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PATROL REPORT OF: BOKU & BUIN
 ACCESSION No.496
 VOL. No: 10 : 1972-73

NUMBER OF REPORTS: 7

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[2]	2/72-73	32-50	G. Schweinfurth	(CPO)	Siwai Census Division		15.11.72-2.3.73
[3]	3/72-73	51-52	G. Schweinfurth	(CPO)	Banoni Census Division	1map	Dated 10.5.73
[4]	4/72-73	53-54	G. Schweinfurth	(CPO)	North Banoni, Nagovisi Census Division		
[]		BUIN					
[5]	1/72-73	01-04	R.Gleeson	(ADC)	Orave and Sadi Villages		Dated 14.2.73
[6]	2/72-73	05-07	R.Gleeson & B.W. Mc Mahon		Kono Census Division		Dated 11.7.73
[7]	3/72-73	08-11	R.Gleeson	(ADC)	Oria and Pahun		Dated 3.7.73

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PATROL REPORTS

1972 -73

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1-72-73	G. Schweinfurth	BAITSI, BANONI, NAGOVISI CD
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3-72-73	G. Schweinfurth	BANONI C.D. (jacket)
4-72-73 (jacket)	G. Schweinfurth	N. BANONI, NAGOVISI C.D.
BUIN		
1-72-73	R. Gleeson	ORAVE & SADI Villages.(jack)
2-72-73	B.W. McMahon	KONO C.D. (jacket)
3-72-73	R. Gleeson	ORIA & PAHUI “

67.11.24

PATROL REPORT

Report number: 1 of 72/73 Objects of Patrol: GENERAL ADMIN.

District: Bougainville Station: BUIN

Patrol conducted by: ROGER GLEESON Subdistrict: BUIN

Area patrolled: ORAVA & SADI VILLAGES Designation: DISTRICT OFFICER/A.D.C.

Duration of patrol: 2 DAYS Personnel accompanying: COUNCILLOR DENNIS MAMATAU

Last D.D.A. patrol: 1972 Number of days 2

Last O.L.G. patrol: NIL Total population of area: 4088 (KONO C.D.)

Map reference: BUIN BOUGAINVILLE Council area: BUIN

House of Assembly Electorate: SOUTH BOUGAINVILLE

The District Commissioner,

Bougainville District,

A R A W A.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 32 To (X)

Patrol Instructions, ()

The Report and my comments, ()

Area study, ()

Updating of area study, ()

Situation Reports No's 1-3 (X)

Patrol map, ()

DATE: 14/2 1973.

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,

Department of the Administrator,

Division of District Administration,

KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study, ()

Updating of area study ()

Situation Report No's. 1- (X)

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District Headquarters assessment of

Patrol & Report

Below average

Average

Above average

23 FEB 1973

Date: 20/2/1973
District Commissioner

JWK:ik

P.O. Box 2396

KONEDOBU.

67-11-24

5th March, 1973

The District Commissioner

Bougainville District

P.O. Box 123/124

ARAWA.

BUIN PATROL NO.1 - 1972/73

Reference your minute of 20th February, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of situation Reports 1 to 3 arising out of the above patrol of part of the kONO Census Division, as submitted by Mr. R. GLEESON, Assistant District Commissioner.

Before commenting on the Situation Reports I would be pleased if you would forward your assessments together with the duplicate copies of the Sitreps.

C.G. LITTLER

a/Secretary

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PATROL REPORT No. 2.

Station BUIN Officer Compiling ROGER GLEESON

DISTRICT BOUGAINVILLE Subdistrict BUIN

Census Division KONO L.G. Council BUIN

(For recording of routine information not of a situation report nature, actionable at Subdistrict of District

level, and of value to succeeding officers. No copy is required at Headquarters)

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Subject :- IMMIGRATION PN.G. - B.S.I.P.

The people at ORAVA and SADI were concerned over too many MALAITA men coming over to their villages and causing trouble and this was a secondary reason for embarking on this patrol.

The MALAITA men, namely JAMES TABAI and JIMI (?), have already married women at SADI village and are living there. The local people were quite happy to allow these two men to stay, but they do not approve of these MALAITA peoples' relatives coming to visit and overstay their welcome. The local people want the Government to ensure that Immigration laws are abided by and want the Government to take action on any illegal immigrants, to safeguard a possible influx of B.S.I.F. people in the future.

Action Taken

Policy and laws explained to the people and the people advised to notify D.D.A. BUIN of any illegal immigrants or troublemakers entering near their area.

R.T. GLEESON,

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

14th February, 1973.

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PAGE 1.

PATROL REPORT No. 3.

Section BUIN Officer Compiling R.T. GLEESON

District BOUGAINVILLE Subdistrict BUIN

Census Division XXXX KONO L.G. Council BUIN

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level, and of value to succeeding officers. No copy is required at Headquarters.)

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Subject : GENERAL

An elderly gentleman by name of GOESUA SIKARA of SADI village, who is probably well known by all people who visit SADI, is renowned for stirring up old land disputes and old quarrels. His opponents advised me that these quarrels will cease when GOESUA dies or they die. GOESUA's complaints were heard and discussed. One particular bone of contention was a dispute over the ownership of economic trees and an island named MAS in TONELEI harbour. This dispute is being handled as this office and L.T.G. action may be instituted.

There are water tanks at ORAVA, SADI and the ORAVA Seven Day Adventist Primary school, which are badly in need of replacement or repair. Councillor DENNIS MAMATAU is going to bring up this matter at the next BUIN L.G.C. General meeting.

Councillor DENNIS MAMATAU who is also the Aid Post Orderly at MAIKA Aid Post, is a conscientious councillor and tries [tries] to do his job to the best of his ability.

On arrival at Orava I was surprised to find that the accommodation for my overnight stay consisted of a fully furnished "denga" with beds, inner spring mattresses, refrigerators, cupboards and all cutler and crockery supplied. These amenities were left at ORAVA by a European who once lived there but has now left everything to the people.

Future patrols to ORAVA will be pleased to know that the hospitality of the people is first class with fresh fish, watermelons, pineapples and kulau on top.

R.T. GLEESON,

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

No. 1A

23rd July, 1973

67-11-24

T.J. Downes

District Officer

The District Commissioner

Bougainville District

P.O. Box 123/124

ARAWA

BUIN PATROL NO.1 - 1972/73

Reference your 67-1-2 of 15h March, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 3 arising out of the above patrol of Orava Village, as submitted by Mr. R. GLEESON, Assistant District Commissioner.

Situation Report No. 1 has been forwarded to Government Liaison Branch for their attention and further comment if necessary.

Sitreps 2 and 3 are of a general nature and require no specific comment.

You are requested to ensure that Situation Reports are submitted in duplicate in future, together with one copy of the Patrol Report Jacket.

W.P. RYAN

a/Secretary

DDA 67-11-24

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DISTRICT OFFICE,

P.O. BOX 123/124,

ARAWA.

15TH MARCH, 1973.

The Secretary,

Department of the Administrator,

P.O. Box 2396,

KONEDOBU

BUIN PATROL NUMBER 1 - 1972/73.

Reference is 67-11-24 of the 5th March, 1973.

I am attaching duplicate copy of Situation Reports
1-3.

This report covers an overnight stay at Orava
Village during which Mr. Gleeson discussed inter-
alia political topics with the local population.
His initial interpretation that "the local people
had little knowledge of the whole three subjects "
is not peculiar to this area as similar reactions
are met when officers take time to sit down and
discuss Self-Government, Independence, etc., with
Village people.

Although the Patrol appears exceedingly of short
duration, the area is a remote one and seldom
visited because of this.

Mr. Gleeson intends carrying out similar "discussion"
patrols over short periods similar to this one.

W.T. BROWN

a/DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

DDA

67-11-42

64-1-2

PATROL REPORT

Report number: 2 1972/73 Objects of patrol: See attached instructions

District: Bougainville Station: BUIN

Patrol conducted by: B.W. McMahon Subdistrict: BUIN

Area patrolled: KONO Census Division Designation: Assistant District Officer

Duration of patrol: 14 days borken Personnel accompanying: Nil

Last D.D.A. patrol: May 12th, 1972 Number of Days: 16 Days

Kono Census Division

Last O.L.G. patrol: - Total Population of area: 4088 persons - 1972

Map reference: South Bougainville Council area: Buin Local Government
Council

House of Assembly Electorate: South Bougainville

The District Commissioner,
BOUGAINVILLE DISTRICT,
ARAWA

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 7 to 9, (X)

Patrol Instructions, (X)

The Report and my comments, (X)

Area study, ()

Updating of area study, ()

Situation Reports No's 1- (X)

Patrol map, ()

DATE: 11 / 7 / 1973

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study, ()

Updating of area study, ()

Situation Report No's. 1- (X)

District Headquarters assessment of

Above average

Patrol & Report

X Average

Below average

Dates: / / 19

District Commissioner

POPULATION OF VILLAGE VISITED
Census Conducted 1972 by B.W. McMahon

Date of Census	Village	TOTALS (Excluding Absentees)				ABSENTEES (Resident outside Electorate)				Grand Total
		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT		
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
1972	IAMARU	20	25	18	19	-	—	—	1	83
	KA'AMORO	51	48	46	40	-	-	10	1	196
	KIKIBATSIUGU	16	14	12	13	—	—	4	-	59
	KOGU	12	15	26	20	-	-	3	2	78
	KOMAI	3	1	11	5	-	—	-	-	20
	LAKOEI	35	23	24	23	-	—	2	-	107
	MAIKA	20	25	22	29	-	-	5	4	105
	MUGUAI	31	35	34	34	3	3	6	5	151
	TAGURUAI	23	13	24	15	—	-	6	2	83
	TANDAREKI	49	52	36	44	-	-	7	1	189
	TUBARO	23	13	25	20	-	-	4	1	86
		283	264	278	262	3	3	47	17	1157

27th August, 1973

67-11-42

R.G. Orwin

a/D.D.C.

The District Commissioner

Bougainville District

P.O. Box 123/124

ARAWA

BUIN PATROL NO. 2/1972-73

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report 1 arising out of the above patrol of KONO Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. B.W. McMAHON, Assistant (Assistant) District Officer.

W.P. RYAN

a/Secretary

PATROL REPORT

Report number: 3 of 1972/73 Objects of patrol: GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

District: BOUGAINVILLE Station: BUIN

Patrol Conducted by: R.T. GLEESON Subdistrict: BUIN

Area patrolled: ORIA & PAHUI Designation: DISTRICT OFFICER/A.D.C.

Duration of patrol: 3 DAYS Personnel accompanying: NIL

Last D.D.A. patrol: 12/5/72 Number of days: 14

Last O.L.G. patrol: NIL Total population of area: 4088

Map reference: MILINCH BOUGAINVILLE 5TH Council area: BUIN

FOURMIL BUIN House of Assembly Electorate: SOUTH BOUGAINVILLE

The District Commissioner

BOUGAINVILLE District,

ARAWA

In respect of this patro, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios 52 To - (X)

Patrol instructions ()

The Report and my comments, (X)

Area study, ()

Updating of area study, ()

Situation Reports No's 1-3 (X)

Patrol map, ()

DATE:3/7 1973

Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,

Department of the Administrator,

Division of District Administration,

KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study, ()

Updating of area study, ()

Situation Report No's. 1-3 (X)

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District Headquarters assessment of

Patrol & Report Above Average

Above average

Average

Below average

Date:17/7/1973

District Commissioner

27th August. 1973.
67-11-40
R.C. Orwin
a/D.D.C.

The District Commissioner
Bougainville District
P.O. Box 123/124
ARAWA

BUIN PATROL NO. 3/1972-73

Reference your Minute of 17th July, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 3 arising out of the above patrol of Part of KONO Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. R.T. Gleeson, Assistant District Commissioner.

Situation Reports have been referred to appropriate Headquarters Branches.

I note the "Above Average" rating on this Report.

Patrol Report and associated documents are not required at this Headquarters.

Some are returned for your records.

W.P. RYAN
a/Secretary

DDA 67-11-40

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BOUGAINVILLE

17TH JULY. 1973

26 JUL 1973

The Assistant District Commissioner,

Sub-District Office

BUIN

Bougainville

REPORT NO. 3 1972/73 - BUIN SUB-DISTRICT

Thank you for your report which was received on the 13th July, 1973.

Your comments on the political situation with regard to current thinking in the area is interesting, however, additional information on the effects of the Political Development Committee's work in the area would I think have been pertinent, particularly as the Constitutional Planning Committee's Visit to Buin is imminent. I agree with your recommendations on delicate land and political issues when broadcasting over Radio Bougainville. These rumours which have been evident in other areas, indicate a positive need for increased contact between field staff and the people at the village level. To achieve this end more frequent and regular patrolling is essential.

Reference the airstrip, if NIEMAIA is adamant about closing the airstrip it will leave the Oria people completely isolated, and in a case like this the pressure from the clan/clans who

rely solely on its outlet could I feel override
his intention.

A useful situation report.

DR. A. SAREI

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER