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DDA 67-3-121

## PATROL REPORT

Report number: **1-1971/72**

District: **Western**

Patrol conducted by: **P.D. Hawke**

Area patrolled: **Part Gogodala West**

Duration of patrol: **5.7.71-10.7.71**

Last D.D.A. patrol: **October, 1970**

Last O.L.G. patrol: **October, 1970**

Map reference: **Fourmil Avorra River**

Objects of patrol: **Territory Census**

Station: **Balimo**

Subdistrict: **Balimo**

Designation: **Patrol Officer**

Personnel accompanying: **4 Avaba High Students**

Number of days: **Six**

Total population of area: **2474**

Council area: **Gogodala**

House of Assembly Electorate: **South Fly**

The District Commissioner,

**Western** District,

**DARI**

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To **Diary** (✓)

Patrol Instructions, ( )

~~The Report~~ and my comments, (✓)


Area study, ( )

Updating of area study, ( )

Situation Reports No's 1- ( )

Patrol map, ( )

DATE: **20 / 6 / 19 72**

  
Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
**KONEDOBU**, Papua New Guinea.

**67.3.1**

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study, ( )

Updating of area study, ( )

Situation Report No's. 1- ( )

( )

( )


District Headquarters assessment of

Patrol & Report. Above average

✓ Average

Below average

Date: **22 / 6 / 19 72**

  
District Commissioner



NLM:MG

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOPU.

67-3-121

29th June, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DABU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 1 OF 1971/72

Reference your 67-3-1 of 22nd June, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of your minute arising out of the above patrol of Part West Gogodala Census Division, together with the appropriate assessment, as submitted by Mr. P.D. Hawke, Patrol Officer.

I notice that the above mentioned Patrol was carried out nearly 12 months ago, but no explanations have been given for the delayed submission of the report.

I assume that the main purpose of the report at this stage is to allow Mr. Hawke to collect various allowances arising from the Territory Census.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.



# PATROL REPORT

Report number: 2-1971/72  
 District: Western  
 Patrol conducted by: P.D. Hawke  
 Area patrolled: Part East/West Gogodala  
 Duration of patrol: 26.10.71-12.11.71  
 Last D.D.A. patrol: DECEMBER, 1970  
 Last O.L.G. patrol: JULY, 1970  
 Map reference: Fourmill Kiwai  
 Fourmill Aworra River

Objects of patrol: Council Projects Inspection & Construction.  
 Station: Balimo  
 Subdistrict: Balimo  
 Designation: Patrol Officer.  
 Personnel accompanying: RDO Thompson (Part)  
 Number of days: 15  
 Total population of area: 2018  
 Council area: Gogodala  
 House of Assembly Electorate: South Fly.

The District Commissioner,  
 Western District.  
 DARU

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios	To	Diary	(✓)
Patrol Instructions,			( )
<del>The Report</del> and my comments,			(✓)
Area study,			( )
Updating of area study,			( )
Situation Reports No's 1—			( )
Patrol map,			( )

DATE: 20 / 6 1972

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
 Department of the Administrator,  
 Division of District Administration,  
 KONE DOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Report No's 1—	( )
	( )
	( )
District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average
	Below average

Date: 28 / 6 / 1972

District Commissioner



NLM:JO

P.O. Box 2396,  
KORORU.

67-3-122

29th June, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 2 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-3-1 of 22nd June, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of your minute arising out of the above patrol of Part EAST COGODALA and WEST COGODALA Census Divisions, together with the appropriate assessment, as submitted by Mr. P.D. Hanks, Patrol Officer.

Please advise me of the reasons for the delayed submission of this report.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.



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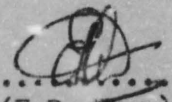
PATROL REPORT

REPORT NUMBER:	Three (3)	OBJECTS OF PATROL:	Election Advert. Land Invest. Routine Admin. Balimo
DISTRICT:	Western	STATION:	Patrol Officer
PATROL CONDUCTED BY:	P. Fitzpatrick	DESIGNATION:	P. Liellie (AFO)
DURATION OF PATROL:	10/1 to 17/1/72	PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING:	K. Duia (Inter)
LAST D.D.A. PATROL:	3/7 to 16/7/71	NUMBER OF DAYS:	Eight (8)
LAST O.L.G. PATROL:	-	TOTAL POP. OF AREA:	5922
MAP REFERENCE:	RASC AWORRA RIVER	COUNCIL AREA:	Gogodala
		H. of A. ELECTORATES:	South Fly Open Western Regional

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

In respect of this patrol, I attach,  
FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, FOLIOS 4 to 7 ( )  
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS, ( )  
THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS, ( )  
AREA STUDY, ( )  
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )  
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1 ( )  
PATROL MAP, ( )  
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DATE 1 / 2 / 1972

  
.....  
(E.D. Wren)  
Assistant District Commissioner.

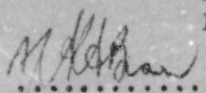
The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KOMODOBU.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

AREA STUDY, ( )  
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )  
SITUATION REPORT NO'S 1 (✓)  
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DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESSMENT OF  
PATROL AND REPORT ...

ABOVE AVERAGE  
✓ AVERAGE  
BELOW AVERAGE

  
.....  
(K.A. Brown)  
District Commissioner.

DATE 25 / 1 / 1972



OA:ME

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDORU.

67-3-1/67-22-2

19th March, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 3 OF 1971-72.

Your reference 67-3-1 of 28/2/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report 1 and the Patrol Report arising out of the above Patrol of the GOCODALA Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. P. Fitzpatrick, P.O.

The Patrol Report (as distinct from the Situation Report) is not required here, nor is the Officer's P.O.J.

I found the information on the ban over the consumption of coconuts interesting. This item would have made an appropriate Situation Report.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.





DDA 67-3-1

(10)

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

DISTRICT OFFICE: DARU

LATE RECEIVED: 28th February, 1972.

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The report will be passed on to District Health Officer, Public Health Department.

The question of BALIMO Hospital is being considered by P.H.D.

*K.A. Brown*

(K.A. BROWN)

A/District Commissioner.

BA LIMO Patrol 3 of 1972/73

File 67-3-1

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

9

Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference.....

If calling ask for

Mr. PF/sb

In Reply  
Please Quote

No.

Department of the Administrator,  
Sub District Office,  
BALIMO,  
Western District.

6th January, 1972.

Mr. P. Fitzpatrick,  
Sub District Office,  
BALIMO.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - BALIMO

PATROL No. 3 OF 1971/72.

1. Please be prepared to depart from Balimo on 10th January on the M.V. Jade, after it has discharged cargo at Balimo, for the West Gogodala Census Division.
2. Your objective will be to visit the villages in the census division where you will be required to act as Presiding officer in the forthcoming House of Assembly elections. Get to know the people and explain election details to them.
3. At ISAG prepare submission for the purchase of land for the D.A.S.F. extension centre. Mr. Field Assistant PANJ LIELIE has done some preparatory work already.
4. Interpreter K. DUA as well as MR. LIELIE will accompany your patrol.

(EOD Wren)

Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. District Commissioner,  
DARU.



## TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

DEPARTMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Folio No. 4

Name

P. Fitzpatrick

Station

Balimo

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Date

Para No.

Govt. Print. - A6828/806 pads. - 11.68.

10/11

22

Morning spent organising pre-election patrol for East Gogodala Census Division

Commenced loading M.V. Jade at 1300 with fuel patrol gear and rubber stumps - due low water level necessary to paddle everything on to main channel. Final departure time 1530. Passed M.V. Lakatos at Aramici / channel junction. 1800 stopped at KAWITO for supplies from their store - introduced myself. Continued on to AWABA where aid-post orderly collected thence to village Pisi arriving at 2000. Walked to village and settled in for night

Overnighted Pisi.

11/11

23

Departed Pisi at 0730 MHA. Ofewale busily canvassing as we passed enroute Gade.

Dropped rubber stumps, fuel and DASF trainees at ISAGO along with Mr. P. Lehi for land work.

Continued on to ALI arriving 1715. Liaison nursing sister re whooping cough epidemic. Inspection village and evening discussion H/A elections. Overnighted ALI.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 2

To be made out in Triplicate.  
 ORIG.: D.D.C. and A.D.C. to forward to D.C.  
 DUP.: Other officers to A.D.C.  
 TRIP.: Officers file.



Name

P. Fitzpatrick

Station

Balimo

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Date

Para  
No.

Govt. Print.—A6826/500 pads.—11.68.

12/1

24

Gade dispatched for Balimo carrying nursing sister and eleven patients.

Note to ADC re collection more patients in couple of days.

Self, interpreter, outboard operator, aid post orderly and senior hospital orderly Joseph departed ALI for MAKAPA per dinghy. Arrived channel entrance at 1430 and into channel until stopped by solidly wedged grass island. Dinghy unloaded, hauled across island, reloaded and thence to MAKAPA lagoon - motor cut and paddled to village arriving 1600.

Overnighted MAKAPA.

13/1

25

Talks given at MAKAPA re-fortcoming H of A elections - questions

Departed MAKAPA 1130 per canoe

across ever receding lagoon picking up many stranded fish, snakes

and tortoises. Just completed

hauling canoe over grass island

when dinghy materialised. Chugged

down to ISAGO on overloaded

dinghy - rain - arrived ISAGO

1600. wet and cold. Informal

discussions village people.

Overnighted ISAGO.

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio =

2

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Name

P. Fitzpatrick

Station

Balimo

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Date

Para No.

Govt. Print.—A6526/500 pads.—11.65.

14/1 26

At ISAGO.

Work on submission purchase ISAGO DASE extension completed by 1130. 1200 talks to people at ISAGO re forthcoming elections to be held at ISAGO - MUMUNI people included. 1330 travelled to Pisi via NASAPEA and PIKUPA.

Informal discussions councillor and committee men (ward).

1430 talks to people re- H of A elections next month.

Overnighted Pisi.

15/1 27

Departed Pisi 0800 by dinghy and travelled to ANABA. Election details explained at ANABA. Self and interpreter KIAPA walked 1 hour to DADI. Election details explained DADI. Walked one hour back to ANABA thence dinghy to AKETA arriving 1330 Rainstorm. Overnighted AKETA.

16/1 28

At AKETA.

Election details explained to people. Dinghy despatched BALIMO with Mr. Lufil on board. M.V. Jade arrives. Departed per M.V. Jade for KOTALE. Travelled part way in channel.

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio = 2

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O.E.G.: D.D.C. and A.D.C. to forward to D.C.  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
DEPARTMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Folio No. 7

(5)

Name

P. Fitzpatrick

Station

Balimo

FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Date

Para No.

Govt. Print. - A6836/500 pads - 21.00.

ex ARAMIA River before gate became  
fouled in weed - back peddled to  
Aramia and continued on to Balimo  
to collect dinghy again. Word sent  
to KOTALE to expect us tomorrow.  
Overnighted BALIMO.

17/1 29

Departed BALIMO with outboard operator  
Abraham and interpreter Kiapa.  
Arrived channel entrance 1130 and  
paddled past weed thence by  
motor to KOTALE.  
Election talks with people and  
lunch. Village inspection.  
Departed KOTALE 1530 and back  
to Balimo by 1700.  
Overnighted BALIMO  
End Patrol

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio =

2

To be made out in Triplicate.  
ORIG.: D.D.C. and A.D.C. to forward to D.C.  
DUP.: Other officers to A.D.C.  
TRIP.: Officers file.



## TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

## DEPARTMENT OF DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

Folio No. 7

(5)

Name

P. Fitzpatrick

Station

Balimo

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Date

Para  
No.

Govt. Print.—AGS20/700 para.—11.68.

ex ARAMIA River before gade became  
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Overnighted BALIMO.

17/1

29

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motor to KOTALE.  
Election talks with people and  
lunch. Village inspection.  
Departed KOTALE 1530 and back  
to Balimo by 1700.  
Overnighted BALIMO  
End Patrol

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio =

2

To be made out in Triplicate.  
ORIG.: D.D.C. and A.D.C. to forward to D.C.  
DUP.: Other officers to A.D.C.  
TRIP.: Officers file.



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PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1971 - 1972

STATION:	Balimo	OFFICER COMPILING:	P. Fitzpatrick
DISTRICT:	Western	SUB-DISTRICT:	Balimo
CENSUS DIVISION:	Gogodala West	L.G. COUNCIL:	Gogodala

(For recording of routine information not of a situation report nature, actionable at Sub-District level, and of value to succeeding officers. No copy required at Headquarters).

(For further pages use foolscap blanks)

1. Reception of the Patrol : Generally, the reception afforded the patrol in each village was markedly lacking in enthusiasm, or considerably lacking in comparison to patrolling in the Northern part of the District. Even at ALI, where the patrol was engaged in a mission of mercy (epidemic of whooping cough), it was necessary to utilise patrol members in carrying patrol gear to the resthouses (some 200 yards) because the men of the village were just not interested. This aspect is particularly discouraging and tends to deflate one's own enthusiasm right from the beginning of the patrol.

2. Health: A whooping cough epidemic was in progress at ALI and ISAGO. At MAKAPA the epidemic had ceased somewhat. The other villages were otherwise unaffected. To date a total of 9 deaths have been recorded (See Situation Report 1.).

3. Migrations: The MAKAPA people are presently engaged in the construction of a new village somewhat closer to the ARAMIA River, thus providing easier access to the river and their rubber blocks.

4. Cult and Unrest: At ALI a 5 year "tambu" against eating coconuts is in effect. The instigator is an unknown senior member of the village. The reason for the ban is purely economic, the theory being that over-consumption of coconuts leaves little for sale as copra therefore a ban on eating them will make sure there are enough for sale as copra. In a coconut grove near the village resthouse a small (3 feet high) carving has been erected, this is the "tambu" personified. Upon consumption of a coconut, the "tambu" breaker is supposed to vomit violently. The latter is interesting, in so much as it indicates that the local missionaries early destruction of "heathen idols" was not as successful as ordinarily thought and that their influence on present day magico-religious beliefs is not complete. It is also interesting to note that upon the arrival of Mr. Crawford, an artifacts collector from the Adelaide Museum, the "tambu" was removed and hidden. To date no one has been game enough to test the "tambu" and its power remains absolute.

Also at ALI, it became apparent that people were hiding sick children from the medical workers there. In one case this resulted in death. The reasons for this attitude are somewhat obscure, one suggestion offered being that the parents are too sympathetic to their childrens fear of the medical orderlies and their hypodermic needles (?). Generally the latter seems typical of the village peoples unenthusiasm mentioned in (1). Pure ignorance would be another feasible explanation.

5. Land Investigation: Same will be completed shortly. All the preliminary work has been done.

6. Paper: Apologies for the use of green foolscap, white is presently unavailable at BALIMO.

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SITUATION REPORT No. 1

STATION: Balimo  
DISTRICT: Western  
CENSUS DIVISION: Gogodala West

OFFICER COMPILING: P. Fitzpatrick  
SUB-DISTRICT: Balimo  
L.G. COUNCIL: Gogodala

(For the reporting of information specifically of Headquarters value and requiring headquarters knowledge or action. Information is required on matters of political significance, important trends in the economic and social structure, cult and unrest situations, law and order problems, and miscellaneous matters that headquarters need to know. One report will be compiled for each specific topic. Each to be submitted to headquarters in duplicate).

(Use reverse side if necessary)

SUBJECT: Health - Gogodala West Census Division.

1. On 8th. January a message reached Balimo, per safe hand, that an epidemic of an unknown disease was causing deaths in the village of ALI. The following day a nursing sister left Balimo by dinghy for the village. On 10th. January this patrol travelled to ALI with further medical supplies and staff.
2. The epidemic was found to be whooping cough of the same strain that had affected Balimo Station some months previously. When the patrol finally left ALI, a total of 7 deaths had been recorded among the village children, all were associated with whooping cough. A further 11 patients were despatched per the M.V. Jade for Balimo and further treatment. A senior medical orderly remained at ALI to treat minor cases.
3. The patrol visited two other villages where whooping cough was, or had been, evident. At MATIAPA two deaths attributable to the disease were recorded, although in this village the epidemic appeared to have worn itself out. At ISAGO the patrol found a current epidemic in progress, although not nearly to the extent of that found at ALI. Although no deaths were reported a further 3 patients were despatched to Balimo for further treatment.
4. It is interesting, and somewhat <sup>disconcerting</sup> ~~disconcerting~~ to note that during the peak of the epidemic (Dec. 25th. to Jan. 1st.) the resident medical orderly from ISAGO was in ALI, on unofficial leave, and failed to notice the epidemic even though many children must have been suffering from the cough. Upon arrival of this patrol one had merely to walk the length of the village to realise there was a (whooping cough) epidemic about. I imagine if he had taken some action at the dates of the deaths to at least inform Balimo, instead of leaving it up to the Councillor, that some of the children might have been saved.

Signed

*P. Fitzpatrick*  
.....  
P. Fitzpatrick  
PATROL OFFICER

Date

19/1/72.



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 1.

STATION: Balimo OFFICER COMPILING: P. Fitzpatrick  
DISTRICT: Western SUB-DISTRICT: Balimo  
CENSUS DIVISION: Gogodala West L.G. COUNCIL: Gogodala  
SUBJECT: Helath - Gogodla West Census Division.

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE?  
BALIMO.

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED

19/1/72..

It must be understood that in the BALIMO Sub-District that sickness is not prevented from occurring but the sick are taken to the BALIMO, 140 bed, public, hospital and treated. Those who, by Australian standards, need more than the services of a general practitioner are flown to PORT MORESBY for treatment. There is no particular control over the movement of Aid Post Orderlies by the Department of Public Health since no official of that department of sufficient status is resident in the Sub-District to exercise such control. . .

For two years I have suggested through every ethical channel open to me as ADC of the Sub-District that the hospital be handed over to APCM Mission. This would have the following effect:

- (1) Free Government staff to supervise and man Aid Posts.
- (2) Enable the APCM to enforce fiscal discipline on the hospital.
- (3) Enable the APCM to start a Nurse Training Scheme.
- (4) Make someone responsible for the maintenance and construction of respectable old and new hospital buildings.

I would stress efforts should be continued to effect and hand over the hospital.

ACTION TAKEN:

SIGNED.....

DATE: 2/2/72.



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DISTRICT OFFICE

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

DAHU.

DATE RECEIVED

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ACTION TAKEN :

SIGNED.....

DATE .....

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PROJECT OFFICER .....

DATE .....





PATROL REPORT.

(A)

REPORT NUMBER:	Four (4).	OBJECTS OF PATROL:	H of A Elections.
DISTRICT:	Western.	STATION:	Salimo.
PATROL CONDUCTED BY:	P. Fitzpatrick.	DESIGNATION:	Patrol Officer.
DURATION OF PATROL:	17/2 to 29/2/72	PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING:	K. Duia (Inter.) K. Opa (Poll C.) B. Asi (Poll C.)
LAST DDA PATROL:	16/1/72.	NUMBER OF DAYS:	13 days.
LAST OLG PATROL:	-	TOTAL POPULATION:	5922
MAP REFERENCE:	RASC Aworra River.	COUNCIL AREA:	Gogodala.
		H of A ELECTORATE:	South Fly.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

- FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, FOLIOS 60 TO 71 (✓)
- PATROL INSTRUCTIONS, (✓)
- THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS, (✓)
- AREA STUDY, (✓)
- UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, (✓)
- SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1 (✓)
- PATROL MAP, (✓)

DATE: 3 / 3 / 72

*[Signature]*  
.....  
Assistant District Commissioner.

→ The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

- AREA STUDY, (✓)
- UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, (✓)
- SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1. (✓)

DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESSMENT OF  
PATROL AND REPORT ...

.....  
~~ABOVE AVERAGE~~  
~~AVERAGE~~  
~~BELOW AVERAGE~~

DATE 19 / 4 / 72

*[Signature]*  
.....  
District Commissioner.



JAW:MG

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONE DOBU.

67-3-83

4th May, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 4-1971/72.

Reference your 67-3-1 of the 19th April.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report  
1 arising out of the above patrol of the Gogodala West Census  
Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted  
by Mr. P. Fitzpatrick, Patrol Officer.

Two copies of Situation Reports are required here.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.



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DISTRICT OFFICE

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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The ADC Balimo erred in advising Mr. Fitzpatrick to return to Balimo ahead of schedule. Permission was certainly not given by the Chief Electoral Officer for a change to the gazetted polling schedule in this particular area.

Fortunately, the patrol completed the election successfully and covered each village thoroughly.

Mrs. Fitzpatrick's comments on the Electoral Roll and Voters Tribunal have been noted by the Returning Officer, South Fly Open Electorate.

A neat and concise report.

ACTION TAKEN :

c.c. Mr. P. Fitzpatrick  
BALIMO

*G. P. Hardy*  
(G.P. HARDY)  
SGC... District Commissioner  
DATE... 19th April, 1972.

HEADQUARTERS

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PROJECT OFFICER.....

DATE .....



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SITUATION REPORT n. 1.

STATION: Balimo OFFICER COMPILING P. Fitzpatrick  
DISTRICT: Western SUB-DISTRICT: Balimo.  
CENSUS DIVISION: Gogodala West L.G. COUNCIL: Gogodala  
SUBJECT: House of Assembly Election - West Gogodala.

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE,  
BALIMO.

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER.

DATE RECEIVED

2/3/72..

The report, as such, requires little comment from myself. Mr. Fitzpatrick was required back at Balimo and therefore was instructed to revise his original patrol programme. All villages concerned were informed of this during his Balimo Patrol Number 3 and appears to have had no effect whatsoever on polling. Other comments I reserve for the Returning Officer.

ACTION TAKEN:

SIGNED.....

DATE.....

3/3/72



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PAGE 1.

SITUATION REPORT no. 1.

STATION: Balimo OFFICER COMPILING: P. Fitzpatrick.  
DISTRICT: Western SUB-DISTRICT: Balimo.  
CENSUS DIVISION: Gogodala West L.G. COUNCIL: Gogodala.

(For the reporting of information specifically of Headquarters value and requiring headquarters knowledge or action. Information is required on matters of political significance, important trends in the economic and social structure, cult and unrest situations, law and order problems, and miscellaneous matters that headquarters need to know. One report will be compiled for each specific topic. Each to be submitted to headquarters in duplicate).

(Use reverse side if necessary)

SUBJECT: House of Assembly Elections 1972.

1. The patrol successfully completed the elections in the West Gogodala Census Division, somewhat ahead of schedule, without any major problems and covering each village thoroughly. However a few points of note, arising from the patrol are as follows:-
2. The Electoral Roll of the South Fly area, or that part formed by the West Gogodala villages was found to be in a shocking state of disrepair, with frequent omissions, consistent misspellings (relating back to the Census Books), confusion of the sexes and obvious errors in the occupation column (one withered old spectre of unknown origins was ludicrously represented as a student, as were many middle aged women). Numerous children were listed as eligible voters and names were jumbled together with no regard for accuracy. Perhaps the greatest anomaly was the omission of the Government Interpreters name along with that of the captain of the patrol's Government workboat, from their respective villages. On more than one occasion I was wont to toss the whole thing into the Aramia River. After running out of Section 130 envelopes I used ordinary envelopes.
3. Members of the Voters Tribunal inadvertently became utilised as assistants to illiterate voters. Assuming these people were selected from among the more astute members of the community (I left their selection to the respective villages) this unexpected role will probably occur in future elections. In most cases the tribunal members were well versed in ballot paper marking and I presume they carried out the task conscientiously and honestly. However one cannot fail to speculate on the effect of a tribunal member being an ardent supporter of one or other of the various candidates. Albeit it was pointedly explained on numerous occasions that voters could elect their own second from any source they chose, they invariably utilised the tribunal members. It appears that the above may be an interesting drawback of the tribunal system among semi-literate communities such as the Gogodala. Nevertheless, had they not been performing this function, they would have been dumbly sitting back wasting the Chief Electoral Officer's valuable funds, since on not one occasion during the patrol was their discretion sought in the capacity for which they had been appointed.

Another minor aspect of the tribunal system is that, on this expedition, all the members appointed were invariably male, whilst at least 50% of the voters were female. A mandatory female member of the tribunal during future elections should be considered.

Signed..... *P. Fitzpatrick* .....

Date: 1/3/72.

P. Fitzpatrick  
PATROL OFFICER.



PAGE I.



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PATROL REPORT

REPORT NUMBER: 5  
DISTRICT: WESTERN  
PATROL CONDUCTED BY: K-GOMBO  
AREA PATROLLED: UPPER & LOWER  
DURATION OF PATROL: BAMU  
LAST D.D.A. PATROL: 16 DAYS  
LAST O.L.G. PATROL: OCTOBER 1971  
MAP REFERENCE:  
OBJECTS OF PATROL: HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY  
STATION: ELECTION  
SUB-DISTRICT: BALIMO  
DESIGNATION: PATROL OFFICER  
PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: D. KAKU  
NUMBER OF DAYS: 16 P. SIAPU  
TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: 2,000 APPROX.  
COUNCIL AREA: BAMU  
HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE: SOUTH  
FILE OPEN.

The District Commissioner,  
.....District,  
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In respect of this patrol, I attach  
FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, FOLIOS 17 TO 18, (✓)  
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS, (✓)  
THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS, (✓)  
AREA STUDY, ( )  
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )  
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1 (✓)  
PATROL MAP, ( )  
.....  
.....

DATE: 13/3/1972

*[Signature]*  
Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua

File No. ....

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
AREA STUDY, ( )  
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )  
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S. / ( )  
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.....

DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESSMENT OF  
PATROL & REPORT .....

ABOVE AVERAGE  
AVERAGE  
BELOW AVERAGE

DATE: 20/4/1972.

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner



JAW:JO

P.O. Box 2396,  
KOROROE.

10th April, 1972.

67-3-1

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALINE PATROL 5-1971/72.

I am returning the documents of the above patrol as they were received at this Headquarters.

Your assessment of the report (page 1) has not been completed; the Patrol Report section is not required here, this is to be retained on your records; your assessment on Situation Report No. 1 is not complete.

It would appear that the report has been forwarded here direct by the Assistant District Commissioner, Beline, and not through you.

(T.W. HALLIS)  
Secretary.



OA:MD

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDORO.

67-3-71

27th April, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DRC.

RAILWAY PATROL NO. 5 OF 1971-72.

Your reference 67-3-1 of 20th April, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the Situation Report arising out of the above patrol of the Upper and Lower Dams Census Divisions, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. E. COMBO, Patrol Officer.

(T.W. ELIAS)  
Secretary.



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ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

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Mr. Gombo's comments on Voter Tribunal Committees (Voter Identification Tribunals) are interesting and I agree that the predominance of indigenees as polling officials did tend to make the elections a more relaxed affair in some areas.

Relevant data has been extracted by the Returning Officer, South Fly Open Electorate.

ACTION TAKEN :

SGD ..... *G.P. Hardy*  
(G.P. HARDY)  
a/District Commissioner.

DATE ..... 20th April, 1972.

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PROJECT OFFICER .....

DATE .....



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 1.

STATION ... BALIMO ..... OFFICER COMPILING ... K. GOMBO .....  
DISTRICT ... WESTERN ..... SUB-DISTRICT ... BALIMO .....  
CENSUS DIVISION ... BAMU ..... L.G. COUNCIL ... BAMU .....

SUBJECT : HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS 1972.

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED

13/3/72 .....

1. The report requires little comment. The elections in the Upper and Lower Bamu were carried out efficiently and successfully by Mr. Gombo. Mr. Gombo's grammar and spelling could stand improvement.
2. The electoral roll, as was similarly found in other areas of the Balimo elections, was grossly inaccurate. Apart from typographical errors made during printing the blame rests partly with the compilation at Balimo and primarily with the original census sheets, from which the roll was derived. It is hoped that these discrepancies will be amended in 1972.
3. Mr. Gombo's suggestion that voters be recorded on a roll by the Voters Tribunal, or a similar body, at village level is worthy of consideration, particularly if the roll is used in future elections (Council and H of A). The Local Government Council could, perhaps, handle the task more efficiently. Most villages in the Balimo Sub-District have a number of literate members.
4. It is enlightening to note the tendency of Bamu people to settle near the Council headquarters. In an area such as the Bamu resettlement is the only way to institute sound economic development. It has been pointed out to Mr. Gombo that this section of his report should have been treated as a separate situation report..

ACTION TAKEN:

Nil.

SGD .....

*P. H. Patunde* or

DATE .....

13/3/72 .....



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

STATION ..... BALIMO ..... OFFICER COMPILING ..... KIPLING GOMBO .....  
DISTRICT ..... WESTERN ..... SUB-DISTRICT ..... WESTERN BALIMO .....  
CENSUS DIVISION ..... UPPER & LOWER L.G. COUNCIL ..... BAMU .....  
BAMU

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SUBJECT ..... HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTION, 1972.

The election work commenced at Kubiak a village in Upper Bamu census division successfully and completed at Bunigi in Lower Bamu census division.

Pre-election patrols to these areas were not carried out as they had combined pre-election and political education patrol conducted by the writer in October 1971. However, important election matters were passed to the villagers through the Bamu Council Advisor. Such things as village composition of polling places and election timetable. Similar message has been passed through Radio Daru during election period to the electors.

Both male and female voters showed a keen interest in the election and participated more faster and correctly than previous elections. With the help of candidates photographs, electors found no problems in electing their representative whom they think will be their mouth in the House. About 2 % of the total population eligible voters were literate but rest fell on WHISPERING vote. However, in this election as stated earlier candidates photographs made a remarkable change in speed and accuracy.

VOTERS TRIBUNAL COMMITTEE

This new system has been the great value to the electors who do not read and write. From my past experience in elections, voters approached the election team members with fear and normally would not know what had to be done with the ballot papers. This time they are free from fear and ignorance of voting because their own people sit down with the election team members and correct errors where necessary during the election.

This body could be very handy for future common roll compilation. There will be no problems when this body is given task of the common roll as the people involved in this work know the area and the people and plus residents themselves in the villages. Deaths and migrations in and out occurring in the villages would be much easier for them than central government officials handling the task.

Common Roll compiled for South Fly Open electorate has revealed my statement above. There are lots of mistakes found in the common roll as a result most of the people voted as 130 (1) voters.

SGD : .....  
DATE : 20/3/72

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#### MIGRATIONS AND ABSENTEESM

Miruo and Sogeri villages in Lower Bamu census division have permanently migrated out and settled between Bamu River Mission and Emeti Government station. These people have a good reason for their migration out. The riter has been informed that the villagers wanted to get agricultural blocks between Emeti station and new airstrip site. Election for these two villages was carried out in the new village.

Most of the absentee voters were created by the labour recruitment on contract basis. This is not unusual for the area, could be the major source of money making for the people of Bamu.



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# PATROL REPORT

Report number: 6 OF 1971/72  
District: WESTERN  
Patrol conducted by: KIPLING COMBO  
Area patrolled: WEST GOGODALA  
Duration of patrol: 12/3/72 to 15/3/72  
Last D.D.A. patrol: PATROL 3 of 1971/72.  
Last O.L.G. patrol: -  
Map reference: NIL  
Objects of patrol: MURDER INVESTIGATION  
Station: BALIMO  
Subdistrict: BALIMO  
Designation: PATROL OFFICER  
Personnel accompanying: 1/CONST. KASARI  
CONST. KILAOSI  
Number of days: FIVE  
Total population of area: 5987 APPROX.  
Council area: GOGODALA  
House of Assembly Electorate: SOUTH FLY

The District Commissioner,  
WESTERN District,  
DAWA.

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
Field Officers Journal Folios 1875 (✓)  
Patrol instructions, ( )  
The Report and my comments, (✓)  
Area study, ( )  
Updating of area study, ( )  
Situation Reports No's 1- ( )  
Patrol map, ( )

DATE: 21 / 6 1972

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Palau New Guinea.

67.3.1

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
Area study, ( )  
Updating of area study, ( )  
Situation Report No's. 1- ( )  
( )  
( )

District Headquarters assessment of  
Patrol & Report..... Above average  
Average  
Below average

District Commissioner

Date: 22 / 6 / 1972



NLM:MG

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

67-3-123

29th June, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 6 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-3-1 of 22nd June, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of your minute arising out of the above patrol of the West Gogodala Census Division, together with the appropriate assessment, as submitted by Mr. K. Gombo, Patrol Officer.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.



# PATROL REPORT

Report number: 7-1971/72  
 District: Western  
 Patrol conducted by: P.D. Hawke  
 Area patrolled: Part Gogodala West  
 Duration of patrol: 19.2.72-7.3.72  
 Last D.D.A. patrol: July, 1971  
 Last O.L.G. patrol: July, 1971  
 Map reference: Fourmil Aworria River

Objects of patrol: H. of A. Elections.  
 Station: Balimo  
 Subdistrict: Balimo  
 Designation: Patrol Officer.  
 Personnel accompanying: 3 DASF R.D.A's.  
 Number of days: 13  
 Total population of area: 1608  
 Council area: Gogodala  
 House of Assembly Electorate: South Fly.

The District Commissioner,  
 Western District,  
 DARU

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
 Field Officers Journal Folios 6 To 8,  
 Patrol Instructions,  
 The Report and my comments,  
 Area study,  
 Updating of area study,  
 Situation Reports No's 1—  
 Patrol map,

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DATE: 20/6 1972

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
 Department of the Administrator,  
 Division of District Administration,  
 Konedobu, Papua New Guinea.

67.3.1

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
 Area study,  
 Updating of area study,  
 Situation Report No's. 1—

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District Headquarters assessment of  
 Patrol & Report.....

Above average  
 Average  
 Below average

Date: 22/6/1972

District Commissioner



NLM:JO

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDORU.

67-3-124

29th June, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BLIND PATROL NO. 7 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-3-1 of 22nd June, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of your minute arising out of the above patrol of part WEST COCOPALA Census Division, together with the appropriate assessment, as submitted by Mr. P.D. Hawke, Patrol Officer.

House of Assembly Elections are of an interest to this Headquarters and should have been the subject for a Situation Report.

Please forward a photocopy of the appropriate section of Mr. Hawke's Patrol Report dealing with the Elections. I will treat this as a Situation Report.

I also require an explanation for the late submission of this report.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.





→ H.G. KONEDOBUI  
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REPORT No.: BALIMO, No. 8/71-72  
DISTRICT: Western  
AREA PATROLLED: Port GOGODALA East & UPPER BANU C.D.'s  
PATROL CONDUCTED BY: R.M. Diamond, P.O.  
DURATION OF PATROL: 28/3/72 to 4/4/72  
LAST D.D.A. PATROL: Feb. 1972.  
LAST O.L.G. PATROL: -  
MAP REFERENCE: RASC AWORRA RIVER.

OBJECTS OF PATROL: Political Education  
STATION: BALIMO Sub-district H.Q.  
SUB-DISTRICT: BALIMO  
DESIGNATION: Patrol Officer  
NUMBER OF DAYS: Eight  
TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: 2000 (Approx).  
COUNCIL AREA: GOGODALA  
HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE: South Fly Open Western Reg'l

The District Commissioner,  
Western District.

In respect of this patrol, I attach:

FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL, FOLIOS	TO	( )
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS		( )
THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS		( )
AREA STUDY		( )
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY		( )
SITUATION REPORT No.1		( )
PATROL MAP		( )
.....		( )

DATE:

.....  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBUI, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach:

AREA STUDY	( )
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY	( )
SITUATION REPORT No.1.	
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DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESSMENT OF PATROL AND REPORT:

AVERAGE  
ABOVE AVERAGE  
BELOW AVERAGE

DATE: 11/4/72

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DISTRICT COMMISSIONER



JAW:MG

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

67-3-110

30th May, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 8-1971/72.

Reference your 67-3-1 of the 11th May.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report arising out of the above patrol of the Gogodala East and Upper Daru Census Divisions, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. R.M. Diamond, Patrol Officer.

Please forward me a copy of the results of the survey when they have been collected and collated.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.



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ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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BALIMO PATROL 8-71/72

A useful patrol by P.E.O. who has been asked to liaise with A.D.C. and arrange material to be sent for further courses.

ACTION TAKEN :

C.C. A.D.C. BALIMP

SGD ..... *K.A. Brown* .....

(K.A. BROWN)

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

DATE ..... 12/5/72 .....

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SITUATION REPORT NO. 1.

STATION ..BALIMO.....OFFICER COMPILING ..R.D. DONOVAN..A.D.C....  
DISTRICT ..WESTERN.....SUB-DISTRICT .....BALIMO.....  
CENSUS DIVISION ..PART GOGODALA.....L.G. COUNCIL ..GOGODALA AND BANU.....  
EAST AND PART UPPER BANU

SUBJECT : POLITICAL EDUCATION: SELF GOVERNMENT

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE  
BALIMO

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED

16/4/72.....

None of the questionnaires described as outstanding in this report have been returned to the Sub-District Office. Enquiry reveals that 'they (the questionnaires) have not been finished' and this is construed to mean that the papers were too complicated or confusing and/or that the method of collection of completed papers was not anonymous enough to prevent identification of the person taking part in the survey.

Categorical questions attended by several possible printed answers might produce better results, particularly if sets of answers are collected in 'ballot box' type containers.

Re ultimate para. I agree that there is a very urgent need to explain and discuss Self-Government etc. I suggest that short seminars, 2-3 days, be held at central points for selected 'thought and opinion' leaders from the various villages. Short talks followed by question and open discussion might produce the results sought by Mr. Diamond.

Another attempt will be made in the very near future to collect the remaining papers but no attempt will be made to force the issue as it is clearly stated in the preamble to each set of papers, that it is not necessary to answer any of the questions if the person does not wish to.

**ACTION TAKEN.** Political Education Officer to be requested to assist in organising a seminar for 'thought and opinion' leaders at Balimo and Enctf. These seminars should preferably be conducted in the days immediately preceding council meetings as this would cut down on the amount of travelling that would need to be done by some participants.

SGD .....

DATE ..26th April, 1972.....



PATROL REPORT BALIMO No. 8/71-72

SITUATION REPORT No. 1

STATION: BALIMO SUB-DISTRICT H.Q. OFFICER COMPILING: R.M. DIAMOND, P.O.  
DISTRICT: WESTERN SUB-DISTRICT: BALIMO  
CENSUS DIVISION: GOGODALA EAST LOCAL GOVT. COUNCIL: GOGODALA  
UPPER BAMU

POLITICAL:

Political Education; Self Government:

As self government is likely to become a more important issue during this House of Assembly, it is important that people's concepts of it and ideas about it are known by the Administration. This makes the task of political education that much easier and more usefully directed.

This patrol, then, was an attempt to find out what the people in the BALIMO Sub-district know about self government, and what they are thinking about it.

Mr Smeaton, the D.I.E.S. Station Manager, DARU, assisted in compiling two questionnaires about self government, copies of which are attached. These questionnaires were distributed among more educated people at BALIMO Station and A.P.C.M. Mission, as well as at the BAMU River Mission. Only three of these have been returned to date, and it is hoped that those still to come will be forwarded by the A.D.C. at BALIMO. The results will be made available to the A.D.C. as soon as they are known.

Some villages were visited in the sub-district, with the same aim in mind, though different techniques were used to try to obtain the information sought. A wholly informal approach was made, avoiding the use of government interpreters, policemen and the like. As only a short time was spent in the villages, it is doubtful that any genuine rapport was established, and information is therefore sketchy, though I believe accurate enough.

Nothing very earth shattering was discovered by this survey, and the results are basically as follow:

- i People in all villages expressed fears that self government might come before economic development was made available to them. They felt this would put them in a difficult position with regard to holding their own in what they consider will be a more competitive situation than now.
- ii Some were vaguely concerned that the Europeans with all the knowledge would leave too soon, and there was one instance where people were frightened of Europeans becoming angry about self government and wreaking some sort of vengeance on Papua New Guinea.



- iii There are possibly fears that other groups in Papua New Guinea will dominate the government and not do anything beneficial for people outside their groups. This fear, if it does exist, was only expressed after leading questions had been asked, and is either not uppermost in people's minds, or they are reticent about expressing it.
- iv People at KENEWA Village wanted to know whether the country would finish up like Pakistan or 'Jerusalem'. The latter probably refers to Israel. I think the villagers are under the impression these are countries which have (recently) gained self government, and they have associated the recent news of strife there with the gaining of self government.
- v There was the general opinion expressed that self government should be put off for a number of years, approximately three. This indicates a desire to postpone the coming of self government, but with the villagers' understanding of years, it would be wrong to state three years is a really accurate estimation of how long they would like to wait.

No one anywhere would give a detailed account of what he thought self government meant, or what he thought would come after self government.

The items written are not really in any order of importance, except for the first one, which was expressed in all villages.

While the above points appear to be all on the negative side, it would be wrong to think that the people indicated undue concern over self government, and certainly were not anti-self government.

When asked, the people said they would like to have someone, probably government officers, come to their villages and explain what self government was, and advise what is likely to happen after self government. I do not think the traditional method of 'lecturing' will achieve much, and something a little more subtle will have to be worked out.

Signed:

*R.M. Diamond*

R.M. Diamond, P.O.

Date: 6th April, 1972



SELF GOVERNMENT - PAPUA NEW GUINEA

There has been a lot of talk lately about self government. We hear about it on the radio, read about it in the newspapers, and are told about it by government officers.

This paper shows some of the things some other people in Papua New Guinea are thinking about self government, and asks what you think about self government. Do you have the same ideas, or are yours different?

You do not have to answer the questions on this paper if you do not want to, or, if some are too hard, just leave them out.

Do not put your name on this paper, but please answer these questions about yourself.

What work do you do?

What is your sex? Male/Female

What is your age?

If you have been to school, what standard did you reach?

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A lot has been said about self government lately, on the radio, in newspapers, and by government officers. Do you have any ideas about what self government is? What do you think it really means?

Some people in Papua New Guinea think that self government is the same as independence. Do you think self government is the same as independence?



2.

Some other people think that we already have self government in this country. What do you think?

Some people in Papua New Guinea think that self government is a good thing, and are really happy about it. What do you think about this? Does the thought of self government make you happy?

If you answered 'yes' to the last question, try to say why you like the idea of self government.



Some people have different ideas about when self government should come to Papua New Guinea. What do you think? Do you think it should come

before 1976

before 1980

before 1984

never

Just put a mark alongside the date you think is best, or, if you think some other date is better, write it below.





884 67-3-145 H.Q. - Koro

# PATROL REPORT

Report number: 9-1971/72  
District: Western  
Patrol conducted by: P.D.Hawke  
Area patrolled: East/West Gogodala  
Duration of patrol: 19.4.72-28.4.72  
Last D.D.A. patrol: March, 1972  
Last O.L.G. patrol: March, 1972  
Map reference: Fourmil Aworra River

Objects of patrol: Council Projects.  
Station: Balimo  
Subdistrict: Balimo  
Designation: Patrol Officer  
Personnel accompanying: RDO Thompson (Part)  
Number of days: 6  
Total population of area: 2426  
Council area: Gogodala  
House of Assembly Electorate: South Fly

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Field Officers Journal Folios 13 to 17,	(✓)
Patrol Instructions,	( )
The Report and my comments,	(✓)
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports No's 1—	( )
Patrol map,	( )

DATE: 21 / 7 / 1972

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Report No's. 1—	( )
.....	( )
.....	( )
District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average

Date: 7 / 8 / 1972

Below average  
  
District Commissioner



JWK:MG

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOHU.

67-3-145

11th August, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 9 OF 1971/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report  
Jacket arising out of the above patrol of the East and West  
Gogodala Census Divisions, as undertaken by Mr. P.D. Hawke,  
Patrol Officer.

T.W.E.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.



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PATROL REPORT

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REPORT NUMBER: 10/1971-72      OBJECTS OF PATROL: POLICE INVESTIGATION  
DISTRICT: WESTERN      STATION: BAIIMO  
PATROL CONDUCTED BY: J.A. SCOTT      SUB-DISTRICT: BAIIMO  
AREA PATROLLED: ALI VILLAGE      DESIGNATION: ASST. PATROL OFFICER  
DURATION OF PATROL: 5/4-6/4/72      PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: D.D. DOVAI A.D.C.  
17/4/72-19/4/72      CONST. KASARI  
LAST D.D.A. PATROL: FEB 1972      NUMBER OF DAYS: FIVE  
LAST O.L.G. PATROL: -      TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: 460. (ALI).  
MAP REFERENCE: RASO ATUIRA      COUNCIL AREA: GOGODALA  
RIVER.      HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE:  
SOUTH FLY OPEN.

The District Commissioner,  
.....District,  
DARU.

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, FOLIOS TO DPAK ( )  
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS, ( )  
THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS, ( )  
AREA STUDY, ( )  
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )  
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1, 2, 3. ( )  
PATROL MAP, ( )  
.....  
.....

DATE: 1 / 5 / 1972.

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU. Papua

File No. 673.1

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
AREA STUDY, ( )  
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )  
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S. ( )  
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DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESSMENT OF  
PATROL & REPORT .....

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BELOW AVERAGE

DATE: 8/6/72

District Commissioner



JAW/JK

P.O. Box 2396 - KONELOBU

67-3-105

22nd May, 1972

The District Commissioner  
Western District  
DARU.

BALING PATROL 10 - 1971/72

The enclosed documents appear to have been sent  
direct to Headquarters, not through your office.

I am returning them to you for processing and  
comment.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary

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P.O. Box 2396,  
KONECOBU.

67-3-105

30th June, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

DALIMO PATROL NO. 10 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-3-1 of 5th June, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 3 arising out of the above patrol of Part West Gogodala Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. J.A. Scott, Assistant Patrol Officer.

The reports submitted by Mr. Scott although very brief are informative and well written.

I notice that in Situation Reports numbers 1 and 3 Mr. Scott has combined two topics in one report. Please advise Mr. Scott that in future he should compile individual reports for each topic.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.



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SITUATION REPORT No. 1 OF BALIMO PATROL No. 10/1971-72.

POLITICAL.

The village people at ALI were aware who their new Member of the House of Assembly was, but expressed disappointment at the fact that he did not visit them during his recent election campaign. When asked which Political Party he belonged to they were unable to answer. The people admitted that they had been given talks on Political Education by Government Officers, but it would appear that the concept of Party Politics is completely foreign to them and this aspect therefore should be given attention by future patrols in the area.

ALI is represented on the Gogodala Local Government Council by its own Councillor. The people were both aware of, and happy with the work being carried out by the Council in the area.

J. A. Scott



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SITUATION REPORT NO. one

STATION ..... BALIMO ..... OFFICER COMPILING ..... J.A. SCOTT A.P.O.  
DISTRICT ..... WESTERN ..... SUB-DISTRICT ..... BALIMO  
CENSUS DIVISION ..... GOGODALA WEST (part of) ..... L.G. COUNCIL ..... GOGODALA

SUBJECT : POLITICAL EDUCATION AND COUNCIL ACTIVITY

B-DISTRICT OFFICE  
BALIMO

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED

25/4/72.

1. Comments re political education in the area are correct. Knowledge of political parties and their major policies appears to be extremely limited and I agree that more will need to be done in the area in the way of political education.
2. The Gogodala Local Government Council has provided the people of Ali village with an Aid Post and water supply (wells) and occasionally provides funds to clear canoe tracks into the village from the Aramia River.

ACTION TAKEN: Political Education seminars for 'thought and opinion' leaders are being planned for the near future.

SGD .....  .....

(R. Donovan)

DATE ..... 1/5/72 .....



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ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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SITUATION REPORT NO. 14

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BALIMO 10 of 71/72

POLITICAL EDUCATION:

Everyone agrees more is to be done throughout the District in the way of political education and I expect future patrols to report on the gaps they fill, not so much the ones to be filled.

ACTION TAKEN :

C.C. A.D.C. BALIMO

SGD

(K.A. BROWN)

District Commissioner

DATE 23rd June, 1972

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PROJECT OFFICER .....

DATE .....



SITUATION REPORT No. 2 OF BALIMO PATROL No. 10/1971-72.ECONOMIC.

Rubber blocks have been marked out at ALI by D.A.S.F. Balimo. However little effort has been made by the people themselves to clear them, no explanation being offered by them for the lack of progress. This matter was reported to Mr. Thompson R.D.O. who intends visiting ALI to look into the position.

ALI is a somewhat remote and isolated village being a three hour speedboat trip from the nearest village MAKAPA. With this in mind the Bogodala Local Government Council has been endeavouring to interest people in the proposed Kewa-Bamustu Resettlement Scheme. This scheme was again mentioned, but absolutely no interest was shown or any questions asked.

A small trade store is operating in the village but carries little stock. What stock it does carry is purchased from the Mission at AWABA, a two day canoe ride. The people nevertheless appeared to be happy with the way the trade store was operating.

At the present time the river has risen and little ground is available for economic expansion. Bearing this in mind and the isolated position of the village I feel that further efforts should be made to interest the local people in the proposed Kewa-Bamustu Resettlement Scheme.

J. A. Scott



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

STATION .... Baling ..... OFFICER COMPILING ..... J.A. SGGRE A.P.O.  
DISTRICT WESTERN ..... SUB-DISTRICT ..... Baling  
CENSUS DIVISION GOGODALA WEST ..... L.G. COUNCIL ..... GOGODALA  
(part of)

SUBJECT : ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE  
Baling

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED  
25/4/72  
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1. Disinterest shown in the proposed Kewa-Bamustu Resettlement Scheme is probably based on an understandable reluctance to leave traditional land to settle on 'foreign' land regardless of the fact that such a move would eventually mean financial reward.

ACTION TAKEN: The Gogodala L.G. Council Administrative Adviser will visit the area in the near future to further explain the proposed scheme and encourage applications.

SGD .....  
(R. Donovan)

DATE ..... 1/5/72 .....



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

BALIMO 10 of 71/72

The KEWA-BAMUSTA scheme is one of several in the District to receive attention in the 1972/73.

More RDF will be requested for these schemes in next estimates.

ACTION TAKEN :

c.c. A.D.C. BALIMO

SGD ..... (K.A. BROWN) .....

District Commissioner

DATE ..... 23rd June, 1972 .....

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DATE .....



SITUATION REPORT No 3 OF BALIMO PATROL No. 10/1971-72.

SOCIAL.

A. HEALTH.

The recent outbreak of whooping cough at ALI has now been cured. The Medical Orderly reported that no new cases have come to his notice and all the previous cases have been cured.

B. LAW AND ORDER.

Apart from the case investigated on this patrol no other problems or incidents were reported.

END OF SITUATION REPORT.

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SITUATION REPORT NO. 3.

STATION ..... BALIMO ..... OFFICER COMPILING ..... J.A. SCOTT A.P.O. ....  
DISTRICT ..... WESTERN ..... SUB-DISTRICT ..... BALIMO .....  
CENSUS DIVISION ..... GOGODALA WEST ..... L.G. COUNCIL ..... GOGODALA .....  
(part of)

SUBJECT : SOCIAL

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE  
BALIMO

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER

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HEALTH.

1. No comment.

LAW AND ORDER.

1. The case investigated was one of incest.

ACTION TAKEN: Police investigation of alledged incest. Offender charged Section  
222 Criminal Code (Queensland) adopted.

SGD .....  .....

(R. Donovan)

DATE ..... 1/5/72 .....



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 3

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BALIMO 10 of 1971/72

Case referred to is being heard at BALIMO  
on 22/6/72.

ACTION TAKEN :

A.D.C. BALIMO

SGD ..... *K.A. Brown* .....

(K.A. BROWN)  
District Commissioner

DATE .... 23rd June 1972 .....

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PROJECT OFFICER .....

DATE .....



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P.O. Box 2396, KONEDOBUI.

67-3-125.

29th June, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 11 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-3-1 of 23/6/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 and 2 arising out of the above patrol of part WEST GOGODALA Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. F. Fitzpatrick, Assistant District Officer.

Mr. Fitzpatrick has submitted two very interesting and informative reports.

Situation Report number one has been referred to the Principal Lands Officer for further action.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.





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REPORT NUMBER: Eleven/1971-72 OBJECTS OF PATROL: Political Educ.  
Land Dispute  
General Admin  
DISTRICT: Western STATION: Salimo  
PATROL CONDUCTED BY: P. Fitzpatrick SUB-DISTRICT: Salimo  
AREA PATROLLED: Part Gogodala  
West Census D DESIGNATION: A.D.C.  
DURATION OF PATROL: 26/4 - 2/5 PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: Kiasa Dula (In)  
LAST D.D.A. PATROL: 17/4 - 16/4 NUMBER OF DAYS: Four  
LAST C.L.G. PATROL: April, 1972 TOTAL POPULATION AREA: 5923  
MAP REFERENCE: RASC Morra COUNCIL AREA: Gogodala  
H of A ELECTORATE: South Fly

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

In respect of this patrol, I attach:

FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL, FOLIOS 22-23  
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS  
THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS  
AREA STUDY  
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY  
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1 and 2  
PATROL MAP

DATE 10/5/72

*R. Jensen*  
Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

In respect of this patrol I attach:

AREA STUDY  
UPDATING OF AREA STUDY  
SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1 and 2

DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESSMENT OF  
PATROL AND REPORT ....

ABOVE AVERAGE  
AVERAGE  
BELOW AVERAGE

DATE 23/5/72

*K. G. G. G.*  
District Commissioner.

File 67-3-1



## SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

STATION: BALIMO OFFICER COMPILING: P. FITZPATRICK  
 DISTRICT: WESTERN SUB-DISTRICT: BALIMO  
 CENSUS DIV.: GOGODALA W. M.G. COUNCIL: GOGODALA

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SUBJECT: Land Dispute - SEIWA.

1. Since 1953 the villages of YAU (YU) and ADIBA have been disputing the ownership of a large tract of grassland situated between the two villages. Annually, since 1953, the dispute has been revived for various reasons and reported to Sub-District Office. In 1963 the area was included in correspondence to District Headquarters as one of many disputed areas still awaiting adjudication. On that occasion the following comment was made:

2. "Involves large area of land which is subject to fairly constant dispute. Both villages have sago and coconuts planted on the land. This situation is viewed with some concern by the Councilors of both villages."

2. Subsequently, in 1964, a claim was submitted to the Lands Titles Commission on behalf of SAIVASI KAWANG of ADIBA (Balimo No. 6-64) against SUIKI SAGE of YAU. The Lands Titles Commission in a letter dated 1/9/67 included it in a list of claims for which they had received (as shown in their register) but could no longer locate. It had been assigned to a Deputy Commissioner in 1965 (D.N. Spelman) then resident at BALIMO. They apparently could not locate the original claim, let alone copies. In 1966 the original claim was located at BALIMO and forwarded with other outstanding claims to ROEDOBH.

3. The dispute flared up again in 1971 and applications to have the matter cleared up by the Commission on behalf of SAIVASI (his son has since taken on the cause, No. 150) and SUIKI (No. 151) were again submitted (20/1/71). There has been an ominous silence from the Commission since.

4. On this particular occasion a party of YAU villagers approached the Sub-District Office complaining that ADIBA villagers had set fire to a portion of the disputed land whilst hunting for game (?). A fine was levied in the Local Court. Chagrined by this the ADIBA's counterclaimed that the YAU's had planted gardens over the area. It was decided on the spot investigation was required and consequently, on 27/1/72, a meeting was convened on the disputed land between the two villages. It was a long and heated discussion with odd threats of violence.

5. The land is rolling grassland with sago growing in the deeper depressions. It abuts both villages. Before the war the YAU's gradually migrated to the area from YAU until they were almost adjacent ADIBA village and on the border of both clan boundaries. It is at this stage that the dispute commenced.



6. During the meeting the remnants of a rough chain and compass survey by an unknown Lands Assistant was sighted. This consisted of a series of small posts strung across the valley on the YAU side of the land. The YAU village gardens are planted immediately outside this border. However, the ADIBA people maintain that the garden land is theirs and the subject of dispute. No record of the survey is available. BALINGO and apparently the ADIBA faction was not represented at the time. This patrol marked the borders of all the disputed land, including the YAU gardens, and informed both sides that it would be wise to use the land until a Lands Titles Commissioner had held court over it. The YAU people were told to let their gardens naturally expire and that they should not be replanted. Both clans agreed to allow the other access rights across the land (the YAU/ADIBA track bisects the land). Beyond this, little could be done by the patrol pending a Lands Titles decision.

7. Upon departure, the ADIBA people seemed reasonably satisfied, although they said they planned to take the YAU's to court over the gardens (counter measure to fire incident). The YAU's were not particularly happy with the situation and at least one individual was threatening to violate the amnesty by removing the border markers. All groups involved were quite pessimistic of any action by the Commission but all agreed that the matter had taken on a degree of urgency.

8. Immediate action is required to settle the dispute. Some nine years has elapsed since it was first reported, as in the case with other disputes in the BALINGO area. Past experience has proven that the people readily accept the Commission's decisions even though they are dubious of their own demarcation committees. No doubt, the other disputes are also reaching a similar condition. An extended visit by a Commissioner, or the appointment of a deputy, is sorely needed in the BALINGO area.

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P. Fitzpatrick / ADG

3/5/72.



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 1. (Balimo Patrol No. 11/1971-72.)

STATION ..... BALIMO ..... OFFICER COMPILING ..... P. Fitzpatrick A.D.O.  
DISTRICT ..... WESTERN ..... SUB-DISTRICT ..... BALIMO  
CENSUS DIVISION ..... GOGODALA ..... E.G. COUNCIL ..... GOGODALA

SUBJECT : Land Dispute - SEIAWA.

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE  
BALIMO

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT  
COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED  
9/5/72.

A concise summary of events leading up to the present dispute. Also demonstrates the ineffectiveness of the Land Titles Commission and ancillary organisations in the handling of disputes in the remoter areas.

Apart from on-the-spot mediations there appears to be little else that can be done to solve this, and similar problems, until the proposed 'New Land Legislation' becomes effective.

ACTION TAKEN:

NIL

SGD

(R. Donovan)

DATE

17/5/72



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

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BALIMO PATROL REPORT 11-71/72

Could this be referred to Principal Lands Officer  
to liaise with Lands Titles Commissioner to see  
when a Commissioner might be available to hear the  
dispute.

ACTION TAKEN :

c.c. A.D.C. BALIMO

SGD ...*K.A. BROWN*...  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER...

DATE .....5th June..1972.....

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PROJECT OFFICER .....

DATE .....



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

STATION: BALIMO OFFICER COMPLYING: P. FITZPATRICK  
DISTRICT: WESTERN SUB-DISTRICT: BALIMO  
CENSUS DIV.: GOGODALA WEST LOCAL GOVT. COUNCIL: GOGODALA

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SUBJECT: Political Education. - Self Government.

1. BALIMO Patrol Report Number 8 of 1971/72 describes a survey carried out by the Political Education Officer, Western District, among the more sophisticated elements of the indigenous population of BALIMO Station. The survey was designed to find out what the people of the area know about self determination and what, if at all, they are thinking about it. This patrol attempted to determine the same thing on a village level using slightly different techniques.

2. Highly informal discussions were held in three villages accessible by road from the station. Other villages were visited on the Aramia River. On each occasion the villages were approached late in the day, usually after their evening meal, in an attempt to be as informal as possible. Nevertheless, I doubt whether a genuine informality was ever reached.

3. Basically the results achieved by this patrol were similar, if not identical, to those recorded in Patrol Number 8. It proves, if anything, that there is no real disparity between the relatively sophisticated station dwellers and the village people as far as political thinking and attitudes are concerned. These are:

(A) The BALIMO people want to be considerably more independent before they entertain the prospect of self determination. They are afraid they will be overrun by more prosperous "Moresby" business men and will not be able to hold their own politically. Generally speaking, this attitude is largely manifest by the lack of understanding between the difference of Self Government and Independence. Almost all the people spoken to cannot be aware of this difference.

(B) The general opinion expressed is that Self Government should be retarded by at least three years.

4. The patrol did not attempt to discuss such theoretic problems as possible aggression from New Guinea or overseas countries. A few individuals asked whether they could expect a mass exodus of Europeans come Self Government. No one was willing to describe what they thought self determination might mean. Neither were people particularly concerned over the prospect. Again a desire to have Government Officers visiting villages explaining Self Government was expressed.

Signed:

P. Fitzpatrick, 400.

Date:

3/5/72.



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 2. (Balimo Patrol No. 11/1971-72)

LOCATION ..... BALIMO ..... OFFICER COMPILING ..... P. FITZPATRICK .....  
DISTRICT ..... WESTERN ..... SUB-DISTRICT ..... BALIMO .....  
CENSUS DIVISION ..... part GOGODALA WEST ..... L.G. COUNCIL ..... GOGODALA .....  
SUBJECT : POLITICAL EDUCATION - SELF GOVERNMENT.

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT

COMMISSIONER

BALIMO  
DATE RECEIVED  
9/5/72.

The impressions gathered by P. Fitzpatrick appear to hold true for the whole of the Sub-District. It is obvious that greater efforts are needed in the task of political education.

I do not believe that all villagers are keenly interested in political education and for this reason, seminars are being organised (with the assistance of the Political Education Officer, Daru) for 'thought and opinion' leaders in this area. This method of political education should achieve better results because the efforts of Field Officers can be concentrated on small participating and self-stimulating groups.

ACTION TAKEN: See above.

SGD. ....

DATE 17/5/72



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SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

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BALIMO PATROL REPORT 11-1971/72

The A.D.C. BALIMO is taking an active interest in Political Education work and the P.E.O. will keep him supplied with material and regularly visit the area.

ACTION TAKEN :

SGD (K.A. BROWN)

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

A.D.C. BALIMO

DATE 5th June 1972

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# PATROL REPORT

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H.Q. G.

501 67-3-143

Report number: <sup>12</sup> 1971/72

District: WESTERN

Patrol conducted by: P.D. HAWKE

Area patrolled: GOGODALA WEST (PART)

Duration of patrol: 20.6.72-21.6.72

Last D.D.A. patrol: March, 1972

Last O.L.G. patrol: March, 1972

Map reference: Fourmil Aworra River

Objects of patrol: Council Projects.

Station: BALIMO

Subdistrict: BALIMO

Designation: ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER.

Personnel accompanying: HDO. P.N. THOMPSON

Number of days: 2

Total population of area: 850

Council area: GOGODALA

House of Assembly Electorate: SOUTH FLY

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 24 To -

Patrol Instructions,

The Report and my comments,

Area study,

Updating of area study,

Situation Reports No's 1- 2,

Patrol map,

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DATE: 28 / 6 1972.

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,

Updating of area study,

Situation Report No's. 1- 2

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District Headquarters assessment of

Patrol & Report.

Above average

Average

Below average

District Commissioner

Date: 15 / 7 / 1972





DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

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DARU.  
Western District.

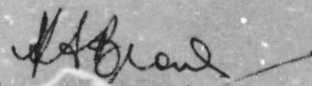
17th August, 1972.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 12-71/72.

Your 67-3-143 of 11th August, 1972 refers:

2. Enclosed please find one copy each of Situation Reports 1 and 2 and assessment on Situation Report No. 2.

  
(K.A. BROWN)  
District Commissioner

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REPORT: BALIMO No.12/1971-72.

JWK:MD

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

67-3-143

11th August, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARU.

BALIMO PATROL NO. 12-71/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 and 2 arising out of the above patrol of the GOGODALA WEST Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. P.D. HAWKE, A.D.O.

Only one copy of each of the Situation Reports was received, in addition no assessment on Situation Report No.2 was received.

Matters raised have been brought to the attention of the Commissioner for Local Government and also the Political Education Officer, Headquarters.

T.W. Ellis  
(T.W. ELLIS) *ver*  
Secretary.

Date 28/6/72.



SITUATION REPORT No. TWO

Station.....**BALIMO**.....Officer Compiling.....**P.D. HAWKE, A.D.O.**  
District.....**WESTERN**.....Subdistrict.....**BALIMO**  
Census Division.....**GOGODALA WEST (PART)**.....L.G. Council.....**GOGODALA.**  
Subject: **POLITICAL**

Subdistrict Office **BALIMO**

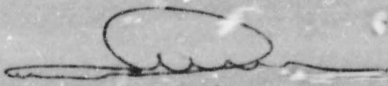
Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

**23/6/72.**

1. This village has had excellent attention from the Council in recent years by way of Rural Development projects and there is no apparent reason why there should have been such a large number of tax defaulters. Present attitudes suggest however, that the people may be beginning to realise this fact.

Action Taken:

Sgd..........**(R. Donovan)**

Date.....**28/6/72.**



Serial: 12/1971-72

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## SITUATION REPORT No. 2

Station.....**BALIMO**.....Officer Compiling.....**P.D. HAWKE, A.D.O.**  
District.....**WESTERN**.....Subdistrict.....**BALIMO.**  
Census Division.....**WEST GOGODALA (PART)**.....L.G. Council.....**GOGODALA.**

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Subject:.....**Political.**.....

Just prior to this patrol, forty men from Kewa and Kotale villages completed terms of imprisonment ranging from one to two months for failing to pay tax to the Gogodala Local Government Council.

In view of the proposed developments in the Kewa/Kotale area (a rubber re-settlement scheme along the 25 miles of the Kewa/Bamustu road involving the possible re-settlement of 250 families; the fishing business referred to in Situation Report No. 1; an \$8000 road to connect the Kotale Rubber blocks to the Kewa/Bamustu Road) an attempt was made to gauge the attitude of the tax defaulters towards the Gogodala Council and the Administration.

At all times during discussions on Council Tax fishing business and other topics the people were most co-operative and responsive, in fact more so than previously. The most confusing issue to the people was trying to re-arrange themselves from the calendar year that they are used to, to the financial year system used by the Council. The people cannot really appreciate the difference between the two, and I feel this causes some confusion with Council tax.

From my observations I would feel that both village groups are definitely Pro-Council and Pro-Administration. It is interesting to note that in my eight visits to Kewa over the past six months that this is the first time that the village men, and not the children have carried the patrols gear from the River to the Rest House.

Sgd: 

(P.D. Hawke) A.D.O.

Date: 23rd June, 1972.



SITUATION REPORT No. ONE


Station **BALIMO** Officer Compiling **P.D. HAWKE, A.D.O.**  
District **WESTERN** Subdistrict **BALIMO**  
Census Division **GOGODALA WEST (PART)** L.G. Council **GOGODALA**  
Subject **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.**

Subdistrict Office **BALIMO** Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received  
**23/6/72.**

1. I believe it is Mr. Pahl's intention to market barramundi in Goroka, Mt. Hagen, Lae and Madang. He has his own small aircraft and is apparently intending to fly the fish direct to Goroka from Balimo.
2. The whole proposal is sound provided local enthusiasm can be maintained and there is no loss in time in setting the scheme in motion.
3. If the scheme is successful and is eventually expanded, it will be necessary to conduct preservation studies to ensure that the scheme does not extinguish itself.

Action Taken:

Sgd.  (R. Donovan)

Date **28/6/72.**



District Office

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

1. The project seems a bit precipitate - everything is being done quickly before the season finishes - care must be taken to plan such ventures. Carrying fish from Kiwai to Balimo without ice may lead to bad fish.
2. A Council lending money for a business venture is probably not lawful use of its money.
3. The Papua New Guinea Development Bank representative in Daru has not received any application from this village group since the bank approved an application along similar lines from DOGORO village in 10 days the criticism in para 3 of Sitrepl is not valid.

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

(K.A. BROWN)

Date..... 14th July, 1972.

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded.....Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....



Barramundi 1971-72

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# SITUATION REPORT No. 1

Station..... **BALIMO** ..... Officer Compiling..... **P.D.HAWKE. A.D.O.**  
 District..... **WESTERN** ..... Subdistrict..... **BALIMO**  
 Census Division..... **WEST GOGODALA (PART)** ..... L.G. Council..... **GOGODALA**

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Govt. P. Int.—1792/40,000.—5.72.

Subject: **Economic Development.**

During the Balimo "dry season" large numbers of Barramundi "run" in the Aramia River. A local businessman, W.J. Senior in partnership with a Mr. R. Paul intends installing freezer facilities at Balimo and purchasing whole Barramundi at 10 cents per lb.

The villages of Kewa and Kotale are located on the banks of the Aramia and in view of their close proximity to Balimo, the Rural Development Officer, Balimo proposed to establish a combined village business, borrowing money from the Papua New Guinea Development Bank to purchase two 5HP Kawasaki outboard motors and six fishing nets. The original proposal also included that the villages purchase a freezer unit, but as Senior intends installing facilities at Balimo this would be a waste of money. The Barramundi season was due to commence in September this year, thus allowing plenty of time to make the financial arrangements.

Problems have now arisen in that the Barramundi season has already commenced and by the time approvals for loans etc could be acquired the season could have finished and an estimated \$10,000 in revenue could have been lost.

The patrol put a proposal to the two village groups that if they could raise \$250 for the purchase of one outboard motor, the Gogodala Council would be prepared to lend sufficient money to purchase four fish nets. This loan would be repaid to the Council within one month, and application will be made to the Commissioner for Local Government to approve the loan.

From experience here at Balimo, during the Barramundi season one net will catch approximately 150lb of fish per night. If this venture with the Kewa and Kotale people proves a success then the Gogodala Council will probably be influenced into expanding the industry in the villages, and possibly, with assistance


Sgd:..... **2.1**

Date:.....



2.

from the Rural Development Fund install Freezer units in those villages which have access to the Aramia River but are some distance from Balimo.

  
(P.D. Hawke)  
Assistant District Officer.

23rd June, 1972.



# PATROL REPORT

Report number: 13  
 District: Western  
 Patrol conducted by: P. Fitzpatrick  
 Area patrolled: Upper Soari  
 Duration of patrol: 12 days  
 Last D.D.A. patrol: unknown  
 Last O.L.G. patrol: unknown  
 Map reference: Anorua River, RASC

Objects of patrol: Construction helipad  
 Station: Balimo  
 Subdistrict: Balimo  
 Designation: ADO  
 Personnel accompanying: Consts. Kasari & Kileasi  
 Number of days: -  
 Total population of area: unknown  
 Council area: Gogodala  
 House of Assembly Electorate: South Fly

The District Commissioner,  
 WESTERN District,  
 DARU

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 26 To 27 ,	( ✓ )
Patrol Instructions,	( ✓ )
The Report and my comments,	( ✓ )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports No's 1—	( ✓ )
Patrol map,	( ✓ )

DATE: 3 / 7 1972

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
 Department of the Administrator,  
 Division of District Administration,  
 Konedobu, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Report No's. 1—	( )
	( )
	( )

District Headquarters assessment of  
 Patrol & Report.....

Above average  
 Average  
 Below average

Date: 10 / 7 / 1972

District Commissioner



District Office - DARI

Assessment District Commissioner

JWK:MG

P.O. Box 2396,  
KORORU.

67-3-141

11th August, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Western District,  
DARI.

BALINO PATROL NO. 13 OF 1971/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report  
1 arising out of the above patrol of the Upper Soari Census  
Division, together with the appropriate assessment, as  
submitted by Mr. P. Fitzpatrick, Assistant District Officer.

No special comments are called for.

T. W. Ellis  
(T. W. ELLIS) *net*  
Secretary.



District Office DARU

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

The aim of the patrol was achieved. Due to vast long distances for supply it will probably be necessary to take supplies and helicopter fuel for this helipad for ADO Meintjes' patrol. In August 1970 Messrs. Smith and Kelly examined a recently deserted long house near Barron Crash site. It would appear from Mr. Fitzpatrick's report, that there is no population below 7° 75' to west of SOARI.

Action Taken:

Sgt

(K.A. BROWN)

Date

12th July 1972

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded

Section

Project Officer

Date



SITUATION REPORT No. ONE

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Station.....BALIMO.....Officer Compiling.....P. FITZPATRICK, A.D.O.

District.....WESTERN.....Subdistrict.....BALIMO

Census Division.....GOGODALA WEST (part).....L.G. Council.....GOGODALA.

Subject: SOARI RIVER AREA.

Subdistrict Office BALIMO Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received 30th. June, 1972.

The construction of the Soari helipad is part of preparations currently being made to mount a series of contact patrols into the area defined by the foothills of the Mt. Bosavi to the north and the headwaters of the Tomu, Aramia, Soari and Hawoi rivers to the south.

Action Taken:

Sgd.....  
(R. Donovan)

Date.....3rd. July, 1972.



# SITUATION REPORT No. 1

Station.....**BALIMO**..... Officer Compiling.....**P. FITZPATRICK**  
 District.....**WESTERN**..... Subdistrict.....**BALIMO**  
 Census Division.....**UNPOPULATED AREA**..... L.G. Council.....**GOGODALA**

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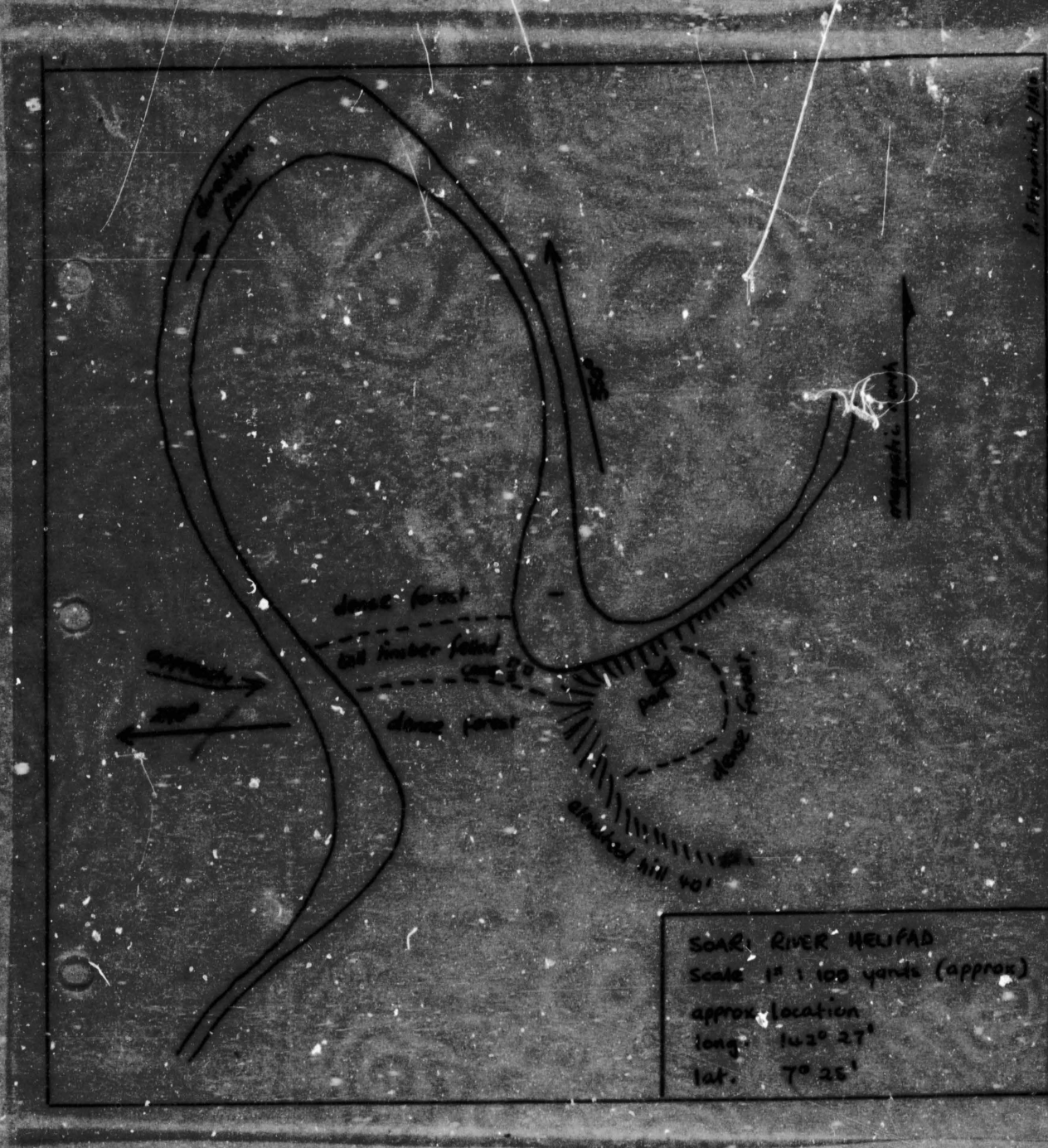
Subject: **Soari River Area.**

1. Very little contact was made with the established Gogodala villages beyond Makapa, where the patrol stopped long enough to recruit labourers for construction of a helipad. Apart from the fact that the Makapa labourers were making cigarettes out of the latest Asian Pacific Christian Mission's religious propaganda, nothing of a situation report nature came to light during the patrol. After leaving Makapa the patrol encountered no one. However, for the information of Headquarters, I have reproduced parts of the patrol report, which may be of interest hereunder.
2. "A helipad was built approximately 70.5 river miles from the Soari/Aramia confluence. I could not gain enough altitude to acquire a compass fix on any landmarks of note, therefore the location of the site has been divined entirely by time/speed readings ...."
3. "According to a Kamura man ... the original inhabitants (of the area) dispersed themselves throughout the upper Aramia villages. I would imagine that a good percentage of the southern Kamuras have, likewise, infiltrated the Gogodala villages....."
4. "The country around the pad site is similar to that found along the Tomu River, that is, fairly low lying with numerous ridges and small streams. The whole is covered by semi-dense rainforest. There are hardly any leeches or mosquitos in the area. The river near the helipad is still fairly muddy but reasonably clear where it traverses the frequent mud stone and clay cuttings. "Game" abounds, particularly crocodiles, goannas, cassowary, pigs, goura pigeons and small wallabies. No tracks or other signs of human life were sighted within a 5 hours walking radius of the pad site. This means that the area (claimed by the Makapa Gogodalas)(?) is devoid of habitation or that all their travelling through the area is along the river systems. Gogodala crocodile hunters frequented the area some years ago but .... they seem to have discontinued the practice."

Sgd:.....*P. Fitzpatrick*.....

Date:.....**26th June, 1972.**.....





SOARI RIVER HELIPAD  
Scale 1" = 100 yards (approx)  
approx location  
long. 102° 27'  
lat. 7° 25'



Crater Lake

Barren Creek  
Site

7°5'

San River

Approx location Red Site and camp 3.

Numerous log jams

Barwire

7°30'

Camp 2

Giant log jam

San R.

shallow water

log jam

log jam

log jam

old camp

Camp 3

142° 30'

magnetic north



7°55'

Baron Creek Site

Savanna River

Approx location Red Site and camp 3.

Numerous log jams

7°30'

Barroet

Camp 2

great log jam

shallow water

log jam

log jam

log jam

old camp

Camp 1

House

Adama R.

Gross blockage

magnetic north

1420 30'

BALIMO PATROL 13  
OF 1971-1972, SOARI  
RIVER HELIPAD SITE.

Scale  $\frac{1}{4}$ " = 1 mile

P. Fitzpatrick / ADO

26th June, 1972.