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KOROBA

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DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS  
25 AUG 1960  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. Kanoka No. 1 1960-61

Patrol Conducted by N. J. Grant, P.O.

Area Patrolled 1. Fureni, 2. Far Agorofuzva, 3. Paru, 4. Kundugu.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans R. N. Desailly, ADO 6 days.

Natives 6 RRANGG, 1 HMO, 1 Interpreter.

Duration—From 4/7/60 to 10/8/60  
Grant ... 35

Number of Days Desailly ... 6

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

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

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

Map Reference Map attached.

Objects of Patrol 1. General Administration, 2. Suppression Tribal Fighting, 3. Road and Bridge Construction.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

*Duplicate Held*

Forwarded, please.

*36 / 8 / 1960*

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner *5/11*

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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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

THE PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER.

MINUTE

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File No. 67-15-4.

SUBJECT

PATROL REPORT - MORCEBA No. 1-60/61

Suggest this Patrol Report might make a news item.

*Returned. Miss Jones  
said a Press Report was issued  
while she was in the field recently.*

*J. K. McCarthy*  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director

20th September, 1960.

67-15-4

20th September, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 1-60/61

Receipt of the above mentioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

Your memorandum 11/5-241 dated 17th August, 1960, has been passed to the Secretary for Law asking him to instruct his officers in terms of the contents of the memorandum.

The Officers are to be congratulated on their prompt action in apprehending those concerned in the disturbance. I suggest that every care be taken in the preparation of the cases for the Court when this affair is being dealt with.

The attitude of the people towards the Administration must be considered satisfactory even if only because of the fact that they cease fighting amongst themselves when an Administration patrol enters the area.

I am particularly gratified to note that the man accused of murder was handed over by his own people - he, the murderer, is indeed lucky to be still alive.

I am gratified to note that swift justice was dealt out through the Court for Native Matters to the three men who fired arrows at the carriers who were standing a little apart from the main party.

I agree that the people are not under control but Administration influence is obviously quite strong in that they have a healthy respect for any patrol. I fully concur that it was desirable to prosecute only the ring-leaders in the fighting and not to try and deal with all those who actually took part. Mass punishment becomes indeed not a punishment when such numbers are involved. However, the prosecution of a few - the ring-leaders - will I feel be quite effective.

I agree that our strength is the major factor in influencing the people's attitude towards us at this stage.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director.



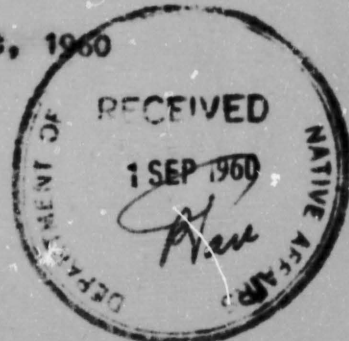
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No. 30/1-308

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

29th August, 1960

Assistant District Officer,  
KOROKA.



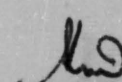
KOROKA PATROL No. 1 of 1960/61.

Thank you for Mr. Grant's report on his recent patrol in your Sub-District and your covering comments.

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Both yourself and Mr. Desailly are again to be complimented on your prompt action in getting the trouble area and the apprehension of all concerned except one. I admire your confidence in stating "he will be arrested in due course" and from your past record I knew that will be the case.

Claims for camping allowance are returned herewith for payment.

  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

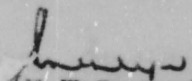
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The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

For your information please. Copies of the Patrol Report are attached.

My memorandum 11/5-241 dated 17th August, 1960 to you indicates the native feeling in respect of the rather brutal murder committed.

Good work is being done at Koroka. The trouble on this occasion was on the fringe of the area which is being concentrated upon for the time being. I do not consider that the fighting reported detracts from the very good progress being made in this Sub-District at their present stage of development.

  
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District Officer.

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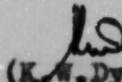
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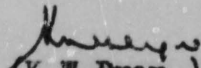
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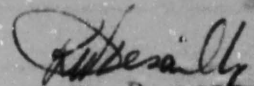
Sub-District Office,  
Koreba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.

District Officer,  
Mendi.

REPORT ON PATROL No.1 of 1960/61

I enclose the above report of a patrol by Mr Grant.

I have already written to advise you of the native reaction to the recent killing mentioned in the report. I am well aware that threats or demands from the people cannot influence a judge, and that only proper evidence and relevant facts will be considered at the trial. However it is clearly necessary to report native thought, and in this case I cannot avoid the feeling that as far as the people are concerned our legal system is now on trial.



R.E. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District

17th August 1960

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi

KOROBA PATROL NO 1 OF 1960/61

**Officer Conducting:** N.J. Grant, Patrol Officer.

**Area Patrolled:** Purieni, Mogorogugwa, Faru and Kundugu.

**Objects of Patrol:**

1. General Administration.
2. Stop tribal fighting.
3. Road and bridge building.

**Accompanying Patrol:** Mr R.N. Desailly, A.D.O. (6 days only)  
Six police.  
One medical orderly.  
One interpreter.  
Five permanent carriers (increased to 20 for period 26/7/60 to 5/8/60).

**Duration of Patrol:** Commenced 4.7.60  
Completed 5.8.60

**Days on Patrol:** Grant 35  
Desailly 6

**Map:** Sketch map accompanying.

INTRODUCTION

As usual native administration and road building were combined, except for the period concerned with the outbreak of fighting.

The patrol visited most of the controlled area within the sub-district, and in spite of the disturbances reported below the native situation is still considered most satisfactory at this stage of contact.

DIARY

Monday 4th July 1960 From Koroba to Telabo.

Tuesday 5th July Driving piles at new bridge site.

Wednesday 6th July Pile driving continued. Rev. Father Berard of the Capuchin Mission visiting to give technical advice.

Thursday 7th July Patrol Officer Howard and his Kutubu patrol spent the night at Telabo en route Lake Kutubu. Work on bridge site continued.

Friday 8th July Kutubu patrol departed. Work continued. Mr Desailly arrived at Kebia, approximately four miles to the north, to assist with road work.

Saturday 9th July More foundation piles driven.



Saturday 10th July Moved to Kebia rest house to assist Mr Desailly with blasting operations on limestone section of road.

Monday 11th July Continued with drilling and blasting.

Tuesday 12th July Continued with drilling and blasting.

Wednesday 13th July Continued blasting until supply of detonators finished. Mr Desailly returned to Koroba and the patrol to Telabo.

Thursday 14th July. Six more foundation piles driven.

Friday 15th July Completed chain and compass traverse in connection with a land application.

Saturday 16th July During the night word received of a murder in Pogei/Hunaka area. Left Telabo 0600 and arrived Pogei 0930 and took into custody an alleged murderer handed over by the village constable. Crossed Hedemari ridge to west towards Lunaka, the scene of the killing, and met Mr Desailly and a party from Koroba. After enquiries proceeded Koroba.

Sunday 17th July Proceeded via Gitnoma to Telabo.

Monday 18th July Work on bridge site continued.

Tuesday 19th July Pile driving continued.

Wednesday 20th July Completed driving foundation piles.

Thursday 21st July Working on road approaches and Hiwanda/Telabo section.

Friday 22nd July Proceeded to Koroba.

Saturday 23rd to Monday At Koroba for lower court hearing of murder charge.

Tuesday 26th July. Proceeded to Kengi to stop tribal fighting. Arrived 1400. Fight still in progress but stopped immediately the patrol arrived. The two principals said to be Haya and Tagili.

Wednesday 27th July. Tagili, Hoya and most of those sent for appeared on summons. Other arrests were made, and three arrows were fired at the patrol during the day. Another arrest made before returning to camp.

Thursday 28th July Three men, including two who had fired arrows at the patrol yesterday, taken into custody. Moved camp to Kobera and patrolled Neni, Nona and Kuna, arresting five men. Two other later appeared on summons.

Friday 29th July Two other men appeared on summons. Patrol moved to Betega to join Mr Desailly who had already made camp there. Self through Kenemo and made one arrest before joining the combined patrols at Betega.

Saturday 30th July Proceeded to Koroba with prisoners.

Sunday 31st July Departed Koroba 0930 and made camp in the Paru Valley, at Haiya, 1530. Alleged offenders summoned and one conviction in C.N.M.

Monday 1st August 1960 Departed 0800 and arrived Adzugari 1000.  
Marked out a site for a new rest house.  
C.N.M. hearings and two convictions for riotous behaviour arising out of a recent skirmish. Both men appeared on summons. Summoned one other man, Homago.

Tuesday 2nd August Discussions with people and arbitration on several disputes. Went to get a man named Gwoli, but he apparently took fright and ran away. Two others sent for. Gwoli later appeared with pigs to settle an old debt.

Wednesday 3rd August Further discussions and arbitration. Rest house completed.

Thursday 4th August Departed 0640 and arrived Betega 1615.

Friday 5th August Patrol to Koroba.

Saturday 6th August Patrol to Kundugu rest house. Pegged road from Kakarin ridge to Ayenaga Creek, where the original road route is too steep.

Sunday 7th August Via Kilabo River and Kebia to Tagari bridge and return, checking road work.

Monday 8th August Commenced survey for re-routing road on the eastern side of Ayenaga Creek.

Tuesday 9th August Completed pegging road near Ayenaga.

Wednesday 10th August Patrol returned to Koroba.

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS

The murder mentioned in the diary (at Hunaka) has caused much concern throughout the adjacent area, and the people are waiting to see what will happen to the alleged murderer. In their eyes the man had no justification for such a brutal act, as it was only a family argument with no "legitimate" excuse for killing.

The accused man has been committed for trial on a charge of wilful murder. He was handed over by his own people, and not even his brothers attempted to shield or help him.

The Assistant District Officer has written more fully in his memorandum 14/1, dated 16th August, on this subject.

Probably if we had not acted quickly there would have been a serious outbreak of fighting resulting from the murder, as however they feel about him the relatives of the accused must still bear the brunt of the general anger. However, it is very encouraging that they are prepared to let us handle the matter and that nobody was injured by outraged relatives of the dead man.

This is the first case of this nature near Koroba since the station was established, as although violence and death are not uncommon there has always been what the people consider a reasonable motive.

The tribal fighting near Kengi was quickly settled and although three arrows were fired this was not as serious as it may sound. Several carriers were standing a little apart from the main patrol party when three men appeared on a ridge and saw them apparently unprotected. In fact as soon as the arrows were fired the attackers realised their mistake and fled. All three were later convicted in the Court for Native Matters.



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The Kengi area is on the northern fringe of the area selected for consolidation in the first instance. It is also the edge of the Huri language group, where it merges with the Duna, and many of the people are bi-lingual.

The inhabitants have had less attention than those to the south and east, and are not considered to be under Administration control. However influence is quite strong and they have a healthy respect for any patrol, whatever they may do in our absence.

Probably more than three hundred men were involved in the fighting, but it is not considered advisable to denude an area of virtually all able men, and only principals and a few others were charged. Thirty three men were imprisoned for terms ranging from three to six months. Only one man who refused to appear on summons is still at large. He will be arrested in due course.

Adzugari is also on the outer fringe of the main area of operation, and at about the same stage of contact and control. During July a small fight occurred, and this was duly reported by the headman. The knowledge that he had set off to report them was sufficient to cause the combatants to call the fight off. Those summoned appeared immediately and the ring leaders were convicted in the Court for Native Matters.

#### ROADS AND BRIDGES

Roadwork is progressing well on the new sections recently surveyed, and part of the old road has been re-routed to avoid bad grades. On the latest re-routing section, near the Ayenaga Creek, work has only been started during the last few days.

Mr Desailly spent six days on the limestone section near Kebia, and a lot of stone was removed by using explosives before the detonators available were all used. More have now been obtained and the job will be completed as soon as possible.

In spite of the amount of work done, and the various sections of road already completed, the mileage of vehicular roads remains much the same because almost none of the new road is accessible. Within the next few months a number of connecting links should be completed, and within a year the present total of approximately sixteen miles should have increased to some forty miles of vehicular road. In general the new road is much better than the old one.

#### CONCLUSION

It was again demonstrated, during this patrol, that even the people living some distance from the station are under the influence, if not the control, of the Administration. No native situation can be regarded as good when fighting still occurs, but for people at this stage of contact the signs are encouraging.

It is not clear just how much of our influence is due to acknowledged benefits and wisdom, and how much to our acknowledged strength, but probably the latter is the major factor and will be for some time.

*N. J. Grant*  
N. J. Grant  
Patrol Officer







LAVANI

Tumbudu Valley

Naga River

Karama Creek

Map labels and geographical features:

- Top left: Tumbudu River, Karama River, Karama Mountains
- Top center: Karama River, Karama Mountains
- Top right: Tumbudu Valley, Karama Mountains
- Center: Karama Mountains, Karama River
- Bottom left: Naga Mountains, Naga River, Karama River
- Bottom center: Karama River, Karama Mountains
- Bottom right: Karama River, Karama Mountains





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of... Southern Highlands ..... Report No. Koroba ..... No. 2 1960/61.....

Patrol Conducted by... R.N. Desailly A.D.O. .....

Area Patrolled... Mogorofugwa .....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans... Nil .....

Natives... 2 Police, 1 Interpreter, 5 Carriers.

Duration--From... 26/7/1960 ... to... 2/8/1960 .....

Number of Days... 8 .....

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

Last Patrol to Area by--District Services... June ...../1960.....

Medical ... November/18 ..... 1958

Map Reference... Sketch map accompanying .....

Objects of Patrol... Initial Census .....

*Duplicate held*

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

14 / 8 / 1960

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner *offic*

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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67-15-1

17th October, 1960.


The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MERRI.

PATROL REPORT NO. 2/60-61 - KOROBA.

My 67-15-1 of 5th September, 1960 refers.

The following extract of a memorandum from the  
Acting Director of Public Health is forwarded for your  
information.

"The report of the District Medical Officer is  
awaited with interest and the remarks of the District  
Officer concerning the shortage of medical staff in his  
district are regarded sympathetically, but at the present  
time there is no possibility of any increase in staff in  
the area."

(J.K. McCarthy)   
Acting Director





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

All Correspondence  
to be addressed to the Director  
**HNW.BB**

67/1571 ✓  
Telephone 4191  
Telegraphic Address "HEALTH" Port Moresby

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH,  
Konedobu

In Reply  
Please Quote No.

50-6-2/M1464

9th September, 1960.



The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
**KONEDOBU.**

Subject: Patrol Report No.2/60-61 - Koroba.

Reference: Your 67-15-1/ of 5th September, 1960.

Thank you for the copy of the letter from the District Officer, Mendi, and the extract from the above Patrol Report.

The report of the District Medical Officer is awaited with interest and the remarks of the District Officer concerning the shortage of medical staff in his district are regarded sympathetically, but at the present time there is no possibility of any increase in staff in the area.

(H.N. White)  
**ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH**



JSMcL.FG

67-15-1

5th September, 1960.

The Director,  
Department of Public Health,  
KONEDOBU.

Patrol Report No. 2/60-61 - Koroba

..... The attached Extract taken from the above mentioned Patrol Report and covering comments by the District Officer are forwarded for your information please.

*J.K.M.*  
*R*  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director.

Att.



JMcL.PG

67-15-1

7th September, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
NSW.

KORORA Patrol No. 2/60-61

Again the staff at KORORA are quickly on the job, and I consider that it is this policy that is bringing the people under control in the DUNA Sub-District quicker than in any other frontier area of the Territory. The Officers have been doing a great work.

Your ultimate paragraph has been extracted to the Director of Health and also Mr Desailly's description of the effects of the illness.

*J.K.M.*  
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Acting Director.



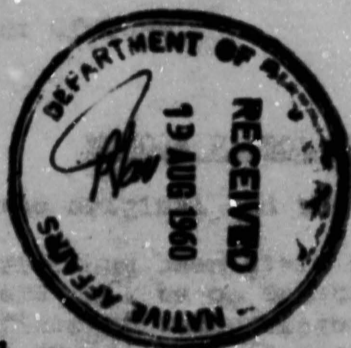


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67-15-1. ✓

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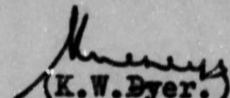
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

KOROBA PATROL No. 2 of 1960/61

I attach hereto in duplicate a report on a patrol conducted by Mr. Desailly to the MOGOROFUGWA Census Division, together with Mr. Desailly's covering memorandum.

The promptness in reporting the health matter is to be commended. The District Medical Officer has a copy of the health comments and I have already discussed the matter with him. He thinks it may be something associated with fungus poisoning and has undertaken to look into the matter as soon as possible. He says Mr. Desailly's description is very good and interesting.

It is unfortunate that in instances like this the District Medical Staff is so Meagre. There is only 1 doctor in the District - at MENDI - at the present time. Because of the lack of medical staff at KOROBA I feel that it will be quite difficult, if not impossible, at the present stage to have these people come in for observation or treatment. I feel I cannot emphasise too often the need for more qualified medical staff in this District.

  
(K.W. Byer.)  
District Officer.

15/8/60  
K.W. Byer



Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District

4th August 1960

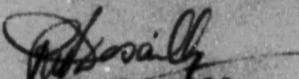
The District Officer,  
Mendi

KOROBA PATROL No. 2 of 1960/61

I enclose the original and two copies of the above report.

Priority has been given to the writing of this report so that there will be no unnecessary delay in advising a medical officer of the undiagnosed illness described in the section on health. It may be that prompt action is required, and I am unable to assess the seriousness of the situation.

Koroba patrol No.1 has not yet been completed, but the report should be forwarded within a fortnight.

  
R.N. Desally  
Assistant District Officer



Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands.

4th August 1960

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi

KOROBA PATROL No. 2 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by: R.N. Desailly, A.D.O.  
Area Patrolled: Mogorofugwa.  
Patrol Accompanied by: Police 2  
Interpreter 1  
Carriers 5  
Duration: Commenced 26th July 1960  
Completed 2nd August 1960  
Eight patrol days.  
Last Patrol to Area: D.N.A. June 1960 (Four visits 1959/60)  
P.H.D. November 1958  
Map: Sketch map accompanying.  
Objects of Patrol: Initial census.

INTRODUCTION

The Mogorofugwa area takes its name from the large marsh which covers some two square miles of the valley floor. To the west the divide between there and Lavani rises to over eight thousand feet, and the terrain to the south and south-east is high, rugged, forested country with few people. On the northern side the terrain is broken but relatively low, with no marked divide between there and the Turbudu River, which drains northwesterly into the Strickland.

The people living around the Mogorofugwa Marsh form the ~~Westernmost~~ group of the large Huri linguistic area, and most people to the north and west speak the Duna language.

A census patrol into this area has been planned for some time, and although fighting broke out on the northern fringes of this area just as the patrol was leaving Koroba it was decided to continue as planned. Mr Grant, Patrol Officer, was available to proceed immediately to the trouble spot, and the outbreak was already well under control before my patrol reached any of the groups likely to be affected. However, in view of the recent unrest no attempt was made to record names from the groups mainly involved. It is considered inadvisable to combine census taking with investigations and arrests, and as far as possible I avoided contact with men likely to be "wanted".

It would probably have been better to have delayed the patrol for a few weeks, but I was particularly anxious to start census work in that area before my leave (October) and other commitments may prevent another visit during the next few weeks.



DIARY

- Tuesday 26th July 1960 Departed Koroba 1000 and arrived at Yataari rest house at 1230. Talked with the people and explained the census to commence tomorrow.
- Wednesday 27th Census check of Awi and Mariga. A rather poor attendance.
- Thursday 28th Headman Agiru of Koda reported difficulty in getting the people to come in. One man who had been insulting and defiant was arrested but released after a lecture. The few who had appeared were addressed on the subject of census, and later about eighty people came to camp. Census check of Koda and part of the Pari group.
- Friday 29th Assisted by local carriers patrol moved to Betega rest house. 90 minutes carry. Rest house, constructed by a previous patrol, found to be in good condition, and the Medical Aid Post neat and well kept. People told that census would start tomorrow. Mr Grant's patrol came in during the afternoon with prisoners arrested following the fighting near Arawani.
- Saturday 30th Mr Grant and party left for Koroba. People of Tunuga and Togoau, with a few more from Pari had their names recorded, but I feel that there are a lot of people not included. Inspected part of the new road, which has been surveyed and partly built as far as Betega.
- Sunday 31st Attended the funeral rites of a man killed in the recent fighting, and recorded names of many people of Garua and Tolo who were present.
- Monday 1st August Census check of Hagiri, Tani, Pine, and Ayegehe, the latter being a branch of the main Kaniso group.
- Tuesday 2nd August Patrol cargo to Koroba direct. Self inspecting new road route and making mapping observations, and arrived Koroba 1230.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The Mogorofugwa area has been something of a trouble spot in the past, with numerous outbreaks of tribal fighting and frequent defiance of patrols engaged in stopping them.

Prompt and positive action has now eliminated the defiance and virtually stopped the fighting. The trouble in which Mr Grant was involved was not within the Mogorofugwa area, but kinship ties and obligations are such that a number of men were drawn into the conflict. The only fatality reported was a man who belonged to the Tolo group, and it was at his funeral that I was able to record approximately two hundred names.

The people at the southern end of the valley were the least co-operative in appearing for census, and probably only about forty percent were recorded. They were uncertain of our motives and a little afraid in spite of careful explanations and assurances. I made it clear that I knew many people had avoided the census, but that I chose to be lenient on this first attempt because of their ignorance of the ways of the world and the Administration.



Native Affairs (Continued)

At Betega a much higher percentage of most groups attended, and many went to some trouble to make absences. This is no doubt due to the greater degree of contact here, where we have established a Medical Aid Post (Koroba Patrol No. 12 of 1958/59) and started building a vehicle road.

Probably approximately seventy five percent of the people living near Betega now have their names recorded, and if this is so it indicates a very successful initial census. In my experience the situation at Yetemari is much more normal at this stage.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK

The people visited have made most of their gardens in the foothills and small flats around the marsh area, and a little of the swampy land has been cultivated after ditching for drainage. In general the soil does not appear to be particularly good, but the swamp should not be too difficult to drain and this would provide over a thousand acres of flat land. The outlet for the catchment area is partly underground, and in times of heavy rainfall the water does not get away fast enough and water deepens over the swamp. This could probably be fairly easily overcome at some time in the future, but in the meantime there is sufficient land for current needs.

The quality of the sweet potato seen was only fair, but there does not appear to be any shortage of food. Apart from the inevitable sweet potato, which is the staple food of these people, the most common crops are Yaro, edible pitpit and bananas.

There are few introduced vegetables as yet, but some corn and cabbages are grown, of which the former is the most popular.

Livestock is restricted to the usual pigs and dogs, the latter being of the type once referred to in the press as "yodelling" dogs. They do not bark, and have a mournful howling cry. Introduction of poultry into this area will no doubt be made difficult by these sneiving, ever-hungry animals.

Earlier this year a vehicle road route was surveyed between Koroba and the Betega Medical Aid Post site.

Considerable work has been done already, and, in spite of the rough terrain in some parts, it is hoped that by the end of this year a good vehicle road will have been completed with no gradient steeper than seven percent.

The completed road will be between seven and eight miles long, and will make an enormous difference even to walking times through the area. It will eventually be extended northerly into the Tuabudu valley and a few miles further south.



MEDICAL AND HEALTH

In general health of the people seen appears to be quite good, and apart from the illness described below no serious health problem seems to exist. No medical orderly was available for the patrol, but the Medical Aid Post at Betega gives most of them access to first aid so that this did not really matter.

A.P.O. Perera, who is stationed at Betega, was very helpful to the patrol and is quite an asset to the Administration in spite of a rather limited medical knowledge. His post was found to be neat and well kept, and with its small lawns and neat buildings a pleasant contrast to the usual type of habitation seen here.

During this patrol I noticed an alarming number of young men suffering from what I first thought was epilepsy. I had seen and heard of several people suffering from this complaint near Koroba, but had assumed that they were the usual few unfortunate sufferers from some malfunctioning of the brain or nervous system.

However further enquiries have indicated that the trouble is something new to the area and far more widespread than I had thought. There is no local name for it, other than the general term applied to lunacy, and the people say that it only appeared here a few months ago.

The majority of the victims seem to be healthy looking strong young men and women. I have only seen one <sup>affected</sup> woman, but as they do not usually stay around a patrol camp area this is no indication that it is less common among women. The natives say there are many sufferers, and as I saw three men having fits at the same time I am inclined to believe them.

*Exhibit  
10-11-42*

As a layman I have quite possibly overlooked certain ~~aspects~~ aspects, but the following description will give some indication of the nature of the affliction.

The victim, when an attack is coming on, usually either sits down or stands holding on to something such as a stick thrust into the ground or a handy fence. He appears to suffer from a spell of giddiness, and often has the appearance of one undergoing severe emotional stress. Breathing is often quickened, he sways as if he would fall without support, and he appears oblivious to his surroundings.

As the attack develops he begins to quiver, and this soon becomes a fast bouncing or jiggling motion. The facial expression at this stage commonly resembles that of one violently demented, and sometimes he does in fact become violent and must be restrained. The violence may take the form of aimless thrashing around or attacks on anybody nearby. I saw one man, who had been holding a fence, almost wreck the fence with his jerking and convulsive bouncing. The violent part of the fit increases in severity and subsides several times, and the whole attack lasts perhaps fifteen to thirty minutes, leaving the victim somewhat exhausted.

I have no reliable information on the frequency of the attacks, but they appear to be quite frequent.

You will appreciate my anxiety concerning this matter, and I would appreciate early assistance from the Public Health Department in diagnosing and prescribing for the disease.



CENSUS

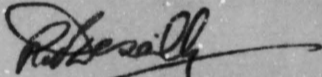
As shown on the attached figures there were over seven hundred and fifty names recorded during the patrol, but this was far from a complete census. Apart from the groups not included there are probably five hundred people who avoided having their names entered, most of whom would belong to Awi, Hariga, Koma, Pari, Togoan and Tunuga.

Because of this the figures are not considered to be of much use in themselves, but at least many of the groups now have census books and there is a basis for future work. With more consolidation and general contact over the next few years the census should become much more complete and accurate. My latest estimate of the population of the Mogorofugwa census division is 3500. Included in the division ~~is~~ a pocket of population to the southeast, around Wabafugwa, and several groups slightly north and east of Bataga. Of these the Wabafugwa groups are not yet sufficiently well contacted to make a census check worth trying, and, as mentioned earlier in the report, it was considered better to leave the others until more settled times.

CONCLUSION

I had hoped to record more names during this patrol, as for the area originally to be included I had estimated a population of over two thousand (with possibly a thousand more around Wabafugwa). This figure will probably prove to be reasonably accurate, as we covered only about half the populated area and the names recorded would hardly be more than 70% of the people living there.

From a statistical point of view the census was not very successful, but good contact was made and the people have been given some indication of what census taking involves.



R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer



APPENDIX A REPORT OF A PATROL TO MOGOROFUGWA KOROKA NO.2 1960/61

Totals only of names recorded.

Awi and Hariga	90
Koma	29
Pari	75
Tunuga	70
Togoau	17
Garua	126
Tani	46
Kaniho	83
Wagiri	57
Pine	38
Tolo	127
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Total	<u>758</u>

Above groups represent approximately one third of the Mogorofugwa Census Division SHKO 39, and totals are estimated to be up to 70% complete.



Patrol Expenses.

Camping allowance	£ 3. 13. 6
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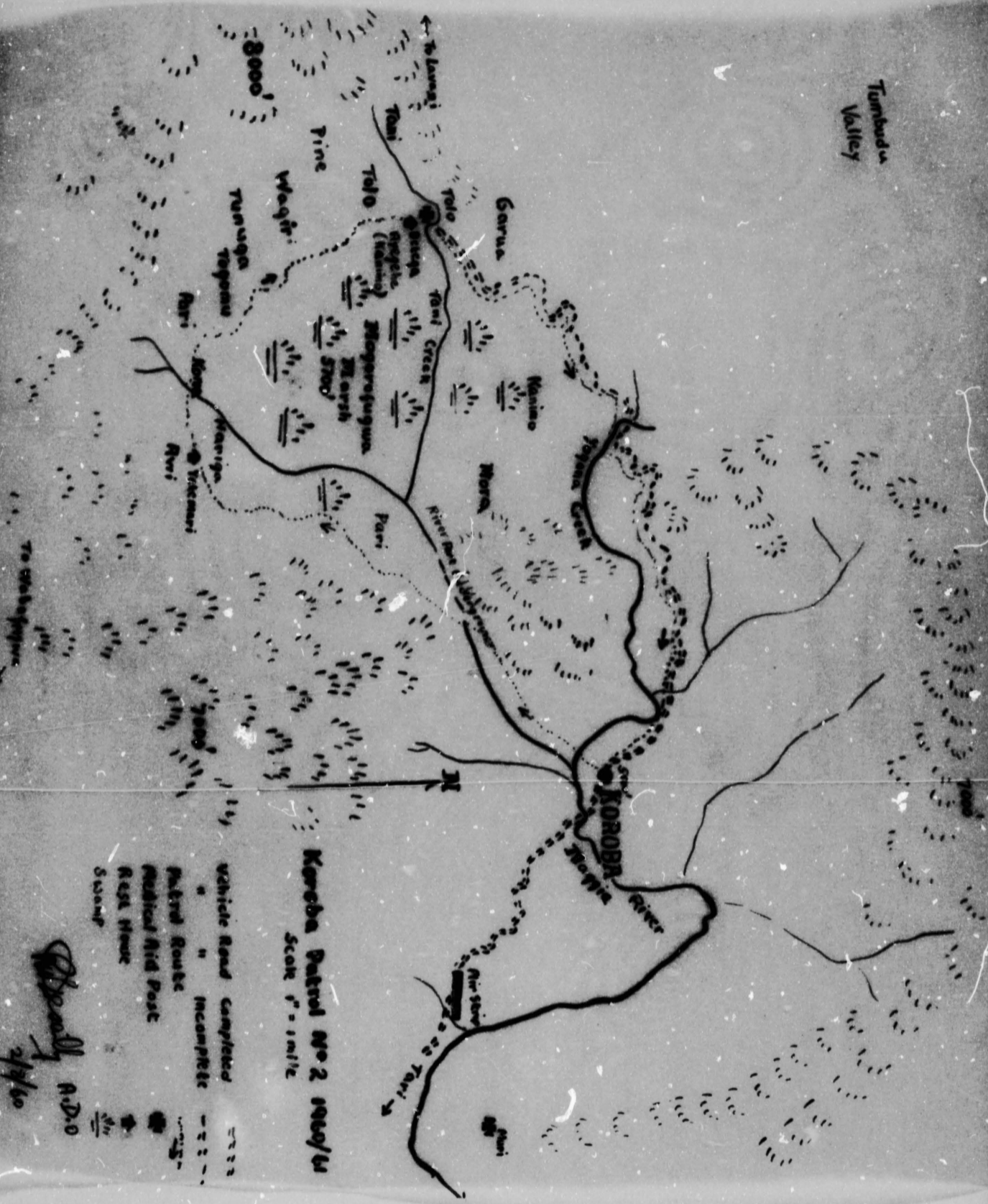
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Korob Patrol No 2 1940/41

Scale 1" = 1 mile

- Vehicle Road Complete
- " " Incomplete
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- Medical Aid Post
- Regt House
- Stump

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A.D.O.  
2/1/60





H.O.  
D.P.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. of 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by R.N. Desailly Assistant District Officer

Area Patrolled Koroba-Forgera River-Tari

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr. P. Crowe, Cadet Patrol Officer.

Natives 5 Police  
18 Carriers

Duration—From 23/8/1960 to 3/9/1960

Number of Days 12

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Service September 1959. (Part only)

Medical — / 18

Map Reference Sketch Map accompanying

Objects of Patrol 1. Contact Laiagam patrol

*Duplicate held*

2. Map Koroba/Forgera/Tari route

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

16/9/1960

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner

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

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

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1-43-2

4th August, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
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KORORA - KORORA RIVER - TARI

I refer to your memorandum 67-3-6, 67-2 of  
28th July, 1961.

Thank you for the information. As mentioned  
in my 1-43-2 of 28th July, 1961, to you, it is possible  
that further derestrictions will be made at the end of  
1961.

*FILE*  
c.c. 67-15-10  
*→*

J. K. McCarthy  
Director.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

~~67-15-10~~  
67-15-10  
1-43-2

In Reply  
Please Quote

No.67-3-6

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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

28th July, 1961.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.3 of 1960/61.

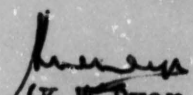
KOROBA - PORGERA RIVER - TARI.

Your memorandum 67-15-10 dated 10th October, 1960, and in particular paragraph two(2) reference possible de-restriction of the area covered by Mr.Desailly in the patrol refers.

I attach hereto copies of memoranda 67-1-1 dated 14th November, 1960, and 9th May, 1961 submitted by Messrs. A/Assistant District Officer Grant and Assistant District Officer Desailly.

The area that could be recommended lies solely North of the Territorial Border and is a matter for the Western Highlands District. It is anticipated that adjoining areas in the Southern Highlands will be recommended for de-restriction in six(6) to nine(9) months time.

A copy of this memorandum together with comments from the Assistant District Officer, Koroba, will be forwarded direct to the District Officer, Mount Hagen, for his information.

  
(K.W.Dyer.)  
District Officer.



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COPY.

Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.  
9th May, 1961.

The District Officer,  
MENDI.

RESTRICTED AREAS - KOROKA PATROL No.3

Reference: Your 67-2 dated 27th April, 1961  
and my 67-1-1 of 14.11.60

As Mr. Grant has indicated, there is no population between the territorial boundary and the headwaters of the Forgera River, and it would seem logical to de-restrict that area enclosed by my patrol route (as described hereunder).

I do not include the area south of the border, where there is a fairly large population, but this upper Faru and Kanbe creek area should be recommended for de-restriction within the next year or so, by which time there should be no restricted area left in the Duna area.

It is likely that recommendations will be or have been made from Mount Hagen concerning de-restriction of some or all of the Forgera River country to which the unpopulated section could well be added.

Description of unpopulated area.

Commencing at Mount Mogore, which bears 30 degrees and is distant 10 miles from Koroba, being approximately lat. 5° 34' south Long. 142° 44' east and north of the territorial boundary; Thence bearing 45 degrees for 16 miles;  
Thence bearing 90 degrees for 12 miles;  
thence bearing 180 degrees for 20 miles;  
to the territorial boundary;  
thence along the said boundary to the north-west for 24 miles;  
thence bearing 160 degrees for 21 miles to the point of commencement, enclosing an area of approximately 339 square miles.

ALL BEARINGS ARE MAGNETIC.

(Sgn) R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer.



67-1-1

COPY.

Sub-District Office,  
Koroba.  
14th November, 1960.

The District Officer,  
8441.

Ref. Koroba P/R No.3 1960 - 61.

Your minute 67/2 dated 20th October to the Director's  
67-15-10 of 10th October, refers.

Mr. Desailly proceeded on leave before we had a chance  
to discuss fully this area over which I have not patrolled.

From his report and map, however, and after talking  
to Mr. Crowe who accompanied him, it is apparent that a large part  
of this area has no population.

I have discussed the matter further with Mr. McBride  
who is at present at Koroba and have attached a map with the  
unpopulated area as we know it enclosed in red. We know there is no  
population along the route Mr. Desailly followed and the neighbouring  
terrain, being mountain, dense bush and swamp has also no apparent  
population. Just how far the unpopulated area extends to the East  
or West though I am uncertain.

(Sgn) H.J. Grant.  
Officer-in-Charge.

67-15-10

25th October, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
KEM.

IBORA PATROL NO. 1/60-61.

My 67-15-10 of 10th October, 1960, refers.

Attached are six (6) prints of the patrol  
sketch map. My paragraph 3 of the above memorandum  
refers.

(J. K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director.



67-15-10

25th October, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

KOROBA PATROL NO. 3/60-61.

My 67-15-10 of 14th October, 1960  
refers.

... Print of map is attached - unfortunately  
it was not enclosed with my earlier communication.

(J. K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director.

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14th October, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Western Highlands District,  
MOUNT HAGEN.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1960/61

... Attached is a print of the sketch map covering  
the above report during the course of which contact was  
made with the Laiagam patrol.

The map is forwarded for your information,  
please.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director

Att.



67-15-10

10th October, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 3 - 1960/61  
Mr. R.N. Desailly and Mr. P. Crowe.

The report, concise and even abrupt, is written to be read by those who have patrolled in similar country.

Although Mr. Desailly carefully makes no mention of the hard, grinding walking that was met with, the report is an extremely valuable one and I would ask you to thank Messrs. Desailly and Crowe for the job that they have done.

2. The sparse population appears to be peacefully inclined (at least to the visitor), although primitive.

I would ask you to confer with the District Commissioner, Mendi, and suggest that a joint conference be held later with the District Commissioner, Mount Hagen, so as to ascertain whether or not the restriction over this area can be lifted.

3. Prints will be made of the map and sent to you and also to the District Officer, Western Highlands District, for his information.

4. My only other comment refers to the double load system of carrying. Would it not be better to restrict your carriers to single loads when travelling in such country?

5. The report is a perfect one of its type.

*J.K.M.*  
(J.K. McCarthy),  
Acting Director.



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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.



File No. 30/1-437.

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

20th September, 1960.


Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 3 of 1960/61.

Thank you for the report on your recent patrol through to the PORGERA.

The task was very competently executed and the meeting of and discussion with the LAIAGAM patrol done with a minimum of delay.

Claims for camping allowance are returned herewith for payment.

  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

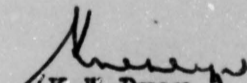
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The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

Copy of this report and Mr. Desailly's covering memorandum are attached for your information.

The map is forwarded under separate cover with a this memorandum and I would appreciate a total of 6 (six) sunprint copies please.

It was originally intended that Mr. Desailly would meet up with the Laiagam patrol in the Strickland River area. The District Officer Hagen, had approached me for some assistance with interpreters, information about the area etc and as the Laiagam patrol was being delayed and Mr. Desailly due for leave next month it was decided that it would be best if Mr. Desailly took the personnel and information through to Mr. McBride at PORGERA and had a general look at the area on the way. This was done and done well. It also provided a good opportunity for Cadet Patrol Officer Crowe to obtain some experience of this type of patrolling.

  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.



Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
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Southern Highlands District.

7th September 1960

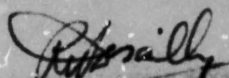
The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
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Southern Highlands District.

KOROBA PATROL No.3 of 1960/61

The original and two copies of the report on the above patrol are forwarded herewith.

The map has been rolled and forwarded under separate cover to avoid creasing, and I would like to have prints made from it. Although sketchy in parts it should be of assistance when making up a more complete map and in showing probable watershed boundaries.

Apart from the meeting with Mr McBride the chief value of this short patrol was in the increased knowledge of an area near which I expect to be working for some years.

  
E.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer



Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.

7th September 1960

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
MENDI

KOROBA PATROL No.3 of 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by: R.N. Desailly, A.D.O.  
Area Patrolled: Koroba-Kambe Creek-Porgera-Tari.  
Patrol Accompanied by: Mr P. Crowe, C.P.O.  
5 Police  
18 Carriers  
Duration of Patrol: Commenced 23/8/60  
Completed 3/9/60  
Twelve days.  
Last Patrol to Area: Part of route followed by Laiagam  
patrol in 1959, no record of patrols  
through the remainder.  
Map: Accompanying map drawn from  
observations taken on patrol.  
Objects of Patrol:  
1. Contact and liaison with Laiagam  
patrol.  
2. Map Koroba/Porgera/Tari tracks  
not previously covered from  
Koroba.

Recently it has been decided that patrols from Laiagam will start operating in the western end of the Western Highlands District, and a patrol lead by the Assistant District Officer Laiagam is already in the Porgera area.

Most of the area west of the Porgera River has been visited from Koroba, and we maintain contact with a number of people living north of the border. For this reason, and because of the proximity to Koroba of the inhabited area, it is obviously desirable that the closest co-operation should be arranged between Koroba and Laiagam.

Two days were spent with Mr McBride, A.D.O. Laiagam, during which we discussed available information concerning the area he has yet to patrol. It is hoped that, as his probable route will bring him within about two days of Koroba, we will be able to meet here for further discussion after he has been over the ground.

Most of the area covered by this patrol was high, rugged, inhospitable country with no population whatever. Even so, a map of the route and any information on the terrain is useful for future reference.

The diary contains information concerning the route and any other comments thought worth reporting, but normal subjects are not applicable to uninhabited country, and have been excluded.

MAP It would be grateful of prints could be made of the map and at least four forwarded. It would probably be of interest to both Tari and Laiagam.



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DIARY

Tuesday 23rd August 1960 Departed Koroba 0930. Climbed timbered ridges north of Koroba and arrived at Korocenda in the Faru River area at 1330. Camped at the rest house and purchased ample food for red face paint to feed the patrol. Arranged for a local man to act as guide. Heavy rain in afternoon.

Wednesday 24th August Departed 0740. Crossed the Faru River after passing through steep broken limestone country with extensive gardens between stony outcrops. Climbed approximately 2300 feet, mostly in timbered country, to cross the ridge into the Kambe Creek area. Reached the campsite at 1345. Local people hastened to cut poles for our tents and brought ample food, so that in spite of rain which started early we were soon under shelter and fed. Altitude about 6200'.

Thursday 25th August Departed 0720. Through garden areas to cross the Kambe Creek, then a steady climb, mostly in timber, to cross the divide at approximately 7600' and drop down to a narrow, marshy valley floor. Followed along the valley, through pitpit and tree fern vegetation and past small ponds for half an hour to Dawa Lake. Camped at the lake, which is a little over seven thousand feet above sea level. Drainage here appears to be underground. No population.

Friday 26th August Departed 0720 and crossed a timbered ridge before descending to a marshy valley, the floor of which is undulating and fairly open. Pandanus grows fairly thickly, and there is a lot of tree fern and cane grass. Small watercourses drain towards the west. Crossed the valley floor and climbed in timber to a steep, razorbacked ridge. This ridge was followed to the east for some five hours until camp was made at 1800 in wet, unpleasant moss forest at about 8000'. Tracks are very difficult for any bulky loads, particularly the two-man loads which caused a lot of delay.

Saturday 27th August Departed 0740. Walked in rough timbered country until 1420, when the front of the patrol came out into open grass country at an altitude of about 9000'. A heavy shower and a bitterly cold wind made things most unpleasant as we started across the grassed valley which is surrounded by timbered limestone (apparently) ridges, but being in the open again was like a tonic for the carriers who made good time across about four miles of grass. Crossed the river flowing through the valley and camped near timber on the eastern side. A very cold camp, as the clouds cleared during the night and a light frost formed.

Sunday 28th August Through timber for a short distance before emerging into grassland again in a high pass. Walking between timbered ridges which probably rise to over twelve thousand feet we crossed into the watershed of the Porgera River system at approximately 10200'. Followed a creek downstream into a rock strewn valley and soon found signs that the area had been prospected. At about 1300 we left the creek, which had now grown to a respectable size and fell rapidly to the north east and north. Crossed a timbered ridge at approximately 8400' altitude and halted at 1430 to allow the stragglers to catch up and to rest the carriers. Signs of people common here, but no locals were seen and we lost some time floundering around on poor tracks until we came to the first garden, after which a good track was found which lead us to a large garden area and eventually to Mr McBride's camp at Iandagali. This was unexpected, as we thought we had some distance yet to go. The last of the tired carriers came in at 1700. Altitude recorded as 7000'.

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Monday 29th August At Iandagali with Laiagam patrol. Carriers and police given time off, and first aid given for the many minor cuts and scratches sustained en route. Discussions with Mr McBride concerning his future patrol to the Strickland River.

Tuesday 30th August Further discussions with Mr McBride and examination of several Koroba patrol maps which were left with the Laiagam party. Enquired of locals concerning the route from here to Tari, which is apparently the normal native route and much better than the Koroba/Porgera track.

Wednesday 31st August Departed 0620 and followed approximately the former route as far as the head of the creek, after which we turned south through a small grassed pass between timbered ridges at 10000'. After a short halt resumed walking at 1200 and crossed a river in a grassed valley and up into timbered ridges on the other side. This is the same river as that crossed on Saturday afternoon. Out of the timber across a marshy valley through which flows a small tributary of the river just crossed then timber again, followed by scrubby country with a lot of tree fern and moss. Through fairly open country, crossed with many small watercourses to another timbered ridge and several limestone sink holes at about 9800'. Thence descended along a ridge running about south-west and then south-east for nearly two hours, eventually emerging into a grassed valley. Twenty minutes further and camp was made in the valley at the edge of the timber on the southern side at 1650. Heavy rain fell just as we arrived, and camp was made ankle deep in mud and water on the spongy ground. A cold, unpleasant camp at about 9000'.

Thursday 1st September Departed 0715 and climbed a few hundred feet up the timbered ridge on the southern side of the valley, thence south and east in broken country to a clearing after approximately one hour. Crossed grassland and another timbered ridge followed by nearly a mile of grass. Thence over a timbered ridge to drop down a razor-backed ridge to the southeast for half an hour. Thence southwesterly for over an hour and a half to the bottom of a timbered valley, crossing and recrossing a small creek at about 7900' and then climbing slightly through broken country in heavy timber before dropping to another creek which was reached at 1230. Halted for twenty minutes. Thence generally south through timbered ridges for half an hour to a small river draining to the southwest, altitude about 7600'. Climbed in bush to south for about an hour to about 8400' and then followed down a small creek, walking slowly in heavy rain for forty minutes. Crossed a small stream flowing to the west - numerous small waterfalls - and climbed a steep rocky bluff. Thence about two hours roughly south and west along a ridge in heavy timber to make camp at an altitude of about 6500' at 1800. A warmer camp after the bleak high country.

Friday 2nd September Departed 0720. A little over an hour of walking in bush brought us to a river, presumably the Tugari, and the first gardens seen since Iandagali. After some confusion over tracks we located a suspension bridge and crossed to the southern bank where several local natives met us and indicated the route to be followed. Thence through alternating bush and garden areas until about 1130 when we reached the open country at the northern edge of the Tari basin. From there less than two hours walking brought us to the saw camp from which a vehicle road runs to Tari. An easy four miles along the road to Tari, arriving at 1450. A vehicle was sent back to help with the cargo, which had been allowed to straggle behind once we entered the Tari basin area.

Saturday 3rd September To Koroba by vehicle.

N.B. Walking times given are for carriers with three two-man boxes and the remainder single packs.

R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

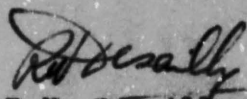


APPENDIX "A"

Patrol expenses Koroba Patrol No. 3 of 1960/61

Payment of Carriers (and guide)	22. 16. 0
Camping allowance	10. 10. 0
Total cash expenditure	<u>32. 6. 0</u>
Stores (rations and trade)	10. 11. 0
Total cost of patrol	<u>43. 17. 0</u>

Stores: Rice 1 bag.  
Meat 1 case.  
Sugar 12 lb.  
Tea 1 lb.  
Tobacco 2 lb.  
Margarine 2 lb.  
Salt 20 lb.  
Paint 4 lb.



R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer



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SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of...Southern Highlands..... Report No. Koroba No. 4 1960-61.....

Patrol Conducted by..... N. J. Grant, P.O. ....

Area Patrolled..... Koroba - Purenia.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... No. ....

Natives..... 5. RPANGG. 1 Interpreter, 6 carriers.

Duration—From 9...../9...../1960..... to 7...../10...../1960.....

Number of Days..... 29 days.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... August, 1960...../19.....

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

Map Reference..... Sketch map attached.....

Objects of Patrol..... 1. Native Administration. 2. Census. ....  
3. Supervision road and bridgework. ....

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Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

27/10/1960

*[Signature]*  
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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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref. 67-15-21

Department of Native Affairs,  
Headquarters.  
KOMODOBI.

16th November, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
NSDL.

PATROL NO. 4 1960-61.

I acknowledge with thanks, receipt of :-

- \* ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ :
- \* Patrol Report No. 4 1960-61 :

covering patrol by... H. J. GRANT ... P.O. ....

A neat and concise report and well presented.  
It is hoped that the steel cable will soon come to hand to  
allow completion of the bridge project.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
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Director.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No.67-3-6

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

27th October, 1960.

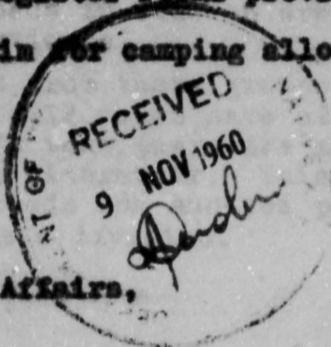
Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.4 of 1960/61.

Thank you for Mr.Grant's report on the above patrol.  
The work being done with the people of this area and on the new road  
is first class.

When the census figures are revised for the whole  
of the Census Division SHKO 38 would you please endeavour to stand-  
ardise on the names of the Census Units ( several smaller groups can  
comprise one census unit) and list them alphabetically on the normal  
Village Population Register Forms provided for this purpose.

Claim for camping allowance is returned herewith  
for payment.



*K.W. Dyer*  
(K.W.Dyer.)  
District Officer.

→ The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOSU.

Patrol Report forwarded herewith for your information.  
The delay in completing the Lower TAGARI River Bridge is a good  
example of works material supply difficulties in this District. The  
steel cable was ordered approximately September 1959. In March 1960  
I personally checked on supplies in Madang and saw the indent returned  
from Australia endorsed "Not to be supplied before 1st August, 1960".  
The cable is still not to hand. These difficulties are known to the  
Regional Engineer, Goroka and Public Works Department Headquarters  
and I am hopeful that there will be some improvement with works supplies  
in the future.

*K.W. Dyer*  
(K.W.Dyer.)  
District Officer.



Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands.

22nd October 1960

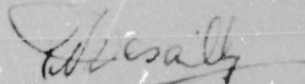
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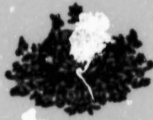
KOROBA PATROL No. 4 of 1960/61

The report on the above patrol by Mr Grant is forwarded herewith.

Initial census of Census Division SHKO38, of which this patrol covered part only, has been done in sections because of the differing degree of contact and my opinion that census work is better when immediately following concentrated field work. In this case Mr Grant knows the area well and is known personally by almost every person living in it. Normally I would be sceptical about claims of nearly four fifths of the population being included in initial census in such an area, but in this case I agree with his estimate.

Apart from those groups for which figures are included a total of 4112 names have already been recorded, and it seems likely that there are more than eight thousand inhabitants altogether. This would mean that the population density exceeds one hundred people to the square mile. in this census division.

  
R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No.

Sub-district Office,  
Koroba,  
Southern Highlands.  
12th December, 1960.

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL No. 5 1960/61.

Patrol Conducted by:-

N.J. Grant, P.O.

Area Patrolled:-

- (1). Mogorofuwa.
- (2). Naggia valley.
- (3). Pudyero.

Objects:-

- (1). Census.
- (2). General Administration.
- (3). Roadwork supervision.

Patrol accompanied by:-

5 members RP&NGC.  
1 interpreter  
5 permanent carriers increased  
to 18 men for period 2/11/60  
to 7/11/60.

Duration:-

Commenced 2nd November, 1960  
Concluded 30th November, 1960  
24 days on patrol.

Maps:-

Sketch map attached.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No 67.  
Sub-district Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-district.  
17th October, 1960.

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No 4 1960/61.

Patrol Conducted by. N.J. Grant, P.O.

Area Patrolled. Koroba - Pureni area.

Objects. General Administration.  
Census.  
Road and Bridge building.

Patrol Accompanied by. 5 members RP&NGC.  
1 interpreter.  
1 N.M.O.  
6 carriers.

Duration. Commenced. 9th September, 1960.  
Concluded. ~~28~~ 7th October, 1960.  
29 days on patrol.

Map. Sketch map attached.

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INTRODUCTION.

During the past year, much patrol time has been spent in the Pureni area where road and bridgework are going ahead really well. When the initial census in part of the Duna Sub-district was carried out in 1959, this area was not included as it had had very little real contact at that time. However, as a road through here - as well as providing ready access to this population - would be a better road link with Tari, the road was surveyed and work commenced in late December, 1959.

Now seemed an opportune time to do this census before the figures for the first census were re-checked.

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INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was interrupted on a number of occasions because of the many official visitors to Koroba during the period. As you are aware, Mr. Desailly had proceeded on leave so my presence at Koroba was necessary on every occasion. It is doubtful that the patrol suffered as a result of these breaks which did provide relief from the census work.

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DIARY.

Wednesday, 2nd November, 1960. To Betaga Rest House checking roadwork en route.

Thursday, 3rd. To Koroba checking road pegs en route.

Friday 4th. To Hagu by land rover. Thence across swamp to Muri where Muri census checked.

Saturday, 5th. Away at 7.45 am. At Humberu R.H. at 10.20 am. On top of Gwoluba ridge at 3.10 pm. Put camp at Harigo at 4.45 pm. Padya and Padyeri, two men who had been summoned, appeared and were taken into custody. Lubela and Warabe, wanted to answer another charge, were summoned.

Sunday, 6th. Broke camp at 7.10 am when Lubela and Warabe did not arrive. Many men were seen standing in gardens and it was reported there was some talk about attacking the patrol. Made camp at Hembo, a clear spot, posted guards and patrolled through Iama, Talibawli and Pudyeru. Arr-  
ested Lubela and Warabe at 12.30 pm and returned to camp.

Monday, 7th. Away at 7 am. Did initial census in Kuti valley and reached Humberu R.H. at 1 pm.

Tuesday, 8th. Checked census. Note from Koroba advising re visit of Director of Works on 10th November.

Wednesday, 9th. Patrol to make camp at Kebia R.H. Self to Mailia for census check. Thence to Koroba.

Thursday, 10th. At Koroba.

Friday, 11th. Director of Works flew to Koroba and thence to Tari. Self rejoined patrol at Kebia. Checked road pegs South to Kilabo river.

Saturday, 12th. Checked road pegs North to present Tagari bridge. To Koroba by motor cycle to meet Mr. McBride and his patrol from the Strickland Gorge area.

Tuesday, 15th. Mr. McBride set out for Lake Kapiago. Self proceeded via Kundugu to Kebia R.H.

Wednesday, 16th. Checked census at Kebia.

Thursday, 17th. Checked census at Kilabo river. Thence proceeded Koroba.

Friday, 18th. At Koroba for visit of Mr. English, Controller Corrective Institutions.

Saturday, 19th. To Tagari bridge by rover. Thence through Kebia to Kundugu checking roadwork.



DIARY.

Friday, 9th September, 1960. To Kundugu Rest House.

Saturday, 10th. Patrol to Telabo R.H. Self detoured to Kebia R.H. to check road work.

Sunday, 11th. Roadwork on both sides Tagari river.

Monday, 12th. Native administration.

Tuesday, 13th. Began excavations for bridge anchors.  
Censused Pi and Tagwa at Tagwa.

Wednesday, 14th. Selecting timber for bridge.

Thursday, 15th. Censused Aguma, Hagu, Kobidya and Herwa lines at Tareli.

Friday, 16th. Censused Halieli, Patima, Tuyago and Pogoria lines at Halieli.

Saturday, 17th. Censused Wita and Kobidya lines at Pebiko.

Sunday, 18th. Bridgework. Mr. Desailly to visit patrol and return Koroba.

Monday, 19th. Censused Kaiyeru, Kangua, Tabu and Hegan lines at Tumbite.

Tuesday, 20th. Pulling in timber for bridge. Fr. Berard came down and we put in anchor (on Telabo side) for suspension bridge.

Wednesday, 21st. Bridgework.

Thursday, 22nd. Bridgework.

Friday, 23rd. "

Saturday, 24th. "

Sunday, 25th. "

Monday, 26th. Koroba prison escapee, Tamitali, brought in to patrol. Put in the Pareni side anchor. Visit by Mr. Desailly and return.

Tuesday, 27th. Bridgework.

Wednesday, 28th. "

Thursday, 29th. Began to make up steel for re-inforced concrete.

Friday, 30th. Bridgework. Visit by Messrs. K. Dyer and Desailly.



DIARY.

- Sunday, 20th November, 1960. Checked census figures.
- Monday, 21st. To Tabidja for census check.
- Tuesday, 22nd To Tiga for census check. Returned to Kundugu for night.
- Wednesday, 23rd. To Gumu by motor cycle for census. Returned Koroba.
- Thursday, 24th. Checked census figures for Kambile.
- Friday, 25th Pelapuli, Pudyamo and Mabile figures checked.
- Saturday, 26th Aguma figures checked.
- Sunday, 27th. Observed.
- Monday, 28th. Finished census check for Koroba lines.
- Tuesday, 29th. To Hedamare by land rover for census check. Spent night Hedamare.
- Wednesday, 30th. To Erebo Rest House for census work. Returned Koroba.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS. This aspect has been discussed in recent reports with respect to the Mogorofugwa and Naggia valley areas. It remains, relatively, good. ✓

The Iama-Pudyero visit was the result of a report that two people had been wounded in this area. I had discussed these incidents with Mr. Crellin, as this area is in his Sub-district. When the patrol arrived at Harigo, those concerned in the first wounding appeared. The two men concerned in the other incident, Lubela and Warabe were arrested. The report that these two men were preparing to attack the patrol was false. The rumour had probably been started by friends of the man they had wounded.

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Census. During this patrol, figures for that part of Census Division SHKO.38 where initial census was conducted in 1959 were rechecked. A few small groups were censused for the first time. To date, there are 6639 names recorded for this division.

It is still too early to make any concrete deductions from the figures now to hand. When the complete figures for this division are rechecked in 1961, however, census units will be listed alphabetically in the normal Village Population Register forms provided for that purpose.

Figures collected this patrol are listed in Appendix A.

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DIARY.

Saturday, 1st October, 1960. Bridge work. Mr. Des-  
ailly visited patrol and returned Koroba. Washed sand  
for cement work.

Sunday, 2nd. Left Telabo R.H. and followed Tagari river  
South on the Puren side. Passed Tagari falls and put  
camp at Kulamali (approx. 2½ hrs. walk). Censused lower  
Pi and Kulamali lines.

Monday, 3rd. Left camp at 0745 hrs and held census  
at Yugaru (2 hrs walk) and Piungali (40 mins. walk). Reached  
camp site, Tagwenote (25 mins.) at 1430 hrs. and census held  
here also.

Tuesday, 4th. Away at 0700 hrs after sending patrol ahead  
to make camp at Hurieli. Census party called Targi (1 hr.)  
where part of Karua and rest of Halieli lines were seen.  
Thence to Kigrafugwa to see rest of Karua line (walk-  
ing time 20 mins.) before coming up to Halieli at noon.  
After sending patrol back to Telabo R.H., censused Huri  
and Tabu lines before returning to Telabo R.H. at 1715 hrs.

Wednesday, 5th. Poured concrete for Telabo side bridge  
tower foundations.

Thursday, 6th. Patrol to Kundugu R.H.

Friday, 7th. Patrol returned to Koroba.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS.

The Native Affairs position here remains good taking  
into account the comparatively recent contact. This is  
partly due to the almost constant patrolling that has been  
going on in the area, but also to the fact that in road build-  
ing the men are obliged to follow definite specifications  
as to route and grades. This is most important as a  
group that can be taught to build roads and bridges as directed  
(frequently against their better (?) judgement) is more likely  
to follow other directions of recognised authority. Road-  
building certainly has a civilising influence.

There are still many native type courts to be settled  
in this area particularly to the East of the Tagari river in  
Telabo, Tumbeli, Hiwa and Tani areas and further West near  
Hurieli and towards Koma. A lot of progress has been  
made, however, as it is now possible to get those concerned  
together because most do appear on summons. Also, when a  
court decision has to be made, there is now no overt defiance.

Moreover, their troubles - frequently small, but always  
very involved - are brought to each patrol in such numbers that  
a quota system has been adopted. This quota system does  
not apply when two parties present themselves.

Thus, slowly but surely these problems are being solved.

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CONCLUSION.

This patrol report has been brief. Nothing unusual occurred during the course of the patrol and the Native Affairs situation has been reported upon so often.

The people presented themselves readily and are beginning to follow normal census procedure.

*N. J. Grant*

N. J. Grant.  
Patrol Officer.



CENSUS.

The below list of census figures and groupings is probably only tentative and may be changed at a later stage. However, it does serve as an indication of what the final census figures will be and gives a good indication of the population density.

The lines listed make up the large Pureni group and all this group were censused except those people who live at Ilunoma on the Southern slopes of Mt. Ilu. There are maybe 150 - 200 people there. Otherwise, I estimate that the census could be up to 75 - 80% complete as most of the men at least are known personally because of the roadwork.

<u>CENSUS PLACE.</u>	<u>Lines CENSUSED.</u>	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>	<u>Total.</u>
At Tagwa & Kulamali.	Pi.	39	33	72
At Tagwa.	Tagwa (Ibili, Tayenda, Hora)	75	87	162
At Tareli.	Tareli (Aguma, Hagu, Kaiyeru)	63	78	141
At Tareli.	Herwa, Tuyago, Pogoria, Patima.	65	69	134
At Halieli & Targi.	Halieli.	41	41	82
At Pebiko.	Kobidya and Wita.	73	66	139
At Tumbite.	Kaiyeru and Kangua.	84	69	153
At Tumbite and Tagwenote.	Hegan.	72	62	134
At Tumbite and Hurieli.	Tabu	26	39	65
Kulamali.	Kulamali (Patima, Tagwa).	55	47	102
Yuguru.	Yuguru (Pugarali, Patima).	27	25	52
At Piungali.	Pegan	30	33	63
At Piungali & Tagwenote.	Karua No.1	87	105	192
At Targi & Kigrafugwa.	Karua No.2	104	96	200
At Hurieli.	Huri, Mugani, Terabudya.	70	59	129
		911	909	1820



APPENDIX A.

<u>CENSUS UNIT</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
GUNU (Puterali-Hagu)	202	200	402
HIMI	124	118	242
HOIAMU	137	133	270
HUMBERU (Kambilie, Hugu, Alu)	316	294	610
KUNAKA	90	108	198
KEBONA	76	81	157
KOGOMA	118	137	255
KOROBA (Pelapuli, Kambilie, Aguma, Agwiba, Ilogwai)	583	544	1127
MURI (Jagen, Lalaga, Gwolia)	201	197	398
TAGARBOR (Homa)	278	282	560
YUGU (Pogei)	310	290	600
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TOTALS.	2435	2384	4819



ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Roadwork here is going ahead very well and there remains less than three miles to cut before the road is complete. This section, though, is rough, sparsely populated and contains some stone so will require more constant supervision and some blasting.

Over 70% of the work on the Lower Tagari bridge is finished, but the steel cable has not yet arrived otherwise this important link would be now in. When the materials are to hand though, 3-4 weeks should see the job done.

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CONCLUSION.

This patrol added another 1820 names to our census figures and included the last large group in Census Division SHKO 38. There is still a few smaller groups from this Division around Pela and Tili who have yet to be censused.

Shortly, however, the initial census of part of this division made in 1959 will be rechecked and these groups will be censused then.

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*N. J. Grant.*

N. J. Grant, P.O.



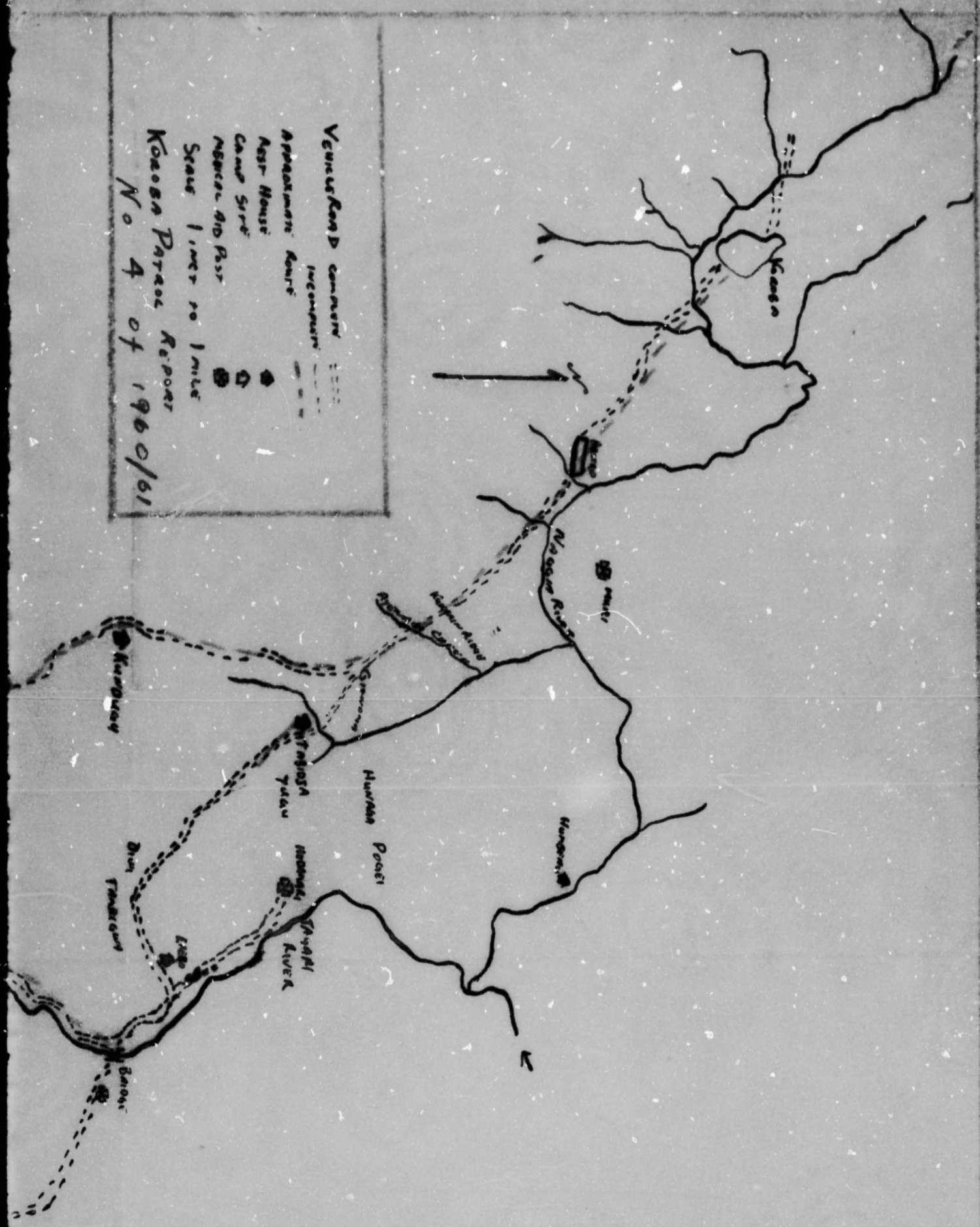








VEINUKOND CAMP  
 APPROXIMATE ROUTE  
 ASST HOUSE  
 CAMP SITE  
 MEDICAL AND PASS  
 STAKE 1 meter 20 meter  
 KOOSA PARAO REPORT  
 No 4 of 1960/61





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No.....KOROBA No 6 of 60/61.

Patrol Conducted by.....M. W. BROWNRIDGE P.O.....

Area Patrolled.....NEW KOROBA - TARI ROAD FROM KUNDUGU TO TAGARI RIVER.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....MR. P. G. CROWE, CADET PATROL OFFICER.

Natives...8 Members R.P. & N.G.C...1 Interpreter. 1 N.M.O.

4 Carriers.

Duration—From...14./11./1960...to...10./12./1960..

Number of Days.....27 Days (...21 camped out.).....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany.....NO.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services.....October - November 60...../...../19.....

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

Map Reference.....SKETCH MAP ATTACHED.....

Objects of Patrol.....1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.....

.....2. ROAD WORK - SUPERVISION.....

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

4/1/1961

*[Signature]*  
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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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

DEPT. NATIVE AFFAIRS  
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 SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. KOROBA PATROL No. 5 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by N. J. GRANT P.O.

Area Patrolled (1) Mogorofugwa, (2) Naggia Valley, (3) Pudvero,

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans No.

Natives 5 Members RP&NGC, 1 Interpreter, 5-18 Carriers.

Duration—From 2/11/1960 to 30/11/1960

Number of Days 24 days.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services October 1960

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

Map Reference Sketch Map Attached.

Objects of Patrol (1) Census, (2) General Administration,  
(3) Roadwork Supervision.

*Duplicate held*

Director of Native Affairs,  
 PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

    /     / 19    

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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 ....

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref. 67-15-29

Department of Native Affairs,  
Headquarters.  
KOMODOBI.

2nd February, 19 61

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI,

PATROL NO. 6 of 1960/61

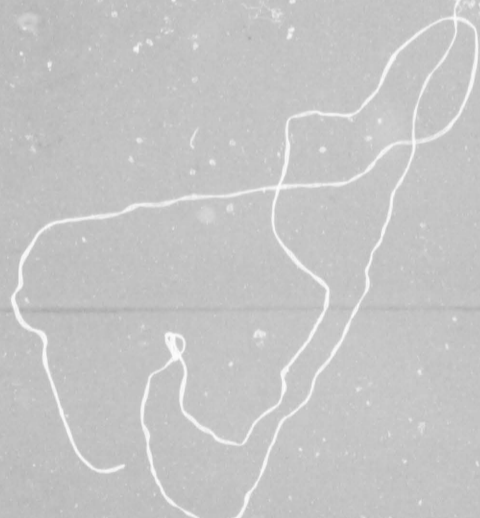
I acknowledge with thanks, receipt of :-

\* ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
\* Patrol Report No. 6 of 1960/61 :

covering patrol by... M.W. BROWNEIDGE, P.O......

(J.K. McCarthy)  
~~Adm. Director.~~ RB

\* Delete as necessary.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Ref. 67-15-26

Department of Native Affairs,  
Headquarters.  
KORORUA.

9th January, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI

PATROL NO. 5 of 1960-61 - KORORUA

I acknowledge with thanks, receipt of :-

- \* ~~Memorandum of Patrol No.~~
- \* Patrol Report No. 5 of 1960-61 - KORORUA.

covering patrol by N.J. GRANT P.O., .....

It is very pleasing to note that these people are beginning to co-operate with census taking.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
~~Assistant Director~~  
Director. *JB*

\* Delete as necessary.

WVC:AL

67/3/6

67/115/29. ✓  
District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

4th January, 1961


Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL NO.6 OF 1960/1961.

Thank you for the report on this patrol conducted  
by Mr. Brownridge.


The new road is progressing well and this patrol has  
made a marked contribution towards its completion. The  
co-operation shown by the local men is pleasing and the numerous  
disputes brought forward for settlement are an indication of  
confidence.

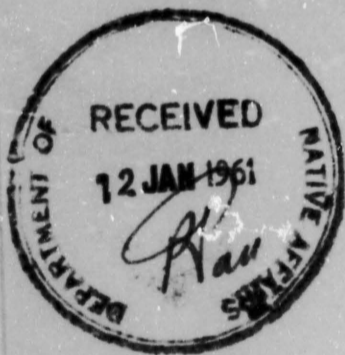
Camping claims for Messrs Brownridge and Crowe are  
returned herewith.

  
(W.W. Crellin)  
a/District Officer.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

Copy for your information, please.

  
(W.W. Crellin)  
a/District Officer.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

67-15-26. ✓

File No. 67-3-6

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

20th December, 1960.

Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

REPORT ON KOROBA PATROL No. 5 of 1960/61.

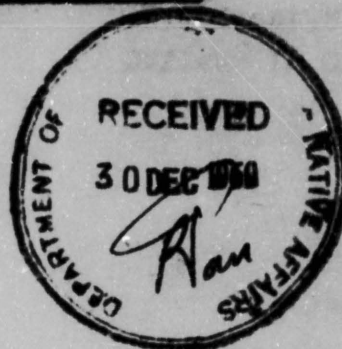
Thank you for your report on this patrol.

I agree that breaks in such routine local patrols are unimportant; official visitors are numerous and it would be out of the question to defer patrols because of them.

The report is very brief, but census is a grind which leaves little to write about.

Your camping claim is returned for payment.

(W.W.Crellin.)  
A/District Officer.

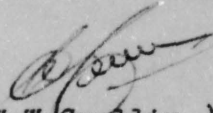


The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

For your information please, report enclosed.

A patrol from Tari was in the Pudjero (Puijero) area at the time Mr. Grant apprehended the men, it is still in the field.

This patrol was of routine nature and appears to require no further comment.

  
(W.W.Crellin.)  
A/District Officer.



Sub-district Office,  
Korooba.  
22nd December, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mandi.

KOROBA PATROL No. 6 1960-61.

Herewith a report of the above patrol conducted by  
Mr. Brownridge. Mr. Crowe accompanied the patrol to gain  
further experience.

As reported, the native situation remains good. I am  
pleased with Mr. Brownridge's approach to his work as he is  
able to convey to the people his interest in them and their  
problems.

I shall write you further about the incident concern-  
ing Emanya, Village Constable.

*N. J. Grant*  
N. J. Grant, P.O.  
Officer In Charge.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No. 67 - 2 - 1

Sub-district Office.  
KOROBA.  
Southern Highlands District.  
7th November 1960.

Mr. M. Brownridge.  
Patrol Officer.  
KOROBA.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS-KOROBA PATROL 6 of 60/61.

Please prepare to leave on a patrol to the KUNDUGU -  
KEBIA Area beginning on the 14th of November 1960.

You should plan on remaining in the area for 3 to 4 weeks,  
combining general Administration with the supervision of road work  
being carried out in the area.

I shall visit you as opportunity permits.

*N. J. Grant*  
N. J. Grant.  
O. I. C. KOROBA.

Sub-district Officer  
Koreba.  
12th December, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 5 1960/61.

This report and camping allowance claim is forwarded  
Herewith.

Reports (RSIs) on members of RP&NGC who accompanied  
patrol have been forwarded to the Commissioner of Police.

*N. J. Grant*  
N. J. Grant, P.O.  
Officer In Charge.



The District Officer,  
KOROBA,  
Southern Highlands District.

Sub-district Officer,  
KOROBA,  
Southern Highlands District.

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Sub-district Officer,  
**KOROBA.**  
Southern Highlands District.  
7th November 1960.

Mr. M. Brownridge,  
Patrol Officer,  
**KOROBA.**

**PATROL INSTRUCTIONS-KOROBA PATROL 6 of 60/61.**

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combining general Administration with the supervision of road work  
being carried out in the area.

I shall visit you as opportunity permits.

Commenced 14th November 60  
Concluded 18th December 60  
21 Days camped out.

*N. J. Grant*

N. J. Grant.  
O. I. C. KOROBA.

Sub-district Office.  
KOROBA.  
Southern Highlands District.  
16th December 1960.

The District Officer.  
MENDI.  
Southern Highlands District.

KOROBA PATROL No 6 of 1960/61.

Patrol Conducted by:

M.W. Brownridge. P.O.

Area Patrolled:

1. Kundugu.
2. Kebia - Tagari River.

Objects:

1. General Administration.
2. Supervision Road Work.

Patrol accompanied by:

- Mr. C.P.O. Crowe.  
3 members R.P.&N.G.C.  
1 Interpreter.  
1 N.M.O.  
4 permanent carriers.

Duration:

Commenced 14th November 60  
Concluded 10th December 60  
21 Days camped out.

Map:

Sketch Map Attached.

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INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was of a routine nature; being mainly concerned with general administration and the supervision of road work along the section of the Koroba - Tari Road between Kundugu and the Tagari River at Kebia.

The people co-operated with the patrol at all times, no doubt due to the extensive patrolling of this area over the last six to seven months.

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DIARY.Monday 14th.

Patrol to Kundugu, camp established. Visitors to camp during the afternoon told of patrols aims. Heavy rain.

Tuesday 15th.

Road work. Mainly concerned with the construction of drains along roads edge. Mr Grant passed through on route to Kebia and accompanied him along the road towards Kebia as far as Yarwali marking a section of road. Returned Kundugu in heavy rain at 4.00 pm.

Wednesday 15th.

Supervision of road work between Kundugu and Kebona.

Thursday 17th.

Supervision of road work until late afternoon when Mr Grant and I returned to Koroba. Overnight Koroba.

Monday 21st.

Returned to Kundugu late morning and continued with road work. Several small drains across the road filled in. Heavy rain most of the afternoon. Mr Grant overnight Kundugu.

Tuesday 22nd.

Accompanied Mr Grant towards Kebia where another small section of road was pegged. During afternoon supervision of road work being carried out in the area. Much progress being made.

Wednesday 23rd.

Mr Grant departed Kundugu for Kuru to conduct census. Self along the road as far as Kebona to view road work a large number of people working. Two culverts put in near Kundugu. Several disputed, that were of a minor nature, heard and settled.

Thursday 24th.

Road work. During the afternoon viewed a ' pig - killing at Marigunda. Heavy rain commenced at 5.00 pm and continued for most of the night.

Friday 25th.

Visit through garden areas near the Kundugu Rest-house, persuading locals to work on the road. Village Constable Humanya arrested under section 71(c) of the N.R.O. and sent to the

the rest-house.



Corrective Institution at Koroba under remand. Several people including a small girl interviewed in connection with the arrest of Village Constable Humanya. Supervision of road work during late afternoon until rain commenced to fall.

Saturday 26th.

Camp moved from Kundugu to Yarwali. People interviewed re a Government Rest-house site. Small kunai patch selected on a ridge overlooking the intended road route. People clearing site. Returned station 12.00 noon.

Monday 28th.

Returned to Yarwali accompanied by Mr P.G.Crowe, Cadet Patrol Officer. Large amounts of timber and kunai collected with which the rest-house will be built. Payment made for same. Road work was continued, half of the people working on the road and the others on the rest-house. Three extra police joined patrol. Heavy rain during the night.

Tuesday 29th.

Work continued on both road and rest-house. Mr Crowe and self along the road as far as Kebia to view work. Large number of people seen. It is very pleasing to see the co-operation given the patrol by the people of this area. During the late afternoon returned Yarwali and Mr Crowe arbitrated in several minor disputes. General discussions with people of the area. Those with minor sores etc treated by the Native Medical Orderly. Light rain during night.

Wednesday 30th.

Self along road towards Kebia. Mr Crowe to Kundugu to supervise road work. Both returned late afternoon. Much work done on the Rest-house.

Thursday 1st.

Majority of the people working on the road, just below the Rest-house. About 40 yards of road constructed before rain ended work for the day. Couple of disputes heard and settled.

Friday 2nd.

Mr Crowe and self along the road as far as Pebeko. Three drains filled across the road and side drains cleaned. Returned to work near camp late afternoon. Rest-house completed late afternoon.

Saturday 3rd.

General supervision by both officer of road work along sections of the road between Kundugu and Pebeko. Light rain fell for most of the afternoon.

Sunday 4th.

Mr Crowe to Koroba, returned early afternoon. Self arbitrated in several disputes that were brought up to the patrol for settlement. Small number of men in to work on the road.

Monday 4th.

Mr Crowe along the road as far as Kebia supervision of road work in general. Self talking to the people and engaged in the supervision of road work. Very heavy rain late afternoon. There has now been made about 150 yards of new road near the Rest-house.



Tuesday 6th.

Self engaged in general road supervision and at the same time talking to the people and settling disputes that were brought forward for settlement. All the disputes that were brought forward were of a minor nature. Mr Crowe spent most of the day gathering information for some A.S.O.P.A. assignments. Heavy rain fell for most of the afternoon.

Wednesday 7th.

Self along the road as far as Kebia. Supervision of road work and general administrative work. Mr Crowe on assignments. Very few people in to help with the work today due to the almost continual rain.

Thursday 8th.

Mr Crowe along the road as far as the Kundugu Rest-house. Self working in the area near the Yarwali Rest-house. During the afternoon several disputes dealt with. Two men sentenced under section 118(2) of the N.R.O.

Friday 9th.

Day spent in the area near the Yarwali Rest-house, talking to the people and supervising road work. Heavy rain throughout night. Arranged for carriers to take gear back to the station in the morning.

Saturday 10th.

General talk to the people of the area on the aims of the Administration. Quite a good response by all. Returned to the station at 11.00 am and reported to Mr Grant.

*Thompson*

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NATIVE AFFAIRS.

The Native situation in this area of the Sub-district is good. This area <sup>has</sup> been constantly patrolled since the new Koroba - Tari Road was first surveyed just over twelve months ago and the people are becoming more co-operative with every patrol. No doubt due to the fact that they are learning to work together as a group, ie to co-operate more fully with each other.

Quite a large number of native disputes were brought to the patrol for settlement. Very few of them were, in the eyes of the people themselves, important. By this I mean that they were of such a nature that they did not involve large numbers of people and could therefore be a source of unrest, but were rather between the individual members of a group. No doubt the settlement of these disputes has helped the native situation in the area to be more stable. Full co-operation was given the patrol by the people at all times.



ROADS AND BRIDGES.

During the course of this patrol quite a large amount of general road maintenance was carried out, ie the clearing of side drains, culverts made, and the widening of certain sections of the road between Kundugu and Kebona. The patrol while it was out opened the road all the way to the Kundugu Rest-house. There now only remains just on two miles of road to be built before the road is open all the way to the Tagari Bridge site.

After the patrol moved down to Yarwali the local people constructed about 200 yards of road, which is quite good when it is considered that the weather was against us most of the time, and there were therefore only small numbers of people in attendance each day.

A section of road between Yarwali and Pebeke had five large culverts placed in position.

The materials needed for the construction of the Lower Tagari Bridge have now arrived and it is considered that Four months will see the new road open to Tari.

CONCLUSION.

Very little can be said here. As mentioned under Native Affairs the Native situation is good and the patrol was well received by the people of the Kundugu - Kebia area. The patrol provided great opportunity for Mr Cadet Patrol Officer Crowe to gather information on some local customs for several A.S.O.P.A. assignments.

*Bausende*  
M.W. Brownridge.  
Patrol Officer.



APPENDIX.A.

Report on members of the Royal Papuan and New Guinea  
Constabulary who accompanied KOROBA Patrol No 6 of 1960/61.

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No 7654	Constable 1/C	TAEM	In charge of the Detachment. Quite a satisfactory N.C.O. 27 Days on Patrol.
No 7649	Constable.	KARA	Inclined to be lazy and needs constant supervision. Conduct good. 27 Days on Patrol.
No 8471	Constable	YAPUT	Good patrol type Conduct good. 27 Days on Patrol.
No 9806	Constable	AIAM	Fair worker. Conduct good. 27 Days on Patrol.
No 9889	Constable	YANSUANG	Good worker. Can be trusted. Conduct good. 27 Days on Patrol.
No 7681	Constable	PAGAHAU	Very good worker. Can be trusted and his Conduct good. 12 Days on Patrol.
No 10530	Constable	GOEKAVE	First patrol. Shows promise. Conduct good. 12 Days on Patrol.
No 10538	Constable	URAGABOIM	A trier and a willing worker. Conduct good. 12 Days on Patrol.

*M.W. Brownridge*  
M.W. Brownridge.  
Officer RP&NGC.



APPENDIX B.

To accompany KOROBA Patrol Report No 6 of 1960/61.

CASH.

Patrol Carriers.	£ 8 / 0 / 0
Camping Allowance.	£16 / 16 / 0

<u>V.S.C. STORES.</u>	£ 9 / 2 / 4
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<u>TOTAL</u>	£ 33 / 18 / 4
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**KOROKA PATROL**  
No 6 of 1960 - 1961.  
Compiled from maps by G.W.C.  
*Burns* 10.

- Dist. House
- General Camp
- Barbed wire fence
- Artillery Camp
- Shelter



Scale 1 inch = 1 Mile.

MT HUIBIA

Lower  
Tarakai  
Bridge Site

MAIBUCA  
MASHM

MT ILU

MT KASIA

TARAKAI  
RIVER

TARAKAI  
RIVER

MALUKU  
RIVER







67-18-32



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. KOROBA No.7 1960-61

Patrol Conducted by N.J. GRANT P.O.

Area Patrolled 1.Wabafugwa 2.Pureni.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans P.G. CROWE C.P.O.

Natives 8 Members RP&NGC 1 Interpreter 1 NMO 5 Permanent Carriers increased to 35 for 13th-16th Dec. 1960

Duration—From 13./12./1960 to 21./12./1960

Number of Days 9 days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19..... January 1958

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

Map Reference Sketch Map Attached.

Objects of Patrol 1. General Administration.

2. Bridgework.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

18 / 1/1961

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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67-15-32

Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu, Papua.

1st February, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

PATROL NO. 2 OF 1960/61 - KORONA.

Thank you for the report covering the above patrol  
and for your covering comments.

It is indeed pleasing to see that the KOMA  
people are now more friendly and co-operative towards the  
Administration and I agree that a follow-up patrol in the near  
future should consolidate the gains made on this patrol.

An interesting, though brief, report.

(J.K. McCarthy) RB  
Director.



WWC:AL



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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

18th January, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA.

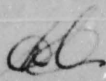
KOROBA PATROL NO. 7 OF 1960/1961.

Thank you for copies of the report covering this patrol conducted by Mr. Grant, Assistant District Officer.

The Koma people, who attacked Mr. Sinclair's patrol in 1957, have certainly become more co-operative and the settlement of compensation owing should help maintain peace. The fact that the people of the area are moving freely amongst neighbouring groups is a good sign.

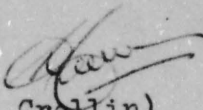
I think a follow up patrol in six months or less for consolidation purposes desirable now that friendly relations have been established.

Camping claim is attached.

  
(W.W. Crellin)  
a/District Officer.

|| The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

Copies for your information, please.

  
(W.W. Crellin)  
a/District Officer.

Sub-district Office,  
Korohe.  
3rd January, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROHA PATROL REPORT No. 7 1960-1.

This report together with camping allowance claims  
is forwarded herewith.

Reports on members RPANGC who accompanied the patrol  
have been forwarded to the Commissioner of Police.

*N. J. Grant.*

N. J. Grant, P.O.

Officer in Charge.



Sub-district Office,  
Koroba.  
3rd January, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 7 1960-1.

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*N. J. Grant*  
N. J. Grant, P.O.  
Officer In Charge.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No.

Sub District Office

Koroba

31-12-60

The District Officer  
District Headquarters  
Mendi.

Koroba Patrol Report No 7 1960-61

Patrol Conducted by:-

N.J. Grant P.O.

Area Patrolled

1. Wabafugwa
2. Fureni.

Objects

1. General Administration.
2. Bridgework

Patrol Accompanied:

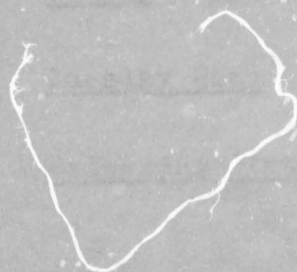
- P. Crowe CPO.
- 8 Members R.P. & N.G. C.
- 1 Interpreter.
- 1 N.M.O.
- 5 permanent carriers increased to 35 for period 13th-16th Dec 1960.

Duration

- Commenced 13-12-60.
- Concluded 21-12-60.
- 9 days on patrol.

Map

Sketch Map attached.





## INTRODUCTION

The main purpose of this patrol was to establish friendly contact with the Koma people who in October 1957 had attacked a Koroba patrol. Two of the attackers had been killed then. Koroba Patrol report No 2 1957-58 refers. The follow up patrol to the area (No 4 of 1957-58) failed to make a good contact with the people. Because of the shortage of experienced staff, and the policy of intensive concentration on the population groups closer to Koroba, this area has not been patrolled since.

In the past two years though, much time has been spent with the Pureni and Hoiamu people who border the Koma area. The progress in the former two areas has been most encouraging so it was natural to presume that in bringing these people to a fuller appreciation of the aims and methods of the Administration, we were also preparing their neighbours.

## DIARY

Tuesday 13th December 1960.

Proceeded to Kundugu Rest House by Land rover.  
Patrol followed on foot.

Wednesday 14th

Away at 7am, heading West and then S.W., and South.  
Crossed Kemo river to put camp at.  
Kumbikopa at 11.45 am. Komo men were wary at first.  
but by early afternoon many men did come into camp.

Thursday 15th

Remained at Kumbikopa. Discussion about the attack on patrol in 1957. Agreement reached over moga payments. Very many women and children in the camp to bring food and meet the patrol.

Friday 16th

Away at 8am, Through Kigura and Tagwenoti to Telebo Rest House at 2pm.

Saturday 17th

Preparing to pour Pureni side concrete bridge tower foundations., as water level low.

Sunday 18th

Poured the bridge foundations.

Monday 19th.

Bridge work.

Tuesday 20th

Bridge work.

Wednesday 21st

Patrol proceeded to Koroba via Kundugu.



NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Shortly after the attack on Mr. Sinclair's patrol in 1957, The Koma people had killed a Yugu man because they associated him with the Administration and wished to retaliate for the two warriors they had lost. The Yugu group had then killed a Koma youth who happened to be in their area staying with his mother's people. Until compensation in the form of pigs had been exchanged between the two groups, an uneasy truce had been maintained.

Efforts were made to effect the exchange, but no agreement could be reached. The Administration was requested by both sides to arbitrate. Moreover, the Koma people had expressed a desire to conform and come under the control of the Administration. Some of their men had been helping the Purenix people to pull in timber for the Lower Tagari bridge.

When the patrol reached Koma, Korobugo (the Koma headman who had led the 1957 attack) and all those principally concerned in the attack did come into camp. The attack was discussed and moga arranged between those concerned.

These have been paid and reports brought to Koroba since the patrol's return.

Hugi, Korobugo's nephew, was presented as a candidate for the first Village Constable of the area. He and five other Koma men accompanied the patrol back to Koroba to work on the station. A small Koma group also visited Koroba for the Xmas celebrations.

The following is an account of what led to the attack on the patrol as reported to this patrol. It is in some detail for the benefit of future officers at Koroba.

Early in 1957, Kwatago (a girl of about seven) had gone to stay with her maternal uncle, Gworwa of Koma. The girl had come from Jagen. Some time before this, Gworwa had killed a Pina man, but had not paid compensation. After the girl had been at Koma only a short time, she died.

Her relatives Kobali of Jagen and Katabe of Gwolia attributed her death to sorcery worked by Pina men against Gworwa. They asked for compensation from Gworwa. He said the girl had died from natural causes and refused to pay.

The day before the patrol (1957 patrol) set out for Koma, Kobali had gone ahead to discuss this refusal to pay with Komi who was Gworwa's brother. Gworwa had died ~~some~~ of natural causes some little time before. No doubt, Kobali used the coming of the patrol as a lever to try and enforce payment. When the patrol arrived the next day it was attacked because the people thought it was on the side of Kobali and was going to compel payment.

In this area when someone is wounded in a fight it is usual (except in certain circumstances) for two compensation payments to be made. These are (1) The Pelamini or allied payment made by the principal cause of the fight to those who were wounded or killed helping him and (2) Nogo Simu (buying of the arrow) paid by the enemy line for the injury they had inflicted.

In the 1957 attack and resulting fight two Koma men had been shot dead by police, one Yugu man had been killed by the Koma people and a Koma youth had been killed by the Yugu people. The following moga payments have now been made.

Komi paid compensation for the two men shot by the patrol and for the Koma youth killed at Hedamare. This was a Pelamini payment as these people had died in his cause.



NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.).

Yugu and Koma exchanged 30 pigs for the men they had killed (Nogo Simu).

Kobali paid 15 pigs for the death of the Yugu man killed by Koma (Pelamini payment).

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

These people are similar to the other people of this sub-district. Their culture, diet and interests are exactly the same.

There appears a plentiful supply of native vegetables in the area. Much was brought to the patrol in exchange for trade items.

HEALTH.

Health also appears good. A native medical orderly accompanied the patrol and dressed many sores and minor abrasions.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Preliminary work on the Lower Tagari bridge is now complete. During the course of my next patrol, the steel cables will be erected and the decking suspended from them. The bridge then could be open for traffic in early February.

CONCLUSION.

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*N. J. Grant*

N. J. Grant, P. O.



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Sub District Officer  
Koroba  
31-12-60

In the past two weeks (though some time has passed) the Fureni and Kalamu people, the border the area also. In the former too, there has been some encouragement as it has started playing these people to establish a closer relationship with the Administration, and also preparing their villages.

The District Officer  
District Headquarters  
Mendi.

Koroba Patrol Report No 7 1960-61

Patrol Conducted by:- E.J. Grant P.O.

Area Patrolled  
1. Wabafugwa  
2. Fureni.

Objects  
1. General Administration.  
2. Bridgework

Patrol Accompanied:  
P. Crowe CPO.  
8 Members R.P. & N.G. C.  
1 Interpreter.  
1 N.M.O.  
5 permanent carriers increased to 35 for period 15th-16th Dec 1960.

Duration  
Commenced 13-12-60.  
Concluded 21-12-60.  
9 days on patrol.

Map  
Sketch Map attached.



## INTRODUCTION

The main purpose of this patrol was to establish friendly contact with the Koma people who in October 1957 had attacked a Koroba patrol. Two of the attackers had been killed then. Koroba Patrol report No 2 1957-58 refers. The follow up patrol to the area (No 4 of 1957-58) failed to make a good contact with the people. Because of the shortage of experienced staff, and the pX/ policy of intensive concentration on the population groups closer to Koroba, this area has not been patrolled since.

In the past two years though, much time has been spent with the Purení and Heiamu people who border the Koma area. The progress in the former two areas has been most encouraging so it was natural to presume that in bringing these people to a fuller appreciation of the aims and methods of the Administration, we were also preparing their neighbours.

## DIARY

Tuesday 13th December 1960.

Proceeded to Kundugu Rest House by Land rover.  
Patrol followed on foot.

Wednesday 14th

Away at 7am, heading West and then S.W. and South.  
Crossed Komo river to put camp at.  
Kumbikopa at 11.45 am. Komo men were wary at first.  
but by early afternoon many men did come into camp.

Thursday 15th

Remained at Kumbikopa. Discussion about the attack on patrol in 1957. Agreement reached over moga payments. Very many women and children in the camp to bring food and meet the patrol.

Friday 16th

Away at 8am, through Kigura and Taguenoti to Telebo Rest House at 2pm.

Saturday 17th

Preparing to pour Purení side concrete bridge tower foundations., as water level low.

Sunday 18th

Poured the bridge foundations.

Monday 19th.

Bridge work.

Tuesday 20th

Bridge work.

Wednesday 21st

Patrol proceeded to Koroba via Kundugu.



NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Shortly after the attack on Mr. Sinclair's patrol in 1957, the Kama people had killed a Yugu man because they associated him with the Administration and wished to retaliate for the two warriors they had lost. The Yugu group had then killed a Kama youth who happened to be in their area staying with his mother's people. Until compensation in the form of pigs had been exchanged between the two groups, an uneasy truce had been maintained.

Efforts were made to effect the exchange, but no agreement could be reached. The Administration was requested by both sides to arbitrate. However, the Kama people had expressed a desire to conform and come under the control of the Administration. Some of their men had been helping the Purenis people to pull in timber for the Lower Tagari bridge.

When the patrol reached Kama, Korobugo (the Kama headman who had led the 1957 attack) and all those principally concerned in the attack did come into camp. The attack was discussed and a truce arranged between those concerned.

These have been paid and reports brought to Koroba since the patrol's return.

Hugi, Korobugo's nephew, was presented as a candidate for the first Village Constable of the area. He and five other Kama men accompanied the patrol back to Koroba to work on the station. A small Kama group also visited Koroba for the Xmas celebrations.

The following is an account of what led to the attack on the patrol as reported to this patrol. It is in some detail for the benefit of future officers at Koroba.

Early in 1957, Kuvaygo (a girl of about seven) had gone to stay with her maternal uncle, Oworwa of Kama. The girl had come from Jagan. Some time before this, Oworwa had killed a Pina man, but had not paid compensation. After the girl had been at Kama only a short time, she died.

Her relatives Koball of Jagan and Natabe of Owolla attributed her death to sorcery worked by Pina men against Oworwa. They asked for compensation from Oworwa. He said the girl had died from natural causes and refused to pay.

The day before the patrol (1957 patrol) set out for Kama, Koball had gone ahead to discuss this refusal to pay with Kani who was Oworwa's brother. Oworwa had died of natural causes some little time before. No doubt, Koball used the coming of the patrol as a lever to try and enforce payment. When the patrol arrived the next day it was attacked because the people thought it was on the side of Koball and was going to compel payment.

In this area when someone is wounded in a fight it is usual (except in certain circumstances) for two compensation payments to be made. These are (1) The Palamini or allied payment made by the principal cause of the fight to those who were wounded or killed helping him and (2) Mogo Simi (buying of the arrow) paid by the enemy line for the injury they had inflicted.

In the 1957 attack and resulting fight two Kama men had been shot dead by police, one Yugu man had been killed by the Kama people and a Kama youth had been killed by the Yugu people. The following moga payments have now been made.

Koni paid compensation for the two men shot by the patrol and for the Kama youth killed at Hedware. This was a Palamini payment as these people had died in his cause.



NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.).

Yugu and Koma exchanged 30 pigs for the men they had killed (Bogo Simu).

Kobali paid 15 pigs for the death of the Yugu man killed by Koma (Pelamini payment).

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

These people are similar to the other people of this sub-district. Their culture, diet and interests are exactly the same.

There appears a plentiful supply of native vegetables in the area. Much was brought to the patrol in exchange for trade items.

HEALTH.

Health also appears good. A native medical orderly accompanied the patrol and dressed many sores and minor abrasions.

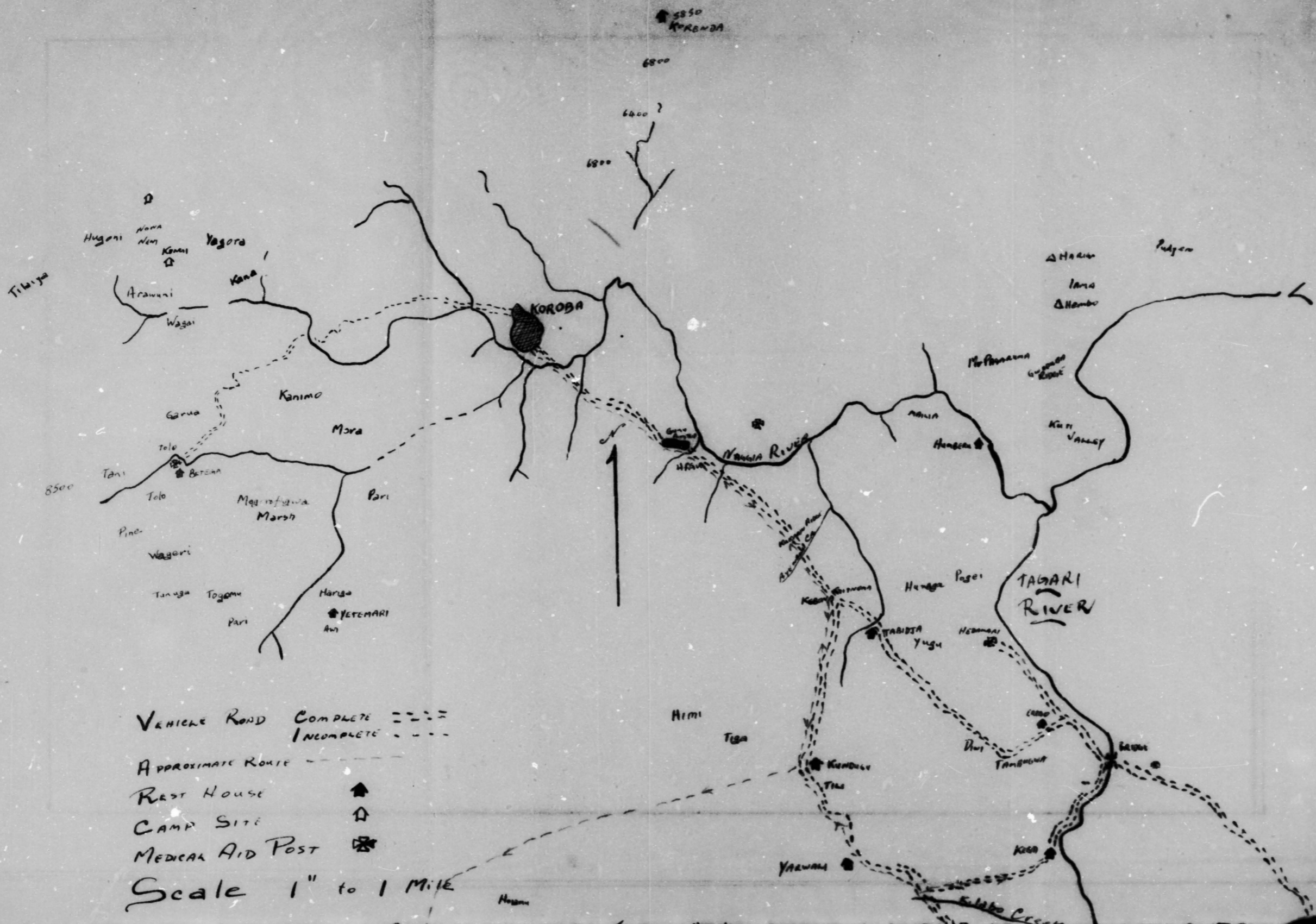
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*N. J. Grant*  
N. J. Grant, P.O.



VEHICLE ROAD COMPLETE ———  
 INCOMPLETE - - - -  
 APPROXIMATE ROUTE - - - -  
 REST HOUSE ↑  
 CAMP SITE ⬆  
 MEDICAL AID POST ✖  
 Scale 1" to 1 MILE











TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No.....KOROBA No. 8 of 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by.....M.W. Brownridge..... Patrol Officer.....

Area Patrolled...KUNDUGU - YARWALI - KEBIA.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... Nil.....

Natives...6 members R.P.&N.G.C. 1 Interpreter. 6 Carriers.

Duration—From...6.../...1.../1961...to...29.../...1.../1961...

Number of Days..... 24 Days.....

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

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

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

Map Reference.....SKETCH MAP ATTACHED.....

*Duplicate held.*

Objects of Patrol.....1. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.....

.....2. SUPERVISION ROAD CONSTRUCTION.....

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

71 2 /1961

*A.P.O.*  
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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67-15-37 ✓

35-7-1

Sub-District Office,  
Duna Sub-District,  
KOROBA..SHD.  
10th. March, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI

FUEL POTENTIALS - KOROBA

The ultimate paragraph of Headquarters memorandum 67-15-37,  
"Patrol Report No.8/60-61 - Koroba" refers.

High quality fuel, capable of generating heat to the order  
of 1500° Centigrade, to burn limestone to make cement I should imagine  
is non-existent at Koroba. Furthermore the stone itself is not  
particularly good quality for that purpose. Other constituents  
such as gypsum and ironstone are also unavailable.

I believe that a reasonably good quality burnt lime  
has been burnt from the local limestone. For this a comparatively  
primitive furnace, which incorporated all, or most anyway, of the  
principles of burning kilns, was used. No intensive work was  
done along these lines as I should imagine that the amount produced  
did not justify the tedious and quite extensive work involved.

*R. v. / y*



*N. D. Lucas*  
.....  
N.D. Lucas,  
Officer in Charge.

Minute to:-  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONELOBU.

Your memorandum 67-15-37 dated  
23rd February, 1961, refers.

*K. W. Dyer*  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.  
67/316  
17.3.61



67-15-37

Department of Native Affairs,  
KOMODOU.

23rd February, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

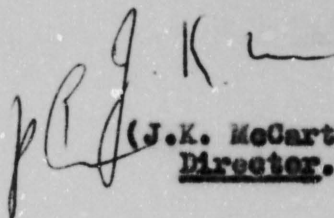
Patrol Report No. 8/60-61 - Koroba

Receipt of the above mentioned Patrol Report  
is acknowledged with thanks.

Mr Brownridge has performed in his usual capable  
manner with satisfactory results.

I am particularly impressed with the number of  
disputes that were amicably settled as a result of a Patrol  
Officer being immediately available to the disputants. It  
is indicative that the people are prepared to accept our  
administration so long as our resources provide the necessary  
machinery.

Is there any fuel available with which the limestone  
might be burned with a view to making a cement?

  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
Director.

67/15/37 ✓



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67/3/6

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
KONDI.

7th February, 1961.

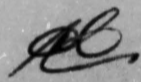
Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL NO. 8 OF 1960/1961.

Thank you for the Report on this patrol conducted  
by Mr. M. W. Brownridge, Patrol Officer.

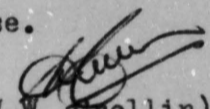
The work and co-operation by the local people in  
building this road is very pleasing.

Camping allowance claim is returned herewith.

  
(W.W. Grellin)  
a/District Officer.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

Copy for your information, please.

  
(W.W. Grellin)  
a/District Officer.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No. 67-1-1.

Sub-district Office,  
Koroba.  
3rd February, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.8 1960-61.

Herewith a report of this patrol conducted by  
Mr. Brownridge, Patrol Officer.

Work on the road is progressing very well. The  
Tagari bridge, however, does require further attention and  
as soon as decking has been cut on the spot, further repair  
work will be carried out. Meanwhile the bridge is safe  
for light traffic.

*N. J. Grant.*

N. J. Grant, P.O.  
Officer In Charge.

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Sub-district Office.  
KOROBA.  
Southern Highlands District.  
4th January 1961.

Mr M. Brownridge.P.O.  
KOROBA.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - KOROBA PATROL 8 of 60/61.

Please be prepared to depart on a patrol to the KUNDUGU  
YARWALI and KEBIA Areas beginning on the 6th of January 1961.

Plan on remaining in the area about 3 weeks. The objects  
of the patrol are.

1. General Administration.
2. Supervision of road construction.

You will be accompanied by Constable 1/C WARIEMA and five  
Constables.

*A. J. Grant.*  
.....  
N. J. Grant.  
O. I. C. KOROBA.



Sub-district Office.  
KOROBA.  
Southern Highlands District.  
3rd February 1961.

The District Officer.  
MENDI.  
Southern Highlands District.

KOROBA PATROL No 8 of 1960/61.

Patrol Conducted by:

M.W. Brownridge. P.O.

Area Patrolled:

1. Kundugu - Yarwali.
2. Kebia - Tagari River.

Objects:

1. General Administration.
2. Supervision Road Work.

Patrol accompanied by:

- 6 members R.P.&N.G.C.
- 1 Interpreter.
- 6 permanent carriers.

Duration:

Commenced 6th January 1961  
Concluded 29th January 1961  
23 Days camped out.

Map:

Sketch Map Attached.



INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was sent into the field to supervise the construction of a section of the new Koroba - Tari Road in the Yarwali - Kebia area. The patrol was also engaged in General Administrative work. During the last week that the patrol was in the field it was concerned with repairing the Tagari Bridge.

As was mentioned in Koroba Patrol Reprt No 6, the people of the area patrolled again co-operated with the patrol at all times.

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DIARY.

Friday 6th.

Patrol departed Koroba during afternoon for Yarwali Rest House. Light rain fell most of the afternoon and very few people were seen. Word sent out to the local headmen and people to assemble at the rest house in the morning for a discussion of patrols aims.

Inspection <sup>ed</sup> of road and noted that about 100 yds of road built since last patrol.

Saturday 7th.

Large gathering of locals. Talked to them on the aims of the patrol, people then commenced road work. Self along the road as far as Pebeco and thence to Kebia. Returned camp late afternoon. It was noted that during the month or so a patrol has not been down here the people have continued to work well on their respective sections of the new road.

Sunday 8th.

Observed.

Monday 9th.

Road work continued as usual, quite a large number of people in to work on the road. During afternoon down the road as far as Kebia.

Tuesday 10th.

Self and police party to Hiwanda, eleven men arrested for riotous behaviour. Returned camp late afternoon.

Wednesday 11th.

Road work as usual. Couple of minor disputes heard and settled. Self then along road as far as Pebeco. During afternoon Mr Grant passed through on route new bridge site. Large numbers of men seen working on sections of the road. Returned rest house late afternoon.

Thursday 12th.

General supervision of road work. Small group of men from the Koma area (that visited by Mr Grant-Koroba Report No7) came into work. Work continued until late afternoon.

Friday 13th.

Supervision road work. Several disputes settled.



Saturday 14th.

Local people in working on the roads at both Kebia and Yarwali. At this stage about 60 yds of road have been built at both places. Several minor disputes settled. Light rain during the afternoon.

Sunday 15th.

Observed.

Monday 16th.

Road work as usual. Self along road as far as Kebia. A dispute concerning bride price brought forward and settled. Heavy rain fell most of the afternoon.

Tuesday 17th.

General supervision of road work in the Yarwali area. Visit by Mr Grant during afternoon. Rain late afternoon.

Wednesday 18th.

Locals engaged at road work. Self along road as far as Kundugu. Small groups of men seen working on the road. One minor dispute brought forward at Kundugu and settled. Heavy rain.

Thursday 19th.

Supervision road work in the Yarwali area. Large group of men working on the road until heavy rain sent most of them home at about 3.00 pm.

Friday 20th.

Self along road beyond Kundugu inspecting repair work being carried out by locals. Returned camp late afternoon. Road work continued as usual near Yarwali. Self to Kebia - overnight.

Saturday 21st.

Returned Yarwali. General supervision road work. Several disputes heard and settled. Rain late afternoon.

Sunday 22nd.

Observed.

Monday 23rd.

Note from Mr Grant requesting Patrol move to Kebia and undertake repair work on Tagari Bridge. Patrol to Kebia. Accompanied Mr Grant to bridge and repair work commenced. One Hanger beam was replaced, also several stringer beams. Returned Kebia 7.00 pm.

Tuesday 24th.

Continued bridge repairs. One Hanger beam replaced and several feet of new decking laid. Showers throughout the day.

Wednesday 25th.

Camp moved from Kebia to bridge site. Work continued on bridge at 8.00 am and the beam placed in position yesterday was tightened. Several stringer beams replaced. Work continued until late evening.

Thursday 26th.

Several stringer beams placed in position and more new decking was laid. One dispute settled. Local people off to cut new truss beams. Rain throughout afternoon.

Friday 27th.

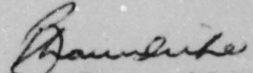
Some more new decking laid. Party to Lower Tagari Bridge site to carry decking up here. Returned late afternoon. Rain for most of the afternoon.

Saturday 28th.

Two new stringer beams placed in position and more decking laid. New truss beam placed in position.

Sunday 29th.

Finished laying decking and patrol returned Koroba during the afternoon.

  
M.W. Brownridge.  
Patrol Officer.

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Once again it is pleasing to be able to report that the Native Situation in this area remains good. The local native people of the KUNDUGU - YARWALI - KEBIA area are still co-operating fully with us on our road building programme although they must be by now getting sick of it, because at this stage of their development they are not aware of the benefits that future generations will derive from them even though they are constantly being reminded of it.

The native disputes that were brought forward to the patrol for settlement were of a minor nature and all were settled without court action

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

During the time that the patrol was at Yarwali approximately  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile of road was built at both Kebia and Yarwali and about 250 yards between Kundugu and the Yarwali Rest House. I estimate that there was an average daily attendance on the three sections of road of 100 men, all of whom worked well. Several patches of limestone were stuck near Yarwali and this will have to be blasted.

The last week that the patrol was out was spent repairing the Tagari Bridge. Three new hanger beams were put in as was about 30 feet of new stringer beams in the centre of the bridge. This work was hindered somewhat due to the shortage of new timber. All that was used in the repair work had to be carried some 5 miles from the Lower Tagari Bridge site, and this took some time.

Some of the old decking had to be laid again but already arrangements have been made for a pit-saw team to cut decking for the bridge and this should be laid in about 6 weeks time.

When the patrol left the bridge it had been used several times and appeared quite safe for medium traffic.



CONCLUSION.

Very little can be said here. As was mentioned under Native Affairs the people of the KUNDUGU - YARWALI - KEBIA areas co-operated with the patrol at all times and they managed to built about  $\frac{1}{2}$  a mile of road during the 2 weeks that the patrol was in their area. In general a good time had by all.

*Brownridge*  
M.W. Brownridge.  
Patrol Officer.

APPENDIX A.

Report on members of the Royal Papuan and New Guinea  
Constabulary who accompanied the patrol.

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No 2173	Constable 1/C	WARIEMA	In charge of the Detachment. Did quite a good job.
No 8471	Constable	YAPUT	Did a good job. Conduct good.
No 9889	Constable	YANSUANG	Good worker. Conduct good at all times.
No 10511	Constable	MABE	This members first patrol. Lacks exper- ience. Good type.
No 10612	Constable	POMBEI	Average. Conduct good.
No 10538	Constable	URAGABOIM	Good worker. Conduct good.

Below men five days on patrol only.

No 9696	Constable	TOMI	Experienced patrol type. Good worker.
No 10614	Constable	GAWI	Recent addition to the force but shows much promise. Good worker.

*M. W. Brownridge*  
M. W. Brownridge.  
Officer RP&NGC



APPENDIX B.PATROL EXPENDITURE.  
KOROBA PATROL No 8.CASH.

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|-------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Camping Allowance.   | £ 12/1/6  |
| 2. Payment of Carriers. | £ 16/16/0 |

STORES.

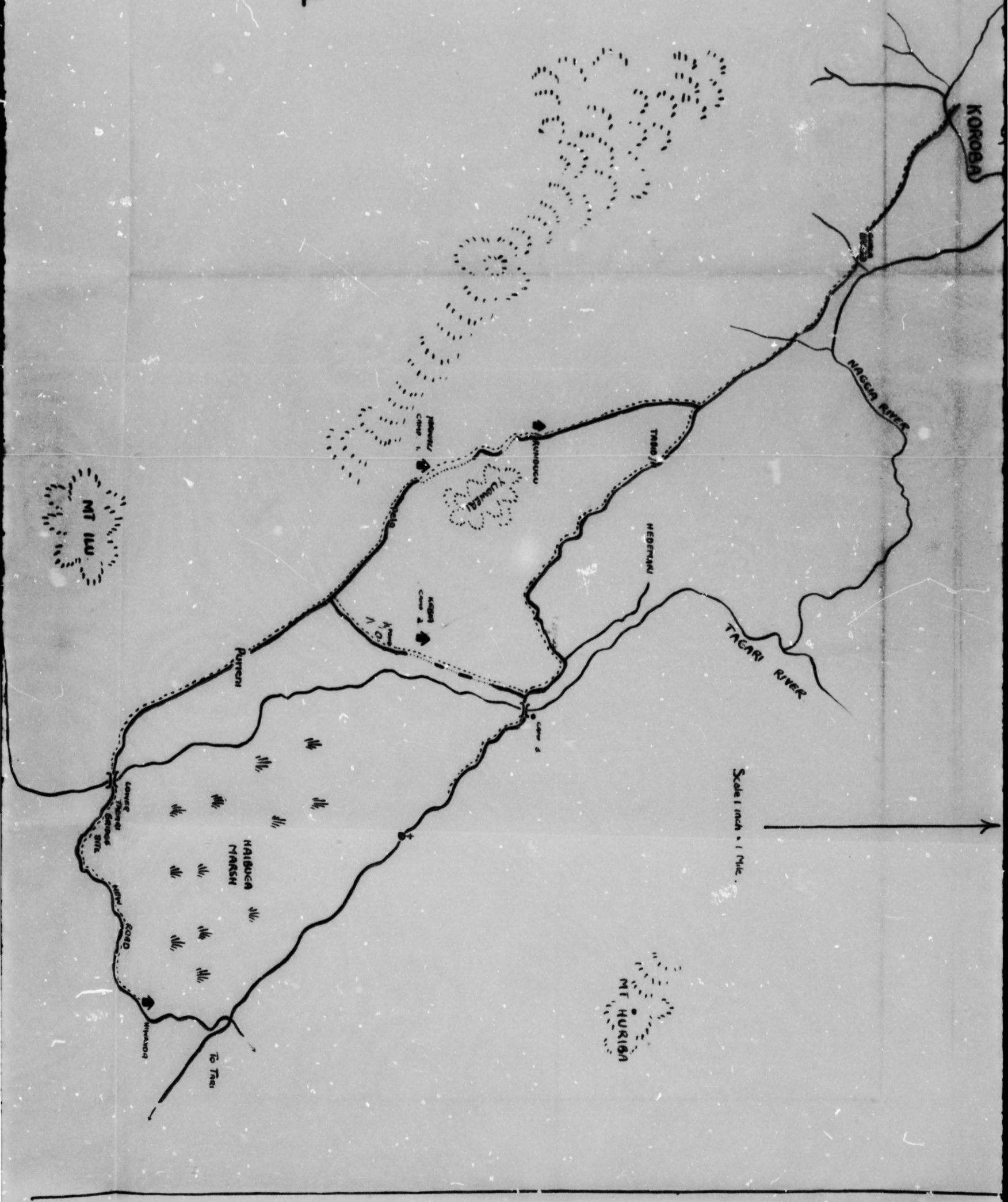
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| 1. Rations used. | £ 7/5/0  |
| 2. Trade.        | £ -/16/4 |

TOTAL. £ 36/18/10

*Bowditch*  
M.W. Brownridge.  
Patrol Officer.

**KOROBA PATROL**  
**NO 8 of 1961**  
 M BROWN RIDGE P O 1

- Best House      ●
- Camp Site      1
- Patrol Route    - - - - -
- Vehicle Road    ~~~~~
- Swamp not built - - - - -





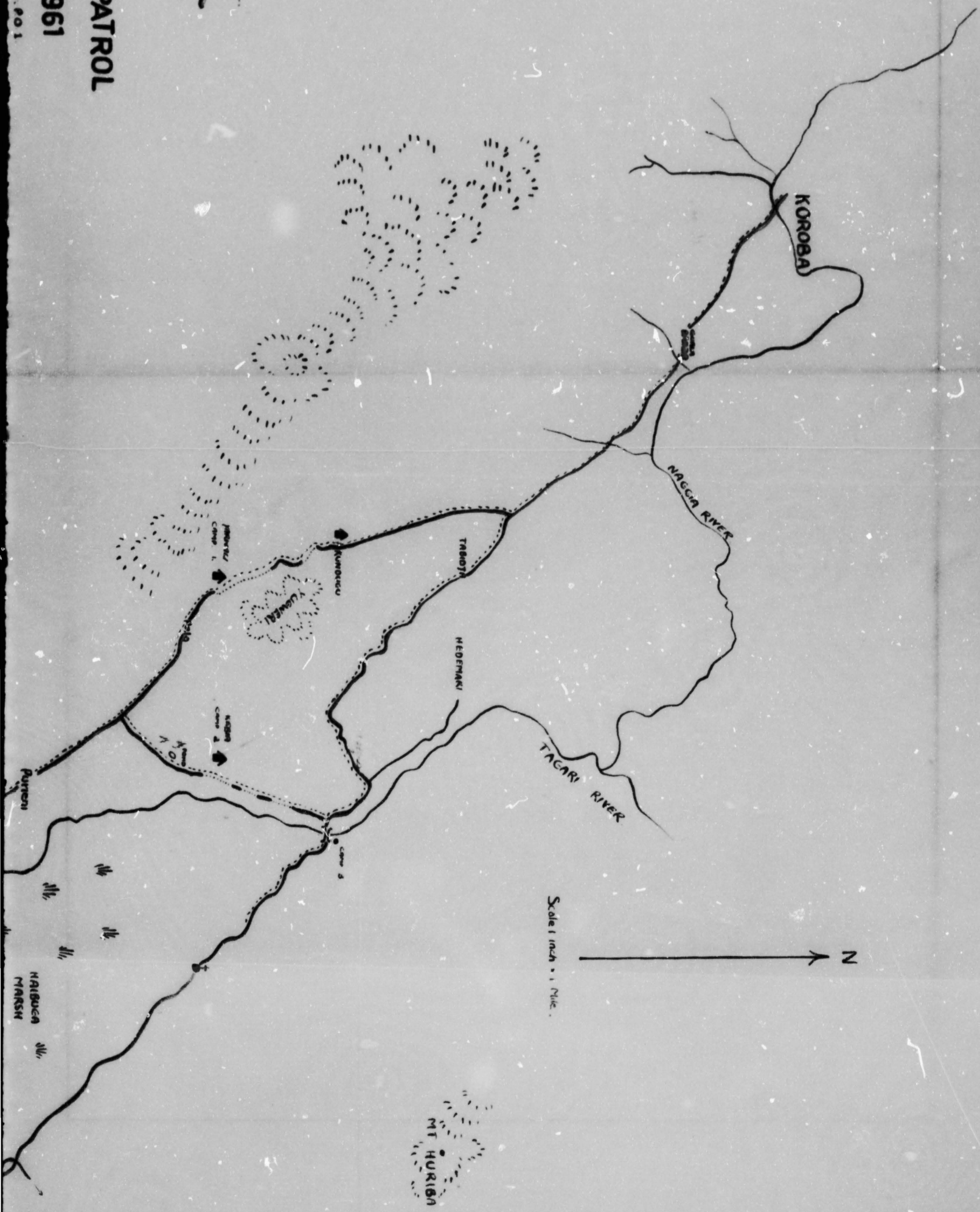


- Rest House
- Camp Site
- Patrol Route
- Vehicle Road
- Swamp near bush

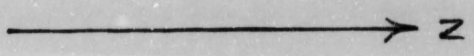
# KOROBA PATROL

NO 8 of 1961

M. BROWN/RIDGE, P.O. 1



Scale 1 inch = 1 Mile.



MT HURIGA

HAIBUA MARSH

PURUMI

TAGARI RIVER

NAGGA RIVER

KOROBA

TABOJA

HEDIMAKI

REST HOUSE

CAMP 1

CAMP 2

CAMP 3

MAGORORUA SWAMP



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....Southern Highlands..... Report No Koroba No. 9 1960-61.....

Patrol Conducted by.....N. J. Grant, P.O.....

Area Patrolled...1. Puren - Tagarhor... 2. Hojamu - Himi.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....No.....

Natives 6 RP&NGC, 1 interpreter, 1 nmo, 5 carriers increased to 45 period 24-27th Jan.

Duration—From 11.../1.../1961...to 28.../1.../1961....

Number of Days.....18.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...Dec.../1960...

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

Map Reference.....Map attached.....

Objects of Patrol.....1. General Administration... 2. Road and bridgework...  
Supervision.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

*Duplicate held*

Forwarded, please.

161 2/1961

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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67-15-40

Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu, Papua.

3rd March, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MUNDI.

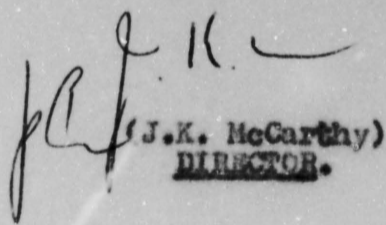
PATROL REPORT NO.9 - 1960/61  
KORORA

Receipt of the above mentioned Patrol Report  
is acknowledged with thanks.

I am most gratified to note the acceptance by  
the people of our "mechanics" in dealing with misdemeanours.  
I agree that the presence of the Patrol was of great  
assistance to the village Constable in bringing about the  
apprehension of the escaped prisoners and assisting him to  
stand firm in the face of opposition from the prisoners  
relatives.

The active interest and participation by the  
local people in the recovery of prisoners is most significant.

From the native administration point of view,  
the patrol has I believe been most successful.

  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.

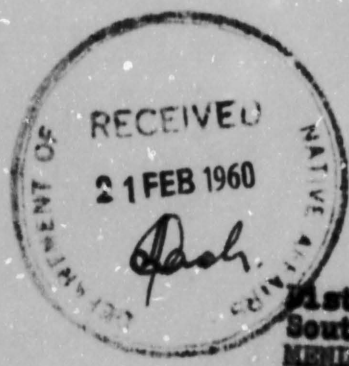
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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEHUI.

16th February, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL NO. 9 OF 1960/1961.

Thank you for the report on this patrol conducted  
by Mr. N. Grant, Assistant District Officer.

Natives of the area appear to be rendering a great  
deal of co-operation and the situation generally, seems good.

It is anticipated that an engineer will examine the  
new bridge site within the coming week.

Camping allowance claim is returned.

*(Signature)*  
(W.W. Crellin)  
s/District Officer.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

*Copy for your information, please*

*(Signature)*  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply  
Please Quote*

No. 67-1-1.  
Sub-district Office,  
Koroha.  
6th February, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.9 1960-61.

This report together with camping allowance is forwarded  
herewith.

*N.J. Grant*

N.J. Grant, P.O.  
Officer In Charge.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No.

Sub-district Office,  
Koroba,  
Southern Highlands.  
4th February, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.9 1960-61.

Patrol Conducted By:- N.J. Grant, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled:- (1) Pureni - Tagarbor.  
(2) Hoiamu - Himi.

Objects:- (1) General Administration.  
(2) Road and bridgework supervision.

Patrol Accompanied by:- 6 members RP&NGC.  
1 interpreter  
1 N.MO.  
5 carriers increased to 45  
for period 24th-27th Jan.

Duration:- Commenced. 11th Jan., 1961  
Concluded. 28th Jan., 1961  
18 days on patrol.

Map:- Sketch map attached.

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INTRODUCTION.

Initially, this patrol was planned to complete the erection of the Lower Tagari suspension bridge. Some difficulties with the concrete abutment were experienced, however, so - while awaiting expert advice - the patrol moved to the Hoiamu - Himi area to search for a prison escapee.

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DIARY.

Wednesday, 11th January, 1961. To Telabo Rest House.

Thursday, 12th. Checking bridge foundations.

Friday, 13th. Purchased native land at Pebiko.

Saturday, 14th. Bridgework.

Sunday, 15th. Bridgework.

Monday, 16th. Through Fureni - Targarbor via Kebia Rest House checking road-bridgework.

Tuesday, 17th. To Yarwali Rest House and return.

Wednesday, 18th. Bridging Kabia river.

Thursday, 19th. Bridgework.

Friday, 20th. Patrol to Kebia Rest House. Checked repair condition of Tagari bridge.

Saturday, 21st. To Lower Tagari bridge site in Fureni to carry back bridge decking.

Sunday, 22nd. Replaced one hanger beam on bridge.

Monday, 23rd. Sent patrol ahead to Kundugu R.H. With Mr. Brownidge and his patrol, replaced another hanger beam. Self to Kundugu at night.

Tuesday, 24th. Two hundred men in camp to help in search for prison escapee. Moved camp to Kiga. Searched Halieli and lower Hoiamu areas.

DIARY (Cont.).

Wednesday, 25th January, 1961. Searched through Himi and thence towards Halieli. Prisoner was arrested by two Hoiamu men but he escaped before help could be sent. N.T.  
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Thursday, 26th. Searching bush area. No contact.

Friday, 27th. Searched area, but again no contact. Moved camp to Kundugu R.H. for night.

Saturday, 28th. Patrol returned Koroba.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS.

In what is referred to here as the "controlled" area of this Sub-district, men now do appear on summons or are brought in by their Village Constables. This also applies in the case of most prison escapees. At the time this patrol left Koroba, however, two prison escapees were at large. These were Kombarbu of Hoiamu and Hanabe of Mowka.

Kombarbu had escaped on 23rd December, 1960 and his Village Constable was complaining that Kombarbu's relatives had warned him against returning Kombarbu to Koroba. The apprehension of this escapee then was not the main purpose of this visit though we would have been most happy to have got him. The Village Constable needed some support and this patrol was to supply that support. Kombarbu's brother who made the threats is now in the Corrective Institution Koroba.

During the visit, most of the Hoiamu - Himi people gave assistance. The local men took part in the search while the women brought food to the patrol. By the Friday, however, the quality and quantity of the food had fallen off so the search was called off. To have stayed longer in the area with such a large group of men, would have resulted in a food shortage.

Although Kombarbu was not arrested this patrol, I feel the people recognise the forces he is up against. The Village Constable now, once he has located him, should have no interference in bringing him to Koroba.

With the patrol's return to the station, Hanabe (the other prison escapee) was brought in by his headman and all men and women who had summons out against them have now appeared. //

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ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Work on the new road is proceeding well and only some  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles remain to be cut before it is through.

Work on the Lower Tagari bridge, however, has been temporary suspended. As the site for this bridge is along the wide, flat banks of the river, piles were driven into the bank and a concrete slab set on these piles to provide a satisfactory foundation for the suspension towers. The slab on the Pureni side was poured on 18th December, 1960.

On 6th Jan., 1961, there was an earthquake here of 5-6 intensity and a crack where the bank has slipped has appeared for approx. 100 yards on the Pureni side. Whether or not this had any effect on the foundations, the slab (on the Pureni side only) has slipped  $8\frac{1}{2}$  inches from the level (this was on 12th Jan.). Thus the weight is now concentrated obliquely on the slushy topsoil instead of the clay 12 - 14 ft. below. The slab will probably slide further. Perhaps, it may be necessary to move back the foundations some 6 ft. and thus increase the span to 132ft. 6inches while keeping the angles of the cable (where it crosses the towers) equal by increasing the height of the towers. If it is possible to keep these angles equal, then the anchors, already complete, would require no modification.

The Regional Engineer is to inspect the site and advise before further work is undertaken.

The present Tagari River suspension bridge some five miles upstream was commenced in January, 1957. Being of native timber construction, it is beginning now to show signs of wear. During Koroba Patrol No. 8 and this patrol three of the eight hanger beams and about 35 feet of the composite centre stringer beam were replaced. Further repair work will be carried out here as soon as extra decking is cut on the site.

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CONCLUSION.

During this patrol, Native Administration and road building were again combined. This has been the general pattern of patrolling here over the past two years. Administration influence has been consolidated while building roads to allow easy and speedy access to all points of the "controlled area".

A further patrol will proceed to Hoiamu-Himi area if the prisoner can not be brought in shortly.

*N. J. Grant*

N. J. Grant  
Patrol Officer.

Appendix A.

PATROL EXPENDITURE.

CASH.	1. Payment of Carriers. ...	£ 25. 0. 0
	2. Camping Allowance.	<u>8.18. 6</u>
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STORES.	Rations and trade.	£ 15. 0. 0
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Koroba Patrol Report No.9 1960-61.

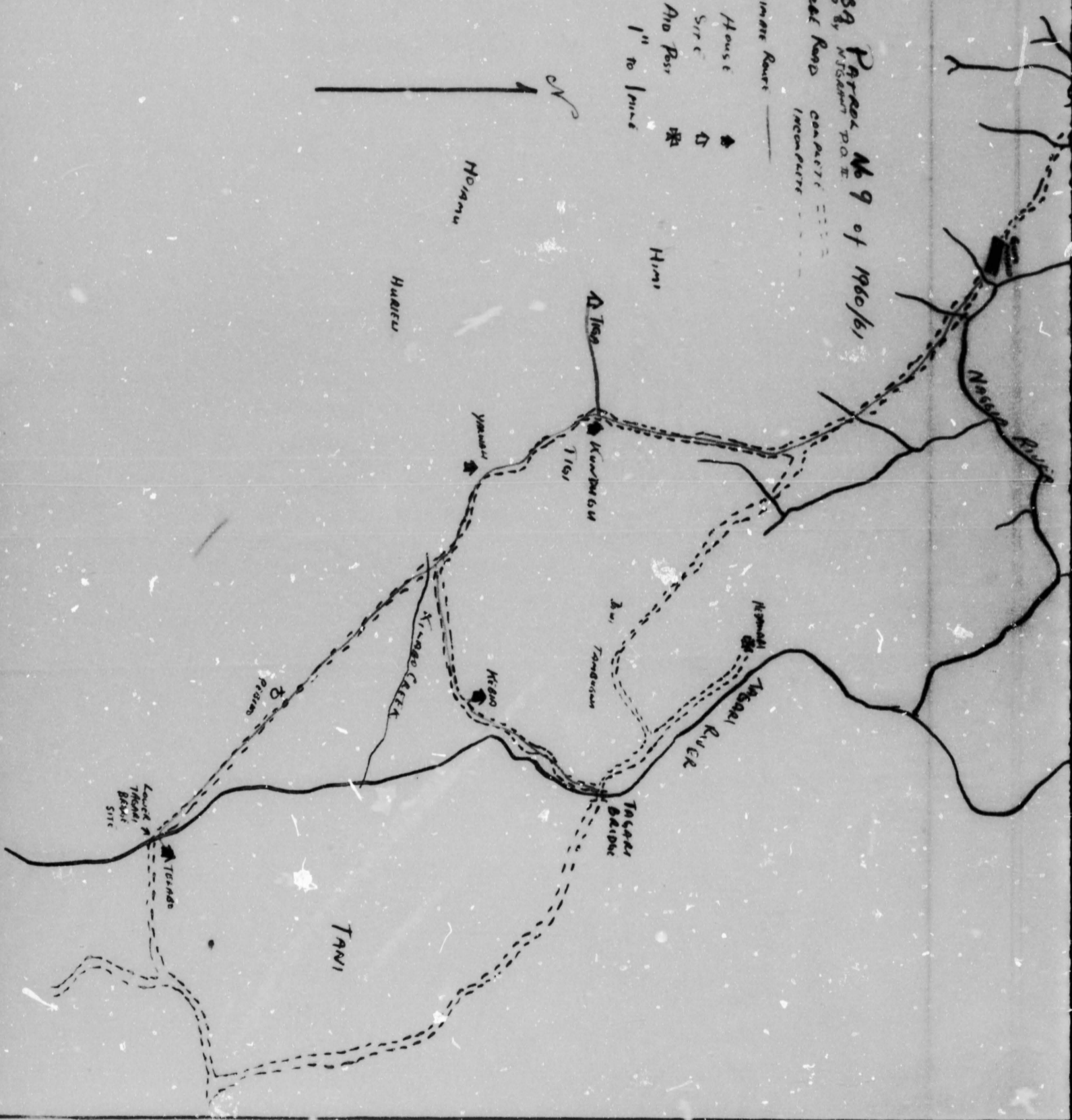
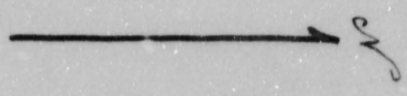


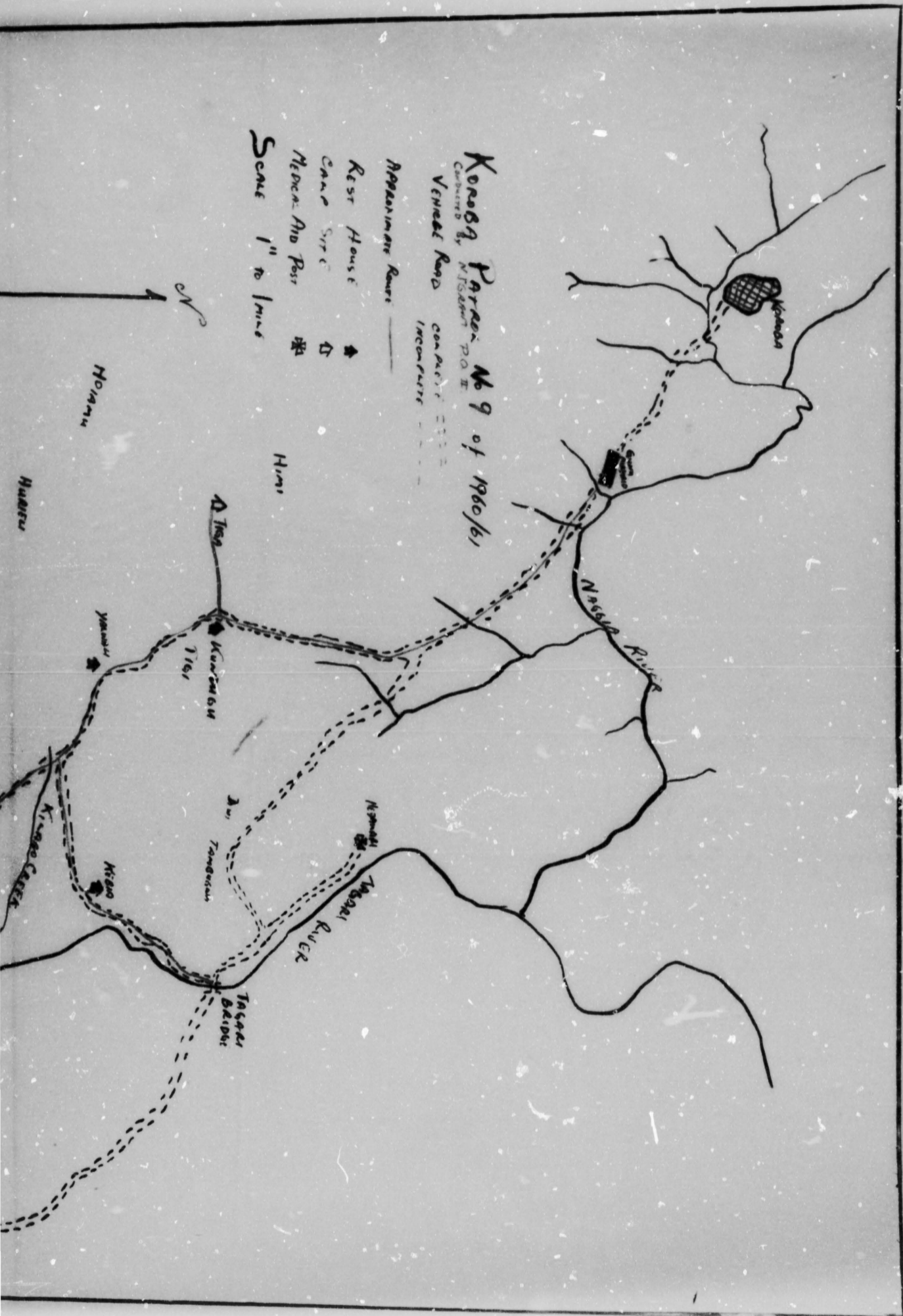
KOROGA PATERA No 9 of 1960/61  
Covered by MISSEPT P.O. II

VENUE ROAD COMPLETE  
INCOMPLETE

- Appearance Route
- Rest House
- Camp Site
- Medical Aid Post

Scale 1" to 1 mile









TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. KOROBA No. 10/1960-1961

Patrol Conducted by N.D. Lucas, Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled Part PARU Census Division; Koroba - Tagari River road

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives 8 RP&NGC; 1 Interpreter 20 carriers (part)

Duration—From 13/3/1961 to 22/3/1961

Number of Days 7

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 10/1960

Medical 10/1860

Map Reference Sketch Map attached

Objects of Patrol Investigate unrest Adzugari area; road maintenance Koroba - Tagari road

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

11/4/1961

*Duplicate held*

*[Signature]*  
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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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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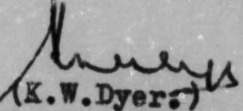
District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

11th April, 1961.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

KOROBA PATROL No.10 of 1960/61.

Five(5) Sumprint copies of the map accompany-  
ing the above report (forwarded herewith) would be appreciated,  
please.

  
(K.W. Dyer)  
District Officer.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No. 67/3/6

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

11th April, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 10 of 1960/61.

Thank you for Mr. Lucas's report on his recent patrol concerned with routine road work and unrest in the ADEUGARI and your covering comments with which I fully concur.

Claim for camping allowance is returned herewith for payment.

*K.W.*  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

cc  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
→ KONEDOBU.

For your information, please.

*K.W.*  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.



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Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District  
5th April 1961

District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi

REPORT OF KOROBA PATROL No.10-1960/61

This short patrol was Mr Lucas' first since his recent posting to the Duna Sub-District.

The prompt attention to the Adzugari disturbance has demonstrated to the people our continued interest in keeping the peace. Commonly, in these matters, most of the men are involved to some extent, and it is rarely possible or practical to attempt to arrest everybody against whom a charge may be laid. If a number of the main offenders are charged this usually is sufficient to discourage similar outbreaks without the serious disruption to community life which would result from the removal or driving to flight all effective manpower.

The action taken by Mr Lucas would appear to have been adequate under the circumstances, and I feel that he has conducted a useful patrol.

*R.N. Desailly*  
R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA..SHD.

4th. April, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,  
Duna Sub-District,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.10/60-61

Patrol Conducted by: N.D.Lucas, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled:- Paru Valley and Koroba - Tagari River road.

Objects: Investigate unrest near Adzugari.  
Road maintenance Koroba-Tari road.

Patrol Accompanied By: 8 R.P.&.N.G.C.  
1 Interpreter.  
20 carriers part only.

Duration: 7 days. 13/3/61 to 16/3/61 and 20/3/61 to 22/3/61.

Map: Sketch Map attached.

*N.D. Lucas*  
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N.D.Lucas,  
Patrol Officer.



DIARY

Monday, March 13th. 1961

Patrol departed Koroba 0900 hours for Adzugari. Arrived Adzugari at 1900 hours. Camped Adzugari Rest Camp.

Tuesday, March 14th. 1961

Patrol at Adzugari. Located and interviewed members of the dissenting Pujieni and Wanga groups. Arrested 14 men of the two groups for riotous behaviour. General discussions with members of Adzugari and other groups of the locality.

Wednesday, March 15th. 1961

Patrol departed Adzugari for Kurinda. Arrived Kurinda at 1130 hours after 4 hour walk. Camp established. Work commenced on re-construction rest house which had fallen down. Majority of the framework completed. Camped Kurinda.

Thursday, March 16th. 1961

Patrol departed Kurinda at 0700 hours. Arrived Koroba at 1030. Stood down.

Friday, 17th. to Sunday 19th. March 1961, patrol remained Koroba.

Monday, March 20th. 1961.

Departed Koroba for Elebo Rest Camp. Preliminary work on road maintenance. Checked work done to date from the Tagari River to near the western side of the Tambuga ridge. Camped Elebo.

Tuesday, March 21st. 1961.

At Elebo. Instruction to groups on required methods of road maintenance together with demonstrations. Camped Elebo.

Wednesday, March 22nd. 1961.

Moved from Elebo to Tabidja. Received word of Mr. Desailly's return so patrol returned to Koroba. Stood down.

END OF DIARY

INTRODUCTION

I had intended that this patrol be primarily concerned with road maintenance and extension on both the upper and lower Tagari roads. However, on the eve of our projected departure word was received that there had been a disturbance in the Adugari area and we proceeded to investigate. Following this small sortie the patrol returned to its original purpose. This second part was not as long as I had wished as we had to return to Koroba on Mr. Desailly's return.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The disturbance at Pujieni was caused by the Wanga people claiming payment for a long past injury caused one of its members by the Pujieni people. The brawl was nipped in the bud as it were and no serious damage was done. Fourteen members of the two groups were arrested and consequently charged with behaving in a riotous manner. I did not attempt to locate too many other members of the two groups as the patrol had not sufficient stores for a prolonged operation. This was due only to the fact that at the time essential stores were at a barest minimum at Koroba. No further reports have been received from the area of a continuance of the disturbance and this does point to the patrol having achieved its aim. The situation may need attention upon the gaoled members returning home. On the other hand the action taken this time may induce them to come to a peaceful settlement of the matter.

The general situation on the Tari road remains good. As little time was spent there I had little chance to meet the people other than during road work.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Maintenance is proceeding quite well along the old Tari road. Quite an amount of supervision is needed however as the people tend to disregard instructions and methods as the job proceeds. Within the near future the bad sections of the Tambuga ridge road should be all surfaced with stone. The remainder of the road is being cambered correctly, in places under the supervision of contract labour, but in most by the native people themselves.



Koroba Patrol Report.

No. 10/1960-1961

Now that work has stopped on the Lower Tagari bridge a great deal of attention must be paid to the old road as it will remain our lifeline for some considerable time as yet.

CONCLUSION

On the face of it it may appear that the patrol has not achieved a great deal. But apart from attending matters already discussed it has given me a wider picture of the sub-district and this combined with the number of field days is providing me with a fair picture of the physical, if not the political, aspects of the place.

Late submission of this report is regretted and would not happen under normal circumstances. Firstly Mr. Desailly's returned called for a good deal of station duties and following that I was called to interpret at the sittings of the Supreme Court from the 28th. March.

*N. P. Lucas*

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N.P. Lucas,  
Patrol Officer.

REPORT ON R.P.&.N.G.C. PERSONNEL  
ACCOMPANYING PATROL

No.7654 Constable 1/C TAEM

Conduct good, performed satisfactorily.

No.9098 Constable LAKOKO

Conduct good, satisfactory constable.

No.7645 Constable KARA

Conduct good, does not impress.

No.7795 Constable VENDARI

Conduct good, generally above average.

No.9806 Constable AIAM

Conduct fair, opinionated.

No.8869 Constable MARATSA

Conduct good, good constable.

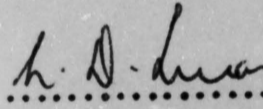
No.9570 Constable SIPORI

Conduct good, reasonably reliable.

No.10158 Constable IOAT

Conduct good, does reliable work.

The above comments have been entered in the members' Records of Service and R/S Forms 1 have been forwarded to R.P. & N.G.C. Headquarters.

  
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N.D. Lucas,  
Officer, R.P. & N.G.C.

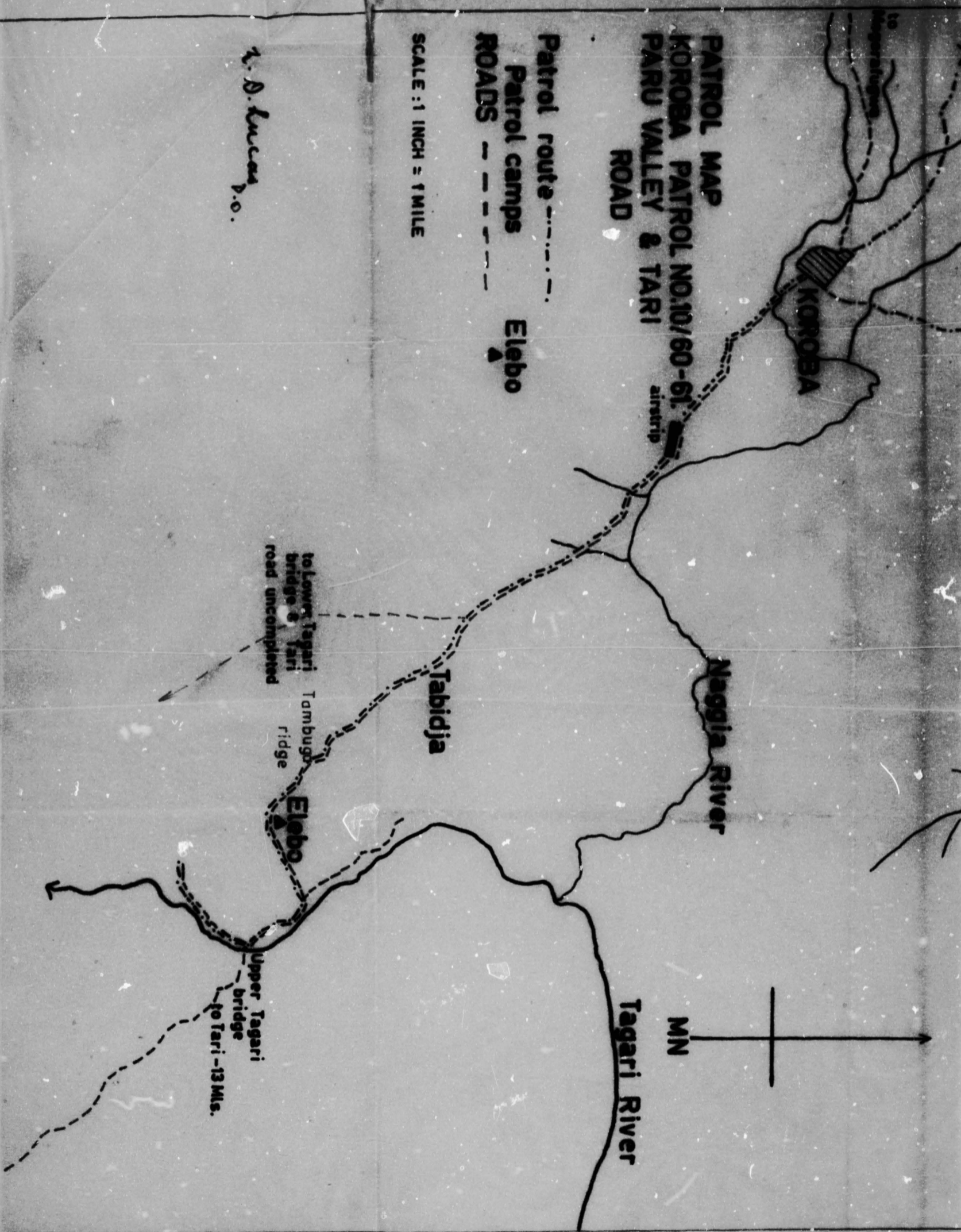


**PATROL MAP**  
**KOROBA PATROL NO.10/60-61.**  
**PARU VALLEY & TARI**  
**ROAD**

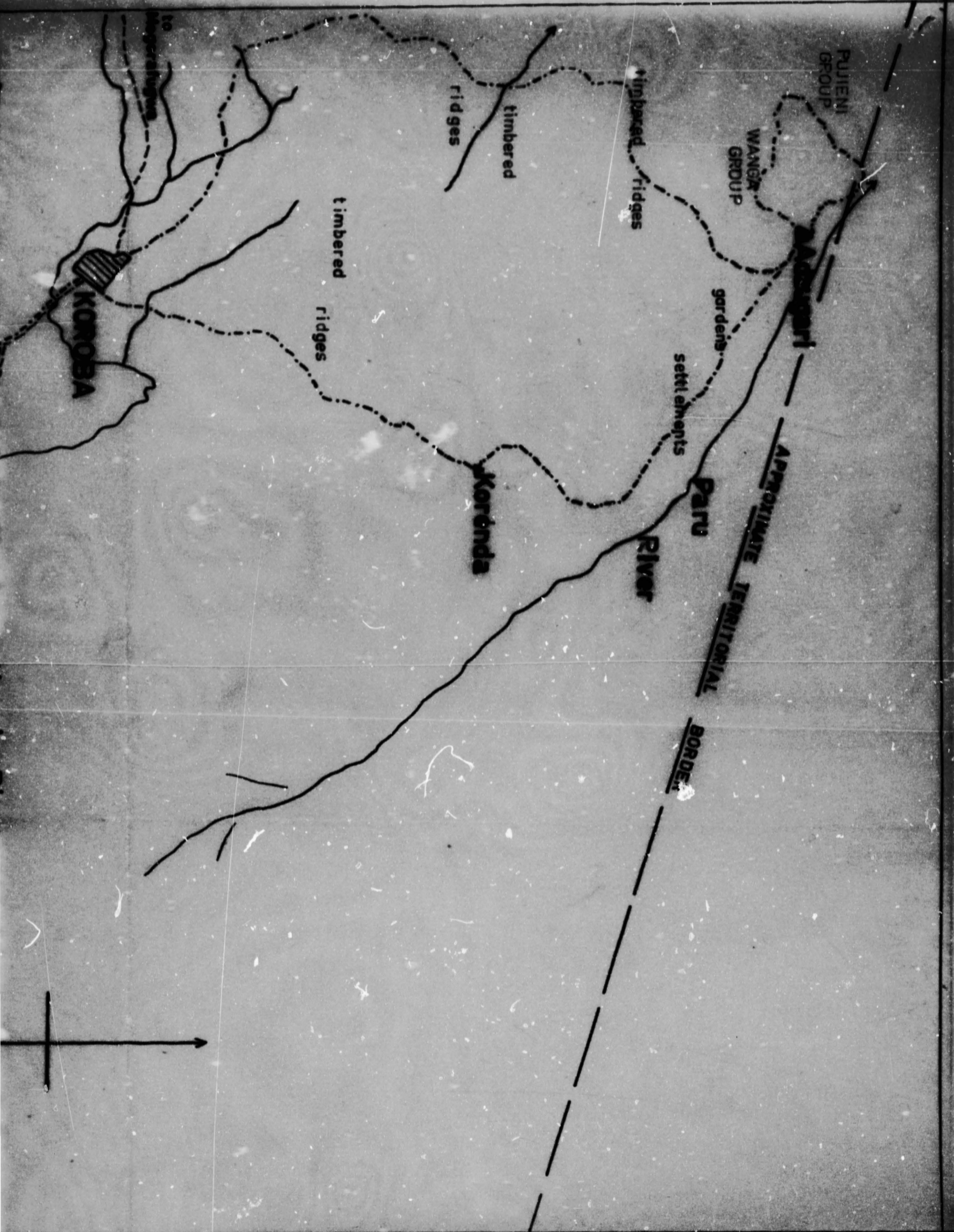
Patrol route - - - - -  
Patrol camps  
ROADS - - - - -  
Elebo ▲

SCALE : 1 INCH = 1 MILE

*R. D. Lucas*  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of...SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No. KOROBA NO. 11/1960-1961.....

Patrol Conducted by...N.D. LUCAS, PATROL OFFICER.....

Area Patrolled 1. Paru River. 2. Mogorofugwa. 3. Kundugu-Purieni-Kebia-Hedamari.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr. E.J. Dunn, Cadet Patrol Officer, 7 days (Paru).

Natives 6. RP&NG. 1. Interpreter. 36 carriers.

Duration—From 10/4/1961 to 2/5/1961...

Number of Days..... 17 days actual.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.....

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... / 3/61 Paru.  
11/1960 Mogorofugwa.  
1/61 Purieni.

Medical ... /18.....

Map Reference...Milinch Sketch Map attached.....

Objects of Patrol...Reference Patrol Instructions herein.....

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

12/5/1951

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner *ofc*

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

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

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



67-13-99

30th May, 1961.

The Director,  
Department of Lands, Surveys and Mines,  
KORORUA.

I would be grateful if you could provide me with nine (9) surprints of the attached map which accompanied Koroha Patrol No. 11 of 1960-61. The map itself is the most up-to-date information of the Sub-district and may be useful to bring your journal series up to date.

J.K.M.  
(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.

Herewith.

1 to ARMY INTELLIGENCE  
1 to EO(P&A), DEPT. OF  
THE ADMINISTRATOR

Balson to DISTRICT

30/6/61  
WJ, rdc(a)  
19.7.61



67-15-59

3rd August, 1961

The Director,  
Department of Lands, Surveys and Mines,  
KORORUA.

I refer to my 67-15-59 of 30/5/1959.

May I have these Sunprints?

There are other patrol maps sent to yours  
since for printing. Will you send these over as  
well, please?

(J. K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR

67-15-59

30th May, 1961.

The Director,  
Department of Lands, Surveys and Mines,  
KONEDOBU.

I would be grateful if you could provide me with nine (9) sunprints of the attached map which accompanied Koroba Patrol No. 11 of 1960-61. The map itself is the most up-to-date information of the Sub-district and may be useful to bring your fourmil series up to date.

J.K. McCarthy  
J.K. McCarthy  
DIRECTOR.

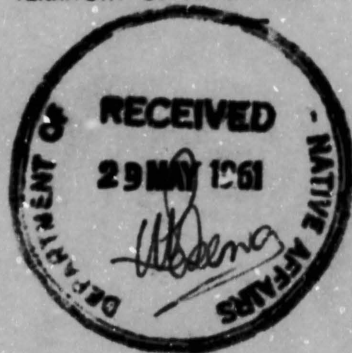


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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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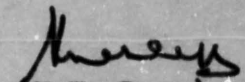
19th May, 1961.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

MAPS - SUN PRINT COPIES - KOROKA  
KOROKA PATROL NO. 11 OF 1960/1961.

The map submitted with the report on the above patrol is forwarded herewith and it is requested that at least 7 sun print copies be made available please.

The Assistant District Officer, Koroka, states that "it is the most complete and accurate so far completed" and by providing the copies sought I am sure the task of filling in the blank sections will be made easier.

  
(K.W. Dyer)  
District Officer.

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67-15-63



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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
TENDI.

19th May, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
KORORA.

KORORA PATROL NO. 11 OF 1960/1961.

Thank you for Mr. Lucas's report on his patrol No. 11 to several areas in the Korora Sub-District together with you covering memorandum.

The native situation as reported is indeed pleasing and is indicative of the good progress being made in your area.

I concur for the time being with your recommendations re the officials NIYIBA and AGIALI. If these men have the influence you suggest then this should, if possible, be channelled to our advantage. However the position should be constantly reviewed and if they have not improved within the next 6 months more suitable appointees should be found. Mr. Lucas did not state why these officials were considered unsatisfactory in respect of the complaints by the people of Tagaba and Kodamari but you have no doubt probed this aspect.

The official TRIABA could well be replaced as soon as a suitable appointee is found.

It is true that officials have been appointed only over the past year or so - nevertheless the pace of change is ever increasing and in the future consideration of these matters I would suggest you give serious thought to appointing younger men of distinct leadership potential and with drive. The training courses for village officials as suggested are well worth while.

Copies of the map will be sought under cover of separate memorandum.

Claims for camping allowance are returned herewith for payment.

*(K.W. Dyer)*  
District Officer.

c.c. The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDORN.

Copy of the above Report is forwarded herewith for your information.

*(K.W. Dyer)*  
District Officer.



Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands Distré

12th May 1961

The District Officer,  
Mendi

KOROBA PATROL No.11 of 1960/61

The report of a patrol by Mr Lucas, Patrol Officer, is forwarded herewith.

The general native situation as reported is very good and increases my earlier confidence concerning early dis-restriction of virtually all of the Duna area. (Ref. Koroba P/R No.9 of 1959/60)

In general I agree with the comment that the Village Constables are not particularly well informed or well groomed. However it must be remembered that it is less than two years since the first uniform was issued here, and none of these people had even seen a patrol until 1954. In the early days the most desirable attributes in a headman were a friendly attitude and willingness to co-operate, and all the first appointees were quite satisfactory in these respects.

Now that the initial pacification stage has almost ended more attention must be given to other aspects of administration, and no doubt some changes will become necessary in official appointees. However I am in favour of giving reasonable time for officials to adjust and to learn more of the proposed new order.

As a preliminary to further indoctrination and instruction a group of headmen was taken out to Madang just before I went on leave, last October, and some sort of training course will be instituted at Koroba in the near future. On the results of these measures, and the future conduct of appointees, will depend future recommendations.

In the specific cases where Mr <sup>Lucas</sup> Grant has recommended dismissal my own recommendations and comments are given hereunder:

Mitiba. In September 1959 Mr Grant said of him " An extremely influential headman of the Homa sub-clan of the large Tagaboa group. Has been most co-operative and helpful in native administration....". I think it is quite true that Mitiba has been rather inactive recently, but his dismissal could turn his undoubted influence against us. This is not a suggestion that useful officials should be retained out of fear of opposition - any such opposition can be overcome if need be - but I think it may be as well to defer this recommendation and give him a chance to improve his attendance and attitude.

Teiaba. Showing signs of approaching senility and not of much use as a village official.

Agiale. Has shown too much interest in compensation payments and claims arising out of old fights - particularly with men of the Paru area - and not enough in his job. If he is guilty of misuse of real or imagined authority he will be dealt with in due course, though I had heard of no actual illegality concerning him. Apart from such illegalities any appointee must show more interest in his official duties than Agiale has shown of late, but assistance given in the past should permit him a second chance.

I would be grateful if at least six copies of the map, forwarded under separate cover, could be returned to this office. It is the most complete and accurate so far completed.

*Handwritten signature*  
A. D. O.



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Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.  
7th April 1961

Mr N. Lucas,  
Patrol Officer,  
Koroba.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS → MOGOROFUGWA/PURIENI

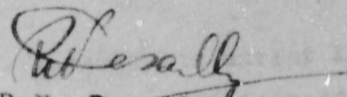
Please prepare to leave Koroba on Monday the tenth April for a patrol of approximately two weeks duration.

Mr B. Dunn, Cadet Patrol Officer, will accompany the patrol.

Your main object is to do general routine administrative work in the areas adjacent to Koroba, but you should be prepared to divert the patrol and attend to any disturbance which may be reported elsewhere.

Plan on spending three to five days in the Mogorofugwa area and approximately a week near the lower Naggia River and the Purieni area, but the duration of your stay at any place should depend more on the native situation than on any planned itinerary.

Check on and encourage road work, particularly on the incomplete sections of the new roads, and arrange any necessary repairs to rest houses.



R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

N.D. Lucas, Patrol officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA.

10th. May, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO. 11/1960-1961

Patrol Conducted by:

N.D. Lucas, Patrol Officer.

Accompanied by:

B.J. Dunn, Cadet Patrol Officer,  
7 days.

6 R.P. & N.G.C.

1 Interpreter.

35 carriers for 7 days.

8 carriers for 10 days.

Areas patrolled:

Paru Valley to Kudaga;

Mogorofugwa;

Kundugu-Kebia-Hedemari.

Objects:

1. Investigate unrest Kudaga.
2. Routine administration and roadwork through other two areas.

Duration:

10th. April to 16th. April inc.  
18th. April to 21st. April inc.  
27th. April to 2nd. May inc.  
17 days actual.

Map:

Milinch map Sub-District  
forwarded.

*N. D. Lucas.*

N.D. Lucas, Patrol officer.

DIARY

Monday 10th. April, 1961

Departed Koroba at 0930 for Korenda. Arrived Korenda Rest House at 1245.

Native foods purchased, talked with Korenda people.  
Camped Korenda.

Tuesday 11th. April.

Departed Korenda at 0730 for Adzugari. Arrived Adzugari at 12 noon.

Patrol dealt with several complaints brought by Adzugari people. Native foods purchased.  
Camped Adzugari.

Wednesday, 12th. April.

Departed Adzugari at 0800. Followed Paru River downstream until 1130 then inland until 1240 to Kudaga camp site. Camp established under japara.

Permanent carrier line on commencement construction rest house. Good turn up of local people. Ample native foods purchased. Large number of Kudaga men on building the rest house.

Investigated alleged brawl, arrested KELU of Tigamu.  
Camped Kudaga.

Thursday, 13th. April.

At Kudaga. Completed investigation. Work continued on Rest House. House 90% completed by evening.

Native foods purchased.  
Camped Kudaga.

Friday, 14th. April.

Departed Kudaga at 0730 and retraced steps to Adzugari, arriving at 1145.

Further complaints brought to the patrol and given hearing.  
Native foods purchased.  
Camped Adzugari.

Saturday, 15th. April.

Departed Adzugari at 0730 and returned to Korenda. Arrived Korenda at 12 noon. Heard few complaints.

Native foods purchased.  
Camped Korenda.



DIARY

Sunday, 16th. April.

Departed Kerezda at 0730 and returned to Koroba at 1030.

Monday, 17th. April/

At Koroba.

Tuesday, 18th. April.

Departed Koroba for the Mogorofugwa. Checked on road work en route and arrived Betega Rest House at 1330.

Routine matters attended to with the Tolo people. Remainder afternoon selecting and gathering timber for culverts.

Native foods purchased.

Camped Betega.

Wednesday, 19th. April.

Patrol at Betega. Supervised and instructed on construction culverts and bridges. Vegetable garden prepared and planted.

Native foods purchased.

Camped Betega.

Thursday, 20th. April.

Departed Betega at 0800 for Yetemari. Arrived 1030.

Routine matters attended to.

Native foods purchased.

Camped Yetemari.

Friday, 21st. April.

Departed Yetemari 0745 and returned Koroba.

Saturday, 22nd. April to Thursday 27th.

At Koroba. Departed Koroba 1100 Thursday 27th. for Kundugu. Inspected road work. Commenced compass and pace survey of completed road from junction at Girinuma towards Kundugu.

Received complaint from Mogora of Tagaboa against several Hoiamu men.

Hoiamu, Himi and Tiri headmen advised that all people were requested to attend at the Patrol camp next morning.

Native foods purchased.

Camped Kundugu.



DIARY

Friday, 28th. April.

Majority of Kundugu groups arrived during morning. General talks and discussions. Compass and pace survey completed to road head.

Court for Native Matters, Mogora v. Iburu and others.

Court for Native Matters, against 20 men for failing to do allocated road work.

Native foods purchased.

Camped Kundugu.

Saturday, 29th. April.

Proceeded to Iawuli Rest Camp. Mimiba and Purieni groups all in attendance. Routine talks and discussions.

Checked road pegs through uncompleted bush section from Kundugu to Iawuli.

Commenced construction police barracks at Iawuli. Frame completed and roofing commenced.

Native foods purchased.

Camped Iawuli.

Sunday, 30th. April.

Patrol equipment to Kebia patrol camp. Compass and pace survey from Iawuli road head to Tigari River. Returned to Kebia.

General discussions. Inspected uncompleted sections of road between Kebia and Tigari bridge.

Native foods purchased.

Camped Kebia.

Monday, 1st. May.

Proceeded to Hedemari. Talked with people.

Commenced construction Rest House. Previous house fallen down some time ago.

Native foods purchased.

Camped Hedemari.

Tuesday, 2nd. May.

Patrol equipment to Koroba direct. Self via Humburu where people met and talked with. Left Humburu at 1130 and proceeded to Koroba.

End of Diary



INTRODUCTION

The objects of the patrol were as outlined in the Patrol Instructions, a copy of which is attached.

The patrol was diverted to the Paru River area to investigate a reported disturbance at Kudaga. Following this the patrol continued on to the Mogorofugwa and areas adjacent to the new road network.

Mr. Dunn, Cadet Patrol Officer, accompanied the first part of the patrol only. Circumstances required his presence at Koroba during the time the remainder of the patrol was conducted.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS - GENERAL

1. Paru River Valley.

The disturbance reported was an isolated one which did not incur the wrath of the total population of the Kudaga group. It occurred when two men argued over the ownership of a pig. A fight developed during which one hurled a spear at the other and hit him in the shoulder. Kelu, the man who threw the spear was dealt with in the Court for Native Matters. The two men were related and there was no apparent ill feeling amongst the people about the brawl.

Other areas in the Paru which we visited were quite settled. Several compensation complaints were brought before us and the parties in each case managed to arrive at settlements. It is interesting to note that most cases did not ask for help but rather settled their differences in the patrol's presence in order that the Administration would know that they had been settled. Others which had been decided beforehand were also brought to our notice and we were told most of the facts and the settlements arrived at.

2. Mogorofugwa.

The people throughout were apparently quite happy and the area consequently well settled. No complaints were brought to our notice and the majority turned up for work and to see the patrol with no hesitation.

3. Kundugu- Iawuli-Purieni- Hedamare.

The situation is generally good. At Kundugu only was there evidence of hesitation on the part of some in coming to meet the patrol. I suspect that because of two things, firstly that road work had ceased there some time ago and secondly there had been a rather malodorous sortie conducted by some men from Hoiamu to Tagaboa to help themselves to some pigs, the people may have had



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some reservations about appearing. However, the majority eventually arrived and met the patrol. We were accorded good receptions at every other place.

During the patrol 20 men were sentenced to terms of imprisonment for failing to do road work allocated them. Four men of Hoiamu were convicted and sentenced on charge of pig stealing.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS - VILLAGE CONSTABLES.

*rather disheartening*

Generally the standard of work is not good. While the majority of the force appear willing, and most are capable of good work, they seem unsure of the obligations and authority. The personal appearance of most could do with considerable improvement. I suggest that to alleviate all this a short training course should be conducted with all Village Constables attending. Similar courses at Mendi improved that force considerably and it could do no harm here.

In view of the unsatisfactory performance of the following Village Constables, No.8 Teiaba of Hedemari, No.9 Mitiba of Tagaboa, and No.7 Agiale of Hedemari, I suggest that they be dismissed. Tagaboa and Hedemari groups complain that the men are unsatisfactory and ask that they be replaced. I doubt if these complaints stem from the unlikely fact that the men are too strict as none of the men have brought complaints to Court. There is also a suspicion that one of them has been usurping his authority as a Village Constable by obtaining native wealth by underhand methods in the Paru area. No conclusive proof has been offered as yet, but in respect of these fellows, where there's smoke there's fire, for sure! Suitable men, younger and enthusiastic in that they obviously have the interests of their groups at heart and have some amount of power and are also keen to become Government men, are available as replacements.

A recommendation for the appointment of ANGO-MINALE as Village Constable of Pela will be made.

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ROADS AND BRIDGES

1. Mogorofugwa

Actual road forming from the Iogoni Creek to the Btega Rest Camp and Aid Post is complete. Several culverts and three bridges are yet to be built on that section. A start was made on the culverts by the patrol and the Tolo people were left to complete the job. They should by this have completed most of them.

The Tolo people were also advised that they should cut bridge timbers of specific size and type and have them at the bridge sites before the next patrol so that work can start on them.

Following completion of the above two projects work should recommence on forming the road over the pegged route on the eastern side of the Iogoni Creek. No major obstacles remain to be overcome on this road apart from solid work by the people, and concentrated effort should see the road nearing completion in about two months.

2. Girinua-Lower Tagari Bridge site.

About a mile remains to be formed between Iawuli and Kundugu. Two months should see that completed. Following that there will be some bridge work to be done and a good deal of blasting of rock outcrops.

As this road will eventually be our main link with Tari I suggest that attempts be made to have Armco culverting supplied. This would alleviate a lot of maintenance when simple timber structures collapse. A compass and pace survey was done on the road and a list of the requirements of Armco is as follows:-

<u>Armco size.</u>	<u>Length of culvert.</u>	<u>No. of culverts.</u>
18"	24'	7
24"	24'	34
36"	24'	10
48"	24'	4
72"	24'	2

3. Upper Tagari Bridge to Purieni

Only about 200 yards remains to be built. Several bridges will have to be built together with an amount of blasting of rock before the road will be opened. The unformed sections are near the Kebia Rest House.



MAPPING.

The patrol map is based on previous patrol maps of the area. In the Peru Valley from Adzugari to Kudaga no accurate maps were available and thus time and rate and some guesswork has been relied upon.

In order that a sub-district map be eventually compiled I have included the patrol map on the entire sub-district area. Areas other than that covered by the patrol and which have been plotted on the map have been taken from other patrol surveys. It is intended that future patrols can both add and amend to this map. Several sun-print copies would be appreciated.

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map  
is.*

AGRICULTURE

I consider that coffee could be introduced to certain places in the Mogorofugwa and the Tagari areas. Betega, Iawuli, Purieni and Hedamari should be suitable.

A Hedamari man, Hondola, has been trained as an assistant by the Department of Agriculture in Mendi. However his services have been retained at Tari and consequently has not returned to Koroba. Perhaps he could be posted to Koroba so that any nurseries established could have constant supervision.

CONCLUSION

Road work on the new road networks should have constant supervision at this stage and it may be possible for an officer to visit the Kundugu, Iawuli and Kebia areas at least once fortnightly to check on road work and to keep alive interest in the work.

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REPORT ON R.P. & N.G.C. PERSONNEL  
ACCOMPANYING PATROL

No. 7000 Senior Constable FERORO

Conduct excellent, excellent NCO.

No. 7629 Constable NUMBO.

Conduct good, good patrol man.

No. 9696 TOMI, Constable.

Conduct good, reliable.

No. 10614 Constable GAWI

Conduct good, does fair work.

No. 10530 Constable GOEKAVE.

Conduct good, fair only.

No. 10512 Constable UTA

Conduct poor, incompetent and stupid.

The above entries have been entered in the members' Records of Service and RS Forms 1 have been forwarded to Headquarters.

.....*N. D. Lucas*.....

N.D. Lucas,  
Officer, R.P. & N.G.C.



Original



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No.KOROBA NO.12/1960-1961.....

Patrol Conducted by.....N.D.Lucas.. Patrol Officer.....

Area Patrolled...1..Mogorofugwa.....2..Tagari River road system.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.B.A.Dunn.. Cadet Patrol Officer.. 7 days.

Natives...6..BP&NGG...1..Interpreter...9 carriers.

Duration—From.....<sup>16</sup> 5/19 61 to.....<sup>22</sup> 5/19 61  
<sub>24</sub> <sub>5</sub> <sub>61</sub> <sub>4</sub> <sub>6</sub> <sub>61</sub>

Number of Days.....19 days..... + 7..... = 26 Police days.

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../.....4/19.61..

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

*Duplicate held.*

Map Reference.....Milinch Sketch Map Attached.....

Objects of Patrol...1.. Routine Administration. 2.. Road and bridge construction..

.....3.. Construction Hetawi Rest house.....

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

3 / 7 / 1961

*[Signature]*  
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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TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA.

Ref: 67-15-65

Department of Native Affairs,  
Headquarters.  
KONEDOBU.

4th August, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEKEI.

PATROL NO. 12 of 1960/61

I acknowledge with thanks, receipt of:-

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- \* Patrol Report No. KONOBA No 12/1960-61 :

covering patrol by.... N.D. LUCAS, Patrol Officer.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
Director.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

File No. 67/3/6  
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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

1st July, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL No. 12 of 1960/61.

Thank you for Mr. Lucas's report on his patrol to the MOGOROFUGWA and TAGARI River areas and your covering comments.

Though unspectacular this sort of patrolling is essential to sound administration and progress and Messrs Lucas and Dunn have done a good job.

The number of rest houses in your area is pleasing as also is the steadily increasing mileage of vehicular roads.

Mr. Lucas is to be commended on a neat and well compiled report and Mr. Dunn on the map submitted with it.

Claims for camping allowance are returned herewith for payment.

*(Signature)*  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.

→ The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

Copy of the above Report forwarded herewith for your information, please.

*(Signature)*  
(K.W. Dyer.)  
District Officer.



Sub-District Office,  
Korota,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.

8th June 1961

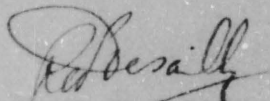
The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi

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The patrol reported on was designed to increase contact and consolidation while encouraging completion of the small sections of surveyed road still incomplete. When finished a further fifteen miles of good vehicle road will be open for use, but probably there will be some delay over the sections needing explosives. The proposed road past Arawuni should be surveyed within a few months.

The Metawi rest house is one of several new camps planned for construction during 1961, and brings the total of good rest houses to eleven. There are also several old and sub-standard camps which will be rebuilt in time.

This was a typical "working" patrol, doing an unspectacular but most useful job.



R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA.

6th. June, 1961.

The Assistant District Officer,  
Duna Sub-District,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO.12/1960-1961

Patrol Conducted by:

N.D.Lucas, Patrol Officer.

Patrol Accompanied by:

Mr. B.J.Dunn, Cadet Patrol Officer.  
16/5/61 to 22/5/61. 7 days.  
6 R.P.& N.G.C.  
1 Interpreter for 7 days.  
1 Interpreter, whole.  
9 carriers.

Area patrolled:

1. Mogorofugwa road system.  
2. Tagari River " " .

Objects:

1. Routine administration.  
2. Road and bridge construction.  
3. Rest house construction at  
Hetawi.

Duration:

16/5/61 to 22/5/61. 7 days.  
24/5/61 to 4/6/61 12 days.  
Total 19 days.

Map:

Milinch sketch map attached.

*N. D. Lucas*  
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N.D.Lucas.  
Patrol Officer.



DIARY

Tuesday, 16th. May.

Patrol to Hetawi.

Construction Rest House commenced.

Preliminary investigation potential airstrip site.

Camped Hetawi.

Wednesday, 17th. May.

Mr. Dunn on construction Rest House.

Self to compass, chain and abney level survey airstrip site.

Camped Hetawi.

Thursday, 18th. May.

Mr. Dunn at Hetawi on Rest House construction.

Self to Betega Rest House. Supervision road and culvert work.

Mr. Dunn camped Hetawi. Self camped Betega.

Friday, 19th. May.

Mr. Dunn at Hetawi.

Self on supervision road work.

Camped Betega.

Saturday, 20th. May.

Mr. Dunn departed Hetawi and rejoined the patrol near Betega. Patrol moved to Arawuni. Investigated potential road routes to and through Arawuni area.

Camped Arawuni.

Sunday, 21st. May.

Patrol returned Hetawi. Potential road routes investigated en route.

Camped Hetawi.

Monday, 22nd. May.

Hetawi Rest House completed. Patrol returned Koroba.



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Tuesday, 23rd. May. at Korohe.

Wednesday, 24th. May.

Patrol to Lawuli via main road and Jundugu.

Road work checked.

Assistance Rest camp.

Camped Lawuli.

Thursday, 25th. May.

Patrol to Kebia.

Road and bridge work.

Camped Kebia.

Friday, 26th. May.

Road and Bridgework.

Camped Kebia.

Saturday, 27th. May.

Road and Bridgework.

Camped Kebia.

Sunday, 28th. May.

Road and Bridgework.

Camped Kebia.

Monday, 29th. May.

Road and Bridgework.

Camped Kebia.

Tuesday, 30th. May.

Road and bridgework.

Camped Kebia.

Wednesday, 31st. May.

Road and bridgework.

Camped Kebia.



DIARY

Thursday, 1st. June.

Road and bridgework.

Camped Kebia.

Friday, 2nd. June.

Road and bridgework.

Camped Kebia.

Saturday, 3rd. June.

Road and Bridgework.

Camped Kebia.

Sunday, 4th. June.

Returned Koroba.

END OF DIARY

Approximately 100 miles remains to be completed on the Koroba road. The road was built on the eastern side of the Koroba valley. It is proposed to construct a road from Koroba to the Kebia and the boundary between the Kebia and Koroba groups.

A preliminary survey was made in the afternoon with the view of extending the road from Kebia to Koroba and the Kebia valley. There should be no major difficulties there and probably the road route would be in the valley. The road would be built on the eastern side of the valley, especially near Kebia. The road would be built on the eastern side of the valley, especially near Kebia. The road would be built on the eastern side of the valley, especially near Kebia.

In the Kebia area a road was constructed on the left bank. The road was built on the left bank. The road was built on the left bank. The road was built on the left bank. The road was built on the left bank.

Work is proceeding on the road. The road is being built on the left bank. The road is being built on the left bank. The road is being built on the left bank. The road is being built on the left bank.



INTRODUCTION

The patrol was mainly concerned with road and bridge construction in both the general areas visited.

Mr. Dunn accompanied the patrol from the 16th. to the 22nd. May and was responsible for the construction of the Hetawi Rest house.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS

All the areas visited are settled. Very few matters were brought to the attention of the patrol, but as so little time has elapsed since the previous visit I doubt if anyone has had time to propagate any further mischief.

All groups co-operated reasonably with the patrol.

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ROADS AND BRIDGES

Approximately one mile remains to be completed on the Mogorofugwa road. Culverts have been built on the section completed in the Mogorofugwa. Work is proceeding on construction from Iogoni Creek towards Hetawi and the boundary between the Kanimo and Koroba groups.

A preliminary survey was made in the Arawuni with the view of extending the road system there and towards the Tumbudu River. There should be no major difficulties there and possibly the best route would be to follow the Iogoni Creek upstream to adjacent Arawuni camp ground and thence follow the valley generally west towards the Tumbudu. An alternative route from near Betega would necessitate constructing the road across the natural grain of the country and consequently the task would be more difficult.

In the Tagari River area work was concentrated on the link road. The two major bridges on the road were completed. Work was supervised on completion of the unfinished sections and it now remains for a few culverts and a smaller bridge to be completed, together with some rock blasting before the road can be opened.

Work is proceeding on closing the gap between Kundugu and Iawuli. The Kundugu groups are coming within a stone's throw of their objective. A good deal of blasting will have to be done on this road also.



REST HOUSES

The completed house at Hetawi is an excellent job and should prove invaluable to future patrols to and through that area.

Maintenance was carried out on Betega, Iawuli and Kebia houses. Police barracks were in good condition.

The carriers house at Kebia was destroyed by fire on the night of the 29th. May. It appears that the fellow responsible was a youngster from Kebia who had decided to sleep the night with the carriers. The fire he lit for himself apparently got out of hand and caught the kunai walls. He disappeared immediately the conflagration started and was not seen by the patrol afterwards. An investigation will be conducted as soon as the fellow can be located.

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AIRSTRIP SITE

The area investigated in the Mogorofugwa did not prove as good as first thought. An area of 2000' x 200' would be immediately available. A further 1000' to 1500' could possibly be made serviceable by filling a large and deep gulley on the western end and removing a large mound slightly to the north of the eastern end. A width of 200' would be the maximum. Clearances all round would be within regulation.

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Koroha Patrol Report.

No. 12/1950-1961

REPORT ON R.P. & N.G.C. PERSONNEL  
ACCOMPANYING PATROL

No. 2173 Constable 1/C WARIEMA

Conduct good. Energetic, but exercises little control over detachment.

No. 7795 Constable VERDARI (24/5/61 - 4/6/61)

Conduct good. Inclined to be too independent.

NO. 8471 Constable YAPUT (16/5/61 - 22/5/61)

Conduct good. Works well, but appears stale.

No. 9098 Constable LAKOKO

Conduct good. Good worker, reliable.

No. 9889 Constable YANSUANG.

Conduct good. Good worker.

No. 10511 Constable MAHE.

Conduct good. Good worker.

No. 10512 Constable POMDEI.

Conduct good. Works well.

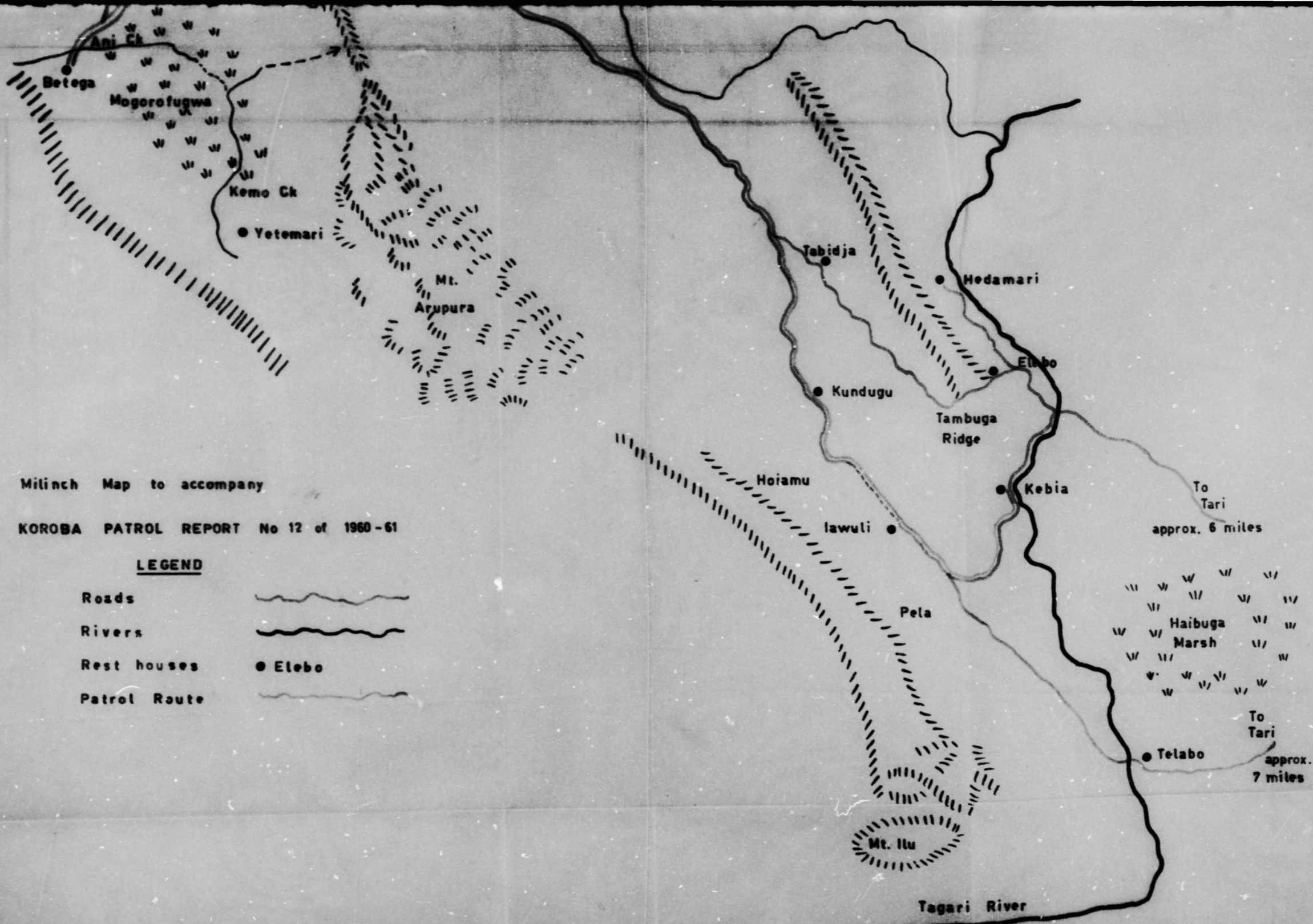
The above comments have been entered in the members' Records of Service and R/S Forms 1 have been forwarded to Headquarters.

*N. D. Lucas*

N.D. Lucas,  
Officer of R.P. and N.G.  
Constabulary.











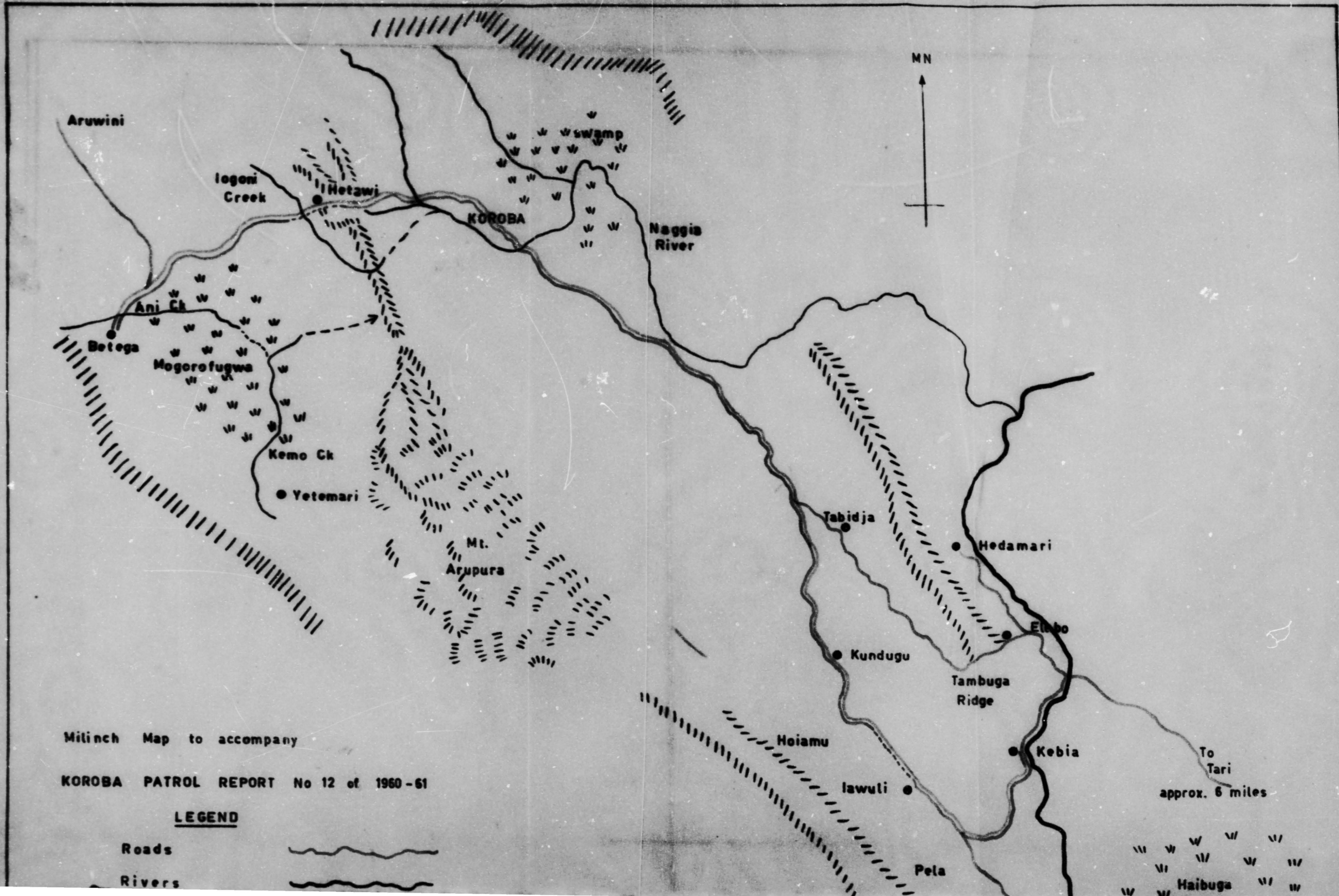
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LEGEND

- Roads 
- Rivers 
- Rest houses  Elebo
- Patrol Route 





Aruwini

Iogoni  
Creek

Hetawi

KOROBA

Naggia  
River



Ani Ck

Betega

Mogorofugwa

Kemo Ck

● Yetemari

Mt.  
Arupura

Tabidja

● Hedamari

● Elabo

● Kundugu

Tambuga  
Ridge

● Kebia

Hoiamu

● lawuli

Pela

To  
Tari  
approx. 6 miles

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**LEGEND**

Roads



Rivers



Haibuga



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of... Southern Highlands ..... Report No. (Koroba) 13 of 1960/61..

Patrol Conducted by... R.N. Desailly, Assistant District Officer .....

Area Patrolled... West of Lavani and Lake Kapiagu .....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans... B.J. Dunn, C.P.O. .....

Natives... 8 Police, 29 Carriers.

Duration—From... 13/6/1961 to 26/6/1961..

Number of Days... 14 .....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19..... Initial patrol in part.

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

Map Reference... Sketch map accompanying .....

Objects of Patrol... Contact reported population west of Lavani and return via proposed station site at Lake Kapiagu.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

*Duplicate held*

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 ....

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19th July, 1961.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

KOROMA PATROL REPORT NO. 13/1960-61

Although the survey confirmed expectations, this patrol maintains the high standard of frontier administration that we have come to expect from the Duna Sub-district under the capable control of Mr Desailly. Although population density is disappointing, the reality has been proved beyond doubt.

Staff shortages are serious and our ambitions must be restricted to what can be done rather than what should be done. To give an idea of the hard facts to be faced, there is one area of 27,000 controlled and semi-sophisticated natives administered by a Cadet Patrol Officer; a situation made imperative by policy directives despite personnel deficiencies.

Please convey my commendation to Mr Desailly and his patrol for the successful completion of an arduous piece of work and his modest report of it.

You may be sure this Headquarters is only too well aware that the type of Officer capable, experienced, and able by lack of marital obligations to conduct exploratory and consolidatory work is becoming distressingly scarce.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
Director.

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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEKEL.

10th July, 1961.

Assistant District Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL NO.13 OF 1960/61.

Thank you for the report on your recent patrol West of Lavani and to Lake Kopiago. This is a valuable job very well done and the experience to Cadet Patrol Officer Mr. Dunn will be invaluable and of a type that is fast becoming scarce in this Territory.

I agree that the post at Kopiago will greatly facilitate our own control. Though, as yet, you have not been accorded any credit for this I do consider that the rather pleasing state of affairs and contacts made by this new post are in no small measure due to the meagre but sound contacts from Koroba in the past and above all to the reputation Koroba has gained for sound, sensible and effective administration which has undoubtedly spread far beyond the area you consider adequately controlled.

There will no doubt be territorial border "problems" however I leave it to you and Mr. McBride to establish a workable common sense working boundary between your respective areas.

From your report I would think there would not be more than 1000 West of Lavani in our District (excluding the more populous area near the border and Lake Kopiago which will no doubt be administered from there).

Claims for camping allowance are returned herewith for payment.

(K.W. Dyer)  
District Officer.

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

For your information please. Copies of the report are attached hereto and the map is forwarded under separate cover.

This is the usual modest report submitted by Mr. Desailly which makes little or no mention of the hardships but leaves no doubt that what must have been a hard and rugged job was most competently done.

(K.W. Dyer)  
District Officer.

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- 7 JUL 1961

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SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT

Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands

4th July 1961

The District Officer,  
Mendi

KOROBA PATROL No.13 of 1960/61

A report of the above patrol in triplicate is forwarded herewith, together with camping allowance claims.

A map is being forwarded under separate cover to avoid folding. If prints can be made from the map five copies for this office would be appreciated.

*R. N. Desailly*

R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

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KOROBA PATROL No.13 of 1960/61

Patrol Conducted by: R.N. Desailly, Assistant District Officer  
Patrol Accompanied by: Mr B.J. Dunn, Cadet Patrol Officer.  
8 R.P. & N.G.C.  
29 Carriers

Duration: Commenced 13th June 1961  
Completed 26th June 1961  
Fourteen patrol days.

Area Patrolled: Lavani, west of Lavani & Lake Kapiagu.

Objects: Contact reported population west of  
Lavani and return via proposed station  
site near Lake Kapiagu.

INTRODUCTION

For some years we have known of people living west of Lavani, but pressure of work elsewhere did not allow time for seeking out such small groups as had been reported.

Previous patrols had not gone further than the floor of the main valley, and native informants usually stated that a patrol would take two days from there to reach the first habitation, and that there were very few living there.

However, it was clearly necessary to visit the area when time could be spared, and with the progress being made in other parts of the sub-district it was felt that two or three weeks could be spared for a brief reconnaissance to check the accuracy of our information.

Instead of returning by the same route the patrol went a little further north to visit the proposed station site near Lake Kapiagu and returned via the Paru River.

PATROL DIARY

Tuesday 13th June 1961 Departed Koroba 1230. Followed the nearly completed vehicle road to Betega rest house, arriving 1500. Discussions with local people concerning route of patrol etc.

Wednesday 14th June Departed Betega 0740. Climbed steadily past cultivated land into the timbered range which forms the eastern wall of Lavani and reached the top of the pass at 1050. Altitude 8200' A.S.L. Descended steeply into Lavani and crossed the marshy, grassed valley floor to reach the gardens at Gwaii by 1500. A good reception and almost enough food to feed the patrol brought to camp. A headman named Kaing, who is well known and respected from Lavani to Lake Kapiagu arrived late in the afternoon. He had heard of our trip and hurried from Kapiagu to join us.



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Thursday 15th June Departed 0800 for an easy three hours of rather sloppy walking to a camp site at Huguni. This is slightly beyond where previous patrols have penetrated, but the people have almost all been to at least one of the previous Lavani patrol camps. People very friendly and helpful, cutting tent poles and bringing ample food for the patrol. Made a rough count of 30 adult women and over 60 men who brought food to sell. The sweet potato, which is still the staple here, is of rather poor quality and said to be very slow growing. With the altitude of the valley floor nowhere below about 7000 and the climate mainly wet and cloudy this is not surprising.

Friday 16th June Rain until almost 0800, at which time tents were struck and the patrol climbed gradually to a pass near the head of Yaga Creek - 3½ hours carry. Country mostly timbered but with fairly large areas of grassland where the vegetation is mainly high altitude grasses, fern and moss and the ground spongy underfoot. Altitude recorded as 9100' at the top of the pass. Halted briefly before making a steep descent through timber, after crossing a timbered ridge, and arrived at the bottom of a small sink hole with gardens and habitation after three more hours of rough walking. The sink hole appears to be about half a mile wide by a little over a mile long, with steep timbered walls up to two thousand feet higher than the floor. The lower side of the floor is marshy and drainage is underground. On the higher, western side, where the land is less marshy and the morning sun would sometimes provide warmth, approximately a hundred people are living. The lowest point in the marsh would be approximately 7400' A.S.L. and the icy rain which began to fall as we arrived gave the impression that sunlight is almost unknown here. Quality of food poor, but ample brought for the patrol. The people friendly and interested, and 27 adult women counted in the food selling group. Nobody else seemed to mind the cold, and all remained to watch and help as we erected tents in the rain. Camp site recorded as Hanai, with an altitude of 7500' A.S.L.

Saturday 17th June Assisted by local men, who cheerfully offered to help with the cargo, departed Hanai 0800 and climbed into the timbered ridges to the west. Heading generally west and north-west to cross the highest point at about 9000' A.S.L. before dropping into tangled ridges for a further five hours of rough walking. Two garden clearings seen in the bush just before arriving at a grassed area of possibly seven hundred acres at 1600. This area is surrounded by timbered ridges, but does not have the same walled-in look as our previous camp. Another cold camp, with the altitude approximately 7000' A.S.L. and the weather wet and misty. A good reception by the people, however, and with their help the patrol was soon moved. Ample food brought to the patrol and payment made in the usual salt and red paint.

Sunday 18th June Remained in camp to rest the carriers and permit the drying of soggy blankets. The population here is probably the same as at Hanai - 26 adult women seen when the people brought food - and would not greatly exceed 100. Everybody very interested in us and our equipment, and a small portable wireless became the centre of interest whatever the program. Three young men asked to accompany us to Koroga, and after explaining what would be required of them this was agreed to. Headman Kaing made them a short speech about correct deportment in the outside world and particularly warned them about taking anything which was not specifically given to them. These people have contact with both the Lavani side and the people of the Tumbudu River, and are quite definitely of the Duna culture.



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Monday 19th June Departed Gercro camp 0730. Route northeasterly and easterly through timbered ridges then a steady climb to the top of a saddle in the main divide at approximately 9000' A.S.L. before dropping slightly through broken timbered country to make camp at 1615 at 8000' A.S.L. Bush camp with no habitation.

Tuesday 20th June Departed 0730. Up and down timbered ridges then a general descent until we reached the first house and garden at 1000. Moved on to large garden clearing and halted at 1020 to allow the carriers to close up. Heavy population here, and at least a hundred men had gathered around us within minutes. I judge this to be about on the territorial border, as we are on the western side of the Tumbudu Valley approximately a thousand feet above the river and almost opposite the falls which I had previously placed about a mile north of the border. Helped by local people moved on at an increased pace to a flat area on the Tumbudu, arriving at 1400. The recorded altitude here 4500' A.S.L. and everybody appreciated a warm camp after a week of bleak, cold camps in the high country. More than enough food bought to feed the patrol. Yaguni camp.

Wednesday 21st June Departed Yaguni 0730 and spent 70 minutes getting the frightened carriers across the Tumbudu River on a dilapidated bridge. Crossing accomplished without mishap and the patrol climbed the ridge which divides the Tumbudu River and the Lake Kapiagu basin area. Crossed at approximately 5400' A.S.L. and dropped through timber into the basin. Followed a rather muddy track along the Koi'i Creek through the basin for some distance before getting into the open swamp and marsh which forms most of the valley or basin floor. Arrived at Mr McBride's camp at 1640. Altitude recorded as 4000' A.S.L.

Thursday 22nd June Patrol carriers put to helping Mr McBride's patrol clear a drop site. Mapping observations and discussion on possible future administrative problems and organisation with Mr McBride.

Friday 23rd June Inspected possible airstrip site and checked distances to local features with range finder to assist in calculating approach clearances etc. Patrol personnel still assisting with clearing and self with Mr McBride to inspect locality.

Saturday 24th June Departed 0700 and proceeded along the eastern edge of the basin to the south-eastern end, climbed Baga ridge and swung east to make camp at 1430 in the Wanganda area. Ample food brought by local people, who also assisted to set up camp. Altitude approximately 5200' A.S.L.

Sunday 25th June Departed 0720 for a long walk through the valley drained by Awi Creek. This creek drains underground and is said to flow into the Paru to the east. Proceeded through rather broken country, mostly extensively cultivated, to the rest house at Adzugari by 1600. Plenty of food and a good dry rest house make this a pleasant camp.

Monday 26th June Departed Adzugari 0740 and followed up the Paru valley to Korenda, thence climbing almost 2000' to the top of the Paru/Naggia divide. Approximately one hour walking through the timbered ridges of the divide before dropping steeply to the marshy area between there and the station. Arrived Koroba 1515.

N.B. Walking times are for carriers. On the last three days loads were lightened considerably, and for a good deal of the patrol assistance was given by local people, which helped to decrease carrying times.



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### NATIVE AFFAIRS

In this area the custom of claiming compensation payments for all manner of alleged wrongs and injuries has resulted in an enormous amount of argument and attempted litigation between groups and individuals.

Frequently these claims do not concern matters within the jurisdiction of our courts, but frequently officers here have intervened to help settle outstanding disputes which were obviously causing unrest.

Subsequently many people have tried to use our obvious desire to clear up old troubles to get payment on insufficient grounds or under other circumstances which would not give much hope of payment without special pressure. It has frequently been pointed out, of course, that we do not approve of raking over the past simply out of the hope of making something out of what would be better forgotten, but there are always those who will try.

It has several times happened that such opportunists have accompanied patrols into places where less contact might make for a more gullible people, and have implied or stated that they have government support in their claims without first advising the officer concerned.

Although this may have worked occasionally, much more frequently the demands have been so outrageous or so tactlessly expressed that the response has been rather violent.

Knowing of this danger permitted us to forestall the plans of certain men which could have lead to unpleasantness during the patrol, and it was made quite clear that short of actual hostility or **flagrant** law-breaking we were not interested in courts or police action there at this time.

Without exception the people seen were friendly and co-operative. The few who had not previously been contacted were sometimes slightly nervous at first, but they appear delighted with the visit and even heavy rain and bitter cold did not stop them from bringing food and thronging around the camp. Womenfolk turned out in force to bring food and get their share of the prized salt and red paint, and there was no sign of suspicion or distrust.

The people are typical Duna types and in no way different to outsiders unless their acceptance of such an unpleasant habitat marks them as different in some way. They are in contact with other Duna people of Lavani and the Tambuda River.

### TERRAIN, CLIMATE AND ECONOMIC POTENTIAL

As far as I could discover the area west of Lavani has little or no economic potential. The terrain is high, rough and timbered. As is common in such broken limestone country the ridges and valleys are often incredibly tangled and there are many underground creeks and rivers. Marsh or swamp is often found in the sink holes and valleys, and the heavy rainfall makes conditions generally wet and muddy. Moss forest is common, particularly above 8000' A.S.L., and about the 9000' level there are a few comparatively open areas covered with high altitude fern, grasses and moss growing between tree fern and scrubby trees. In such places the ground is invariably spongy and soon tramps into mud under the carriers' feet.

There seems little we can do for these people at present except to offer outside employment to the young men, and three young men returned to Koroba with the patrol as potential recruits under the Highlands Labour Scheme.



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This area is part of the Western Highlands District, and will be fully reported upon by Mr McBride, but because of our past association with the area and the importance to us of future work there brief comments seem worth including.

The proposed station site is well situated to administer the groups living along the Legaip, lower Paru and Strickland rivers where virtually nothing has been done as yet. More important to us, however, are thousands of Duna people who have been in contact with Koroba for the past few years but who live north of the border. Apart from legal complications involved we have not had sufficient staff to administer this area properly, and, although we have visited most of them and to some extent influenced their attitude and behaviour, they could not be considered controlled. They want and need the concentrated attention which only their own station can fully afford, and I feel sure that when this consolidation work does start it will have a very good effect on our northern fringe area.

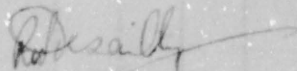
For this reason the establishment of a station at or near Lake Kapiagu with a vigorous field program from there will mean a very early de-restriction of almost all of this sub-district. It should also mean that the 1963 target date for total de-restriction should not be too difficult to achieve in the Western Highlands District west of the Porgera River.

The map drawn for this patrol shows the border but should not be considered completely accurate. It is hoped that soon maps based on aerial photography for at least part of this area will become available, and with such a map to work from a reasonably accurate marking of the border should be possible. In the meantime a working arrangement can easily be found to avoid duplication of effort or confusion along the border area.

CONCLUSION

The patrol found very much what had been expected, and its main value was in confirming earlier impressions about inhospitable country and sparse population beyond Lavani.

Although there may be one or two more such small pockets undiscovered, I am convinced that there is virtually no population between Geroro and a few people living along the Strickland River. The latter could be most easily administered from Lake Kapiagu. They are too few to warrant special attention from here or ~~is~~ significantly to increase the work of Kapiagu officers. In any case I think very few of them live south of the border.



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