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EAST SEPIK DISTRICT PATROL REPORTS

1968-1969

DREIKIKIR & YANGORU

<u>Report no.</u>	<u>Officer conducting patrol</u>	<u>Area patrolled</u>
<u>DREIKIKIR</u>		
1-68-69	H.K. Mack <i>OK</i>	Part Urat & Gawanga
2-68-69	C.J. Rawlings <i>OK</i>	All Kombio & Urim C.D. One Urat C.D.
3-68-69	H.K. Mack <i>OK</i>	Urim & part Ga- wanga C.D., Part Dreikikir L.G.C.
4-68-69	H.K. Mack <i>OK</i>	Part Gawanga, Urim & Kombio C.D.
<u>YANGORU</u>		
1-68-69	I.F. Read	Kaboibus C.D. & part Kumun C.D.
2-68-69	H. Hamilton	Sepik C.D., Yangoru L.G.C.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number..... DREIKIKIR No.1 1968/69

Subdistrict..... MAPRIK

District..... EAST SEPIK

Type of Patrol..... ELECTION AND ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION

Patrol Conducted by..... H.K.MACK, Patrol Officer, O.I.C.

Area Patrolled (Council and/or Census Division/s.)	Part URAT and GAWANGA Census Divisions, being part of the Dreikikir Local Government Council.
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Personnel Accompanying Patrol

P.Manbokame, DDA Storeman
(assisted in elections)

One Const.1/c Ingiga, R.P.N.G.C.

Duration of Patrol—from 12/11/68..... To 27/11/68

No. of Days..... 14

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area :..... 1967

Date..... Duration.....

Objects of Patrol (Briefly)..... Elections of Dreikikir Council (Third)
and Routine Administration.

Total Population of Area Patrolled..... Approx. 6,191

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please

9/12/1969

E. G. Hips
District Commissioner



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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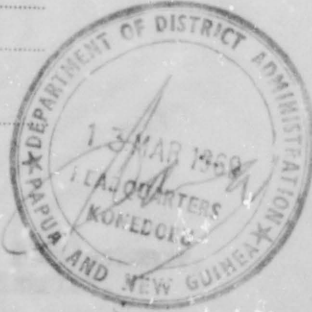
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Reference: 67-1-8

Department of District Administration,

District Office,
WEWAK.
East Sepik District.

10th March, 1969.



The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

PATROL DREIKIKIR NO. 1/68-69

Your memorandum 67-8-19 of 6th instant refers.

Reference your final paragraph the matter is simply this: Gazette No. 68 of the 19th December, 1968 gives a correct description of the common boundary between East and West Sepik Districts; however, the map accompanying this description shows the boundary in an incorrect position, i.e., Nuku on the eastern side of the boundary (placing it in the East Sepik District) instead of the western side of the boundary (West Sepik District).

For your information, please.

E. G. Hicks
(E. G. HICKS).
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

c.c. Assistant District
Commissioner,
MAPRIK.

SPO /
For action by Boundaries Commission
in respect of map in Gazette

To 14/3

Noted *[Signature]*

NFA. 27/3

67-8-19

6th March, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
WEWAK.

PATROL DREIKIKIR NO. 1/68-69.

Your reference is 67-1-8 of 10th January, 1969.

2. I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by Mr. H.K. Mack, P.O. to Parts of Urat and Gawanga Census Divisions.
3. A well presented report of a routine patrol which achieved its aims.
4. To assist processing by this Headquarter could you please forward under separate memorandum a submission concerning error in map in relation to location of Nuku Patrol Post.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Director.

cc: Mr. H.K. Mack, P.O.,
Patrol Post,
DREIKIKIR.
East Sepik District.

Please note that political education must be a continuing process in all situations.



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If calling ask for.....
Mr.....

Department of District Administration,
District Office,
WEYAK,
East Sepik District.

9th January, 1969

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA



The attached memorandum refers.

My remarks to the Assistant District Commissioner, Maprik, re the eastern boundary of the Nuka administrative area, refers. Perhaps action could be taken to have the misprint rectified.

E. G. Hicks
E. G. HICKS
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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DISCOM
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District Office,
WEWAK.
East Sepik District.

10th January, 1969.

Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MAIRIK.

DREIKIKIR PATROL REPORT NO: 1 OF
1968/69


Receipt is acknowledged of the abovementioned report, submitted by Mr. Mack, Patrol Officer.

Reference your comments re Page 7, paragraph 1, of the report. Was there not sufficient time for Mr. Mack to enquire more fully into the actual statistics concerning deaths caused by influenza. Is there still people suffering from influenza in the area. The District Medical Officer has been advised as requested but normally the Medical Officer at Maprik would report to the District Medical Officer.

Reference your comments re Page 8, paragraph 3.

- (a) On completion of the Dreikikir - Nuka section of the Sepik Highway, I agree, will facilitate movement in the area.
- (b) In many parts of the Territory Sub-District and District boundaries cross language and social ties of many groups, thus I consider this insufficient grounds in this particular case.
- (c) If you read the boundary description of the East Sepik District published in the Gazette referred to, you will find that the eastern boundary of the Nuka administrative area remains as before, that is, it traverses the Keang River, a tributary of the Bangos River. This leaves Nuka without any doubt still in the West Sepik District. Your misconception perhaps occurred because of the incorrect printing of the map in the Gazette accompanying the above description. The map shows both the boundary and Nuka station in incorrect positions. This will be drawn to the attention of the Director.

This would be correct. Nuka is within West Sepik
By


E.G. HICKS
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

c.c. Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA

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M A P R I K.

East Sepik District.

2nd January, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
WEWAK.

DREIKIKIR PATROL REPORT NO 1 of 1968/69.

Forwarded herewith in triplicate the abovementioned patrol report by Mr. H.K. Mack, Patrol Officer. The following comments are offered:

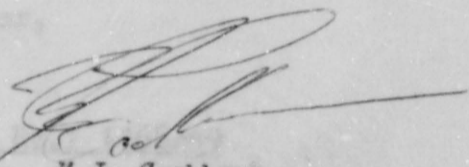
- Page 4 para 2: Further explanation shall have to be given on the purpose of a five year plan if Mr Mack's suppositions are correct. If it is carefully explained that such a plan is a guide and not necessarily rigid and that the Council has the responsibility to ensure that funds are expended to provide the greatest benefit to the greatest number then I feel the people would understand. It is certainly better to have a guiding plan for a period than no plan at all, and I feel that the people are sufficiently intelligent to appreciate this.
- Page 4 para 4: Mr Mack in future patrols shall have to ensure that he carefully explains to all the people, the Councillor's role in the community. The conception of a councillor as a "minor kiap" represents an unhealthy situation and must be corrected as soon as possible.
- Page 7, para 1: It would have been of more help had Mr Mack quoted the exact number of children who reportedly died of the influenza in the area he patrolled. The word "several" could mean any number from 3 to infinity. This matter should be brought to the attention of the District Medical Officer for his comment.
- Page 8 para 3: It would appear from the facts stated that the people of AMASEI and AKOSAME No 1 & 2 have a good case for their villages being administered from NUKU rather than Dreikikir. The strongest point in their favour is the language and social ties with the people of the MAI KLAPLEI Census Division. The points against a change are not at all impressive. The movement of cash crops in the NUKU area shall all eventually pass through Dreikikir with the completion of the Dreikikir-NUKU section of the Sepik Highway. The Bongos River would form a good natural boundary between the two Sub Districts. It has been noticed that in the Government Gazette No 68 of 19th December, 1968 that the NUKU Administrative area has been included in the East Sepik District. This may indicate an alteration in future Sub District boundaries with Nuku and Dreikikir combining to form a Sub District with headquarters presumably at NUKU. This of course does not effect the recommendation that the villages referred to be administered by NUKU except that, with the Gazette of NUKU being in the East Sepik District, a transfer of district boundaries is not involved. Could this matter be taken up with the

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District Commissioner of the West Sepik District, please.

A patrol map is enclosed and seven sun prints of the map would be appreciated for attachment to the report and for filing here and at Dreikikir. Mr Mack's claim for camping allowance is also attached.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
MARIKIR.



M.J. Cockburn.
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c. O.I.C. DREIKIKIR.



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Patrol Post,
DREIKIKIR,
East Sepik District.
Sun. 15th. December, 1968.

The Assisnt District Commissioner,
M A P R I K.

PATROL REPORT No.1 1968/69

Enclosed please find five copies of the above. One copy of the Report is held at this office.

2. One copy only of the Patrol Map has been prepared. Your assistance in having seven copies made at District H.Q., and the return of two copies to this office would be appreciated.

3. Thank you for your many assistances in appointing Mr. Rawlings Assistant Returning Officer for the elections. His appointment and good work have saved me many hours, enabling me to handle other important administrative duties.

3. Enclosed please find Camping Allowance claim for processing.

H.K. Mack

H.K. Mack
OFFICER IN CHARGE

cc District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
W E W A K.

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DREIKIKIR PATROL NO.1-1968/69

1. INTRODUCTION.

The primary purpose of the patrol was to conduct the Third General Elections of the Dreikikir Local Government Council in part of the GAWANGA and URAT Census Divisions. The role of the writer for these elections was as Presiding Officer, Assistant Returning Officer being Mr.C.Rawlings, Patrol Officer from Maprik. In view of the latter the actual elections will be reported upon only briefly as this aspect will be fully covered by the Assistant Returning Officer's Election Report.

As an introductory patrol to the Dreikikir area for the writer, the patrol proved particularly interesting and was invaluable in that considerable knowledge of local thinking and attitudes was gained. The Gawanga C.D. being the largest in both area and population represents a high proportion of the five Census Divisions administered from Dreikikir.

The very large amounts of voluntary work done on the construction of roads to assist in the movement of cash crops and the inevitable economic advancement as a result of this preparatory work, was very pleasing to see and will be reported on fully within the report.

A note of discord is the quite general feeling in the AKOSAME area of a desire to secede from Dreikikir and come under the administration of NUKU Patrol Post in the West Sepik District. Concurrent with this is the desire to join the Nuku Local Government Council. This has come about partly from geographic considerations and partly from social attachments with the Nuku area.

The Patrol was excellently received in all villages visited, although it is possible that I am not qualified to judge accurately after previous experiences on the much patrolled Papuan coast.

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PATROL DIARY

- Tues. 12th. 0700 By Toyota to TUMAM Village.
0830-1030 Walked TUMAM to TAUHUNDOR.
1145 After discussion re change of carriers and Patrol programme walked to KUBRIWAT arriving at 1430.
Afternoon and evening to 2100 general and pre-election meeting. Slept KUBRIWAT.
- Weds. 13th. 0700-1430 Conducted Poll.
1445-1730 Walked KUBRIWAT to KUYOR.
General discussions etc. with village people to 2300. Slept KUYOR.
- Thur. 14th. Village meeting - one nomination so no poll.
Local Court.
1200 to 1230 walked KUYOR to KUATENGISI.
Village discussions and general meeting to 1900. Slept KUATENGISI.
- Fri. 15th. 0730-1200 Conducted Poll KUATENGISI.
1230-1300 Walked to BONGOS village.
General discussions etc. to 2300.
Slept BONGOS.
- Sat. 16th. 0730-0800 Walked BONGOS to W'HAUKIA.
0800-1000 General meeting - one nomination so no poll conducted.
1015-1115 Walked to WOSAMBU village.
To 1600 conducted meeting and poll WOSAMBU.
1600-1700 Returned to W'HAUKIA.
1900-2300 General talks etc.
Slept W'HAUKIA.
- Sun. 17th. Observed W'HAUKIA.
- Mon. 18th. 0700-0830 Walked W'HAUKIA to FUMATUMBU via Bongos Catholic Mission. 1000-1600 conducted poll. Evening to 2300 general. Slept FUMATUMBU.
- Tues. 19th. 0700-0830 walked MAMSI to AKOSAMEI.
Discussions with village people and local european SSEM & CM missionaries.
1300-1800 Conducted poll.
1800-2030 Dinner at SSEM mission.
2030-2330 General discussions with village.
Slept AKOSAMEI.
- Weds. 20th. 0800-0900 walked to BONGOMAISI.
Village meeting to 1030 and thence walked to MASALAGA via ABEGU arriving at 1330. PM spent in bed with influenza or similar sickness. 1800-2000 General. Slept MASALAGA.
- Thurs. 21st. 0730-1030 Conducted poll MASALAGA.
1100-1400 Walked with many rests to DAINA.
PM Sick.
1900-2030 General meeting and discussions. Slept DAINA.

- Fri. 22nd. 0800-1300 walked DAINA to TAUHUNDOR via TAUHIMBIER.
PM and evening to 1030 General meeting and discussions with village people.
Slept TAUHUNDOR.
- Sat. 23rd. 0800-1000 walked TAUHUNDOR to TUMAM and thence by Toyota to Dreikikir.
- Sun. 24th. Observed Dreikikir.
- Mon. 25th. In bed with sickness previously referred to.
- Tue. 26th. 0800-0900 walked TUMAM to MIHWAK.
Conducted Poll. Afternoon & evening general discussions.
Slept MIHWAK.
- Weds. 27th. 0800-0900 walked to NANAHA & thence by vehicle to TUMAM.
1100-1600 Conducted poll TUMAM.
Returned to station and Patrol stood down.
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2. ELECTIONS.

As previously mentioned this section will be kept brief. For convenience the headings used will be those as laid down by the Chief Electoral Officer in instructions regarding Election Reports.

a. Pre-election Campaign.

There were no Patrols mounted specifically for this purpose. The area is no stranger to the mechanics of the secret ballot, having already experienced two House of Assembly and two Council Elections in the past four years. However, to say that more than a very few people fully understand the preferential system of voting, would be greatly over-stating the truth. However the fact that the ballot was secret was well understood and appreciated by the majority of voters. In each ward a meeting and discussion regarding elections and the reasons for them, etc., was held on the eve of the poll and/or the day of the poll.

I am quite certain that most voters understood that the candidate wanted by the majority would win and that there is no suspicion of the Administration regarding the counting of votes and the recording.

b. Manner of Elections.

One polling place was established in each ward, the wards consisting of a central larger village with one or more smaller villages nearby. The most any person had to walk to cast a vote would have been half an hour, in most cases it would have been less than this.

In the entire area only one person did not require assistance in the recording of his vote - a mission teacher from MASALAGA. It would be interesting to know whether he gave his first preference to the person he wished to see elected. The assistance required by voters was merely a matter of writing out the ballot paper to their instructions - all except a very few women and older men knew precisely their selection upon arrival at the polling booth.

c. Feminine Interest.

No women were nominated as candidates although a woman from FUMATUMBU did nominate a male candidate. The fact that a woman can be a candidate is fully understood and met with little response.

... Women did not hesitate to speak out at meetings and discussions regarding the nomination of candidates. This appeared particularly in the areas of only one nomination, where the womenfolk, apparently quite happy with their choice, reacted quite strongly to the suggestion that perhaps there was a person better qualified to represent them in the Council.

d. Incidents.

The elections proceeded quite smoothly and there were no particular incidents worthy of note in this section. Even at Akosame, where some opposition to voting for Councillors in the Dreikikir Council was expected because of recent statements that they wish to join the Nuku Council, there was no question by the people of refusing to vote or objections to nominations.

e. General.

Interest in the elections and in the count following was not very great. The reasons for this are largely that the people, for the most part had made up their minds before the arrival of the patrol that they are happy with the Councillors who have completed the last term of office, and it is their wish to see them as members of the council for an indefinite period. This attitude was very strongly reflected in (i) the number of wards in which the present Councillor(s) was the only nomination, (ii) The overwhelming majority with which present Councillors won the poll, as revealed in the count, (iii) The fact that it was not necessary to count any second preferences indicating that the winner received in every case an absolute majority of first preferences.

SITUATION REPORT1. POLITICAL.a. Local Government.

The primary purpose of the patrol being Council elections, aspects of the Council were fully discussed. It is my pleasure to report that the people are apparently pleased with the work of the council, and have a fair understanding of basic principles of a Council and its advantages. This is in some ways surprising when it is remembered that the only material gain direct from the Council to the entire GAWANGA is the donation of one coffee huller and several radios in three years of tax collection. However the existence of the Council is being accredited with being responsible for the vast amounts of road works completed from entirely voluntary labour. The people, as will be discussed further in the report are extremely happy with the results thus far achieved.

Also, of course, the people are extremely pleased with the Council decision to devote all Capital Works monies for the year 1969/70 to work on the road between YAUA TONG and Bongos. The fact that this is a tentative allocation, being part of the Five Year Plan, was explained. Although people agreed that they understood this I am afraid that they do not understand it and strongly feel that there will be great disillusionment if the money is not spent as agreed. This is one of the disadvantages of drawing up a five year plan.

That the people are content with the council was also reflected in the large number of Councillors re-elected. It has been my experience in other areas where there has been discontent with a Council old Councillors are not re-elected, part of the malady being blamed upon them.

b. Local Government Councillors.

The powers of the Councillor are not understood by the people or the people officiating in these positions.

.... I say this because of the many reports, not in the form of complaints, from the people about how the Councillor had decided particular punishment for an offender, or had decide that a 'defendant' was not in fact found guilty of a particular offence. It is very strongly apparent that the Councillor is a 'minor' kiap, only the more serious offences being brought to the Local Court. I think a good deal of this represents a reversion to the manner in which some disputes were settled before the coming of the administration. This is further emphasised when it is remembered that the majority of Councillors are traditional leaders and would in all probability have been responsible for this type of work in their traditional society. Needless to say the actual powers of the Councillor were fully emphasised in all areas. The problem now arises of course, what will happen in the future (immediate) when many more cases of a minor nature including minor assault, stealing etc., come to Dreikikir to appear before the Local Court. In the short time since my return from patrol several cases have already been heard from the area patrolled which I am almost certain would not have been, prior to the patrol being mounted. There are 19,000+ people in the Dreikikir area with only the writer to hear Local Courts plus the many other duties absolutely essential to the administration of the people. The answer lies in additional staff, but this the writer fully realises, is not by any means immediately available.

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That the people are happy with the Councillor and the reasons why I make this deduction, has already been stated.

c. House of Assembly Member.

The Local member of the House is highly thought of and no discontent toward him was expressed. Mr. Kokomo Ulias frequent visits to the many areas of his electorate, plus his position for the last two years as Council President, has made him well known and accepted by all.

2. ECONOMIC.

Of primary consideration here is the development of the road from YAUATONG Village to DAINA. (see Patrol Map). Voluntary resources have contributed vast quantities of work on this road in the past two years. The Council has been instrumental in achieving these results. As will be seen from the map, the larger part of the work to connect Dreikikir and thus a marketing point for cash crops to almost all villages in the Gawanga has already been done. The Council has made submission to the District Coordinating Committee for \$17,000 in the year 1969/70 to assist in completing the section to BONGOS Village. Should this be granted a great deal of encouragement will be given to the people and the completion would be almost immediate. This task being done the people would then be free and I am certain willing to concentrate on the development of cash crops of coffee and, of primary import, rice. Already there are many coffee gardens being commenced in anticipation of the road, and some are even producing at this stage. The producers are forced to carry their product some 10-12 hours to the present outlet at TUMAM Village in the URAT C.D. This the people understand only too well is very hard work and is equally time consuming. This is also a large factor in there being very few complaints regarding the amount of physical effort they are putting in to work on the road. The end result is clearly seen.

Some rice is being grown for local consumption at present. Economic crops are, quite reasonably, not being planted because of the current difficulty of marketing - value of coffee makes that crop far more reasonable on a value per pound basis, which would be the first thing considered when carrying over the distances necessary.

With the completion of the road, Rural Progress Society vehicles will be in a position to purchase coffee and rice from the grower at the village. Marketing and processing are then done through the Department of Agriculture at BAINYIK, near Maprik.

It is to be hoped that every assistance can be given to these people by the Administration, because of the effort already evident on their part and also the effort which can be expected in the near future.

3. SOCIAL.a. Health.

At the time of the patrol, much of the area was affected by a type of influenza which has apparently spread from the LUMI, NUKU area. That it is unpleasant I can assure the reader from personal experience. Probably the majority had it at the time, or, they had recovered from it. The infection was reported to the Medical Officer at Maprik, the reply being that it is not usually fatal and that there is little that Public Health Department can do about it. Several children were reported to have died as a result of the infection over the last month or so, but one must wonder how many died as a direct result of this, and how many died as a result of 'normal' sicknesses.

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The only other disease of note was the large number of people suffering from skin diseases.

b. Missions.

The two operative missions in the area are the South Seas Evangelical Mission and the Catholic Mission, the latter being the larger and most extensive of the two.

The Missions are responsible entirely for education facilities within the area, the larger of these establishments being the Catholic Mission Schools at TAU and at Bongos.

There does not appear to be animosity between the two groups, either from the Mission bodies or from their adherents. Local opinion seemed more on a basis of the ones that smoke and the ones who dont.

c. Cult Activities.

From previous reports, the Bongos, Akosame, Kuyor and Kustengisi areas are well known for their cult activities some two years ago. Known adherents of that time discussed there activities quite freely, including the six month prison sentences many of them served as a result of it. That there are any thoughts that the whole thing was anything but quite ridiculous, was vehemently, and naturally, denied. However to accept these statements would be more than a little optimistic..

... On the other hand there were no outward signs of cult activity, although I feel sure that every attempt would be made to conceal these from a visiting patrol after their past experiences.

Although I say this without any concrete evidence, the amount of work being done on roads, the willingness to do this and the amount of discussion arising from the people about the cash and goods return from this work, does tend to arouse suspicion that the desire to complete this is possibly based on cult type thinking, perhaps only subconsciously, but nonetheless there. Every effort was made to emphasize that the road was only a step towards the overall development of the area, and would not result in the immediate acquisition by all of trucks and european goods associated with cash. -Hard work being the only key, not the performance of some ceremony. It would be impossible to guage the effectiveness of the Patrol's efforts at this stage.

d. Unrest.

As briefly mentioned in earlier sections of the report, there is a quite general feeling in the villages of AMASEI, AKOSAME Nos. 1&2 to come under the auspices of the Administration of Nuku Patrol Post and Nuku Local Government Council in the Lumi Sub District of the West Sepik District. There were two factions, one being for and one against the move. It was impossible to determine the exact percentages comprising each faction but from the information gathered by the patrol I would say that the majority were for the change. The only way to establish this accurately would be to conduct a secret ballot, a course which I am considering, subject to higher approval. I have set out below, briefly, the arguments presented by the people both for and against.-

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Exact location of school boundary

For: NUKU is closer geographically and in walking times, 6 hours opposed to 10-12 hours usually spaced over two days.

The people of Kubriwat, Tauhimber and the URAT are not very helpful in the provision of accommodation unless there is some financial reward.

The road from Nuku can be traversed by tractor to within half an hour walk of all three villages.

... The people of Nuku, Seim and Klaplei are related by marriage and language to the Akosame area. Father Urban Reid from Klaplei, with whom I discussed this matter briefly, informed me that they are all dialects of the one language. There is also much inter marriage and other social bonds between them.

Several people have been drowned in the Bongos river, which must be crossed on the road to Dreikikir. For this reason many days are spent at times waiting for the river to go down to enable a safe crossing. This retards traffic in both directions.

Against: Dreikikir and Maprik have been the administrative centres of Akosame for many years. The older men of the village still remember the work they put into the initial construction of the station at Dreikikir.

Cash crops could be more expediently forwarded through Dreikikir via the largely completed road, particularly with the all weather road currently being constructed between Maprik and Dreikikir. (Apparently rice is being shipped by air from Nuku and some thought that because of this Nuku was the obvious choice for a market point. The economics of shipping rice were explained, but not necessarily accepted by those who did not wish to.)

Tax rates in adjacent areas of Nuku are \$1.50, compared with the \$1.00 of the Gawanga. I would add that there is every possibility ~~that~~ council tax in the Gawanga will be increased in the near future.

Bearing both of the above arguments in mind I did not give the people my own opinions regarding whether or not I would be in favour of either, I did tell them that the decision does not rest with me. In fact I am not at all sure what the mechanics of such a transfer would be apart from those involved by the two Councils concerned. I would hesitate to...

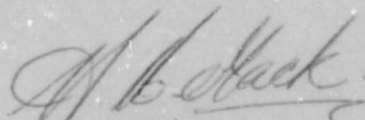
... make a firm recommendation either way at this stage. On the other hand the advantages to the people appear quite obvious, and the advantages to be gained from remaining in Dreikikir are perhaps a little more obscure.

CONCLUSION.

The Patrol proved interesting to the writer and more than a little informative. Questions regarding particular problems in the ~~affa~~ can now much more easily be attended to.

I would stress again, as in section 2 of the Report (Economic), that extensive follow up work to the voluntary efforts of the people, will be an essential task of the Administration, particularly for the Department of Agriculture Stock and Fisheries. In other areas it has proved that the greater the efforts by the people, the greater is the disillusionment and discontent which arises should primary efforts prove abortive.

Submitted, Sir,


H.K. Mack

OFFICER IN CHARGE

DARUKIR - Nuku (Srago III S)

Kitanglen

Wingamon

Layangut

Yagunboh 36 S.M.

Yagunboh No. 1

Yagunboh No. 2

Pogib

This section not done because of diseases by to allow garden destroyed (See Report)

This section not done because of diseases by to allow garden destroyed (See Report)

Ward 31

Kubrunat Pop. 750

Koro River

Mihunk

Yerma

Wa

Tauhunk

Y. G. G. G.

LUMI SUB-DISTRICT
(Kuku Patrol Post Area)

BONGOS RIVER

WARD 33

WARD 32

Weso

Kukur

Dona

Catall

Bongos Pop. 550

WARD 35

WARD 34

Kutengki

Sauk

Rachel

WARD 36

Fumatanga

To Klaple Mission through SEMB Nuku

20 Span bridge required. Size 5 feet wide which does not exist. New 20 span bridge.

Yasambi

Anasani No. 1

Anasani S.S.M.

Anasani No. 2

Anasani

WARD 38

Bongosmogi

WARD 39

Singambu CA

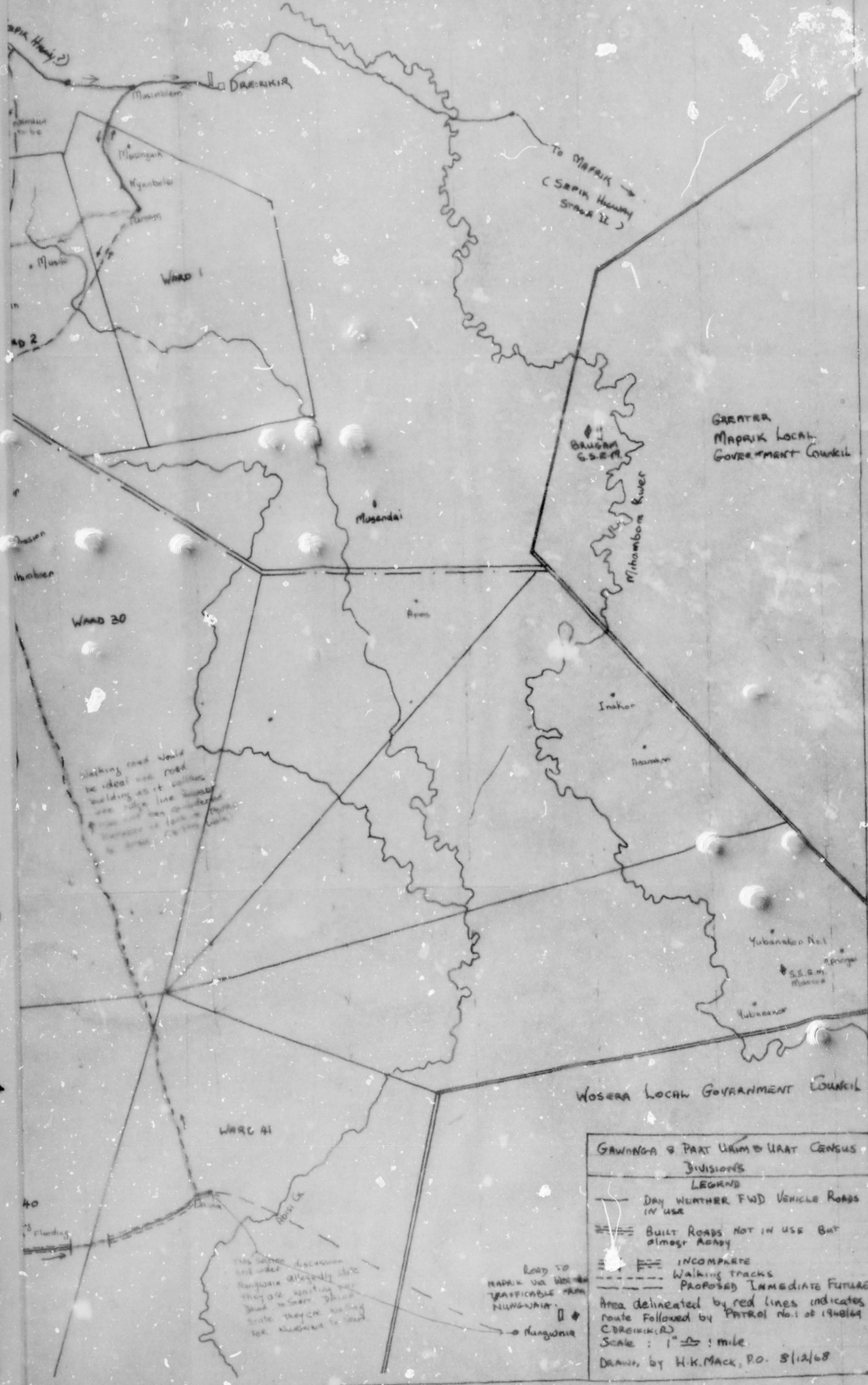
Makayaka G.

Atogu

WARD

River Cross Subam T.

Wasaaga



Maprik Highway (2)

Musimlam
Musungun
Myanbela
Musin
Musin
Ward 1

To MAPRIK
(SEPAK Highway
STAGE II)

GREATER
MAPRIK LOCAL
GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

BAUGAN
S.S.E.M.

Mithombom River

Mugandai

Ward 30

Walking road would
be ideal as road
building as it follows
the ridge line...
...and may consider
...to some extent...

Inakor

Panakor

Yubanako No. 1

S.S.E.M.
Mithombom

Yubanako

WOSERA LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

WARD 41

40

This section discussion
and under
Nungwaia allegedly state
they are waiting for
state to start planning
for Nungwaia to start

ROAD TO
MAPRIK VIA WOSERA
TRAFFICABLE FROM
NUNGWAIA

GAWNGA & PART UAIM & UAT CENSUS DIVISIONS	
LEGEND	
	DRY WEATHER FWD VEHICLE ROADS IN USE
	BUILT ROADS NOT IN USE BUT ALMOST READY
	INCOMPLETE WALKING TRACKS
	PROPOSED IMMEDIATE FUTURE
Area delineated by red lines indicates route followed by PATROL no. 1 of (198169) C.D.R. (M.K.R.)	
Scale : 1" = 1 mile	
DRAWN by H.K. MACK, P.O. 5/12/68	



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number..... Patrol No 2 DREIKIKIR of 1968/69

Subdistrict..... MAPRIK

District..... EAST SEPIK

Type of Patrol..... ENTIRE AREA UNDER DREIKIKIR L.G.C. (SPECIAL)

Patrol Conducted by..... C.J. RAWLINGS P.O.

Area Patrolled } ALL KOMBIO & URIM C.D. ONE URAT C.D.
(Council and/or } (COUNCIL WARD No 15 3(Urat C.D.)
Census Division/s.) } 16-19 INCLUSIVE (Urim C.D.) 20-29
INCLUSIVE KOMBIO C.D.)

Personnel Accompanying Patrol
Const. I/C GUBAU - Dreikikir Detachment R.P.N.G.C.

Duration of Patrol—from 12/11/68 To 30/11/68

No. of Days..... 19 days, 18 nights

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area :..... Kombio March, '68; Urim June '68

Date..... Duration.....

Objects of Patrol (Briefly)..... To conduct 3rd Dreikikir L.G. Council Elections.

Total Population of Area Patrolled..... 4000
Map attached. V.P.R. not enclosed.

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

8/2/1969

C. J. Rawlings
District Commissioner

(13)

67-9-20

67-8-20

March 3rd, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
WEWAK.

PATROL NO. DREIKIKIR 2/68-69

Your reference 67-1-8 of 9th January, 1969.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by Mr. C.J. RAWLINGS, Patrol Officer to KOMBIO, PRIM and Part URAT Census Divisions.

Report indicates that elections were effected without undue incident.

A Situation Report should have been submitted with the report as required by my circular 67-1-0 dated 21st June, 1968.

c.c. Mr. C.J. Rawlings,
Patrol Officer,
Sub-District Office,
WEWAK,
East Sepik District.

[Signature]
(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

Please note that political education must be a continuing process in all situations.

[Signature]
(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

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67-1-8

District Office,
NEWAK.
East Sepik District.

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9th January, 1969

MAPRIK.

East Sepik District.

6th January, 1969.

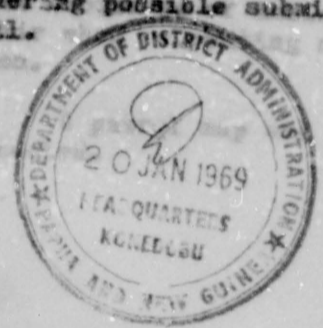
The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MAPRIK.

The District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
NEWAK.

DREIKIKIR PATROL REPORT NO. 2
OF 1968/70 1968/69

DREIKIKIR PATROL REPORT NO. 2 of 1968/69.

Forwarded herewith is a copy of the above mentioned
patrol report. Receipt is acknowledged of the above report
submitted by Mr. C.J. Rawlings, Cadet Patrol Officer.
It was conducted by Mr. C.J. Rawlings, Cadet Patrol Officer, Mr. Rawlings
has however. The notes on the roads system will be a use-
ful guide to the District Co-ordinating Committee when
considering possible submissions from the Dreikikir
Council.
Division.



E. G. Hicks
E. G. HICKS
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

c.c. The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA

For your information and records, please.

E. G. Hicks
E. G. HICKS
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

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M A P R I K.

East Sepik District.

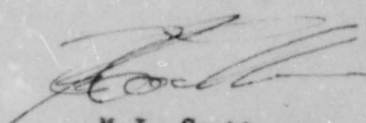
6th January, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
WEWAK.

DREIKIKIR PATROL REPORT NO 2 of 1968/69.

Forwarded herewith in triplicate the abovementioned patrol report. The patrol was in the nature of a special patrol to conduct the election for the Dreikikir Local Government Council. It was conducted by Mr. C.J. Rawlings, Patrol Officer. Mr Rawlings has however commented on other aspects of the patrol notably the condition of the roads and progress in their construction. These comments should be of assistance to the Officer in Charge of Dreikikir when relocating roads in URIM and KOMBIO Census Division.

A patrol map and Mr Rawlings claim for camping allowance are attached.


M.J. Cockburn.
Assistant District Commissioner.

DREIKIKIR PATROL REPORT No.2 of 1968/69PATROL DIARYTuesday 12th, November, 1968

Departed DREIKIKIR 1500 per Toyota, to MUSINGWA.
Walked from MUSINGWA 1540 arrived YAMBES 1650;
track well cut and dry.

Cursory village inspection of YAMBES - fair.
Informal talk with a dozen or so men re purposes
of patrol.

Nominations closed 1800 with two candidates, TIMBALIN
the present councillor and BILPAL.

Informal talks re council till 2230
Slept YAMBES.

Wednesday 13th, November, 1968

Discussions with men re demarcation committees.
Names of members for said committee were taken.
Poll for YAMBES Ward 28 opened 1005
Closed 1235 with 73 male and 65 female votes cast.
Short talk re councillors and council.
Departed YAMBES 1330 - walked to YAURANG on muddy
but well cut track, arriving 1500. (Inspected YALANGEL Village en
route and advised on re-routing of road around the village as
the present site included a steep hill.)

Nominations for election closed 1800 with only
one candidate, NIMBUKMAN the present councillor.

Discussions with men re demarcation committees.
Informal talks till 2020
Slept YAURANG.

Thursday 14th, November, 1968

Names for demarcation committees from BEN,
YAURANG and YALANGEL.

Departed YAURANG 0810
Arrived MUYEM 0930 via BEN and YETNYAM, mostly
on car road - about 20 minutes on very muddy but cut bush track.
Candidates names taken.

Discussions re demarcation committees and
names for same taken from MUYEM, MERINGE, WUM, SAMAK and YETNYAM.

Nominations closed 1500 with two candidates,
WOTEI'IM the present councillor and WAMBIA.

14th. (continued)

Minor complaints adjusted

Most of afternoon in informal discussions re council work.

Evening spent telling stories, initially to kids; however rest house gradually filled with adults who were equally interested.

Slept MUYEM.

Friday 15th. November, 1968

Poll opened 0810

159 votes recorded - poll closed 1150.

Two complaints (debt) adjusted.

Checked couple of shotgun permits and guns.

Walked to YETNIMBUM in 50 minutes, mostly on car road and a short distance on clean dry track - inspected village on arrival.

Torrential rain disrupted initial discussions.

Walked short distance to YASIP C.M. Station and spoke with Fr. DAVITT (S.V.D. Order).

Informal discussions during evening re councils and rules, demarcation committees etc.

Nominations closed 2200 with only one candidate, WAPUS the present councillor.

Slept YETNIMBUM.

Saturday, 16th. November, 1968

Addressed small group (60-70) re council and demarcation committees. Advised of minor repairs needed to rest house including new latrine and the need for repairs to Aid Post (all work completed on return a few days after). People commended.

Names taken for demarcation committees.

Cargo moved to SAKANGEL. Self to SAKANGEL on car road (65 minutes via YASIP).

Checked couple of shotguns and licences.

Discussions re demarcation committees and Councils.

Complaints from SAMBU and ~~THEXWRE~~ NOGWIEH Villages (CHERP MEL No. 22 Ward) that they wished to transfer their allegiance to the SAKANGEL Ward. The people of SANGAIEN Village advised that they wished to transfer from SAKANGEL Ward to SAHIK Wd. 15 (WAM c/d).

Slept SAKANGEL

Sunday 17th. November, 1968

Observed SAKANGEL, numerous enquiries through day.

Monday 18th. November, 1968

Poll opened 0810 - closed 1010 with 81 male and 63 female votes cast. (The nominations were taken on Sunday, KAISABUK the present councillor and WAPNO.)

Names taken for demarcation committees.

Minor complaints adjusted.

Departed SAKANGEL 1050 arrived CHERPMEL 1130 - road very muddy due to heavy rain but well cut - laid with short transverse logs for much of its length.

Inspected village - poor.

Numerous complaints adjusted.

Discussions re demarcation committees and council.

Names taken for above committee; nominations closed 2000 with three candidates, MASIN the present councillor and LUA and MUSOKOR.

Slept CHERPMEL

Tuesday 19th. November, 1968

Election CHERPMEL - completed 1010

Addressed people re council rules etc.

Walked to KOUPEM rest house via SAMBU and KOUMALA, inspecting villages and hamlets en route.

Continued to KING, arriving 1600

Nominations closed with only one candidate.

Slept KING.

Wednesday 20th. November, 1968

Walked to MUP - inspected village - returned KING. Addressed combined meeting of KING and MUP villages re council and demarcation committees - names taken for latter.

Departed KING 1150 arriving KOUPEM 1250, road clean and dry. (About 6 gullies to go through).

Discussed demarcation committees and council.

Slept KOUPEM.

Thursday 21st. November, 1968

Nominations closed with only one candidate.

Names taken for demarcation committees.

Investigated alleged unlawful killing.

21st. (continued).

Departed KOUPEM 1115 arriving SOAI'EF 1330

Village inspected. (Road was wet due to heavy rain, is poorly drained but was cut well).

Discussed demarcation committees and council - names taken for the former.

Nominations closed with only one candidate.

Numerous complaints - adjusted?

Slept SOAI'EF

Friday 22nd. November, 1968

Several complaints settled.

Spoke to people of SOAI'EF, WAI'IM and YAKAMBUM re demarcation committees and the council and its work.

Walked to YASILE via YASUMBORET, YETNIMBUM, YASE and YASIP C.M. inspecting villages and hamlets on the way.

Had lunch with Fr. DAVITT of YASIP Mission.

Continued to YASILE (road was wet and only cut in places; poorly drained).

Nominations closed with two candidates.

Informal discussions during evening - once again rest house full with both sexes and all ages.

Slept YASILE.

Saturday 23rd. November, 1968

Poll opened 0800 closed 1020.

Addressed people re demarcation committees and council and work of the latter. Names taken for the former.

Couple of complaints adjusted.

Departed YASILE 1200 arrived KRUNGUNAM 1500 - easy walk on dry but partly cut road. Inspected village of PINENG en route. (poor).

Informal discussions till 2200

Slept KRUNGUNAM

Sunday 24th. November, 1968

Observed KRUNGUNAM

Nominations were closed with two candidates, and papers prepared. Informal talks during evening.

Monday 25th, November, 1968

Poll opened 0740 - closed 0920

Names taken for demarcation committees after lengthy talk about same and about council.

Departed KRUNGUNAM 1000 inspected MIMBIOK en route. Arrived YAGRUMBOK via S.S.E. Mission 1230 Torrential rain immediately on arrival, with winds estimated up to 50 knot gusts. Caused minor havoc for 1½ hours.

Several complaints some settled some deferred. Nominations closed with three candidates. Discussed demarcation committees, taking names for same.

Advised on route of road - present situation unsatisfactory - also advised that a little more diligence and application was needed before any results would be seen.

Slept YAGRUMBOK No.2

Tuesday 26th, November, 1968

Poll opened 0720 - closed 0950

Spoke to 300 odd re council and rules, demarcation committees and so on.

Several complaints adjusted.

Departed YAGRUMBOK 1030 on fairly dry road (short distance almost trafficable by car) generally well looked after.

Arrived LANINGUAP 1240, having inspected several hamlets en route, poor. Village fair only.

Nominations closed.

Spoke to about 300 people re work of council, demarcation committees etc. Took names for committees.

Informal talks 2100 - 0100

Slept LANINGUAP

Wednesday 27th, November, 1968

Poll opened 0730 - closed 0910.

Informal discussions re council, land etc.

Departed LANINGUAP 1010 for YAUATONG via KILMANGLEN and WINYAMON - inspected villages and hamlets en route also proposed road car site. (Walking track overgrown, muddy, in appalling state; apparently alternative route is looked after.

Car road site very difficult but possible, with a good deal of work.

Arrived YAUATONG 1230 inspected village.

27th.(continued)

Nominations closed with two candidates
 Discussed demarcation committees and took names
 for same.
 Couple of complaints adjusted.
 Informal talks till 2300
 Slept YAUATONG

Thursday 28th. November, 1968

Poll opened 0800 - closed 0950
 One complaint adjusted.
 Followed car road to NANAHA 1hr. 10minutes, arriving
 1140 - inspected village-fair only.
 Couple of enquiries
 Nominations closed
 Discussed demarcation committees - took names for same.
 Slept NANAHA

Friday 29th. November, 1968

Poll opened 0800 - closed 0910
 Talks given on council and demarcation committees.
 Departed NANAHA 1010 to MUSINGWA, picked up by
 Toyota and taken to DREIKIKIR. Continued to MUSENAU 1130
 Proposed nominations declined to stand at last
 moment - advised people of close of nominations 0900 on 30/11/68.
 Returned and slept DREIKIKIR after discussions
 with the O.I.C. DREIKIKIR regarding the elections generally.

Saturday 30th. November, 1968

By Toyota to MUSENAU 0800
 Nominations closed 0900 with two candidates, including
 the present councillor, HABELIK.
 Discussed the work of the council and the idea
 of demarcation committees - names taken for the latter.
 Poll opened 1010 - closed 1115 with 142 votes cast/
 Adjusted one complaint (debt).
 Returned DREIKIKIR 1300
 PATROL STOOD DOWN.

SPECIAL PATROL FOR THE CONDUCTION of the
DREIKIKIR THIRD LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS.

INTRODUCTION: The purpose of this patrol, as stated, was the conducting of the DREIKIKIR Local Government Council Elections, the third of their kind; therefore the report will be a brief one, most of the information having gone into the Assistant Returning Officer's report on the elections.

The election was successful throughout, there being nominations for all wards and seats. Of the fifteen wards covered by the patrol, five were uncontested. However, the patrol programme as dispersed throughout the area before, ^{hand} was adhered to. The officer conducting the patrol was also the Assistant Returning Officer for the elections. He is stationed at MAPRIK but was stationed at DREIKIKIR for 8 months about two years ago and had retained enough knowledge of the area to be able to assist.

METHOD OF ELECTIONING: As soon as possible after the patrol arrived in a village, candidates names were taken and work was started on preparing ballot papers. (All papers were hand written for the ward and No. and for the candidates names as only one stamp kit was available at the beginning of the election and that was held by another team. The polling was conducted by two persons, one issuing papers and the other assisting any voters who were illiterate (all but about 18). The secret ballot method was used and was generally understood by all concerned. A talk was given before each poll opened on the thinking and reasons behind secret balloting and a run-through on details was given. There were no incidents or trouble arising out of confusion over the way to vote. All votes were taken with the patrol and counting was completed at DREIKIKIR at the end of the elections. People were invited to be scrutineers at the counting but few accepted the offer.

INTEREST: Interest in the elections was widespread and both the male and female sections of the community participated. There were a few more male votes than female but one ward, No. 17, had more female votes than male and interest shown by females (and knowledge of voting procedures) was at least as intense as the male voters. All voters knew the candidates names (most wards only had two candidates) and most appeared fairly definite in the way they cast their vote, showing that consideration had been given to the matter beforehand.

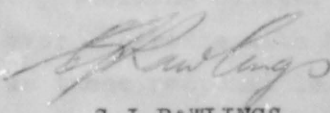
INTEREST:(continued). The following figures for the overall election are given as an indication of interest.

The population of the area is approximately 19,125. About 7,368 voters were enrolled in the 32 contested wards and of these 81.7% voted. This is a slight increase over last year's 81%. 1.2% declined to vote that is they did not present themselves at the polls and no apparent reason was given. This is compared with last year's 3.1% which indicates that interest in the council has increased. The reporting officer feels that interest in the council is widespread and that there is a feeling of confidence in the council that will probably be consolidated.

SUMMARY: There was pre - selection of candidates in all wards visited by the patrol and talks were given on the elections, the work of the council and also, discussions were held on demarcation committees. Names were taken from all villages, for tentative demarcation committees - these were given to the Officer in Charge DREIKIKIR per request. Several complaints were adjusted as many were brought to the patrol. A local court held at DREIKIKIR on 2nd. December, convicted three men to a month's imprisonment each for trespass, as a result of enquiries by the patrol. However, the nature of the patrol precluded any real extensive administration, generally or otherwise.

Political education and expression of political themes generally was restricted to general and informal discussions rather than addresses to general meetings of the people. Political awareness appeared (to the writer) to have increased since he was in the area two years ago, probably because of the recent House of Assembly Elections.

Appendix 'A' Patrol Map
" 'B' Summary of vehicular roads.


C.J. RAWLINGS.
Patrol Officer

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APPENDIX 'B'

R O A D S .

Although the patrol was for the conduction of the elections, the patrolling officer gave advice on re-routing of the vehicular roads in some sections.

The KOMBIO road has been completed from NANAHA to SAKANGEL via YALANGEL, YAURANG, BEN hamlets, MUYEM, and TONG Aid Post. The sections past YALANGEL Village, YAURANG and towards MUYEM are steep and fairly wet for some time after rain. The people of YALANGEL and YAURANG did not follow the route that had been marked by Mr. STOBART A.D.O. in 1966 and consequently, the writer told them that they would now have to do so if they wished to improve the road. Otherwise, the KOMBIO road is a good road though lacking in adequate drainage and culverts (approximately fifteen 16" culverts could be placed to improve this considerably).

The URIM road has been completed from NANAHA to KRUNGUNAM and almost to the BONGOS River dividing DREIKIKIR and NUKU. A motorbike has been taken as far as this river. However, a number of improvements could be made, due to the people's failure to follow routes marked out by previous patrolling officers, STOBART, HEULIN, BARCLAY, the latter having been in the area as recently as June this year. Just past NANAHA, near the road junction between the KOMBIO and URIM roads is an extremely steep hill, which is impassable after a few points of rain and is difficult even in the dry. Several alternatives were suggested but a thorough search will have to be made in the surrounding area to find a route (apparently this has not been done before though the present site was marked by Mr. STOBART in 1965. Further out, from YAUATONG, is a road site from YAGRUMBOK, LANINGUAP, KILMANGLEN, WINYAMON that links up with the YAUATONG - KRUNGUNAM road. The patrolling officer was in the area in late 1966 and walked over the route with MR. STOBART. No work has been done since then as these responsible for work on the road are extremely loath to put in voluntary work on a road that will be serving BONGOS, KUBRIWAT in the GAWANGA and PAGILO, YAGRUMBOK and LANINGUAP in the URIM. The proposed road from YAGRUMBOK to KRUNGUNAM via MIMBIOK is almost precluded by an extremely narrow ridge with vertical sides, about ten feet wide and a couple of hundred yards long, which would be difficult to circumvent.

These roads were discussed with the Officer in Charge DREIKIKIR who has just taken over the station and will be visiting the area in the near future.

3° 25' 00"

162° 35' 00"

40'

Mup. c.m.

King c.m.

WARD 20

Dato c.m.

WARD 21

Koupem c.m.

Kuamala c.m.

Sambu S.D.

KOMBIC

WARD 22

Kasim S.D. c.m.

WARD 23

Nyumatil S.D.

Cherpmel S.D. c.m.

Sakangel S.D.

Kombot S.D.A.

WARD 24

Yetnimum c.m.

Maisam S.D.

Yasumboret c.m.

Tang c.m.

Yasip c.m.

Pabnyet c.m.

Meringe c.m.

Kumbum c.m.

Yakio c.m.

Wam S.D.

WARD 25

Yasle c.m.

Yase c.m.

WARD 27

Bert c.m.

Yaurang c.m.

Yalangel c.m.

To NUKU PP

WARD 18

Mimbok S.S.E.M.

Krungunam S.S.E.M.

Albulum S.S.E.M. c.m.

Pihang S.S.E.M.

Kilmanglen S.S.E.M.

Yauatong S.S.E.M. c.m.

Wingamon S.S.E.M. c.m.

WARD 16

WARD 3 Nanaha c.m. S.S.E.M.

Mulengo S.S.E.M.

Yagrumbok S.S.E.M.

Yagrumbok N°1 S.S.E.M.

WARD 19

Yagrumbok N°2 S.S.E.M.

Pagilo S.S.E.M.

URIM

BONGOS R.

KORP R.

TAUVE NORTH
MAGNETIC NORTH

6° 36'

40'

Nialu S.D.

WARD

Sama c.m.

DREIKIKIR Patrol No 2

1968-69

Scale 1" = 1 mile (approx)

--- Census Divisions

— Ward Boundaries

C.M. Catholic Mission

South Seas

S.S.E.M. Evangelical M.

+ Admin Aid Posts.

Emergency

Landing Grounds

(Mission Strips)

◆ Mission Stations

S.D. Seventh Day Adventist

— Vehicular Roads

--- Route of Patrol

KOMBIO

WARD 22

Kasim S.D. C.M.

Sambu S.D.

Cherpmel S.D. C.M.

Sakangel S.D.

Kombot S.D.A.

WARD 23

Nyumatil S.D.

Sangaien S.D.

WARD 24

Yetnimbun

Yasumboret C.M.

Maisam S.D.

Yasip C.M.

Wam S.D.

Pebnyelp C.M.

Meringe C.M.

WARD 26

WARD 25

Kumbum C.M.

Yakio C.M.

Muyem C.M.

Samak C.M.

Yasile C.M.

Yetnyam C.M.

Jase C.M.

WARD 27

Ben C.M.

Jaurang C.M.

Yambes C.M.

Yalangel C.M.

WARD 28

Albulun S.S.E.M. C.M.

WARD 16

Yauator S.S.E.M. C.M.

WARD 3

Nanaha C.M. S.S.E.M.

Musungwa C.M. S.S.E.M.

Mulengi S.S.E.M.

Daihungs C.M.

Musimblom C.M. S.S.E.M.

Wusim C.M.

Dreikikir P.P.

WARD 4

URIM

URAT

KORP R.

NANU R.

MIHAMBOA R.

Musenau

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H. G.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number..... 3 of 1968/69

Subdistrict..... **WERIK**

District..... **EAST SEPIK**

Type of Patrol..... **SPECIAL**

Patrol Conducted by..... **H.K.Mack, Patrol Officer**

Area Patrolled..... **Urim and Part Gawanga Census Divisions.**
 (Council and/or..... **Part Dreikikir Local Government Council**
 Census Division/s.)

Personnel Accompanying Patrol.....
Const. 1/c WOBARE, R.P.N.G.C.

Duration of Patrol—from..... **14 / 1 / 69** To..... **23 / 1 / 69**

No. of Days..... **10**

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area :..... **June 1968 - Roads - R.I.Barclay.**

Date..... **June (?)** Duration.....

Objects of Patrol (Briefly)..... **1. Examination of Roads**
2. Assist Assistant Council Clerk with Advice on
Tax Collection.
3. Routine Administration.

Total Population of Area Patrolled..... **2,716 (approx.)**

Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

20/2/1969

E. G. Hicks
District Commissioner

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March 12th, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
WEHAK.

PATROL NO. BREIKIKIR 3/68-69


Your reference 67-1-3 of 20th February, 1969.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by
MR. H.K. MAEK, Patrol Officer to URIM and Part of GAWANGA Census
Divisions.

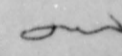
A good report which indicates a pleasing state of affairs
in the area.

Allocation of rural development funds will most certainly
assist Council insofar as an increase in the existing tax rate
could then be considered based on the actual total of funds to be
made available.

c.c. Mr. H.K. Maek,
Patrol Officer,
Patrol Post,
BREIKIKIR,
East Sepik District.

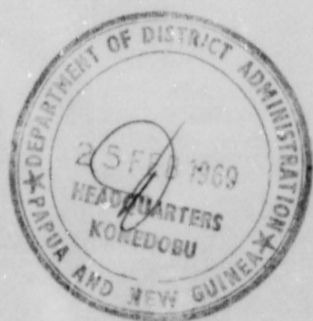

(T.W. ELLIS)
Director

Please note that political education must be a continuing
process in all situations.


(T.W. ELLIS)
Director District Administration

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Reference: 67-1-3



District office,
MEWAK.
East Sepik District.
20th February, 1969.

Assistant District Commissioner,
NAPRIK.

DREIKIKIR PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1968/69

Receipt is acknowledged of the above report submitted by Mr. H.K. Mack, Patrol Officer, Officer-in-Charge Dreikikir.

The good work by the people in this area on roads is well known to this District Headquarters, and was the main factor in the District Co-ordinating Committee's recommendation at its meeting on the 7th instant, for rural development funds in 1969/70 for roads in the Dreikikir area generally.

Where the people are prepared to assist the Council is a dominant consideration in the recommendation for rural development funds and this must be brought to the attention of the people by the Councillors.

The patrol report is well set out and obviously Mr. Mack has done a sound piece of work.

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E. G. Hicks
(E. G. HICKS).
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

→ c.c. Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

For your information and records, please.

E. G. Hicks
(E. G. HICKS).
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

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East Sepik District.

5th February, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
WEWAK.

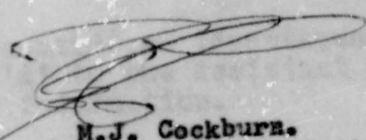
DREIKIKIR PATPOL REPORT NO 3 1968/69.

Forwarded herewith the abovementioned patrol report conducted by Mr. H. Mack O.I.C., Patrol Post, Dreikikir.

The report indicates a pleasing situation in the area patrolled. It is to be hoped that with the advent of a reasonable road through the URIM Census Division that the output of produce shall increase tenfold. Certainly another four years shall show a dramatic increase in coffee production.

In the PARA C on page 6, Mr Mack should have indicated the goat population of YAGRUMBOK. If there are no goats then possibly the Department of Agriculture would be able to provide some.

The camping allowance claim was inadvertently forwarded by separate cover. It would be appreciated if 6 copies of the patrol map could be sun printed and returned.


M.J. Cockburn.
Assistant District Commissioner.

W E W A K.

67-2-8/126

Patrol Post,
DREIKIKIR,
East Sepik District,
29th. January, 1969.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
M A P R I K.

PATROL No. 3 of 1968/69.

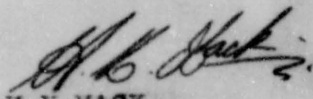
Enclosed please find five copies
of report on above patrol.

2. One copy only of the Patrol Map
has been prepared. Your assistance in having copies
made and the return of five copies to this office
would be appreciated. The extra copies would be of
considerable assistance for matters arising from roads,
etc.

3. Patrol advance has been acquitted
through this office.

4. Camping allowance claim is enclosed.

5. It may be considered advantageous
to forward a copy of Appendix 'A' to the Assistant
District Commissioner Lumi for information.


H. K. MACK.
OFFICER IN CHARGE.

c.c District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
W E W A K.

RESTRICTED

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number 3 of 1968/69
Subdistrict MAPRIK
District EAST SEPIK
Type of Patrol SPECIAL
Patrol Conducted by H.K. Mack, Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled (Council and/or Census Division/s) Urim and Part Gawanga Census Divisions.
Part Dreikikir Local Government Council
Personnel Accompanying Patrol Const. 1/c WOBARE, R.P.N.G.C.
Duration of Patrol - from 14/1/69 to 23/1/69
No. of Days TEN
Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area June 1968 - Roadc - R.I. Barclay
Date June (?)
Objects of Patrol (Briefly)
1. Examination of Roads
2. Assist Assistant Council Clerk with advice on Tax Collection.
3. Routine Administration.
Total Population of Area Patrolled 2,716 (approx.)

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PATROL DIARY - DREIKIKIR PATROL No.3 1968/69

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January

- Tuesday 14th. 1100 Departed Dreikikir for YAUATONG Village per motor cycle, arriving at 1200. Village Inspection and discussions re patrol, etc. to 1400. 1430-1630 to KRUNGUNAM Village and return by Motor cycle to inspect road. Evening to 2100 discussions and arbitration in several minor matters.
- Wednesday 15th 0600 - 1100 By motor cycle to Maprik for discussions with ADC re recount of elections and ballot papers.
- Thursday 16th. 1300 By air to Dreikikir and thence by M/C to YAUATONG Village. Land required by Catholic Mission inspected and discussions with various owners and Fr. Davitt of Yassip C.M. Arrangements made for Survey etc.
- Friday 17th. 0700-0900 Walked to KRUNGUNAM Village. Tax collected by Council Clerk. Discussions with Councillor and others re road. 1130-1530 Walked to YAGRUMBOK No.2 Village via MIMBIOK to inspect possible road route. Evening disputes by arbitration.
- Saturday 18th. 0900-1500 Walked to KUBRIWAT village and return to inspect road. Instructions re various minor changes issued and these sections pegged.
- Sunday 19th. Sunday. 1500-1800 Various matters settled by arbitration.
- Monday 20th. 0730-0930 Walked to LANINGUAP Village. Various discussions whilst clerk collected tax. Road works completed were inspected and changes pegged. Taxpayers General Meeting - very well attended but interrupted by heavy rain. Road discussions, marriage and land dispute to 2200.
- Tuesday 21st. 0730-1230 Walked Yauatong to Kilmanglen from Laninguap, inspecting various possible road routes. PM Discussions with land owners (for Mission Lease).
- Wednesday 22nd Land Survey of approximately 60 acres required above. Information compiled for Land Investigation Report.
- Thursday 23rd. 0700-1000 Survey completed. Returned by Motor Cycle to Dreikikir, arriving at 1130. Patrol Stood Down.

1. INTRODUCTION.

The primary objectives of the patrol were to inspect road works completed and examine the area for the best route linking YAGRUMBOK with Dreikikir. Other matters were giving assistance to the Assistant Council Clerk during his tax collection of the URIM C.D. and initial investigation and Survey of the land required by the Catholic Mission near Yauatong Village for future development by that body.

Although the patrol was quite brief, all villages in the Urim were visited and considerable knowledge of local thinking was gained, particularly in relation to roads and consequent benefits, etc.

Most pleasing to see was the extensive amount of voluntary work on the roads, already completed - particularly on the section from PAGILO to KUBRIWAT villages. It is anticipated that all major works in the area will be completed within the next few months.

The President and Vice President of the Dreikikir Council accompanied the Patrol and various discussions with those gentlemen proved an advantage to the writer and of possible guidance to them.

2. POLITICAL.

a. Local Government.

The Dreikikir Council, of which the area is a member, is now entering its fourth year of influence in the area. It appears that the Council has done little so far as financial contributions for the people. This is, of course, because of the very limited finances of the Council. It has however done much to promote interest in roads, thus the people will in the not too distant future reap the benefits of their labours. The road via Nanaha village in the URAT C.D. to Yauatong is already complete. The council has in the past employed

...two local people with a limited knowledge of road building to assist in the Urim by way of advice and probably direct supervision. This has been of considerable influence and probably of great assistance in giving the people the extra drive to carry on.

Tax collection was carried out by the Council Clerk, the two patrols moving together. Assistance in the form of advice was given to the clerk who was experiencing his first tax patrol. Response by tax payers was excellent, there being an almost 100% payment by all who were eligible to pay tax and were at the time in the village. Tax rate for the Urim for the 1968/69 year is 80 cents. It is my own feeling that this should now be increased to double when roads are completed, thus providing pressure to ensure the rapid development of cash crops.

b. Local Government Councillors.

The councillor is accepted in all villages but does not appear to have the same amount of influence over his constituents as was noticed in a recent patrol to the GAWANGA C.D. . . Precise reasons for this are not known but it could possibly be due in part to a less closely knit traditional system. Various minor disputes between hamlets within the Council Wards, brought to the attention of the patrol are possibly some evidence of this.

3. ECONOMIC.

a. Cash Crops.

Present producing cash crops include Coffee and a small amount of Rice. Exact figures for actual production from these crops is not known but I have set out below the figures for Coffee obtained from the Agricultural Officer at Dreikikir. Rice Crops have only been planted this season and it is estimated that six acres are already under cultivation. This could give a return of 4 - 6 tons of paddy valued at \$67.00 per ton. The effects of both coffee and rice will be discussed below under separate headings.

b. Rice.

With the imminent development of roads I feel that rice will be the predominant source of cash income. The effect that rice could have on the average income per taxable male, in this its first year, assuming that 5 tons are produced and from Area Study figures compiled to June 1968 by Mr. Barclay we can expect the following:-

	Total Income	Average Income
Year Ended June 1968:	₪1354.20	₪3.15
Year Ended June 1969:	₪1689.20	₪3.94

The 79c increase, small as it is, would represent a 12½% increase in income. It is expected that this will represent only a small percentage of production succeeding years.

c. Coffee.

Total number of trees, mature and immature as at the last coffee census (June 1968) was 23,142, bearing trees comprising only 3,403 of these. A break-up of trees is shown below:-

VILLAGE	IMMATURE				MATURE		TOTAL
	0 - 1	1 - 2	2 - 3	3 - 4	4 - 5	5+yr.	
MIMBIOK	106			139			245
YAGRUMBOK 1	450	143		303	260		1156
YAGRUMBOK 2	2012		10			156	2178
PAGILO	1173						1173
PINANG	139				135	122	274
KRUNGUNAM	178	1174	309	208			1869
ALBULUM	390	201	32			321	944
KILMANGLEN	803	462				65	1330
LANINGUAP	7734	1585		291	652	54	10516
WINGYAMON	215	89	114	74			492
YAUATONG	496	323	907	199	546		2965
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>13,896</u>	<u>4,477</u>	<u>1,366</u>	<u>1,214</u>	<u>1,593</u>	<u>596</u>	<u>23,142</u>

Projected figures of bearing trees over the next three years could reasonably expected to be in the vicinity of :-

			<u>CASH RETURN</u> xx
June	1969	- 4,769	₪400.68
"	1970	- 9,246	₪776.66
"	1971	- 13,896 23,142	₪1169.26 ₪1948.82

xx Cash return is calculated from the Average figure of cash return compared with the number

of trees producing for the whole of the Dreikikir R.P.S. area. This is the rather low figure of 8.4c per tree, per year - less than 1 lb. of parchment coffee per tree.

It will be noted that above figures do not include or allow for any new plantings as these would not be bearing during above period. The agricultural officer informs me that estimation of new plantings in both Coffee and Rice would be impossible. It is certain that there will be considerable increases from both.

d. General

Other resources of income include a very limited amount from residents working out of the area and sending money home; sales of vegetables to the S.S.E.M. and Catholic Missions and limited income from bride price and pig sales. The latter two would possibly be cancelled by purchases of similar items from outside the Census Division. The number of males working out of the District has declined from 88 in 1965 to 29 in 1968, thus indicating a general reduction in income from this source.

e. Trade Stores.

There are two main trade stores in the area, one being the S.S.E.M. store at Yagrubok and the other the Catholic Mission store at Yauatong. The latter had a gross taking of \$1200 for the six months ending December. The Yagrubok store is by far the larger of the two, receiving customers from as far away as the WAM C.D. and NUKU.

There is only one village tradestore, at Laninguap, but this is almost ineffective, having a very small turnover and is often without stock.

f. Roads.

The completion of road link will play a particularly important part in economic development of the area. For full information on these please see Appendix '3A' attached to this report.

4. SOCIAL.a. Health.

There were no noted 'unusual' or exotic disease noticed by the patrol. Health seems fair from a layman's observations. Few people claimed sickness as a reason for exemption from Council Tax obligations apart from the aged and senile.

A survey was conducted by Malaria Control in 1967 to examine the feasibility of commencement of eradication in the area. Nothing further has eventuated.

b. Missions.

The two missions in the area are the South Seas Evangelical Mission at Yagumbok and the Catholic Mission at Yauatong. The former influences the greater proportion of the population, the latter being only recently established.

A preliminary investigation and survey of approximately 60 acres of land for the Catholic Mission at Yanatong was conducted. The Mission requires the land for extension and development of a boarding school there. Present intentions also include development of rice and vegetable gardens for mission consumption.

c. Education.

Above is catered for to Standard 2 (pidgin only) at Yauatong C.M. and a literacy class at Yagumbok. Also at Yagumbok there is a female bible school with a full time attendance of 35. Of interest is the electrified fence around the residential section of this school to 'keep out the goats'.

d. Cults and Unrest.

No cult activities were observed. Apparently there was a strong movement squashed by the Administration in 1957.

CONCLUSION.

An interesting Patrol through an area which should experience rapid changes in economic and social development in the near future

almost wholly because of development of roads.

Most pleasing was the amount of voluntary effort expended on these as will be seen in the attached appendix.

Submitted, Sir,

H. K. Mack
H. K. MACK.

OFFICER IN CHARGE.

1. Breakinik - ...
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APPENDIX 'A' - ROADS.

This section is being written in the form of an appendix because of the importance of these developments and to facilitate ease of detachment for information to various interested departments. It is also intended to submit it as an attachment to the submission (late) to the request by the Dreikikir Council for Rural Development funds for road works in the area.

a. Completed Roads.

1. Dreikikir - Nanaha. This section follows a ridge moving West of Dreikikir thru the villages of Musimbelim and Musingua to Nanaha 3.7 miles from Dreikikir. The road is trafficable at all times by an unloaded vehicle and most times with a load except in very wet periods.

2. Nanaha - Yauatong. Proceeds for approximately one mile West of Nanaha and thence South Westerly for 1.4 miles, crossing a tributary of the Korp river by way of a bridge some 40' long built by an army Civil Aid patrol in September last year. Thence North West for 1.1 miles to the Korp river and the Yauatong Catholic Mission. Thence .4 miles up a very steep and narrow climb to Yauatong Village. The road is trafficable in reasonably dry weather but two sections preclude wet weather use the first being a very sharp switchback going down from Nanaha and approximately half a mile from the village. The second is from the Korp river to Yauatong Village, being steep (one section 14°) and narrow. Works are currently in hand to correct both of these, the patrol having pegged necessary changes.

3. Yauatong - Krungunam. Road follows ridge from Yauatong for a distance of 1.3 miles thence steeply (with gradients up to 12°) down into valley and small creek crossing 2.5 miles from Yauatong. This creek would require either a 20' span bridge or box culverting. It can be forded quite easily but floods tend to wash away approaches

.. approaches. Thence a steep climb .5 miles and down once again with gradients up to 14° to another creek crossing requiring a bridge span of 14'. Thence 1.2 miles up a slope to a hamlet of Krungunam. A road has not been constructed to village (see map). Alterations to improve steep sections have been marked and should be complete within next two months.

4. Krungunam - Bongos River. Unfortunately time and weather precluded this officer from reaching the Bongos River, but reports from other officers who have been there by motorcycle within the last month, indicate that road conditions and requirements are similar to those encountered between Yauatong and Krungunam, the distance being some three miles.

5. General - All bridges could be built from local resources and materials. Completion of the work could and should be within the next two months. The Korp River which can easily be forded at most times presents little difficulty.

b. Proposed and Incomplete Roads.

1. To Mimbiok and Yagrumbok SSEM - This section has not been commenced due to doubt over one section of ridge, approximately 10' wide with sheer drops on each side going down 100+8 and extending for a length of 25'. However an examination revealed that it would be simpler to build the road through this section, taking special precautions, than via Laninguap-Kilmanglen-Wingyamon section which has a very steep ascent and descent requiring many months work. Arrangements have been made to have all Urim villagers work on this section during the first week in April and it is also hoped to complete it during that time. Difficulties will be few as the road will follow a well defined ridge line there being three short sections which will require 'siding' of hills.

2. Yagrumbok S.S.E.M to Pagilo - This section is complete apart from approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ mile near Yagrumbok No. 1 village and resiting of the road around Yagrumbok No. 2 village.

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..Village. Arrangements have been made to have this completed within the next two months.

3. Pagilo - Kubriwat. Almost complete apart from a 425' section not yet done by Kubriwat. This should also be complete within two months.

4. Kubriwat - Bongos. Work commenced this week on this 12 mile section. It is hoped to have this complete within the next 12 months. I feel sure that with the opening of the Mimbiok section of road far more enthusiasm will be shown by the people of the Gawanga towards additional efforts on this road.

5. General - With the completion of the road to Kubriwat, some 3,000 people will gain immediate benefit. With the extension of the road to Bongos almost all of the Gawanga could be reached by vehicle along roads almost complete to Bongos, (See Patrol Report No. 1 of 1968/69). Thus the total population served would exceed 6,200. Agricultural Potential is high, there being large areas of land suitable for rice and coffee growing. In addition to coffee mentioned in the body of the report there are some 103,000 trees already planted in the Gawanga C.D. 10,700 already bearing. (Coffee Census July 1968). After the next three years we can probably expect an income to the area of \$8,650 per year from coffee alone, not taking in to account new plantings. Rice will, it is hoped be the predominant crop but an estimate of the amount to be expected is impossible at this stage.

c. Future - Receiving a high priority on a Road Survey Report prepared by Willing and Partners is the construction of an all weather road from Dreikikir to Lumi in the West Sepik District. It appears that this road follows much the same route as that already constructed to the West Sepik boundary from Dreikikir. With the upgrading of this road to all weather status the Urim - Gawanga road entering near Mimbiok village would be without doubt more advantageous than routing the road via Laninguap, Kilmanglen and Wingyamon

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... Wingyamon as was , apparently, previously envisaged.

The exact state of the road from Bongos River to Nuku is not known. However local people inform me that the Officer in Charge Nuku has made a trip by motor cycle to Bongos River, the road being almost complete except for one or more sections where it was necessary to carry the motor cycle.

From the above it appears that the establishment of roads in the Dreikikir area is well on the way toward completion, particularly in the area patrolled. I feel sure that in a very few years all residents of Dreikikir will be near a road by which produce etc., can be transported.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number..... 4 of 1968/69

Subdistrict..... MAPRIK

District..... EAST SEPIK

Type of Patrol..... SPECIAL

Patrol Conducted by..... H.K.MACK, PATROL OFFICER.

Area Patrolled } PART GAWANGA, URIM AND KOMBIO

(Council and/or } CENSUS DIVISIONS.

Census Division/s.) } Part Dreikikir Local Government Council area.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol

Sen.Cons. SAPO, R.P.N.G.C.

Duration of Patrol—from 6 / 5 / 69 To 22 / 5 / 69

No. of Days..... Ten

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area : November 1968 and January 1969.

Date..... Duration.....

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Routine Administration.

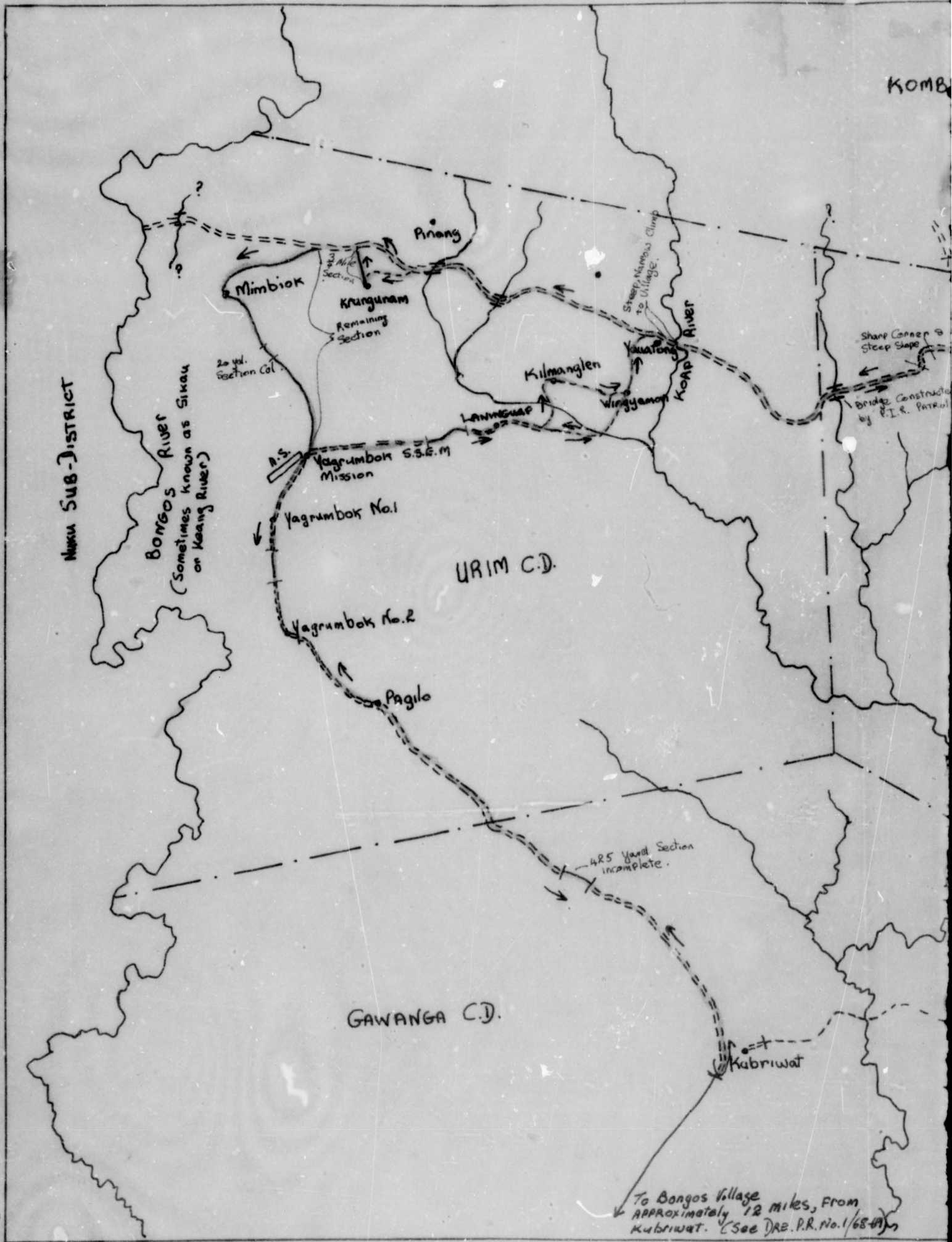
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Director of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

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District Commissioner.



KOMBIO C.D.

WAM C.D.

URAT C.D.

To KOMBIO (Kombot & Yassie)

To MARRIKI 30 miles
by approaching all weather
Road.

Sharp Corner &
steep slope
Bridge Constructed
by I.R. Patrol

Nanaha

Musingwa

Daihonge

Masimbelim

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A.S. PATROL POST

Kemp River

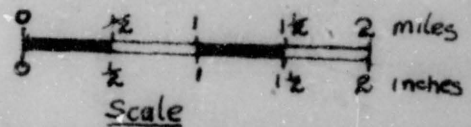
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A.S.

Tauhimbien

Subriwat

12 miles, From
DAE.P.R. No. 1/68 (M)



URIM C.D. Patrol No. 3-1968/69
Conducted by: H.K. Macn, P.O.
District: East Sepik
Sub District: Marrik

- Completed Roads
- Proposed Roads
- Walking tracks
- Route followed by patrol delineated in Red.
- A.S. [] Airstrips

Map drawn on 28-1-69
Scale - 1" : 1 mile (approx.)



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District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Mr.

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Reference: 67-1-8

Department of District Administration,
District Office,
WEWAK,
East Sepik District.

12th August, 1969.

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

DREIKIKIR PATROL NO. 4 1968/69 - MAP

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Reference my memorandum 67-1-8 dated 4th July, 1969,
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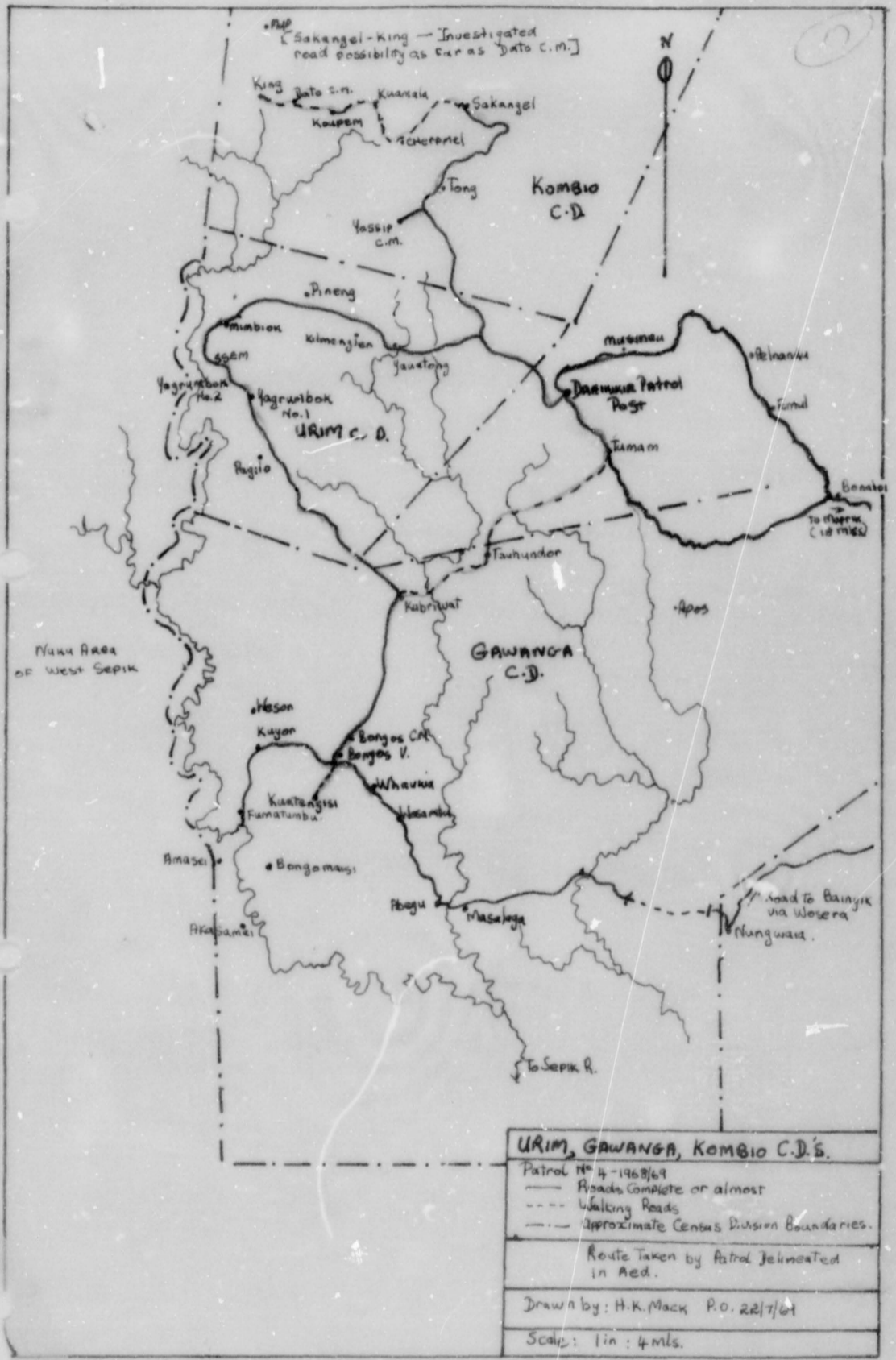
The map of the area is now enclosed and is to be
attached to the above report held at your Headquarters.

E. G. Hicks
(E. G. HICKS) r
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

c.c. Assistant District Commissioner,
MAPRIK.

Officer-in-Charge,
DREIKIKIR.

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*Map
[Sakangel-King - Investigated road possibility as far as Dato C.M.]

King Dato S.M. Kuaseh
Kampem Sakangel
Kotetari

KOMBIO C.D.

Yassip c.m.

Pineng

Mimbion
Kumpang

Kimengien

Jauetong

Musenu

Belinawu

Darunua Patrol Post

Tundul

URIM C.D.

Yagrutbok No. 2

Yagrutbok No. 1

Regio

Jumam

Bonater

To Koperu (18 mls)

Tauhundur

GAWANGA C.D.

Apos

Nuku Area of West Sepik

Heson

Kuyor

Bongos C.M.

Bongos V.

Kuatangisi

Fumatumba

Wahauwa

Wesambu

Amasei

Bongomasi

Akabamei

Pogau

Masalega

Road to Baiyik via Wosera

Nungwaui

To Sepik R.

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

July 28th, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
East Sepik District,
WEHAI.

PARCEL NO. DREIKER NO. 4 67 1968/69

Your reference 67-1-8 of 4th July, 1969.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report by
Mr. MACK to Post GAWAKA, WREH and KOWEIO Census Divisions.

As the communications within the area improve many of
the absentees will find life in the village far more attractive and
most likely will return to their villages. Radio Wehai could help
by describing the improvements and economic advancement of the area.

A good report.

(S. W. HILLS)

Secretary,
Department of the Administrator.

c.c. Mr. H. Mack,
Patrol Officer,
DREIKER,
East Sepik District.

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Department of District Administration,
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East Sepik District.

4th July, 1969.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU, PAPUA.

DREIKIKIR REPORT NO. 4 OF 1968/69
PART GAWANGA, URIM AND KOMBIO
CENSUS DIVISIONS - MR. H. MACK,
PATROL OFFICER

Attached please find :-

- (a) Original and copy of report.
 - (b) Copy of memorandum 67-3-13/292 dated 24th June, 1969, from the Assistant District Commissioner, Maprik.
2. Some points require elaboration. These are :-
- (a) I agree with the Assistant District Commissioner, Maprik, that there is little that can be done about absenteeism. If Officers, Councils, Missions etc. make an area attractive to the population there will not be an excessive drift away from areas. There will always, however, be a small percentage who would prefer employment in urban areas rather than stay in their home area and this percentage, under normal circumstances, would not be high.
 - (b) In areas where land is available for economic development and where the soils are good enthusiasm for progress is spontaneous if all members of the Community, that is, Administration Officers, Missions, Councils and the people themselves jointly engage in fastering such development. Mr. Mack quite obviously has an organisational ability which can plan and implement projects and he is to be complimented for enthusing the people to such an extent that they continue to construct and maintain roads on a voluntary basis and at the same time extend crop plantings in his area.

In addition to this he has been able to maintain normal services at his Patrol Post without the assistance of another Officer; quite a feat in itself. In view of the activities taking place at Dreikikir I have posted Mr. L. Hicks there so that Mr. Mack may consolidate the

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good work he has already done to date.

(c) The report on road construction is concisely presented and an extract of this has been forwarded to the District Works Engineer, Mewak, for his information.

3. The patrol map forwarded with the report is 1 mile to the inch and does not conform to the requirements of standing instructions. I am requesting another map at the correct scale of 4 miles to 1 inch from Mr. Mack.

4. Patrol instructions were issued from this office in May which were designed to standardise patrol submissions from all sub-districts. As the Assistant District Commissioner has remarked, the date of the memorandum was not the 5th March but the 5th May, 1969.

5. A well presented report which indicates that Mr. Mack is keenly interested in the progress of his patrol post area.

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A/DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

c.c. Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
MAPRIK.

Officer-in-Charge,
Patrol Post,
DREIKIKIR.

67-3-13/292
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Department of District Administration
Sub-District Office,
MAPRIK.

24th June, 1969.

The District Commissioner,
Department of District Administration,
WEWAK.

DREIKIKIR PATROL REPORT

No. 4 of 1968-69.

Forwarded are the following documents:-

- (a) Patrol Report No. 4 of 1968/69 in quadruplicate.
- (b) Camping allowance claim in triplicate.
- (c) Covering memo 67.2.8/2 from the Officer in Charge Dreikikir, of 29/5/69.

2. The investigation report of land required by Catholic Mission, URIM Census Division is forwarded under separate cover.

3. The main body of the report follows proforma outlined in standing instructions, and in as much as it was not a Census Revision patrol the report is informative of current attitudes and the overall situation prevailing in the three Census Divisions visited. At this stage the general outlook, socially, and economically for this composite area is encouraging and full support for an expansion and subsequent consolidation of road development should be forthcoming from the District Co-ordinating Committee.

4. To this end, I would fully support Mr Mack's suggestion in respect of contact being made by the D.C.C. with Continental Oil to ascertain future planning by the company with the aim being to fully integrate company development policy as far as possible with that of District policy.

5. If the apparent local attitude of "self help" persists in this area, there is little doubt that, the so called "Stigma" mentioned in Mr Mack's concluding paragraph on page 9, will rapidly be eradicated.

6. The "absentee" problem is not one causing concern to this area solely and embodies serious complications legally involving as it does the "liberty" and freedom of movement of the individual. Very little actual pressure can be brought to bear on foreigners in Urban areas even if such a pressure was politically desirable anyway, the solution, as unattractive as this may be, lies I think, in making "home" more economically and financially rewarding than elsewhere through development in all its facets. The results of such a policy are even now beginning to appear in the Highlands areas where there is a noticeable fall off in numbers available for Employment on Coastal plantations. His Honour, the Administrator is sufficiently aware of this trend to appoint a specialist Department of labour research officer specifically to investigate ways and means of overcoming this developing trend. (i.e. Mr. J. Wearne's recent visit to this District) Successful local economic development must ultimately bring people home, and yet any such successful achievement should also convince the "stay at home" locals that they can succeed independently of absentee friends and relatives. A paradox could conceivably arise. Radio publicity would not be out of order, but I would tend not to impose vagrancy restrictions too severely.

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7. Mr. Mack quite rightly places credit for the achievements to date in the area on the efforts of the people themselves. No doubt much of this credit is rightfully earned by them, nevertheless sight should not be lost of the fact that much of the suggestion and guidance for lines to be followed comes from the officer in charge at Dreikikir. His diary indicates that he is obviously putting a great deal of his time and energy to assisting in the furtherance of aims and towards the achievement of goals for this area generally, and he too should be commended for this.

8. For your attention please.

Would you please arrange for three copies of the patrol map to be returned to this office initially. I have referred the Officer in Charge at Dreikikir to your 67-1-1 of 5/3/69, paragraph 4 page 2, which was not received here until 20/5/69 and which had not been received by him prior to the preparation of this report. I suspect that your 67-1-1 should have been dated 5th May and not 5th March.

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M.V. Neal

Assistant District Commissioner.

cc: O.I.C. Dreikikir

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PATROL DIARY - PATROL REPORT No.4 1968/69

- Tues.6th. May 0900-1100 by Toyota to Yauatong Village.
1100-1230 Discussions re Patrol activities.
1330-1700 Plot of Survey of Hanambok & Hukarin.
1830-2000 General meeting re roads, etc.
2030-2200 Check of plotting of survey.
- Weds.7th. May 0600-0930 Supervision and advise on road
construction.
0930-1600 Survey checked and corner marks
placed.
1700-2000 Information for Investigation Reports.
- Thurs.8th. May 0700-1000 Road supervision, etc.
1000-1200 Investigation reports.
1300-1800 " "
- Fri.9th. May 0800-1200 Roads and Land general.
1215-1700 By motor cycle to Kubriwat village
via Mimbiok, Yagrumbok 1 & 2 and Pagilo villages.
Necessary to carry the M/C over two mile
section near Mimbiok V.
1800-200 Meeting and discussions with Kubriwat.
- Sat.10th. May 0800-1300 Walked to Bongos Village, inspecting
road and examining alternative routes.
1300-1500 Discussions with Council Vice
president Toromblei and the hearing of one
Local Court.
1500-1830 Inspected roads in Bongos area
to Kuyor and Kuatengisi. Discussions with
Fr.Mitiabauer at Bongos C.M.
1900-2200 General Meeting at Bongos re
roads, etc.
- Sun.11th. May 0800-1200 Walked to Bongos Village, and thence
to Kubriwat.
1230-1530 Walked to Tauhimbier Village.
1600-1800 Walked to Tumam and thence to
Dreikikir.
- Mon.12th. May
to
Sunday 18th. Patrol suspended.
- Mon.19th. May 0800 by Toyota to Yauatong Village for
signatures to Agency Agreements.
0930-1130 Toyota to Magamanip Village.
1130-1400 Discussions with Councillors and
arbitration in two minor matters.
1400-1800 Walked three possible routes
to Cherpnel to discuss which would be the
better for a road.
1930-2100 Meeting at Magamanip.
- Tues.20th. May 0830-1400 Walked to Koupem via Sambu
and Kuamala Villages. Inspected possible
road routes.
1600-1800 Meeting and general discussions
with people.

Weds. 21st. May

0800-1200 walked to Dato, siting road.
1200-1300 Returned to Koupem & unable
to continue on to King because of
sickness.

Thurs. 22nd. May

0800 to 1000 walked to Chermel
via Kuamala and Sambu.
1000-1200 Meeting and discussions with
Chermel and Sambu people.
1200-1300 walked to Sakangel.
1300-1500 Discussions with people and
arbitration in one minor matter.
1530-1730 Returned by road to Dreikikir.

Patrol Stood Down.

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1. INTRODUCTION.

Primary objectives of the Patrol were to complete the Investigation Reports for the land required by the Catholic Mission near Yauatong village in the Urim C.D.; inspection and advice on road construction in the Urim and Gawanga C.D.s, and lastly the siting of a road in the Kombio C.D. from Sakangel to King Villages.

Visits to villages were generally brief and therefore many of the assessments made in this report will be based at least partially on previous knowledge and experience of the areas visited.

Road construction in the Gawanga was most encouraging, the majority of the road from Bongos to Kubriwat having been constructed in the last three months, a distance of some 10-12 miles. On the other hand the achievements of the people in the Urim are far less spectacular.

Objectives of the patrol were achieved and further insight into the potential and current developments, particularly in the Gawanga, were gained.

2. POLITICAL.

a. Local Government.

Influence and popularity of the Council does vary between census divisions. The Gawanga people are probably the most satisfied with the Kombio and Urim, in that order, being less enthusiastic.

As stated in previous patrol reports, the Council has not done a great deal toward financial aid in the areas patrolled.

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... Reasons for this are the very limited funds available to the Council and the comparatively short period for which the Council has been operating. One feature of Council assistance has been the purchase of quite large quantities of road building equipment. This together with encouragement by the Council and the grouping of villages into wards with the overall unifying effect of the Council, has encouraged the people toward greater effort on road construction on a voluntary labour basis. Apart from the Urim this has not resulted, as may be expected, in an animosity toward the Council but more of a feeling that the Council is responsible for the roads and a desire to get these finished. The Urim people are a little less co-operative but nonetheless, do not want other areas to look down on them for a lack of effort. I feel sure that all see the obvious advantages of a road system in their area.

b. Local Government Councillors.

The Councillor is accepted, although his degree of influence varies greatly from village to village. His standing in the village is more in the nature of a ruler than a representative. There are a certain amount of advantages in this latter aspect.

I feel sure that the village system as it is at present is more than a little confusing. Various leaders, from the traditional or customary leaders to the ex-Luluai, ex-Tultul, Society Directors and various denomination Church Councillors and evangelists, all wishing to exert a little influence over the people does tend to create a situation of 'too many chiefs and not enough indians'. The Local Government Councillor is recognised as the leader if he has sufficient character to maintain his position.

3. ECONOMIC

a. Cash Crops.

Coffee and rice are the sole crops in this category. Most encouraging to see were

... the areas of new plantings of both coffee and rice. Society Directors and Agricultural workers are obtaining excellent response to their efforts for increased production. Once again the influence of the road and its connexion with the easy transportation of cash crops is readily appreciated by the people. A quite general feeling exists, particularly in the Gawanga, that work and effort expended now will result in much easier further movement of produce. Time allowed to the patrol did not provide for gathering of production or planting figures. However, 42 bags, totalling over two tons of rice were being prepared for carrying to Tumam at Kubriwat Village. Kubriwat is some 5 hours walk from Tumam and here can be seen the basic educator in the advantage of a road system. Rice is also being produced at Bongos village a three hour walk beyond Kubriwat.

Coffee is also a developing crop, with new plantings continually taking place. A survey last year indicated that there are in excess of 160,000 trees already planted. This figure is, of course increasing all of the time. Many new plantings were noticed in the Urim and to a lesser extent in the Kombio. Rice would appear to be the more popular crop in the Kombio, however actual figures were not obtained. A DASF patrol is currently operating in the area and figures returned by this patrol should be interesting.

Late last year there was considerable discussion in most areas of Dreikikir, including the areas patrolled regarding the price of rice. Basis of the discussion was that the price of rice should be increased, this arising because of the difference in cash return for a bag of rice and for the same weight in coffee. A certain amount of the time spent on patrol was used to explain these differences. There was even an outright refusal in the Urat to plant rice this season. However judging by the amount of rice coming from that area at present, there has been a change of attitudes. I am sure that rice will play an increasing part in the overall economy in the future.

... Almost all cash in the area is a result of the sales of cash crops. The only other income is derived from a limited sale of livestock, bride price and money returned from labourers working on plantations in other parts of the Territory. The two former sources would probably be almost cancelled by reciprocal purchases from outside of the areas patrolled.

b. Trade Stores

There are many and various small indigenous owned trade stores. Most of these have little impact on the community and provide a very limited income to the entrepreneur.

Three Mission operated stores do provide a different picture. They are the Yagrubok SSEM store, Yauatong Catholic Mission Store and the Yassip Catholic Mission Store. Of these the Yagrubok store would probably be doing the better business. This latter is also a source of Trade Store goods for many of the smaller native owned stores from all over Dreikikir area.

c. Roads

Without doubt the single most important factor of Economic Development in the area patrolled is that of the extension and completion of roads. That this relationship is understood by the people I have already stated. This section of the report will be divided into two sections, one covering the road thru the Urim and thence to the Gawanga and the other holding particular reference to the extension of the present Kombio road from Sakangel to King Village.

(1) It may be of assistance for this report to be read in conjunction with my P.R. No.3 of 1968/69 which does discuss and describe roads in the Urim in detail. Briefly, the present road from Dreikikir goes to Nancha in the Urat C.D. and thence to Yauatong, Pinang and Mirbiok Villages in the Urim. The latter section to Mirbiok is not quite complete. The projected

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...road then encounters a section of approximately two miles which has not yet been done. The amount of work to be done on this is not great, but there has been some difficulty in siting and getting the people of Mimbok to agree to the route to be taken because of the presence of traditional masalai along a ridge which must be included in the road. This has now been overcome and work commenced on the road during the time the patrol was in the area. The road then proceeds to Yagrubok SSEM mission and thence to the two Yagrubok Villages and on to Pagilo and thence to Kubriwat Village. The only section not yet ready for use by vehicle is that going into Yagrubok No.2 Village, a distance of some 100 yards, involving considerable work because of the incline involved. This section was traversed by motor cycle. Unfortunately mileages were not recorded because the speedometer on the machine used was not functioning. From Kubriwat there remains a section of one mile which is currently being constructed before the road meets with the work being carried out by the Bongos people. The road then continues all the way to Bongos Village. Bongos village is the point at which various roads already constructed but not yet in use, meet. These include the road from Masalaga and Wosambu to the South, and Mamsi or Fumatumbu and Kuyor in the West. Also under construction and almost complete is the road from Masalaga to Daina. This latter route is important because it does or will provide for an alternative outlet for the area thru the Wosera and thence along the Pagwi road to Maprik.

In the above the term 'complete' has been used to describe various sections. I feel I should add that though they will be suitable for a fwd vehicle in dry weather, there will have to be extensive follow up work and correction of sections in an effort to upgrade these roads to a stage where they will be considerably more trafficable in times of light rains. To this end, the allocation of \$17,000 recommended by the District Co-ordinating Committee in response to an application for Rural Development Funds would be of great assistance. The information that this road had received priority one was received with

enthusiasm by the people. It would indeed, be a cause for disappointment if the recommendations of that Committee were disregarded for the allocation of this money over the next two years.

I would, at this stage, estimate that it will be possible to drive over these roads within the next three to five months. Direct economic benefits are obvious. It will be with great pleasure that the writer will participate in such a journey. The type of country has presented some formidable problems, heavy rain forest and many steep mountain ridges being predominant feature. That the people by their own effort have overcome these difficulties is a very definite credit to them and an effort which deserves every possible future aid on the part of the Administration.

(ii) The next stage of the patrol was to the Kombio at the specific request of the people to come and examine their area and site a road from where it terminates now at Sakangel, to King Village. Unfortunately the stage from Dato Catholic Mission to King was not examined because of sickness of the patrolling officer and the need to return to the station to carry out routine office matters. It is my intention to return to the area and complete this section as soon as possible.

A road was sited over the section traversed heading from Sakangel (otherwise known as Magamanip), passing, but not going into Cherpnel Village, and thence along a ridge to near Sambu Village. It will be then necessary for the road to descend rather steeply into a valley before once again rising to Kuamala Village. A ridge will then be followed to a valley and thence in a general direction along this valley, slightly by passing Koupem village before descending to Dato Catholic Mission.

The route sited is feasible and does not entail a great amount of work, largely because...

...the distances involved are not that great. Walking times by the patrol were long because of the amount of diversions and discussions carried out en route. The prime movers behind the road at present are the people from King and Koupem Villages, the other areas being reasonably well serviced by the existing road. Whether or not the people have necessary drive and determination to carry out the work is subject to some doubt. The Kombio people are not a particularly friendly group, nor have they a good reputation for co-operation, either with other villages or the Administration. Whether or not a combined effort on the roads will tend to unify and overcome these reported attitudes remains to be seen. Every encouragement was given to the people by the patrol, and emphasis was placed on co-operation and subsequent benefits to be derived from a road.

If this road does in fact eventuate, and I feel that it will, eventually, it will complete yet another section in the network of roads surrounding Dreikikie. I foresee a situation over the next few years where almost all sections of the region will be connected by road. Once again I add, it will be largely due to the physical efforts of the people.

4. SOCIAL.

a. Health.

A type of influenza in the Akasame, Bongo-maisi area of the Gawanga C.D. is reportedly finished. Public Health Department patrols to the area treated many patients. Prior to the reporting of this sickness, approximately 25 people are reported to have died over a three month period from January of this year.

No other diseases of an unusual type were noted. Malaria does take its toll and a malaria eradication programme has not been mounted in any of the areas patrolled, although a feasibility survey was conducted in 1967.

b. Missions.

Missions in the area include the South Seas Evangelical Mission, Catholic Mission, Assemblies of God and Seventh Day Adventist Mission. Of these the latter two are of the least influence.

Some friction in the Bongos area as a result of SSEM encroachment on what is traditionally a Catholic area, is evident. Most of this is at village level and animosity between the European missionaries involved is not apparent. It is my own view that this type of disagreement should be settled by the Missions and people concerned. There is no likelihood of violence or any great rift and as this is the situation, Administration intervention could well be taken as support for a particular denomination.

c. Education.

Most missions have schools throughout the area. Many of these 'schools' are more in the nature of pidgin literacy classes. There are recognised schools at Yassip, in the Kombio and Bongos in the Gawanga, both being operated by the Catholic Mission.

A request recently put forward by the Urim for the Council to consider recommendation, to the Education Department to put a school in their area was investigated. The people are willing to give every assistance, the site being already allocated, etc. This matter is the subject of separate correspondence to the District Inspector, Education.

d. Cults and Unrest.

The Gawanga, particularly the Bongos area, has a rather long history of cult activities in the past. It is quite possible that part of the effort to work on the roads at present is being stimulated by visions of cargo carrying trucks.

...Any suggestion of this type of thinking was vehemently denied.

As previously reported per monthly intelligence summary, there is some evidence of cult activity taking place in the Seim area of Nuku patrol post. If this does come to anything I should be quite surprised if the Gawanga people do not join them.

e. Population.

Considerable concern was expressed by the people regarding the large number of their people who were absent from the area at various large Territory centres, including Wewak, apparently without work and oft times running foul of the law. The probable reason for mention of this is that the work of the people would be easier if a few of these people were to return to their place and bear their share. I am very much inclined to agree that they should return, partly for their own benefit and partly for the development of the area on the whole. It is possible that publicity over Radio Wewak could be of assistance in persuading these people to come home. If this should fail to work, perhaps perhaps the vagrancy ordinances could be brought into effect.

5. Conclusion.

An informative patrol to an area which holds much promise of future development and industry. If current works and attitudes persist Dreikikir will soon lose its current stigma of being the poor relation of the Sepik cousins.

Submitted, Sir,

H.K. Mack
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OFFICER IN CHARGE.