Carriers had to be used more frequently than it was hoped but where they were employed they were paid the prescribed rates. At all places there was a plentiful supply of food given to the patrol with the exception of LAMINA. At LARAMAITE and JANIALAVAVA pigs were bought.

*R Hill*

(R.Hill)  
P.O.1/c Guari

Native Affairs

A

1 The Native Affairs situation appears to be reassuring. Only two Courts for Native Matters were convened during the course of the patrol.

2 One of these was under Regulation 71(a) of the Native Regulation Ordinance. In this case the volatile nature of the people came to the fore. Two women were arguing over some taro when one for little or no reason hit the other over the head with a knife. The assailant received a term of six months in the gaol at TAPINI whilst the victim was sent to TAPINI for medical treatment. The other court convened was under regulation 101A of the Native Regulation Ordinance and the woman was fined ten shillings.

3 There has been no serious crime in the KATAIJA for many months now although some of the KATAIJA people were mixed up in a fight, on the TAPINI-GUARI road, this was before I arrived in the GOILALA District. The inhabitants of the Census Division seem, in the main to be a law abiding collection. Since I have been posted to GUARI Patrol Post not one person from the area has been arrested by the Village Constable and brought to the station. This can either be put down to observance of the law or weak village officials. Personally I am of the opinion that it is both factors at work.

4 The Village Constables did not in my view exercise much control or authority over their respective villages. One in particular, V.C. MAITAI of LAMANAIPA Village, is exceptionally weak. He 'controls' only 25 people and this he does very ineffectually. On looking through his book it is nothing but a series of comments such as 'weak' 'inefficient' etc. He was warned that any more remarks like this his dismissal would be sought. V.C. KITIEI of JANIALAVAVA is, in my opinion, not much better. V.C. ATUAI of LARAMAITE is the only one in the Census Division who does a reasonable job of work.

5 Rest Houses: These are the usual run of GUARI Rest Houses, huge barn like structures made of pandanus leaf and bush timber.

6 As I think the Rest House is the Government symbol in the village all the present ones will eventually be demolished to make way for new ones. These new Rest Houses will be comprised of pandanus planking with a shingle roof. These new structures, with their surroundings beautified, will eventually, I hope, together with the Catholic Mission buildings form the cadre of a community centre.

7 Because of the lack of patrols to LAMINA the old Rest House is no longer in existence. The night was spent in native huts. The V.C. was ordered to build one as soon as possible.

8 Census: LAMINA Village was again brought into the census framework on this patrol. This was the first census of the village since 1954. At all the villages there was a good attendance and absentees have already been dealt with.

9 Statistics are dealt with on a separate memorandum.

Agriculture

B

10 The last season was a good one and the people are now preparing their new gardens. Abundant food of all types was supplied at all three villages. At LARAMAITE and JANIALAVAVA and pigs were supplied to the patrol.

11 It appears that most European type vegetables will grow in the area. At JANIALAVAVA some beautiful oranges were bought which were big and also had turned an orange colour on ripening. Lemons and limes were also seen together with passion fruit. This citrus fruit opens up the possibility of a citrus industry in the future to supply the needs of Port Moresby. Local marketing is the subject of a separate memorandum.

12 A few pigs were seen which had been bred with imported ones. These new strains I was informed filtered through from the Catholic Mission at ONONGE. Apart from this there was the usual native pigs together with the usual mangy curs and fowls.

13 As I am still to be informed of the Agriculture Extension Policy for the District I did nothing to encourage the people to grow any other crops. Anyway until there is a market for the crops I can see no point in encouraging them to grow more. There are few things as frustrating as growing crops which cannot be sold.

Forestry.

C

14 The KATAIJA Census Division is still quite heavily forested with primary and secondary growth. I think that if an active re-forestation plan was commenced in the very near future there would be no worries about preservation of the soil.

15 I feel rather strongly about a forestry programme because on gradients like these in the KATAIJA on non-cultivated soil a protection of forest is essential. If people are to go on living in the region they must have soil for gardening. However if we are lackadaisical in this aspect one day there will be no soil. If this happens a huge problem will come to the fore that of finding a place for the people to settle. They, I am sure would resent leaving the area. Surely the answer is to tackle the problem at the fount. That is an active re-forestation campaign.

16 To begin with the people would more than probably see the scheme as another Government plan and would not realise the significance of it. After all it was only in the 20th century that we realised the need to stop erosion and also found out a way to do it. However with education and understanding they would surely start to see the benefit of it and in the end be thankful. Because it is essential and eventually they will see the wisdom of the plan I have no compunction to ask that it be made compulsory, at least to plant up old gardens with trees. It would be hard work to enforce it but still I think it would be worth it. If the plan was not enforceable some people would carry it out and others not. When the 'workers' saw that nothing happened to the 'loafers' then I am sure they would simply throw it up.

Health

D

17                   The unhealthiest villages that I have seen so far in the GUARI Administrative Area are LAMANAIPA and MOROA. I would say that up to 50% of the men, women and children had Tinea. Apart from this the general health looked good.

18                   I was informed that the P.H.D. Tapini are going to put an aid post in the KATAIJA Census Division. I hope that this is correct as the area could well do with one. I am entirely in agreement with Mr. Lang when he states that a Medical Assistant should accompany each patrol. I am unable to state when the last medical patrol to the area took place but I don't think that one has occurred since the Anti-Yaws Campaign.

Roads

E

19 There is a good bridle track from TORORO (LOLOIPA Census Division) to LARAMAITE and thence to JANIALAVAVA in the KATAIJA. The road goes on for approximately half a mile past the JANIALAVAVA Rest House and then stops abruptly. It is intended I believe to eventually serve villages of MOROA and LAMANAIPA. It will then go on to link up LAMINA and so join up with the road going to the BOBOI Census Division. There is still an enormous amount of work surveying and actual construction but it will take a very low priority in the GUARI road programme. This is mainly because it will serve very few people in fact less than 100. It is also used very infrequently.

20 Horses could only be used as far as LARAMAITE due to there being a landslide. This slide is on an awkward piece of road and the track is effectively blocked until some blasting can be done.

21 The roads in the KATAIJA were generally in good shape and well looked after. This was in immense contrast to the track from TORORO to LARAMAITE. This looked as if it had not been cleaned for nearly a year and although I was on horseback the grass was sometimes over my head. I was informed that it was looked after by a village in the LOLOIPA Census Division.



Taxation

F

22                    These people of the KATAIJA Census Division are in much the same predicament as the LOWER KUNIMAIPA people. In the LOWER KUNIMAIPA, however, there is at least two missions and the Government station which can help towards an income by paying for goods and services. The KATAIJA though is a full days walk from TAPINI and GUARI and it is to be expected that not many people supply goods for sale.

23                    In the past they have not been paid for construction work on roads but have voluntarily given their labour. Now, however, as they are to be paid for all construction work in the future they will be taxed on this. I told them to start putting away some money in preparation for next years taxation. At the moment there are only 24 people away at work from the area.

24                    LAMINA had just been paid for work on the road going to the BOBOI Census Division and as such they were taxed on this. Every adult man in the village with the exception of 3 paid the ten shillings tax.

25                    A total of £9-10-0 tax was collected on the patrol.

Appendix A

Report on the Members of the Royal Papuan  
and New Guinea Constabulary  
Accompanying Patrol

- No. 7379 Constable DEDOIE. Acted as N.C.O. of the squad. DEDOIE is without doubt the most reliable and steady worker that I have come across in the Police. He performed all his duties excellently.
- No. 7380 Constable MEDORI. Performed his duties satisfactorily. He is a reliable member of the Police.

*R Hill*

(R. Hill)

Officer of the R.P.N.G.C.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Central (Goilala Sub-District) Report No. Patrol Guari No.4-59/60

Patrol Conducted by A.F. Wadsworth 23.11.59-27.11.59  
R. Hill 1.12.59-10.12.59

Area Patrolled Upper Kunimaipa Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans No

Natives 2 police, 1 Interpreter, 1 N.M.O.

Duration—From 23./11/59 to 27./11/59  
1./12/59 to 10/12/59

Number of Days 15

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 12/1959

Medical 5/18

Map Reference Patrol Map attached

Objects of Patrol Routine administration, census and taxation

Director of Native Affairs,  
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 ... ..

9-13		Over 13	
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67-1-7

14th January, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Gollala Sub-District,  
TAPINI.

Patrol GUARI No.4/59-60-Upper Kunimaipa.

I was unable to understand your third paragraph in the memo to the Officer-in-Charge, Guari.

There are other Divisions in the Territory worse off economically than the KUNIMAIPA and I see no reason why these people should not pay some small contribution for the social services, and police protection they receive, even if they have to go to work to get it.

It is a matter for conjecture if a change in the traditional pattern to an individual value concept can be regarded as progress. However, the effect of cultural contact makes it inevitable; therefore, the sooner the better.

It is not a bad idea to have the people settle their own disputes over minor legal infringements. They do it in most cases so it's just as well to recognize the fact and saves time too.

The Report indicates an effective patrol.

*A. Roberts*  
(A. Roberts.)  
Director.

67/1/7



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



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District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Goilala Sub-District

In Reply  
Please Quote  
No. 48-3-1.

9 January 60. (36/1226).

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

MAP OF UPPER KUNIMAIPA CENSUS DIVISION.

1. My memo. 67-3-3 dated 24 December 59 refers.
2. Herewith one/~~four~~ copy/~~copies~~ of the above map.
3. Excepting the CHIRIMA Census Division, mapping of census divisions is now complete. Comprehensive S.D. maps will be drawn as soon as possible.

**W.E. Tomasetti**

(W.E. Tomasetti).  
District Officer.

cc:  
P.O.i/c., WOITAPE:  
P.O.i/c., GUANI:

WTcc

District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Geilala Sub-District.

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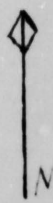
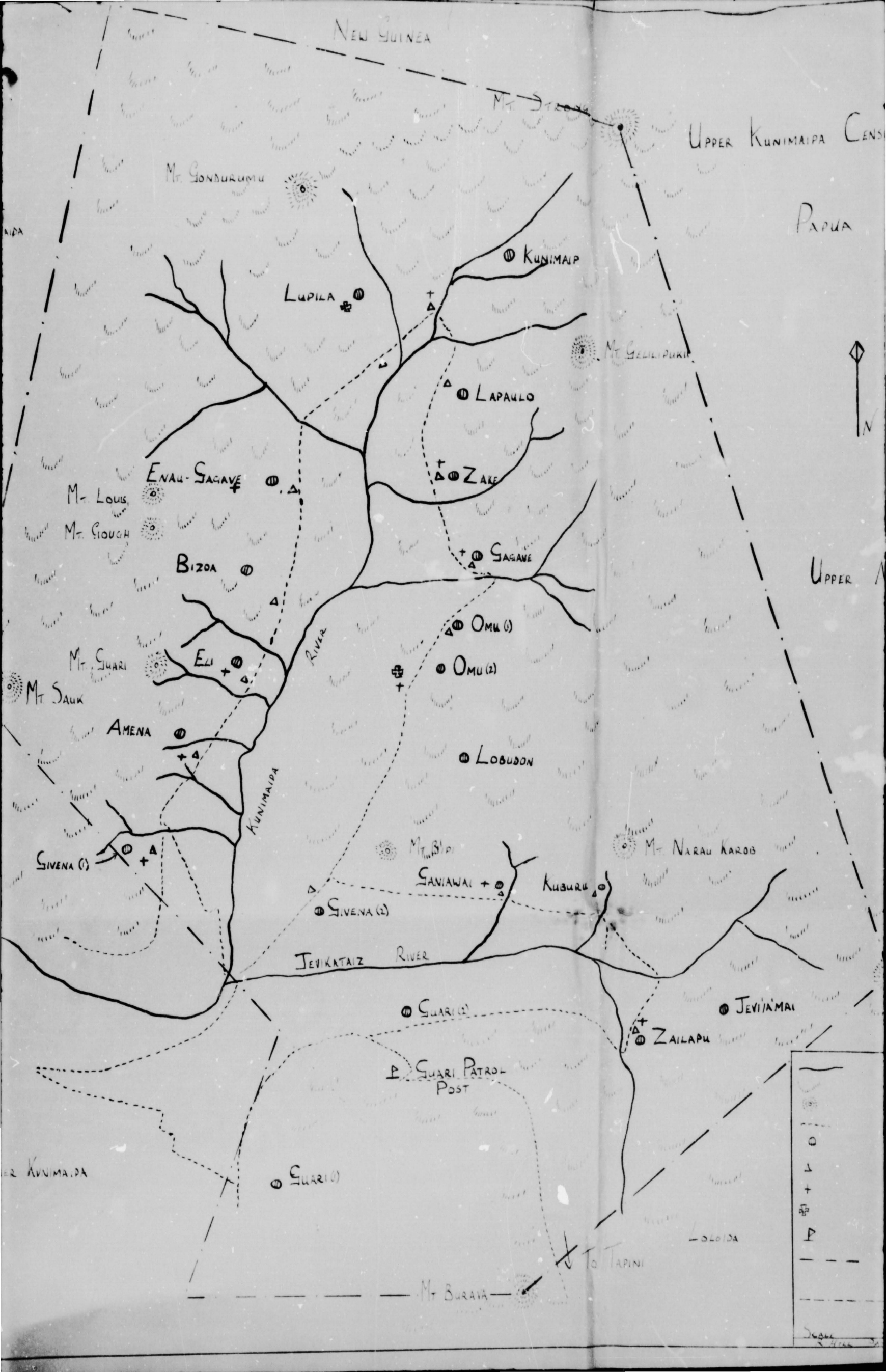
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NEW GUINEA

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UPPER KUNIMAIPA CENSUS DIVISION

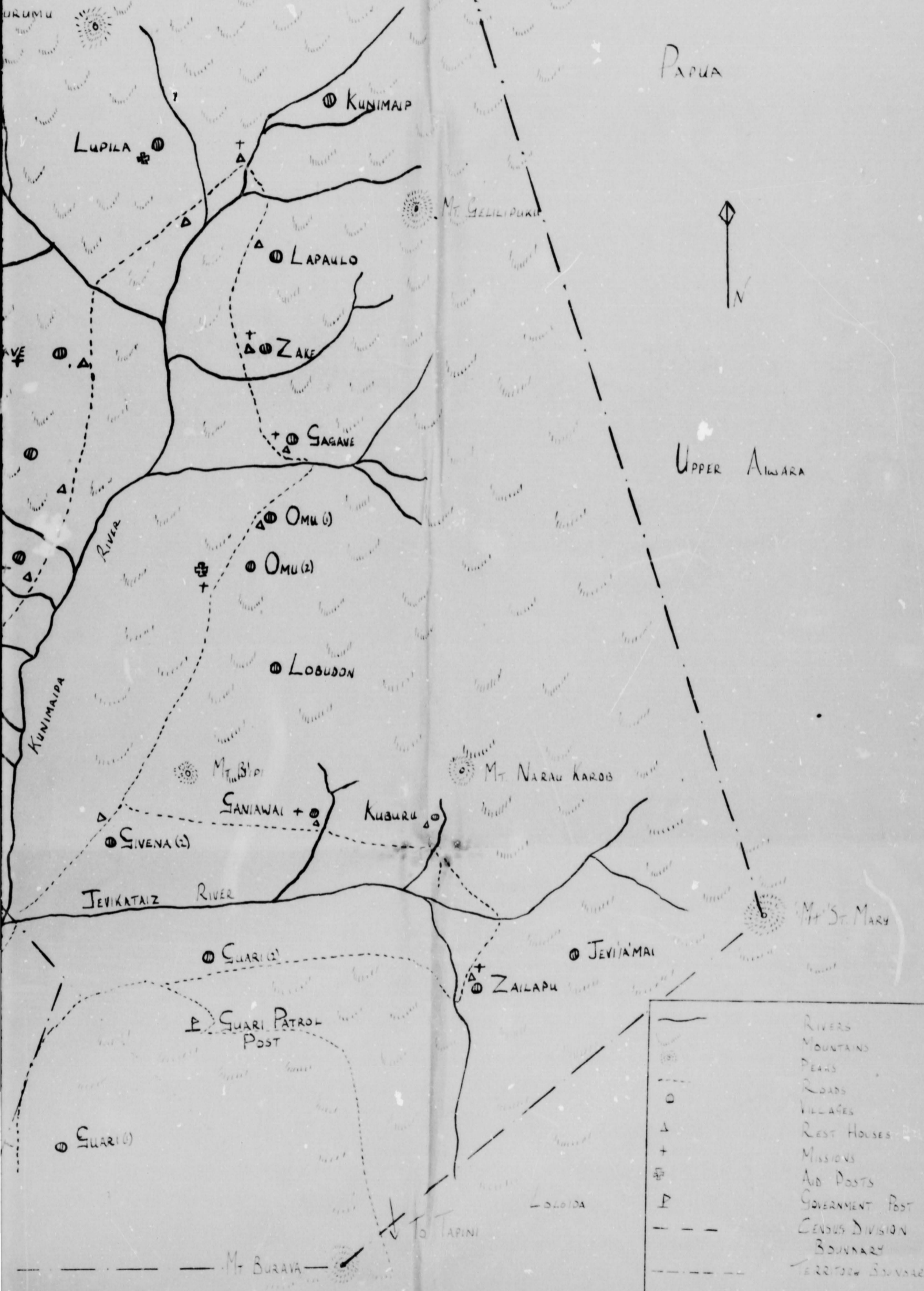
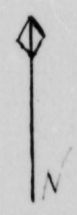
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Mt GELILIPUKI



	RIVERS
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	REST HOUSES
	MISSIONS
	AID POSTS
	GOVERNMENT POST
	CENSUS DIVISION BOUNDARY
	TERRITORY BOUNDARY

Scale 1 Mile 1/4  
Date 1/1/4



67-1-7

12th January, 1960

District Officer,  
Goilala District,  
TAPINI

Patrol GUARI No. 4/59-60 Upper KUNLMAIPA


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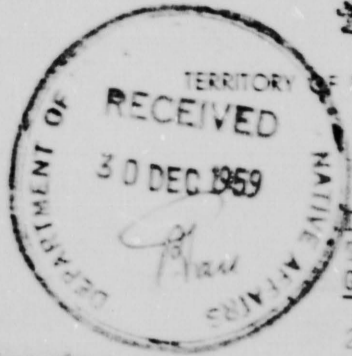
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67-1-7 ✓



WTcc

In Reply  
Please Quote

District Office, No. 67-3-3.  
TAPINI:  
Goilala Sub-District.

24 December 59. (47-1139).

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL GUARI 4/59-60 - UPPER KUNIMAIPA CENSUS DIVISION.

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  - (B) A nursery of 'soft' casuarina has been established at TAPIKI with seed obtained from GOROKA. They will, I hope, eventually provide the means to attempt to establish casuarina as a fallow crop in this S.D.. It is intended to plant seedlings initially at the patrol posts and rest houses as they become available.
5. Despite the criticisms Mr. Hill, as usual, has done a good job.

*W.E. Tomasetti*

(W.E. Tomasetti.),  
District Officer.

cc:  
P.O./c.,  
GUARI.

Wfcc

District Office, 67-3-3.  
TAPINI:  
Gailala Sub-District.

24 December 59. (47-1139).

The Director,  
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District Officer.

cc:  
P.O.1/c.,  
GUARI.

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District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Gollala Sub-District.

67-3-3/46(1138).

A.O.1/c.,  
GUARI Patrol Post,  
Gollala Sub-District.

24 December 59.

Dear

Patrol GUARI 4/59-60 - Upper Kunimaipa Census Division.

Thank you for the report of the above patrol and associated memoranda etc..

Some comments follow. Bracketed numbered refer to your paragraph and page.

- (A)(Diary) In the entry for 23 November JEVI'IA'MAI is incorrectly spelt. Entries for 26 and 27 November 59 suggest GANIWAI was not worked.
- (B)( 3-14) I trust the last sentence applies only to civil issues and does not include criminal ones.
- (C)( 3-15) As the general subject of rest houses is covered by a separate memorandum there is no need to include it in your reports.
- (D)( 5-26) This is interesting and should be encouraged to the maximum in as many forms as possible.
- (E)( 8-34) I hope there will not be much more delay in putting the maintenance of these bridle-tracks on a legal basis.
- (F)( 9-37) I do not think the present rate is inequitable particularly in view of the generous provisions for exemptions.
- (G)( 9-38) Your last sentence reveals a fundamentally wrong approach to the question of personal tax collection. The liability to pay is an individual one and I cannot believe your knowledge of the affairs of all adult males in the Census Division is that thorough that you can know in advance that they will all qualify for exemptions. A number of Kunimaipa are absent for long periods of migrant labour and could well be liable for the full rate. Your attitude in this field of Administration requires an immediate review.
- (H) A paragraph giving a list of the associated memoranda would be useful.
- (I) The typing and general set out of the report is below standard and I look forward to improvement in this regard.

The patrol appears to have been well conducted and a good deal of useful information has been documented.

Yours faithfully,

*WET*

District Officer.

cc:

→ The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 67-2-2

Patrol Post,  
Guari,  
Goilala Sub-District.

11th December, 1959.

The District Officer,  
Tapini,  
Goilala Sub-District.

Patrol Report Guari No.4-59/60

Introduction.

Attached please find the above mentioned report.

Although the Guari Patrol Post lies in the Upper Kunimaipa Census Division all the villages are situated to the North and N.N.E. of the station. The nearest Rest House at ZAILAPU is a mere  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours walk from the post.

The country through which the patrol passed is mostly grass covered ridges with the tree line from a height of 6,500 feet and upwards. This vast denudation of forest growth is the result of the locals using the bush-fallow system of agriculture. From this practice of burning off large acreages are destroyed which stems from the fact that they are too lazy to control their garden fires.

The main features of the Census Division are the two ranges that run parallel to each other for the length of the KUNIMAIPA River. A little to the North of the GUARI Station is the JEVIKATAIZ Valley through which flows the JEVIKATAIZ River. This river valley is also similar to the KUNIMAIPA Valley in vegetation and design. Although there are other rivers the two mentioned earlier are the only two of any note.

Carriers were used throughout the patrol being locally recruited to carry between villages. At all times they were paid the prescribed rates.

Through force of circumstances this patrol was conducted partly by Mr. Wadsworth P.O. and Mr. Hill P.O. GIVENA(1) & (2) Villages were censused by mistake in May, 1959 and were not re-censused this patrol.

(R. Hill)

Patrol Officer - 1/C

AFWafw

67-2-2

Patrol Post,  
GUARI. Gailala Sub-Dist.

28th November, 1959

District Officer,  
Gailala Sub-District,  
TAPINI.

DIARY OF PORTION OF PATROL GUARI NO. 4/59-60

CONDUCTED BY A.F. WADSWORTH P.O.

1. Monday 23.11.59. Left GUARI 1000 hrs on horseback. Arrived at ZAILAPU village 1110 hrs. Conducted Census revision and collected Personal Tax from all able-bodied males of ZAILAPU and JEVIAMAI villages. Left ZAILAPU 1440 hrs and arrived at GUARI Patrol Post 1530 hrs.
2. Tuesday 24.11.59. Departed GUARI 0830 hrs per horse. Arrived KUBURU village 1030 hrs. Census revised and Personal Tax collected. Overnight at KUBURU.
3. Wednesday 25.11.59. Left KUFURU 0800 hrs and arrived at GANIAWAI village 0830 hrs. Census checked and Personal Tax collected. Departed GANIAWAI 1300 hrs. and arrived at OMU Rest House at 1400 hrs. Revised census for OMU (1) village and collected Tax. Overnight at OMU.
4. Thursday 26.11.59. At OMU Rest House. OMU (2) and LOBUDON villages censused and Personal Tax collected from all able-bodied males. Departed OMU 1345 hrs. and arrived at GANIAWAI village 1500 hrs. Slept GANIAWAI.
5. Friday 27.11.59. Departed GANIAWAI 0745 hrs and arrived at GUARI Patrol Post 1015 hrs.

END OF DIARY

*A.F. Wadsworth*  
(A.F. WADSWORTH)  
Patrol Officer.

Patrol Guari No.4-59/60

Patrol Diary

Tuesday 1st December, 1959

1 Departed GUARI Patrol Post 0830 for GAGAVE arriving 1530 hours. Aid Post at OMU was inspected en route. Slept GAGAVE Rest House.

Wednesday 2nd December, 1959

2 Censused and taxed GAGAVE Village. A number of minor arbitrations settled at GAGAVE. Departed GAGAVE 1215 for ZAKE arriving 1305 hours. Censused and Taxed ZAKE Village. Slept ZAKE Rest House.

Thursday 3rd December, 1959

3 Departed ZAKE 0810 for LAPAULO arriving 0645 hours. Censused and taxed LAPAULO Village. One Court for Native Matters convened. AVIA the second patrol constable joined the patrol here. Slept LAPAULO Rest House.

Friday 4th December, 1959

4 Departed Lapaulo 0815 for KUNIMAIP arriving 0815 hours. Censused and taxed KUNIMAIP Village. One Court for Native Matters convened. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Slept KUNIMAIP Rest House.

Saturday 5th December, 1959

5 Departed KUNIMAIP 0815 for LUPILA arriving 0830 hours. Censused and taxed LUPILA Village. One arbitration settled. Inspected LUPILA Aid Post. Slept LUPILA Rest House.

Sunday 6th December, 1959.

6 Departed LUPILA 0820 for ENAU-GAGAVE arriving 0900 hours. Censused and taxed ENAU-GAGAVE Village. Two minor arbitrations settled. Slept ENAU-GAGAVE Rest House.

Monday 7th December, 1959

7 Departed ENAU-GAGAVE 0820 for BIZOA arriving 0900 hours. Censused and taxed BIZOA Village. One arbitration settled. Slept BIZOA Rest House.

Tuesday 8th December, 1959.

8 Departed BIZOA 0820 for ELI arriving 0905 hours. Censused and taxed ELI Village. Two arbitrations settled. Slept ELI Rest House.

Wednesday 9th December, 1959

9 Departed ELI 0815 for AMENA arriving 0910. Censused and taxed AMENA Village. One Court for Native Matters convened. Slept AMENA Rest House.

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Thursday 10th December, 1959

10                      Departed AMENA 0630 for GUARI Patrol Post  
arriving 1030 hours. Patrol gear arrived 1205 hours.

End of Patrol

F



Native Affairs

A

11 I can only concur with Mr. Lang's remarks in his report Patrol Guari No.2-59/60. where he states, "These people are perhaps-----the most law-abiding group of all". The Native Affairs situation is to my mind very satisfactory. By Native Affairs situation I mean the existence of law and order as in the GUARI area the main job of a patrol officer is to maintain law and order. The volatile nature of the people can and sometimes does come to the front explosively.

12 During my 9 months stay at GUARI there has been no major crime in the Census Division. In fact this has been the case for the last two years. On this patrol only three Courts for Native Matters were convened. The three people were convicted under 71(b), 91(1)(c) and 84 of the Native Regulation Ordinance. Many of the 'courts' which were brought to me at the different Rest Houses turned out to be arbitrations of a very minor nature. Some of these were for example pigs breaking into gardens, money owed by one individual to another etc.

13 UPPER KUNIMAIPA natives have a very bad habit which is also common to the rest of the GUARI area. This is that they frequently put up a small girl or boy and say "This is the person who committed the crime". It is obviously not true half the time but it is very difficult to prove that they are lying especially when they all say the same story. This happens most frequently in cases of the careless use of fire. Three times different villages have pushed forward small children as the people ~~responsible~~ responsible.

14 At each Rest House the Village Constables were issued instructions per Guari file 67-1-1/10. They were warned that failure to observe these orders would mean serious consequences. In the matter of maintaining tracks I presume that people can now be prosecuted in the Court for Petty Sessions. I intend to do that until people maintain the roads on their own accord. The different villages were also instructed to use the names that appear in the Government Tax-Census sheets. They were told the reason why and I quoted specific examples of how much harder things are made when they use other names both personal and village. They were also encouraged to try and settle small matters in the village without bringing them to GUARI.

15 Rest Houses: The majority of rest houses were in good repair except the ones at BIZOA and ~~MEENA~~ MEENA. Both Village Constables agreed to built new ones before the next patrol. I did not mention the new type of Rest Houses as I would like to get the LOWER KUNIMAIPA and KARUAMA Census Divisions finished first in this respect. The Rest Houses were made of the usual materials that is Pandanus leaf walls and roofs with Pandanus plank flooring. The V.C.s from JEV'IA'MAI and KUBURU are starting to build a new Rest House at KUBURU on the banks of the JEVIKATAIS River.

16 Dancing: Although there have been a number of dances in the UPPER KUNIMAIPA lately there were none in progress during the patrol. However, one is planned to start shortly at ZAKE.

17 On the way to GAGAVE I was met at the roadside by V.C.DERER of JEV'IA'MAI and V.C.KATAIA of KUBURU. Both men stated that they were not going to any more dances or in

fact giving any more. The reason they gave was that they now wished to concentrate on growing and marketing potatoes. They agreed that dancing for long periods was a complete waste of time and effort. Many of their respective villagers also made it clear that they were going to concentrate on cash cropping instead of dancing.

18 This trend of thought has been expressed a number of times to me and I am coming to the conclusion that dancing for long periods is dying a natural, if slow, death. It also shows an increased awakening to the fact that if they work they get money and hence they can buy the things they want and need.

19 Census: Only four people were absent from census during the patrol. Two of these, both women, were at Tapini meeting their husbands returning from the coast. Because of this they were not prosecuted. The other two people will shortly be dealt with in the Court for Native Matters.

20 Village Officials: Most appear to be doing a good job and I am reasonably satisfied with them. As mentioned earlier all the V.C.s in the area were issued with orders per my 67-1-1/10. At Ganiawai a new councillor was elected and this is the subject of my memo. 67-1-1/11 (219) of 12.12.59.

Agriculture

B

21 Most of the food ~~xxx~~ brought up to the patrol was very scraggy in nature. This applied particularly to the sweet potato supplied. The new gardens have not yet come into bearing and the old ones are starting to give out. A total of seven pigs was sold to the patrol.

22 Many of the European type vegetables may be grown in this area. If only there was accessibility to markets the local natives could get a very good living from market gardening. However this is not the case and it is natural I think that the people living a few hours walk from the station do not grow a surplus of these crops.

23 Near the station at the villages of ZAILAPU, KUBURU, JEV'IA'MAI and GANIAWAI people have planted their gardens with potatoes to sell to the Government. I hope to be sending some to TAPINI in the near future. At OMU(2) there is approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  an acre of coffee planted by different people in small lots. Some of it is near bearing and the people concerned said that they were going to bring the beans to GUARE to sell.

24 Due to the present agriculture policy I did not encourage any more people to plant coffee. However, I did stress to the owners of the existing plots that they look after it very carefully as it is a valuable asset.

25 The livestock seen was the usual pig, hen and mangy cur. I did not see any pigs that looked as if it had been cross bred with imported stock. <sup>THEY</sup>

26 The attitude towards the pig is undergoing a definite change. At LAPAULO when I asked if they had a pig to sell they V.C. replied "Yes. If we sell it to you we will get some money but if we kill it at a dance we will get nothing." Again whilst at LUPILA a man from ENAU-GAGAVE brought a pig up to me to sell. I asked him why he did not wait until I came to his village and to this he replied that he had no money for tax and so he had to sell me a pig to get some. The same thing happened at ENAU-GAGAVE and this time it was the V.C. from BIZOA selling me one for the same reason. I think the above points to a change from the traditional outlook on pigs as prestige units only.

Forestry C

27 As mentioned in the introduction the tree line has receded in many places to over 6,500 feet. This is largely due to the bush fallow system followed by the local population.

28 If the local natives replanted their old gardens with trees then this problem would not emerge. However they do not do this. Also irresponsibles are apt to light fires when the whim takes them and people are also apt to leave fires alight. Another factor aggravating the re-forestation of the area is the burning off practice which is used in the preparation of gardens. When burning-off fires are lit very few people attempt to control them or put them out afterwards. The result is sometimes widespread conflagrations in which sometimes 20-30 acres are burnt off.

29 There has been some talk of obtaining Casuarina seedlings from the Highlands to start a re-forestation scheme. The idea, I believe, is to start a pool at each station in the Gailala Sub-District and then gradually transplant the trees to Rest Houses where they can be used as a basis for the scheme. I would like to see this plan come into being as the GUARI area badly needs to be re-afforested.

Health

D

30 Throughout the patrol was accompanied by a Native Medical Orderly who attended to all wounds and illnesses he came across. Each person after he had appeared at census reported to GUPA who examined him or her as the case may be.

31 Health in actual fact in this area is good. Very few sores were noted and in fact the people generally looked healthy. There was almost a complete absence of skin diseases like Tinea. One child had Yaws on the face and was a shocking mess. She has since been sent to TAPINI in the charge of her father. She had been living in New Guinea and only returned to AMENA the day before census was taken and the father claimed that he had no knowledge of her condition. He bridled at taking her to hospital but on being informed that I could enforce this he agreed to take her.

32 There are two aid posts in the area one at OMU and the other at LUPILA. Both were inspected and my report on them is the subject of memo. 49-2-1/2(221) of 13.12.59. Needless to say the area could do with an aid post in each village.

Roads

33 An excellent system of graded tracks is in existence throughout the UPPER KUNIMAIPA. From the map it may be seen that every village may be visited by these bridle tracks. Horses can proceed from GUARI, via the JEVIKATAIZ Valley and the left bank of the KUNIMAIPA Valley, to LUPILA.

34 Due to the bridge over the KUNIMAIPA being down horses cannot get to the right bank at all. The right bank bridle track may only be used from GIVENA(1) to ENAU-GAGAVE. from here the road is in such bad repair that horses can no longer use it.

35 Throughout, except the sections from ENAU-GAGAVE to LUPILA and GIVENA(1) to the site of the KUNIMAIPA bridge, the roads are in reasonable condition. It is a pity that Regulation 118 of the N.R.C.s has been virtually repealed by the Roads Maintenance Ordinance. However I believe that I can now prosecute in the Court of Petty Sessions under this ordinance. I intend to do this until they see that it is worth keeping the roads up instead of risking court action. I think it is too much to ask, at this stage, that they should see why the roads are important.

36 This was the first patrol in the GUARI area in which tax has been collected. All male adults paid the 10/- required with the exception of those exemptions that Mr. Wadsworth<sup>AW</sup> saw fit to grant.

37 Although tax was collected I am still of the opinion that taxation was prematurely introduced into the GUARI area. People paid this year but many are going to be scratching next year to find the money required. One of the usual practices is one man to pay the tax of possibly two or three others. This is simply because people do not have the money. The examples quoted in paragraph 26 show some of the ways in which money was obtained. Very often people came up with the argument of where they were to obtain money. I replied that they could bring foodstuffs to the station and get money that way. However, I do not think it is fair for people who possibly carry the food for 8-12 hours walk to have the money taken off them in the form of tax.

38 The reason why I collected tax on this patrol was due to the fact that Mr. Wadsworth had already collected it from a number of villages. I thought it would be very unfair for some to pay and others not. If I had conducted the whole patrol I would not have collected tax.

39 At every Rest House I explained the purpose of tax and that the Europeans also paid it. I also told them that the money the Government had was the result of taxation in Australia. I think they are a little clearer on the subject now but not much.

40 A total of £187-15-0 was collected.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of... GENERAL (SOULALA S-D) ... Report No. Patrol Guard No. 6-88/69

Patrol Conducted by... R. Hill ... Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled... KARUAMA Census Division (Soulala Sub-District)

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans... 1

Natives... 5 Police, 1 Interpreter, 2 Medical Orderlies

Duration—From... 4./...2./1959 to... 17./...2./1959

Number of Days... 14

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?... Yes

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services... 2 / 1959

Medical ... 9 / 18 1959

Map Reference... Mile to the inch KARUAMA Census Division

Objects of Patrol... (1) Routine Administration (2) census revision  
(3) taxation and (4) land survey.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

1 / 19

District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation ... £.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund ... £.....

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



67/13



WTcc

District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Goilala Sub-District.

In Reply  
Please Quote  
No. 67-3-3.

25 March 60. (53/1776).

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL REPORT GUARI 5/59-60.

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P/A  
VJ

*W.E. Tomasetti*  
(W.E. Tomasetti.).  
District Officer.

cc:  
P.O.i/c.,  
GUARI.



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(W.E. Tomasetti).  
District Officer.

cc:  
F.O.1/c.,  
GUARI.

67-1-13

22nd March, 1960.

District Officer,  
Coilala Sub-District,  
TAPINI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 5/59-60 - GUARI.

Do you mean the sentence is wrong grammatically or geographically? Your first comment refers.

It is not unreasonable for Village Officials to be chary of embarrassing their fellows in consideration of the communal structure of indigenous living. It does not matter a great deal if minor infractions are settled amicably by the people themselves. There has been some correspondence in the use of Reg. 155 in your Sub-district, before, but I think you will agree that it should be used with great discretion; fining Village Constables for half the maximum and without the option of a fine for a first offence of that kind can have invidious implications which I need not explain to you. It would probably be better to dismiss them for repeated failure to report serious offences. These remarks are only suggestions, it is a matter for your decision as to how you implement policy, as you are aware of the local conditions.

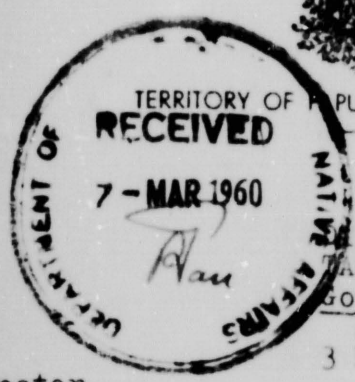
I do not understand your (C)(6-27) terse remark, unless you infer that possession of shotguns will facilitate the prosecution of personal vendettas. Issue of permits is also a matter for your decision on the suitability of a man to carry a gun. It is the policy of this Headquarters that Permits be not granted solely on a basis of official status.

The more the people are educated about the reasons for the imposition of Personal Tax the easier it will be to collect it.

I endorse paragraph 3 of your comments.

(T.G. ~~Anderson~~)  
Acting Director

67-1-13. ✓



WTcc

In Reply  
Please Quote

District Office, No. 67-3-3.  
TAPINI:  
Goilala Sub-District.

3 March 60. (51/1579)

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

PATROL REPORT GUARI 5/59-60 - KARUAMA CENSUS DIVISION.

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7-1-2	3-3-60; 7/2/5
92-1-1	3-3-60; 9/2/2/4
28-20-1	2-3-60; 28/7/1
14-2-4	2-3-60; 14/2/1
51-1-1	3-3-60. 5/1/13
3. A map of the Census Division has previously been forwarded.
4. The patrol is programmed for February and was so executed.
5. A useful patrol well done.

*W.E. Tomasetti*  
(W.E. Tomasetti.)  
District Officer.

cc:  
P.O.i/c.,  
GUARI.

File

District Office, 67-3-3.  
TAPINI:  
Gollala Sub-District.

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District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Gallala Sub-District.

67-3-3(59/1578)

3 March 60.

Patrol Officer i/c.,  
GUARI Patrol Post,  
Gallala Sub-District.

PATROL REPORT GUARI 5/59-60 - KARUAMA CENSUS DIVISION.

1. Thank you for the above report and associated papers.
2. Comments follow. Bracketed numbers refer to your page and paragraph.
  - (A)( 3-18) I think your second sentence is incorrect.
  - (B)( 5-26) Ensure this dance is not the occasion of a pay back and actively encourage a settlement whilst both parties are together.
  - (C)( 6-27) I trust the revenants are viable.
  - (D)( 6-28) No doubt they have been told this by all previous patrols. In view of our discussions this hardly seems sufficient reason to ~~be~~ <sup>not</sup> missed visiting this village.
  - (E)(10-41) Arrange any maintenance necessary.
  - (F)(11-47) I sincerely hope there are social repercussions in the villages to migrant labour. The alternative is an almost static social situation which means the continued existence of all the present undesirable features of KARUAMA life. Migrant labour means the importation into the villages of ideas (among other things). On the basis of experience it is reasonable to believe this will lead to an improvement in their conditions - you should implement any action you consider necessary if the numbers absent are excessive. For some years now KARUAMA have taken advantage of short term seasonal employment in the KAIRUKU S.D.: perhaps they still are. This paragraph suggests you see nothing but evil in migrant labour. It can have bad results but there is also a useful aspect to it.
3. A useful, well conducted and well documented patrol.

*NET*  
(W.B. Tomasetti).  
District Officer.

cc:

*Rev. Fr. ...*  
GUARI

*The Director*  
*Dept. of Native Affairs,*  
*Armadale*

67-2-2

Patrol Post,  
Guari,  
Gailala Sub-District.

23rd February, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Tapini,  
Gailala Sub-District.

Patrol Report Guari No.5-59/60

KARUAMA CENSUS DIVISION

Patrol Diary

Thursday 4th February, 1960.

1. Patrol departed Guari Patrol Post 0930 hours for KAMULAI Catholic Mission arriving 1230 hours. Heavy rain for most of the way. Patrol accompanied by Mr. B.Hoolahan. Slept KAMULAI Mission.

Friday 5th February, 1960.

2. Departed KAMULAI 0830 hours for OLIVI arriving 1230 hours. Censused and taxed OLIVI Village. Mr. Hoolahan conducted medical examination of villagers. Rest House, shelter and police barracks in good condition. Road fair. Food scarce and of poor quality. Very little sweet potato offered for sale. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Slept OLIVI Rest House.

Saturday 6th February, 1960.

3. Departed OLIVI 0845 hours for KARUAMA arriving 1200 hours. Censused and taxed KARUAMA and KORU Villages. Mr. Hoolahan conducted medical examination of villagers. Rest House, shelter and police barracks in fair condition. Road fair. Food scarce and of poor quality. Very little sweet potato offered for sale. Slept KARUAMA Rest House.

Sunday 7th February, 1960.

4. At KARUAMA Rest House. Part surveyed piece of land at VOTKAWA. One Court for Native Matters convened and one conviction under Reg.71(a) of N.R.O. Slept KARUAMA Rest House.

Monday 8th February, 1960.

5. At KARUAMA Rest House. Finished survey of land at VOTKAWA. Slept KARUAMA Rest House.

Tuesday 9th February, 1960.

6. Departed KARUAMA 0745 for KAPATEIYA arriving 0915 hours. Censused and taxed KAPATEIYA and ZAKAUPA Villages. Mr. Hoolahan conducted medical check of villagers. One Court for Native Matters convened and one conviction under Reg.155(11) of N.R.O. Road fair. Rest House, shelter and police barracks in good condition. Food scarce and of poor quality. Little sweet potato offered for sale. Slept KAPATEIYA Rest House.

Wednesday 10th February, 1960.

7. Departed KAPATEIYA 0740 hours for KARUSIA arriving 0940 hours. Censused and taxed KARUSIA and LOPIZO Villages. Mr. hoolahan conducted medical check of Villagers. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Rest House, shelter and police barracks in good condition. Food scarce and of poor quality. Little sweet potato offered for sale. Track fair. Slept KARUSIA Rest House.

Thursday 12th February, 1960.

8. Departed KARUSIA 0800 hours for IGUAI arriving 1030 hours. Mr. B.Hoolahan departed for JANIALAVAVA en route Tapini. Censused and taxed IGUAI Village. One Court for Native Matters convened and one conviction under Reg.155(11) of N.R.O. Track fair but badly located. Rest House shelter and police barracks in good condition. Food scarce but first village where sweet potato of decent quality. Slept IGUAI Rest House.

Friday 12th February, 1960.

9. Departed IGUAI 0755 hours for AMENU arriving 1000 hours. Censused and taxed AMENU Village. Track fair. Rest house, shelter and police barracks in good condition. Food scarce and of poor quality. Little sweet potato offered for sale. A number of minor arbitrations settled. Slept AMENU Rest House.

Saturday 13th February, 1960.

10. Departed AMENU 0740 hours for PORAMALIO arriving 1300 hours. Censused and taxed PORAMALIO and KWAPA Villages. Track fair but in some patches not good. Food scarce and of poor quality. Little sweet potato offered for sale. Rest House, shelter and police barracks in good condition. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Slept PORAMALIO Rest House.

Sunday 14th February, 1960.

11. Departed PORAMALIO 0820 hours for INAWORENA arriving 0915 hours. Censused and Taxed INAWORENA Village. Road fair for most part but poor in patches. Inspected Aid Post at village. Rest House, shelter and police barracks in good condition. Food scarce and of poor quality. Little sweet potato offered for sale. Slept INAWORENA Rest House.

Monday 15th February, 1960.

12. Departed INAWORENA 0740 hours for DAK'LAWAURO arriving 1300 hours. Censused and taxed DAK'LAWAURO Village. Road fair. Rest House, shelter and police barracks in good condition. Food scarce and of poor quality. Little sweet potato offered for sale. Slept DAK'LAWAURO Rest House.

Tuesday 16th February, 1960.

13. Departed DAK'LAWAURO 0740 hours for KAMULAI arriving 1230 hours. Gear arrived 1500 hours. Slept Kamulai Mission.

Wednesday 17th February, 1960.

14. Departs KAMULAI 0830 hours for Guari Patrol Post arriving 1200 hours.

END OF PATROL



A. Introduction:

15. The purpose of the patrol was fourfold (a) routine administration, (b) census revision, (c) taxation and (d) survey of land at VOTKAWA. For the first week the patrol was accompanied by Mr. B. Hoolahan, a medical student from Sydney University.

16. The KARUAMA Census Division lies about 7½-8 hours walk in a south westerly direction from Guari Patrol Post. There are a number of ways it may be approached. Firstly from JANIALAVAVA Village, in the PILITU Census Division, it is approximately 6½ hours walk to the KARUSIA Rest House. It may also be approached from JAMORO Village, likewise in the PILITU, and from here it is only 4½ hours walk to the AMENU Rest House. Both these routes necessitate using native tracks. The other two courses are firstly, from the MEKBO (KAIRUKU Sub-District) along the graded track to INAWORENA Village; secondly from the Lower KUNIMAIPA Census Division using the bridle path from GUARI via KAMULAI Catholic Mission. The latter road winds up over the pass at the base of Mt. YULE or ZARIMA. ZARIMA towering above the other mountains dominates the whole area.

17. The native population, in common with most of the rest of the GUARI area, lives in scattered hamlets. Each Rest House is situated centrally and would be no more than two hours walk from the furthest homestead it serves. The people are smaller generally than in the KUNIMAIPA Valley and a large percentage are suffering from skin diseases. The most common one being Tinea. The aid post admission sheets inspected show a large number of people suffer from malaria which is probably the biggest killer in the region.

18. Vegetation in the lower KARUAMA is mainly semi-coastal and the temperatures are reasonably high. In the upper reaches of the census division the flora and fauna is temperate. The region is rugged being broken up into small valleys on the floors of which are swiftly flowing streams. There are no valley floors worth mentioning. The two main rivers and river valleys are the TAPALA and MEIPA. The KARUAMA River is a tributary of the TAPALA and there are no villages in the valley.

19. Food throughout the duration of the patrol was scarce. The population at the moment is subsisting on cucumber and maize. The lack of food has been caused by a wet 'dry' season which did not allow the people to prepare their gardens.

20. Carriers were used throughout the patrol and were paid the set rate.

21. Set out below please find a list of the memoranda arising out of the patrol:-

51-1-1	- 19.2.60	- Attitudes.
28-5-1	- 18.2.60	- Taxation.
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28-5-1	- 18.2.60	- Tax Receipts and Exemptions.
14-3-1	- 18.2.60	- T/C Adjustment Advices.
28-5-1	- 23.2.60	- Taxation Absentees.
14-2-1	- 22.2.60	- Demography.
67-3-1	- 22.2.60	- Rest Houses.
35-3-2	- 22.2.60	- Catholic Mission VOTKAWA.
35-3-14	- 22.2.60	- Catholic Mission OLIVI.
35-3-15	- 22.2.60	- Catholic Mission INAWORENA.

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38-3-13 - 22.2.60 - Catholic Mission DAK'LAWAURO.  
49-2-1 - 22.2.60 - AID Post INAWORENA.  
92-3-4 - 23.2.60 - Appointment V.C.KWAPA Village.  
92-2-1 - 23.2.60 - Appointment of Councillors.  
53-1-1 - 23.2.60 - Native Labour.  
38-1-1 - 23.2.60 - Shotgun Permits.  
67-2-1 - 24.2.60 - Patrol Report Gwari No.5-59/60.  
67-2-1 - 24.2.60 - Claim for camping allowance.  
14-3-1 - 25.2.50 - Tax census sheets.  
28-1-1 - 25.2.60 - Lost Bank Book MURIA MEME.  
37-1-1 - 25.2.60 - Lending Shotguns.  
7-1-1 - 25.2.60 - Customary Divorce.

B. Native Affairs:

22. The situation at present seems to be more than satisfactory. There has been no serious crime since the murder at KAPATEIYA (CG156) in May 1958. On the surface this census division seems to be the most law abiding of any administered from GUARI. During my stay at Guari I have had, at most, half a dozen people brought to the station by their respective Village Constables. I do not think that the area, as a whole, is any more observant of the law than the KUNIMAIPA Valley. The reason is, I think, a lackadical approach to the job by the average Village Constable. I notice that Mr. Lang in his Patrol Report Guari No.3-58/59 found the same thing as he stated that during his stay not more than six disutants had brought their troubles up to GUARI. However, I do not agree with Mr. Lang that this is a good thing. It has been my experience that Village Officials usually side with one party or the other. This means that somebody does not get a fair hearing. If the two parties could be assured of an impartial hearing I would agree with him.

23. There were only three Courts for Native Matters convened during the patrol. One of these was for assault (Reg.71(a) of the Regulations made under the N.R.O.) and the defendant was convicted and sentenced to be imprisoned in the gaol at Guari for three months. The other two courts were for Village Constables who had failed to obey the lawful order of their superior officer. In both cases they had failed to bring delinquents up to GUARI. They were each convicted and sentenced to one month at GUARI (Reg 155(11) of the Regulations made under the N.R.O.).

24. At every Rest House Village Constables were re-issued with the orders set out by the District Officer. They were also issued with the additional order to report every three months to the station at GUARI. This is to come into effect from February, 1960. I hope that this will result in more effective control of the Village Constables and the very least it will do is ensure that they visit the station regularly. In my report Patrol Guari No.3-59/60 I mentioned the fact that one Village Constable had openly stated that he had not been to GUARI or Tapini for more than two years. At each Rest House people were also encouraged to settle civil disputes amongst themselves and only in the last instance to bring them to GUARI.

25. I will not go into the attitudes in detail here as I have already done so in my memo. 51-1-1 of 19.2.60. It is sufficient to say here that the attitude is crystallising into one of (sic) benevolent indifference.

26. With regard to the killing of DUMEPA at TONAMENA (CG192), Lower KUNIMAIPA Census Division, I asked a number of people if there was any possibility of a 'pay-back'. The reply was always in the negative. There were two points of view. One that as there had been a killing from each village the matter was now considered closed; two the matter was something to do only with the people primarily concerned. I would like to believe the second as I think that this points to the fact that the 'pay-back' system is dying a natural if slow death. I understand that there is still going to be a dance held at TONAMENA and that DUMEPA's relatives are going. It is conceivable that a peace will be made for the duration but I hope it lasts longer.

27. Whilst I was in the KARUAMA many people asked me about shotgun permits. I have made a full recommendation

Native Affairs Cont'd.

in my 38-1-1 of 23.2.60 to the District Officer, Tapini. I asked a number of men why they wanted permits and they all stated, "To protect our gardens and to hunt." What they did not mention is the prestige attached to a shotgun owner. All the Village Constables, without fail, asked for permits. When I enquired where they would get the money with which to buy the guns a number stated that they would send some of their villagers to the coast to work. When these revenants returned they would get them to hand over their wages and thus they would have the money. A very ingenious scheme which could possibly work.

28. Census statistics are dealt with fully in my memo. 14-2-1 of 22.2.60. Attendance was almost 100% and the defaulters have already been dealt with. KWAPA (CG158) was censused for the first time since 1957 and the people of what was originally KWAPA(1) have now migrated out of the PORAMALIO (CG160) book and have had their names recorded in the KWAPA book. The KWAPA people were censused at the PORAMALIO Rest House as they had already gathered there before I arrived. However, I told them that for the next patrol they should line at their own village.

C. Agriculture:

29. Throughout the patrol food was scarce. The native population is, at present, subsisting on cucumber and maize. There was very little sweet potato offered for sale and where it was it was very inferior in quality. The only place where ipomes batatus came into its own was at IGUALI. Even here, though, the patrol was sold only 50 lbs or less.

30. In my report on Patrol Guari No.3-59/60 para 9 I stated that there could be a shortage of food in the future. This is the case now and the scarcity has been occasioned by a very wet dry season. The result was that the natives could not burn off their gardens.

31. In normal times, however, there is ample food and of a varied nature. Sweet potato is the staple crop but this is augmented by taro, yams, sugar cane, bananas and pawpaws as well as numerous other vegetables and fruits. Fish can also be caught in the lower reaches of the TAPALA River.

32. The Catholic Mission have planted a number of plots of coffee which is doing well. I did not see, nor was I informed of, any native owned coffee.

33. Native livestock seen was the ubiquitous pig, fowl and dog. The Mission have some cattle in the area and these appear to be thriving.

34. As Mr. Lang stated in his report on Patrol Guari No.3-59/60 there does not seem to be any fear of the population running short of gardening ground. Indeed there appear to be vast areas that have not yet been tapped. In my view by the time the region is populous enough to need this land more than probably many people will be living away from the area.

D. Forestry:

35. The need for re-forestation in this region is not urgent at the moment. Vast tracts of land are still under primary growth and where recently there have been gardens these areas are steadily being encroached upon by the surrounding jungle.

36. When a Casurina nursery has been established at GUARI it would still be worth while to transplant a few seedlings and start one in the KARUAMA. This would, I think, definitely enable all parties concerned to avoid the denudation that has occurred in the KUNIMAIPA Valley. If the indigenes can be induced to fallow their gardens under Casurina this would help immensely towards keeping what soil there is where it is. Owing to its steepness the census division could easily loose most of its top soil if it is not under some form of protective covering.

B. Health.

37. For the first week the patrol was accompanied by Mr. B. Hoolahan a medical student from Sydney University. This is the first time during my term at GUARI that any patrol has been accompanied by a competent medical authority. After each person had been seen at census he or she as the case may be was medically examined.

38. Malaria still seems to be taking a heavy toll of people. Of the deaths that I inquired about all it appears were caused by (a) malaria, (b) pneumonia or (c) old age. Malaria, however, as far as I could work out is the dominant disease. The INAWORENA (CG150) Aid Post daily patient list showed that most of the people suffering from disease were malaria ridden. Tinea is also very common and it appears that there are two reasons for people not getting it cleaned up. Firstly they do not like to attend regularly over the length of time required and secondly they (according to one medical orderly) are afraid to be painted with the medicine. My personal observations do not bear this second reason out. However, it might be worth experimenting with a different coloured paint.

39. There are two aid posts in the area. One is at INAWORENA (CG150) and the other at KARUSIA (CG157) or as it is sometimes known TAVEVE. I suggest that the next one be erected at DAK'LAWAURO (CG148). This would serve OLIVI (CG149), KARUAMA (CG154), KORU (CG155) and of course DAK'LAWAURO.

40. During the last 12 months there have been 16 male and 14 female births. Deaths were 46 and the natural decrease is 16 per 1000 or 1.6%. This is surely a case for more aid posts and medical patrols. The last medical patrol to the area was in September, 1959. However, I am under the impression that this one visited no villages off the bridle track.

P. Roads:

41. The network of bridle tracks in the census division is not yet adequate. At present there is only one graded path and this runs the whole length of the TAPALA Valley. In the other valleys, MEIPA, KI and KARUAMA, the only tracks are inter-village footpaths. The road runs from the base of Mt. YULE (ZARINA) down through OLIVI (CG149), DAK'LATAURO (CG148), KARUAMA (CG154), KORU (CG155), PORAMALIO (CG160), INAWONENA (CG150) and eventually emerges at the coast near YULE Island. There is only one bridge and that is over the MEIPA River at the junction of the MEIPA and TAPALA Rivers. This bridge is essential and, although at the moment, it does not need any maintenance this should not be stunted when it is required. The other villages in the KARUAMA can only be reached by using native tracks.

42. Throughout, the graded road and village paths were in reasonable condition though some of the latter were badly sited. It is my opinion that no attempt should be made to re-site these paths. Firstly because I think we should concentrate on bridle tracks and secondly I doubt if the new tracks would be used very much. It has been my experience, except where there are graded roads, that natives will take the shorter route between two given points. This is exactly what the inter-village paths do.

43. At all the Rest Houses along the bridle track I gave out notices under sec.8 of the Roads Maintenance Ordinance. It was gratifying to see the result. Before I had finished the patrol some villages were already working on the road.

44. If funds are forthcoming it is hoped to finish the KARUAMA (CG154) to KAPATEIYA (CG156) section of bridle track. This will prove extremely useful as it will be the first step towards linking the MEIPA Valley.



6. Taxation:

45. There are 335 people eligible to pay tax in the KARUAMA Census Division. There was a total of 235 collections and the sum collected was £117-5-0. There were 55 full exemptions granted. Only one partial exemption was issued.

46. Generally speaking there was no difficulty in collecting tax and the attitude towards taxation is outlined in my memo. 51-2-1 of 19.2.60.

47. A number of people now want to go to work on the coast. This is a direct result of the implementation of tax. When I asked why they wanted to go to work they replied that this was the only way they could get money for tax. It seems that one of the main effects that taxation will have is to drive more people into becoming migrant labourers. The full implication of this will not be known for some years but judging by other areas and countries there must be social repercussions.

48. I explained that tax would now be collected yearly and also that Europeans paid it. They are still hazy on the subject and will only obtain a clearer view by education.

*R Hill*

(R.Hill)  
Patrol Officer in Charge

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of...CENTRAL...(GOLLALA S-D)..... Report No. GUARI No. 7-59/60.....

Patrol Conducted by..... R. HILL PATROL OFFICER.....

Area Patrolled..... LOWER KUNIMAIPA CENSUS DIVISION.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... NO OFFICIAL.....

Natives..... 2 Police 2 Interpreters

Duration—From... 23 / 5 / 1960 to 14 / 5 / 1960..

Number of Days..... 12.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... No.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... / 5 / 19 59.....

Medical .... / 18.....

Map Reference..... GUARI AREA MAP.....

Objects of Patrol..... (a) ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION (b) CENSUS REVISION  
(c) TAXATION.....

Director of Native Affairs,

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 .... £.....

13	Over 13	Females in Child
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27th June, 1960.

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67-1-15 ✓

In Reply  
Please Quote

WTcc

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TAPINI:  
Gailala Sub-District.

No. 67-3-3.

26 May 60. (59/2157)

The Director,  
Dept. of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.



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*W.E. Tomasetti*  
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District Officer.

cc:  
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57-3-3(58/2156).

District Office,  
TAPINI:  
Gailala Sub-District.

26 May 60.

Patrol Officer i/c.,  
GUARI Patrol Post,  
Gailala Sub-District.

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cc:  
→ The Director,  
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Patrol Post,  
GUARI,  
Gailala Sub-District.

20th May 1960.

The District Officer,  
TAPINI,  
Gailala Sub-District.

PATROL REPORT GUARI NO.7-59/60

LOWER KUNIMAIPA CENSUS DIVISION

PATROL DIARY

Tuesday 3rd May 1960.

1. Departed GUARI Patrol Post 0845 hours for TONAMENA arriving 1125 hours. TONAMENA section of road excellent. Censused and taxed TONAMENA Village. No courts convened. Rest house and Police barracks excellent. Food plentiful. Health good. Slept TONAMENA rest house.

Wednesday 4th May 1960.

2. At TONAMENA. Supervision of erection of shelter. Number of minor disputes settled. No courts convened. Slept KAMULAI Mission.

Thursday 5th May 1960.

3. Departed KAMULAI Mission 0830 hours for KELIVI arriving 1030 hours. KELIVI section of road good. Censused and taxed KELIVI Village. No courts convened. A number of minor arbitrations settled. Rest house and Police barracks reasonable. Food plentiful. Health reasonable. Slept KELIVI rest house.

Friday 6th May 1960.

4. Departed KELIVI 0715 hours for KOIFA arriving 1000 hours. KOIFA section of road good. Censused and taxed KOIFA(1) & (2) Villages. No courts convened. New provisional V.C. and Councillor elected for KOIFA(2) Village. Rest house and Police barracks reasonable. Food plentiful. Health good. Slept KOIFA rest house.

Saturday 7th May 1960.

5. Departed KOIFA 0730 hours for GOILAPU arriving 0930 hours. GOILAPU section of road good. Censused and taxed GOILAPU Village. One Court for Native Matters convened under Reg.71(a) of the Regs made under the N.R.O. Rest house and Police barracks reasonable. Food plentiful. Health good. Slept GOILAPU rest house.

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Sunday 8th May 1960.

6. Departed GOILAPU 0745 hours for UNI arriving 1345 hours. UNI section of road good. Censused and taxed UNI(2) Village. No courts convened. Rest house and Police barracks good. Food plentiful. Health good although a number of cases of Tinea seen. Slept UNI rest house.

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Monday 9th May 1960.

7. AT UNI. Censused and taxed UNI(1) Village. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Slept UNI rest House.

Tuesday 10th May 1960.

8. Departed UNI 0810 hours for KOMU arriving 0910 hours. KOMU section of road good. Censused and taxed KOMU Village. No courts convened. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Rest house and Police barracks good. Health good although some cases of Tinea seen. Slept KOMU rest house.

Wednesday 11th May 1960.

9. Departed KOMU 0750 hours for NELEME arriving 1000 hours. KOMU and NELEME sections of road good. Censused and taxed NELEME Village. Two Courts for Native Matters convened. One under Reg 71(c) and the other under Reg 87(1) of the Regs made under the N.R.O. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Rest house and Police barracks good. Food plentiful. Health good. Slept NELEME rest house.

Thursday 12th May 1960.

10. Departed NELEME 0810 hours for IVIRUPU arriving 0900 hours. IVIRUPU section of road good. Censused and taxed IVIRUPU Village. Two Courts for Native Matters convened. One under 71(a) and the other Under Reg 71(c) of the Regs made under the N.R.O. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Rest house and Police barracks reasonable. Food plentiful. Health good. Slept IVIRUPU rest house.

Friday 13th May 1960.

11. Departed IVIRUPU 0810 hours for ZHEVENAI arriving 0900 hours. ZHEVENAI section of road good. Censused and taxed ZHEVENAI Village. One Court for Native Matters convened under Reg 155(11) of Regs made under the N.R.O. Number of minor arbitrations settled. Rest house and Police barracks good. Food plentiful. Health good. Slept ZHEVENAI rest house.

Saturday 14th May 1960.

12. Departed ZHEVENAI 0730 for GUARI Patrol Post arriving 1200 hours.

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A. INTRODUCTION.

13. The purpose of the patrol was (a) routine administration (b) census revision and (c) taxation. The patrol was unaccompanied by any official Europeans and the native personnel consisted of two interpreters and two police. A police party of this size I consider quite sufficient for the census division.

14. The LOWER KUNIMAIPA Census Division lies to the West of the GUARI Patrol Post. It is rugged but not to the extreme extent that the KARUAMA is. The area is dominated by Mt.YULE (ZARIMA). The main physical features are the KUNIMAIPA Valley bounded on both sides by ranges going up to heights of ten and eleven thousand feet. The culmination is, of course Mt.YULE on the southern bank and the PAPUA/NEW GUINEA backbone on the northern bank. The vegetation in the middle and eastern sections is Kunai grass up to about 7,000 feet where the timber line commences. The western end, however, is still quite heavily timbered right down to the KUNIMAIPA.

15. The people are of medium height and reasonably healthy. There is very little skin disease in the area as a whole. Towards the western end, which is considerably lower than the eastern section, however, Tinea is more prevalent.

16. Carriers were used throughout and only at one place, ZHEVENAI (CG184), was there any difficulty in obtaining them. At all times they were paid the set rates. Food was abundant throughout and at all villages except two I was either given or was able to buy a pig.

17. This is the only census division in the GUARI Area where there are two missions of different denominations. These are the R.C.Mission, with their headquarters at KAMULAI, which has a staff of four European Fathers and one European sister. In addition there is one Papuan/Philipino and two Papuan Sisters. This Mission has rest houses, churches and 'schools' at most of the villages. The Priests make periodic rounds to supervise their 'teachers'. The L.M.S., with its headquarters at SUAS, is much smaller. There is usually a Samoan Pastor in charge here but he has gone on leave and so far there has been no replacement. This Mission has 'teachers' in only 6 villages out of the total 13 in the census division. These 'teachers' are largely left to themselves with visits about once every six months from a European Pastor. It is surprising really that they have the amount of influence they do possess. The R.C.Mission is more influential but not as much as they appear at first sight.

18. Set out below please find a list of the memoranda associated with the patrol:-

- 35-3-22 of 16.5.60 - C.M.KAMULAI - Pastoral Lease.
- 35-3-21 of 16.5.60 - C.M.KAMULAI - Mission Lease.
- 35-3-23 of 16.5.60 - C.M.GILTEK (Near KELIVI)
- 35-3-24 of 16.5.60 - C.M.GAVIZOK (Near KELIVI)
- 35-3-17 of 16.5.60 - C.M.BORAU (Near KOIFA(1))
- 25-3-25 of 16.5.60 - C.M.ALNAD (Near KOIFA(1))

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35-4-2 of 16.5.60 - L.M.S.GELAULOP (Near KOIFA(2))  
 35-4-3 of 16.5.60 - L.M.S.SULEIBO (Near GOILAPU)  
 35-4-4 of 16.5.60 - L.M.S.KOIRAB (Near GOILAPU)  
 35-3-26 of 16.5.60- C.M.GOILAP (Near GOILAPU)  
 35-3-27 of 16.5.60- C.M.PARAPA (Near GOILAPU)  
 35-3-3 of 16.5.60- C.M.KEPRAEK (Near UNI(1))  
 35-3-28 of 16.5.60- C.M.BIZREIOK (Near KOMU)  
 35-4-5 of 16.5.60- L.M.S.MOREI (Near KOMU)  
 35-4-6 of 16.5.60- L.M.S.TENIZAIZ NEKIS (Near UNI(1))  
 35-3-29 of 16.5.60- C.M. BAPIJ (Near NELEME)  
 35-4-8 of 16.5.60- L.M.S.GANIWAI (Near NELEME)  
 35-3-30 of 16.5.60- C.M.GORIRIWAI (Near IVIRUPU)  
 35-4-7 of 16.5.60- L.M.S.GOPIWAI (Near IVIRUPU)  
 35-3-32 of 17.5.60- C.M.ABABEPI (Near KOMU?)  
 35-3-4 of 17.5.60- C.M.ABRAKZEIRAK (Near ZHEVENAI)  
 28-5-1 of 17.5.60- Tax Absentees.  
 28-5-1 of 17.5.60- Taxation - Lower Kunimaipa C.D.  
 7-1-1 of 18.5.60- Organisation of food production etc.  
 51-2-1 of 18.5.60- Attitude towards taxation.  
 51-1-1 of 18.5.60- Attitudes.  
 14-3-1 of 18.5.60- Tax-census sheets.  
 53-1-1 of 18.5.60- Native labour recruiting.  
 92-3-4 of 18.5.60- Appointment of V.C.  
 92-2-1 of 18.5.60- Appointment of Councillor.  
 67-3-1 of 18.5.60- Rest houses.  
 14-3-1 of 19.5.60- T/C A.A.  
 14-3-1 of 19.5.60- T/C A.A.  
 14-3-1 of 19.5.60- T/C A.A.  
 67-2-1 of 19.5.60- Patrol Report Guari NO.7-59/60  
 67-2-1 of 19.5.60- Claim for camping allowance.  
 14-2-1 of 21.5.60- Demography.  
 85-1-1 of 21.5.60- Request for coffee seedlings.

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B. NATIVE AFFAIRS.

19. To report on the Native Affairs situation in this census division the area must first be divided into two sections.. The one is comprised of three villages viz TONAMENA(CG192), ZHEVENAI(CG184) and IVIRUPU(CG183) and the other the rest of the region. My reasons for this will be explained later.

20. The LOWER KUNIMAIPA Census Division has been and still is, the most troublesome in the GUARI Area. I would estimate that at least half of the court cases and civil complaints heard since I have been stationed at GUARI have come from here. In particular they have come from the three villages mentioned above.

21. Since the last patrol there have been two murders at TONAMENA. The second was a 'pay back' for the first. Apart from these two unfortunate incidents there have been no other major crimes in the census division since the manslaughter commented on in my report GUARI No.4-58/59.

22. The ZHEVENAI/IVIRUPU area is a different kettle of fish. These two villages are continually bickering with each other. I have not yet been able to get to the bottom of this feud except that it is over land. I intend to have it really sorted out before I leave GUARI.

23. Generally speaking the rest of the census division is settling down well. The crime rate has dropped considerably in the year that I have been here. Although during the patrol there were six courts for Native Matters convened none of the cases were serious. Two were held under 71(a), one under 71(c), two under 78(1) and the final one under 155(11) of the Regs made under the N.R.O.. All the defendants were sentenced for periods of one or two months except the V.C. charged under 155(11) who was fined 10/-. There has been one case of riotous behaviour since my last patrol but this was very minor.

24. In regard to law and order I think I can report, with a certain amount of confidence, that the situation has improved immensely since my arrival here. One of the main reasons for this is that the efficiency of the Village Constables has improved out of sight. Since the set of orders that were issued by the District Officer, TAPINT, have been given out there have been quite a number of convictions under Reg.155(11). I believe that some people do not agree with the penalties I have imposed. The main reason for imprisoning the offenders are that the V.C's have a job to do; they are in fact the official eyes and ears of the Field Staff in PAPUA. I have found that if they neglect their job the 'crime' rate rises. Of this I am certain. I think this has been proved in reverse by the fact that the V.C's have become more efficient and the 'crime' rate has dropped. At each rest house the V.C. of the village was re-issued with the standard set of orders. Councillors were also instructed in their functions.

25. At every rest house the villagers were told to try and settle civil complaints at the village level. If they could not be settled here only then to bring them to GUARI. However, it was impressed on all and

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sundry that on no account were criminal matters to be heard in the village. These were to be bought up to GUARI as soon as possible.

26. Whilst at NELEME I again interviewed SIWOI who was released from prison a number of years ago as it was later found that he had been imprisoned for a crime he did not commit. I asked him how he was settling down to which he replied that he had had no threats against himself or any of his relatives. He also stated that he did not want to move from his village out of the area. I think that if the Administration keeps an interest in SIWOI the possibility of a 'pay back' is lessened.

27. Everybody was impressed with the importance of keeping to one name in all extra-village matters. They were also impressed with their official village name. They were told that if they went away to work to give their census book names and their official village names. The reason for this is that many people go to work and give totally different names from that appearing in their books and very often only give a small hamlet name for their village.

28. The census and taxation were conducted without any difficulty. Taxation is dealt with elsewhere in the report and statistics are fully set out in my 14-2-1 of 21.5.60. It is sufficient to say here that there were no census absentees.

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C. AGRICULTURE.

29. Little that is new can be added to existing reports. There is a growing interest in cash cropping and at several rest houses there were requests for coffee seedlings. Please see my 25-1-1 of 21.5.60.

30. Whilst at KOMU (CG187) I endeavoured to find out if KAE (ref.D.O.25-1-1 of 12.4.60) would be able to work there or not. The KOMU people are anxious to see him arrive. It has already been decided what ground he can use. It was explained to people that whatever was planted belonged to the owner of the ground and not the person who planted it. To my mind the venture is worth supporting. It is a pity, though, that KAE has picked a village so far away from GUARI as his transport problems are going to be enormous if he produces in quantity.

31. No new plots of coffee were seen on this patrol. The R.C.Mission blocks appear to be doing well. A new crop seen this year was peanuts. This has evidently come up from the L.M.S.Mission at MORU. It appears to be doing quite well. There was a good season last year and the sweet potato gardens seen were again filled to capacity. Food was abundant and European type vegetables grow well. Potatoes, however, are not suitable to the western end of the census division.

32. At several rest houses I was presented with pigs and at practically all others I was able to buy them. I think the attitude of looking on the pig as a prestige unit is beginning to break down and the economic aspect is starting to appear. This new outlook, though, is still in its infancy. The only other native livestock seen were fowls and mangy dogs.

33. The R.C.Mission at KAMULAI has sheep, horses, pigs and cattle running on their lease. All appear to do well.

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D. HEALTH.

34. The health is reasonably good. There is almost a complete absence of Tinea, or indeed any skin disease, in the eastern section and there is relatively little even at the lower western end of the division.

35. An Aid Post should be established in the LOWER KUNIMAIPA. The best place would be at KOMU (CG187). From looking at the area map it can be seen that KOMU is very centrally situated for about four villages. Although the L.M.S. headquarters is nearby at NELEME (CG188) the people from KOMU and UNI(1)(CG189) and UNI(2)(CG190) rarely seem to go there. I think that the Aid Post would be well patronised and more than probably lower the death rate.

36. No. N.H.O. accompanied the patrol due to there only being one at GUARI at present. I cannot emphasise too strongly the need for an E.M.A. to accompany all patrols from the Patrol Post.

37. There was recently a minor epidemic in the region which affected this division. However not many people appear to have died from it. It is still in dispute as to whether it was whooping cough or 'flu.

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E. ROADS.

38. In my last patrol report (GUARI No.4-58/59) which dealt with this area I stated that I hoped to have the road network completed. I have to report, however, that this is not the case. No new projects have been undertaken yet and it seems that work will not start for at least another three months.

39. Money has now been granted to finish the NELEME/KOMU section but unfortunately, at the moment everybody is concentrating on making their gardens, I talked to all the villages on the North bank of the KUNIMAIPA about making a start. However, I always received the same reply that is that everybody would only be too willing once they had finished their gardens. It was arranged that there would be a further meeting between the village officials concerned and myself in three months time.

40. About two months prior to the patrol road notices under Sec.8 of the Roads Maintenance Ordinance were given out. As a result the roads everywhere were like the proverbial billiard table. It is too early to say yet whether their fundamental attitude towards the maintenance of roads has been altered or not. I doubt if it has. I think the threat of court action for some years to come will be the only reason why the bridle tracks are in reasonable condition.

41. There are about fifty to sixty miles of bridle track in the census division. Only between GOILAPU (CG182) and KOMU(CG187), KOMU and UNI(1)(CG189) and NELEME(CG188) is it necessary to leave the graded paths. Horses can now travel as far as GOILAPU on the southern bank and the L.M.S.Mission at NELEME on the Northern bank.

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F. TAXATION.

42. There are 522 people eligible to pay tax out of which 355 paid. The total collection was £177-10-0. The LOWER KUNIMAIPA is taxed at the rate of 10/- per eligible head. The number of full exemptions was 84 and the rest of the people eligible were either away at work or students.

43. The attitude towards taxation is dealt with fully in my 51-2-1 of 18.5.60. All tax collected without any difficulty except at ZHEVENAI (CG184).

44. Here a number of R.C. Mission teachers tried to avoid paying by saying that they are employed full time by the Mission. This is true. However they were all paid at Christmas varying amounts between £3 and £12. As such I did not consider their excuse that they had no money as a valid one. They were told to find it which they eventually did.

45. I explained that tax was now a yearly payment and also tried to explain that the money the Government spent had all been collected in the form of tax. It was also explained that most men, including all working Europeans, paid tax.

46. Needless to say they are still puzzled about the subject. They can only get a clearer view through education which is used here in its widest sense.

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C. FORESTRY.

47. There is very little to add to last years report in this section. The situation is much the same. As it is now time for the gardening season again, people were exhorted to look after the fires they lit. Government policy on this matter was explained and I informed them that people who were too lazy to do this would be severely dealt with. However, it is rather hard, sometimes, to find the person responsible as many a time I have had a young child pushed forward as the culprit.

48. A forestry worker has now been posted to the station. His main duty will be to establish a nursery at GUARI and then move out into the two KUNIMAIPA Censur Divisions. It will probably be many years before the results of his work can be seen. This work will be of immense benefit to the LOWER KUNIMAIPA and to the GUARI Area in general

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