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PATROL REPORTS MOROBE DISTRICT 1966-67

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<u>Patrol No.</u>	<u>Officer Conducting Patrol</u>	<u>Area Patrolled</u>
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6-66-67	R.P.C. Morrison	Bulum River Valley
6A-66-67	P.H. Simpson	Bulum area of Hube CD
7-66-67	P.H. Simpson	Kua River of Hube CD

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2-66-67	J.G. Benson	Timbe Census Division
2A-66-67	J.G. Benson	Timbe Census Division
3-66-67	J.G. Benson	Komba & part Selepet CD
4-66-67	J.G. Benson	Timbe Census Div.
5-66-67	J.G. Benson	Timbe Census Div.

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1-66-67	S. Gibson	Dedua & Kalasa Census D.
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4-66-67	S. Gibson	Kalasa Census Div.
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MOROBE Report No. KABWUM No. 2 of 1966/67.

Patrol Conducted by J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled TIMBE Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans K.G.T. Sandell, C.P.O.

Natives 3 Members R.P.N.G.C., 1 A.P.O.

Duration—From 27./8./1966 to 23./9./1966.

Number of Days 28 days.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services/...../1965.

Medical/...../1966.

Map Reference See District Map.

Objects of Patrol Census revision, Local Government Council propaganda,
Compilation of Council Tax Register, General Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

7/11/66

[Handwritten Signature]
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....
Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund £.....

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67-6-14

24th November, 1966.

District Commissioner,
Merobe District,
LAE.

KABUM PATROL REPORT NO.2 OF 1966/67.

Receipt is acknowledged of the above mentioned patrol report by Mr. J.G. Benson and of covering memoranda from the Assistant District Commissioner, Finsehafen and yourself.

see 67-6-271
The report is well presented but no map was enclosed. Maps make for ready reference and assist the reader in following the report.

Mr. Benson makes a strong plea for more roads. If such roads were built have the people the potential to maintain them adequately to vehicular standards. It is one thing to want roads to open up the area to economic development but quite a different problem to ensure adequate market for produce and even more difficult to ensure an adequate return to the people for produce produced.

This is a matter initially for the Merobe District Co-ordinating Committee to consider and as you have stated this will be referred to them. Their findings will be awaited with interest.

The Commissioner for Local Government considers it to be time that positive steps were taken to establish a council in the Kombe, Timbe, Selepet and part Sio area. A target date of January has been set for such a proposal to be presented to the Administrator-in-Council.

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams.....
Our Reference..... 67-2-12
If calling ask for
Mr. Sinclair/rmr



Department of District Administration,
Morobe District,
LAE.

4th November, 1966.

Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDOBU.

KABWUM PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1966/67

I attach copy of the abovementioned report submitted by Mr. J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer, to the Timbe Census Division, together with copy of comments by the Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen. As Mr. Smith notes, no map accompanied the report and Village Population Registers are to be re-submitted and will be forwarded to you when received.

2. The patrol was accompanied by Mr. K. Sandell, Cadet Patrol Officer.

3. The report is well typed and presented but it is no more than adequate considering the time spent on the job and the number of people covered. Mr. Smith's comments cover most aspects of the report.

4. Mr. Benson will take this as an instruction that he is to proceed without delay in submitting recommendations for the establishment of a Local Government Council. I wish to see this Council in operation early in the new year.

5. I agree with Mr. Smith's comments regarding the instruction by Mr. Benson for the people to remove gardens from the village areas. There does not appear to be any good reason to support this instruction. These are mountain people relatively unsophisticated living in an isolated mountainous census division and I can see no reason why they should not be able to plant gardens in and around villages if they wish to do so.

6. The question of coffee production and the allied question of transportation in the Huon Peninsula is currently receiving the attention of the Morobe District Co-ordinating

Committee. There is no doubt that within the next few years we can expect a very marked increase in the production of coffee in the Huon Peninsula. Half a million trees in the Timbe alone gives some indication of what must be expected. It is realised that it is not policy to encourage the production of more coffee in view of the world-wide marketing difficulties. However, the people of the Huon Peninsula planted coffee upon the instructions of, and with the active urging, of officers of the Administration and it appears to me that we have a moral obligation to them to assist them to market their crop.

7. If the Territory as a whole is to be definitely limited to a maximum coffee production figure then I feel that an early decision must be taken and production quotas allocated to all coffee producing areas so that local control of production may be attempted.

8. It will be impossible to dissuade Timbe people from proceeding with their cultivation of coffee and in my opinion they are as much entitled to a production quota as are any of the more geographically favoured peoples of the Highlands Districts. If some quota type of system is not introduced in the near future the situation will be chaotic within a few years.

9. If Mr. Benson can submit well documented cases for the construction of roads and bridges in his area they will receive every consideration by the Morobe District Co-ordinating Committee.


(P. W. Ashton)
a/District Commissioner.

Department of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
FINSCHHAFFEN. MOROBE DISTRICT.

67-1-5

28th, October, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Department of District Administration,
L. A. E. MOROBE DISTRICT.

PATROL REPORT = KAEWUM No. 2 1966/67

I attach original and two copies of a report conducted by Mr. J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer, to the Timbe Census Division, together with Camping Allowance Claim for himself and Mr. K. Sandell, Cadet Patrol Officer. No map accompanied the report and Mr. Benson has been requested to have this prepared and also to make necessary amendments to his Village Population Registers, which are inaccurate.

There is little of particular interest in the report but Appendix "1" indicates that the Timbe people wish to join with the Selepet and Komba Census Divisions in forming a Council. I hope that with the completion of the patrol to the Timbe Census Division - the Komba was visited in April, the Selepet by Mr. Laphorne in July and the Sio in September - recommendations concerning the establishment of a Council for the four Divisions should be forthcoming in the near future, together with proposals for a constitution for the proposed Council. Mr. Benson has been requested to give this matter early attention.

Villages: I cannot understand Mr. Benson's instruction to remove gardens within the village area. If this is a traditional agricultural practice for these people, and it seems to be quite a reasonable one, it should be encouraged.

Agriculture: The figures for coffee plantings, approximately 500,000 trees in this single Division are disturbing, particularly as the people there are without any form of communication except portage. There is apparently no other cash crop which can be grown, apart from coffee. Active harvesting over the next few years will result in a substantial increase in coffee production within the Finschhafen Sub-District. It would appear to me that some form of production control over coffee will have to be introduced if territory-wide support is to be given to all coffee growers and the potential of one area not sacrificed to the development of another. The developing large scale coffee industry of the Huon peninsula could well have a deleterious effect on the coffee industry in the highlands and a balanced approach is necessary so that equal development is supported wherever the particular crop is produced. It does not appear to me to be a rational approach to insulate potential production of one area and support production in another area because the one started producing at a later date from the other.

Roads & Bridges: Mr. Benson has recommended that funds be made available for the building of roads in the Timbe Census Division and for the construction of bridges. I have suggested to him that if he requires funds to be made available he should prepare the necessary statistical information to support the need for roads and give some estimate of distances involved and

District Commissioner.

23th October, 1966.

the routes of the proposed roads. However, it would appear to me that the decision to make funds available for road construction to assist the Native people would be more of a political nature than an administrative one, since opening up the Timbe should bring an increase in the production and delivery of coffee to the main ports, which may, in the future, seriously affect the highlands coffee export programme.

The report is generally well presented.

Encls.

(GORDON SMITH)
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c: O.I.C. Kabuna.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Patrol Post,
KABWUM,
Morobe District.

30th September, 1966.

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

KABWUM PATROL No. 2 of 1965/67.

Patrol Conducted by: J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer.

Area patrolled: TIMESE Census Division.

Personnel accom-
panying the
Patrol:

K.G.T. Sandell, C.P.O.
3 Members R.P.N.G.C.
1 Aid Post Orderly.

Duration of the
Patrol:

27/8/66 to 23/9/66, 28 days.

Last patrol to
the area:

D.D.A. 1965
D.A.S.F. 1966
P.H.D. 1966.

Objects of the
Patrol:

Census revision, Local Government
Council propaganda, Compilation of
Council Tax Register, General Admin-
istration.

Map reference:

District Map.

INTRODUCTION.

The TIMBE Census Division is a mountainous and rugged area extending from the Saruwaged Mountains to the coast. It is an area of approximately 225 sq. miles with deep valleys and high ridges. The majority of the people live 6000 ft above sea level and in some cases above 8000 ft.

The patrol was a routine patrol. Census revision and General Administration were carried out. As it is proposed to establish a Local Government Council in the KABWUM area talks were again given to the people. Many questions concerning tax regularity of collection and rate were asked.

The patrol was accompanied by Mr. K.G.T. Sandell, C.P.O., three members of the R.P.N.S.C. and one Aid Post Orderly.

This Census Division is not at a particularly high state of economic, social and political development. This would be due largely to the isolation and terrain of the area.

DIARY.

27th August, 1966.

KABWUM to YAKOP 6 hrs. Discussion with Village leaders. Overnight YAKOP.

28th August, 1966.

Census revision YAKOP. Local Government Council talk. Overnight YAKOP.

29th August, 1966.

Census revision BOROKE. Council talk given. To YANDU, 15 min. Started Census revision. Rain delayed completion. Overnight YAKOP.

30th August, 1966.

Completed YANDU Census revision. Gave Council talk. YAKOP to GOLANKE 1 hr. via BUSIAN. Overnight GOLANKE.

31st August, 1966.

Census revised and Council talk given GOLANKE and BUSIAN. GOLANKE to SONGGIN 2 hrs. Mr. Sandell sick. Overnight SONGGIN.

1st September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk HEM and SONGGIN. Minor complaint settled, APO BARARUNKE of YAKOP, separation. Overnight SONGGIN.

2nd September, 1966.

SONGGIN to DERIM 1 hr. Completed Census revision and gave Council talk. Minor complaint settled, APO BARARUNKE of YAKOP, illegitimate child. DERIM to YAKOP 45 min. Singing at YAKOP. All local villages participated. Overnight YAKOP.

3rd September, 1966.

YAKOP to TUMUNG 30 min. TUMUNG to ONGGANKE 30 min. Census revision. Many cases of divorce, wife changing. Not in favour of this and parties told to join their original wives. Overnight ONGGANKE.

4th September, 1966.

WATALIONG/YANG of YANDU arrived ONGGANKE ex MUMUNG Council. WATALIONG gave Council talk. Very much in favour of proposed Council. Self answered questions. Census revision ONGGANKE. More wife changing. Overnight ONGGANKE.

5th September, 1966.

ONGGANKE to SAMPANGEN 2 hrs. Welcomed by UMUT (father of Mr. STOI UMUT, M.H.A.). Census revision. Minor complaints. Very cold night SAMPANGEN.

6th September, 1966.

Council talk given. SAMPANGEN to HONZIUKNAN 2 hrs. Census revision LAUMGEI and HONZIUKNAN. Minor complaints. Cold night HONZIUKNAN.

7th September, 1966.

Census revised MUMUNGAN and PINANG. Council talk given. HONZIUKNAN to DAWOT 2hrs 30 min. Overnight DAWOT.

8th September, 1966.

Census revised and Council talk given DAWOT and GOMBWATO. Minor complaint, pigs destroying gardens, settled. DAWOT to POBUNG 1 hr. 30 min. Overnight POBUNG.

9th September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk given POBUNG, GOMANDO, TIMOWONG, HEMANG. Minor complaints. Overnight POBUNG.

10th September, 1966.

POBUNG to LEWEMON 1 hr. One conviction 97(a) NAF. Assisted Mr. Sandell with Census revision. Minor complaints. Overnight LEWEMON.

11th September, 1966.

Census revision DALUGILOMON, TAKOP, YANGU. Council talk all villages. Many migrations DALUGILOMON and TAKOP, causing a little trouble over garden land. Overnight LEWEMON.

12th September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk BILINANG and KURIN. LEWEMON to ETAITNO 1hr. 40 min. Overnight ETAITNO.

13th September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk given IMON, LONGOM, and ETAITNO. Minor complaints. Overnight ETAITNO.

14th September, 1966.

ETAITNO to KOMUTU 3 hrs. Assisted Mr. Sandell with Census revision SUNDE. Overnight KOMUTU.

15th September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk given KOIYAN, NANOENG, HAMELINGAN, SIANG and KOMUTU. Minor complaints. Overnight KOMUTU.

16th September, 1966.

KONUTU to SUNDE 2 hrs. SUNDE to BONGGI 3 hrs. road very rough. Census revision and Council talk BONGGI. Overnight BONGGI.

17th September, 1966.

BONGGI to MALASANGA 6 hrs. Overnight MALASANGA.

18th September, 1966.

MALASANGA to WASU 3 hrs. By Land Rover to KALALO.

19th September, 1966.

Observed KALALO.

20th September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk TOWAT.

21st September, 1966.

Discussions with Mr. J. Smith, OIC, KALALO. KALALO to WAVIT 4 hrs. Overnight. WAVIT.

22nd September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk WAVIT. Request for Aid Post at WAVIT. KALALO and ULAP 4 hrs. away with hospitals and SATOP 1 hr. with Aid Post. People told to go either to KALALO or SATOP. Overnight WAVIT.

23rd September, 1966.

WAVIT to KABWUN 5 hrs. End patrol.

OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS.

RECEPTION OF PATROL.

In all villages the patrol was given a friendly reception. Most villages presented the patrol with food and artifacts, bilums, bows and arrows.

In many villages the patrol was asked to stop before entering the village area until prayers had been said and a welcome dance danced. Usually after the dance a speech of welcome was given. A reply to this was then given.

VILLAGES.

All villages in the Timbe Census Division are of a similar standard. Housing is generally satisfactory, small and with no ventilation, due to the height. Village sites are usually on wind swept ridges with the village watering point some distance below the village.

Most villages were clean and with regard to hygiene and sanitation were found to be satisfactory. The Aid Post Orderly who accompanied the patrol gave hygiene talks in every village.

Some villages still have well kept gardens in the actual village area. These are to be removed.

The main disadvantage of village sites in the Census Division are cold and cloud.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

No new appointments or terminations were found to be necessary. The efficiency of the Officials is not high, although they are generally doing of their best. Some have been described in the Village Books as "animated hat-racks", the opinion of one Officer.

The loyalty and influence of the Officials varies from village to village. They are all loyal, but their influence is the variable. In some villages they exert a great deal of influence while in others they have practically none, the Mission representative being the influential body.

Many Village Officials are well supported by a number of able Committee men.

Together the Officials and Committee men do a reasonable job in the Timbe Census Division.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

The people of the Timbe Census Division have a mixed outlook on life. Their feelings are divided between the Administration and the Lutheran Mission. The attitude towards the Administration is good, but the attitude towards the Mission is better.

At present the people feel that the Administration talks but does not act. I say this because for a number of years the people have been given talks about the proposed Local Government Council in the area and to date no action has resulted that can be seen by the people even though they had mixed feelings about joining a Council. It is now proposed that a Council be established in 1967 and this should alter their attitude.

The Timbe Census Division is well represented by the Lutheran Mission and the people have strong associations there. The Mission has semi-permanent material houses in many villages and most villages have a permanent material church. The people can see the results of their hard labour with these architectural wonders.

The people should now see some results from the Administration and perhaps their attitude towards the Administration may become better than it is now, not that it is particularly bad at the moment. The Council may solve this now that the people have decided to join.

In the Census Division there is a great deal of allegiance shown towards Mr. Stoi Umut, M.H.A., himself originally from the area. There is a great following of this member of the house of Assembly who is continually visiting the area.

AGRICULTURE.

The main crops grown in the Timbe Census Division are subsistence and cash, though to a smaller degree. The main cash crop is coffee. The latest figures available from the Dept. of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries, Kabwun are as follows:

first year, 347,374; second year, 17,096; third year, 25,818; mature, 90,870; as at Coffee Census 25/6/65.

Coffee grows well in the lower areas of the Census Division. In the higher areas, above 7,000 ft., the coffee is of a rather poor variety.

European vegetables grow well in the Census Division. However, there is only a limited market at Kabwum. To transport vegetables and also other crops further than Kabwum, and to Kabwum, the problem of transport arises. Only one short vehicular road exists in the area and all produce must be carried.

There is a definite surplus of fresh foods, both European and Indigenous, although there is the problem of a market, this problem will not be solved until a network of vehicular roads exists.

Most cash crops are grown on a communal basis although a few individuals have their own crops on village land. They work this in addition to the village crop.

The people of the Timbe Census Division show an interest in cash crops, mainly coffee. This interest is in growing, their enthusiasm towards coffee ceases rapidly when the thought of a long carry to the buying points at Kabwum or Kalalo occurs. The people are slowly realizing the advantage of this carry and the rewards at the end.

To overcome the problem of markets a network of access vehicular roads is required in the Timbe Census Division.

LIVESTOCK.

The Livestock industry is a growing industry in the Timbe Census Division.

At present there are about thirty cattle in the area. These are purchased on a communal basis and an area of village land set aside for their pasture. One or two men with a little training are then appointed to watch over the cattle.

The cattle roam in threes or fours, this being the average size of a village mob.

Cattle are mainly a prestige symbol, little breeding or eating of meat is done at the moment.

There is a definite interest in cattle and a definite potential for expansion of the livestock industry in the Timbe Census Division.

All villages have the usual pigs and fowls.

FORESTS.

There are no economical commercial forest areas in this Census Division.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

In the Timbe Census Division this is mainly confined to the operation of trade stores. There are thirty two trade stores in this Census Division. Trade stores are mainly a prestige symbol and only three had any goods at the time of the patrol. Goods are usually rice, meat, sugar, salt, tobacco, soap, and a variety of clothes.

Trade stores are usually operated on a group basis. A small group of men, up to six, decide to build a store. One man then obtains a licence to trade with natives and he then operates the store in the village. The other members of the group will assist him with the work of operating the store.

A little coffee is bought at these stores then taken to the main buying points at either Kabwum or Kalalo. The stores mainly concentrate on the selling of goods.

It is difficult to estimate the cash profit from one of these stores. This would be due to the irregularity of ordering goods and the arrival of them in the village. In some cases I doubt if sufficient profit would be made during the year to pay for the licence. Other stores manage to make a small profit. These stores are usually operated by the new entrepreneurs in the area. They usually are involved in many activities, some unknown, besides their trade stores and derive the majority of their income from these other activities.

Generally trade stores in the Timbe Census Division are a group enterprise with a single store keeper. They have little bearing on the life of the people. This probably due to the fact that there are no roads in the area. With roads the people would take a more active interest in their commercial activities.

LAND.

No land disputes were noted on the patrol.

At the villages of DALUGILOMON and TAKOP a minor complaint was settled. Migrations between these two villages have caused a little trouble over garden land.

It was decided that garden land would be used by the person who has migrated in his original village. No land would be made available in the new village. This decision being made by the people themselves.

It appears that these two villages were originally one large village. A split occurred forming the two present villages which are about ten minutes walk apart.

The decision of the people should settle this complaint.

There is no shortage of land in this Census Division.

COMPLAINTS.

Many minor complaints were brought to the attention of the patrol. These mainly concerned wives, pigs and gardens.

There is a tendency in the ONGGANKE/TUMUNG area to take a second wife and to leave the first wife and any children by themselves. Family obligations were pointed out to the people concerned and in some cases rather than maintain two families a decision was made to dissolve the second marriage, usually there were no offspring, and to return to the original wife. Others preferred to maintain the two families, but only a few.

This wife changing is probably due to the fact that many able bodied men are absent from their villages.

Complaints were received concerning pigs destroying gardens. This will probably continue until strong fences are built around the gardens or around the pigs. The few cattle in the area do not appear to do any damage at all.

No other type of complaint was received.

COURTS.

Only one Court was referred to the patrol. This was dealt with under the Native Administration Regulations and resulted in a conviction of two months under Regulation 97(a).

The people appear to be lawful citizens though I feel that some complaints have been settled before coming to the attention of the Administration.

REST HOUSES.

Rest houses in the Timbe Census Division were found to be adequate for one but small for two officers. They are usually located on windswept ridges in the larger villages. Unlike the usual village house they are well ventilated and very cold.

CARRIERS.

There is no shortage of carriers in the Timbe Census Division. Men, women, and children all volunteer freely. Many had to be turned away.

In the smaller villages where many men are absent it was found necessary to engage carriers from the surrounding villages.

Carriers are more readily available in this Census Division than in the other two in the Kabum area.

HEALTH.

The general health of the people was found to be satisfactory. Many colds and sores were treated by the Aid Post Orderly accompanying the patrol.

There are seven Administration Aid Posts in this Census Division. There are no Mission Aid Posts.

An outbreak of measles had occurred in the POBUJUNG village area sometime before the patrol. This was attended to from Kalalo. A number of deaths resulted and the Medical Assistant at Kalalo advises that this is probably due to pneumonia after the measles.

The Aid Posts were all very short of medicine, some had nothing. The Aid Posts should receive their medicines at more regular intervals. When they have medicine the Aid Post Orderlies visit the villages close to their Aid Posts.

The people of WAVIT Village have requested that an Aid Post be built at their village. Kalalo and Ulap are four hours away both with hospitals and SATOP Village is one hour away with an Aid Post. I do not consider it necessary that an Aid Post be built at WAVIT, however, if the staff are available it would be to the advantage of the Wavit people to have an Aid Post.

A number of cases of goitre were noticed in the more higher regions of the Census Division.

The common cold and pneumonia are the main medical complaints in the Timbe Census Division. Generally the Aid Posts are able to cope with these complaints provided they have their medical supplies.

EDUCATION.

There are no Administration schools in the Timbe Census Division.

The Lutheran Mission has schools in most of the villages. The main schools are at YAKOP, SONGSIN, ONGGANKE, and LEWEMON. Little or no English is taught in these schools.

Very few of the children or adults are away from their villages as students. They usually complete their education in the local village school.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

At present there are no vehicular roads, completed, in the Timbe Census Division.

Between YAKOP and DENGONDO villages a vehicular road exists. It is not continuous, but is being built in sections by voluntary labour. When complete this road will link with the KABWUB/KOMBA road.

Villages are connected by walking tracks and in places these tracks have been widened in anticipation of a vehicular road being built. These wide sections of the tracks extend for about one hundred yards, like the sections of the road from YAKOP. These sections of tracks could be extended where the terrain is not too steep. Other areas, the more steeper, would not lend themselves to vehicular roads.

It is most essential that the Timbe Census Division be provided with vehicular roads, where possible, as there appears to be no other means of communication for the area.

At present the commercial enterprises of the area are not many nor of high standard. However, with roads and bridges this may be altered.

Bridges are required in a number of places. During the wet season the Timbe and Yalumet rivers become swollen and impassable.

It is recommended that funds be made available for the building of roads into this area and for the building of at least two bridges, one at each of the two main rivers. A bridge over the Yalumet river near ETALTNO and over the Timbe river near GOLANGKE. This would then give access to the area during the wet season.

With roads and bridges in this Census Division it would be opened to agriculture and commerce.

The walking tracks in the area were found to be satisfactory though very rough and steep in places.

MISSIONS.

The Lutheran Mission is well represented in the Timbe Census Division. Each village has its church, many of permanent materials. The larger villages have a Mission school.

The influence of the Lutheran Mission extends through the Census Division. Almost all the people are adherents.

The people have a very good attitude towards the Lutheran Mission. Although the headquarters of the Mission are at UIAP, near Kalalo, the Mission exerts a great deal of influence in the Timbe Census Division.

AIRFIELDS.

The terrain of the Timbe Census Division does not lend itself to airfields.

No possible sites were seen.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL.

See Kabwum Patrol No. 3 of 1964/65, Area Study.

LABOUR.

The majority of adults are engaged in contract labour outside the Census Division.

There are 623 labourers employed outside the District, and 850 labourers employed within the District.

Many labourers are unemployed within the Census Division. There is a surplus of labour in the Timbe Census Division.

CENSUS

No difficulty was encountered with the Census revision of the Timbe Census Division.

The total population was found to be 11,401. The Birth rate 3.2 per 100, Death rate 1.8 per 100 and Natural Increase 1.4 per 100.

Please see accompanying Village Population Registers.

PERSONNEL.

The patrol was accompanied by Mr. K.G.T. Sandell, C.P.O., Const. 6447 BARAGA, Const. 8874 GARID, and Const. 9744 GANATO. Aid Post Orderly GURIA from KABUM village also accompanied the patrol.

The three members who accompanied the patrol all worked well.

Const. 6447 BARAGA first joined the Constabulary in 1947 and this was his first patrol besides a short patrol for the Territory Census. He is a quiet member and has very little to say for himself. He went about his duties in a conscientious manner.

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Const. 8874 GARID and Const. 9744 GANATO are experienced patrol police and also went about their duties in a conscientious manner.

Duplicate Records of Service have been noted and R. S. Form 1 has been forwarded to the Commissioner of Police.

J.G. Benson
J.G. Benson
Patrol Officer.

APPENDIX I.PROPOSED LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL.

Explanatory talks were given by previous patrols as well as by this patrol.

The people as yet do not have a full understanding of Local Government Councils, although they are very much in favour of having a Council established in the area.

The proposed Council would be for the three Census Divisions of the Kabwum area, Timbe, Selepet, and Komba.

The people of the Timbe Census Division originally wished to wait and see how successful the Council was in the other two Census Divisions, however, they now wish to join the Council with the Selepet and Komba Census Divisions.

The Timbe people are concerned about the tax rate for the new Council. It was pointed out to them the amount each individual pays in head tax (\$1-00) and the totals for each village as an illustration that as they pay the present tax without any apparent difficulty they could also pay the Council tax at the rate to be set by the Council. They were under the impression that Council tax would be collected monthly instead of annually.

The tax rate appears to be the main concern of the Timbe people. This concern is in the whole of the Census Division, it is not confined to one small area.

It was stated in some parts of the Census Division that business undertakings were not of a sufficiently high standard to have a Council in the area. After discussions with the people this idea was altered and they now favour the establishment of a Council.

During the discussions about the proposed Council it was brought to my attention by the people that a number of patrols had given talks about Councils. The people stated that they had heard all about Councils, although they do not understand all the workings of a Council, this was brought out by questions. Having heard about Councils they now wish to see a Council in the area, and to belong to that Council.

Although the people do not have a full understanding of Local Government Councils, I, myself, feel that a Council could be successfully established in the Timbe Census Division.

Originally the Timbe people were reluctant about joining a Local Government Council, however, they are now pro-Council and as they are a reasonably enthusiastic group it is recommended that one Council be established for the three Census Divisions of the Kabwum area.

APPENDIX II.FIREARMS:

The following have applied for Firearm Certificates for the following single barrelled 12 gauge shotguns.

MUPANKE/SOARIONG of HONZLUKMAN. Population 277.
Sportco No. S523. O/R 2892.

KINIONG/LUOKOWO of DERIM. Population 339.
Magica No. AT2424. O/R 2893.

ULI/BILIKILOM of DAWOT. Population 424.
Astra No. 20768. O/R 2906.

BATANINU/YAOMUX of LEWEEON. Population 392.
Sportco No. 3218. O/R 2910.

BATAME/ZAGI of SONGGIN. Population 394.
Astra No. 19118. O/R 2884.

KIMISIONG/IRIONG of SONGGIN. Population 394.
Application. O/R 2889. One gun in village.

WEPUSE/TAUWE of HEM. Population 243.
Application. O/R 2886. No guns in village.

DANGAU/AY of BOROKE. Population 268.
Application. O/R 2914. No guns in village.

DANGA/ NEMBELIONG of BOROKE. Population 268.
Application. O/R 1980. No guns in village.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MOROBE Report No. KABWUM No. 2 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled TIMPE Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans K.G.T. Sandell, C.P.O.

Natives 3 Members R.P.N.G.C., 1 A.P.O.

Duration—From 27/8/1966 to 23/9/1966

Number of Days 28 days.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services/...../1965

Medical/...../1966

Map Reference See District Map.

Objects of Patrol Census revision, Local Government Council propaganda,
Compilation of Council Tax Register, General Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

16/12/66
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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £.....
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....
Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund
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67-6-20.

5th January, 1967.

The District Commissioner,
Nairobi District,
L.A.S.

KABWUM PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1966/1967.

Mr. E.G.F. Sandell's report and your 67-2-12 of 1st December, 1966, refer.

Comments in your 67-2-12 of 4th November, 1966, cover all matters relevant to the patrol. This report done as an exercise could hardly be called "good" in view of the ambiguous and recundant expressions which follow one another consistently.

Mr. Sandell has undoubtedly learned from his patrol and though his report shows promise, a senior officer should go through it carefully with him with a view to improving and clarifying expression throughout.

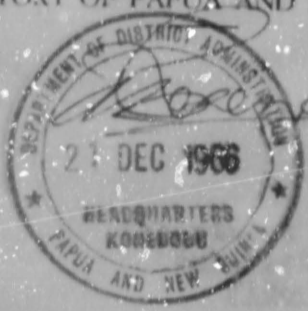
(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams.....
Our Reference 67-2-12
If calling ask for
Mr. Sinclair/rar



Department of District Administration,
Morobe District,
LAE.

15th December, 1966

Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONDUBU.

KABUM PATROL NO. 2 OF 1966/67

TIMBE CENSUS DIVISION

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I attach copy of a patrol report submitted by Mr. K. Sandell, Cadet Patrol Officer, as a training measure on Kabum Patrol No. 2 of 1966/67. Mr. Sandell accompanied Mr. Benson who has already reported on this patrol (my 67-2-12 of 4th November, 1966).

2. Considering Mr. Sandell's extremely limited experience he has submitted quite a good report. The patrol map and village population figures are of value.

3. Matters raised by this patrol report have already been commented on by my memorandum referenced above.

4. I consider it a good idea for young Cadet Patrol Officers to write patrol reports covering patrols they accompany. I have found that many of the younger officers are lacking in the ability to collect, analyse and present facts and it is only by the regular writing of patrol reports that some degree of facility is acquired.

(D. [Signature])
a/District Commissioner.

[Handwritten initials]

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Department of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
FINSCHAFEN, MOROBE DISTRICT.

12th, December, 1966.

The District Commissioner,
Department of District Administration,
L. A. E. MOROBE DISTRICT.

KABWUM PATROL No. 2 1966/67

... Further to my memorandum 67-1-5 of 28th, October, 1966,
I attach original and two copies of a report prepared
as an exercise by Mr. K. Sandell, Cadet Patrol Officer.

There is nothing of particular import in this report
which follows very closely the report of Mr. Benson
and, superficially, would appear to be Mr. Benson's
report rewritten.

... Three copies of Village Population Registers and Patrol
Map are enclosed.

Encls.

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(GORDON SMITH)
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c: C.I.C. Kabwum.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Patrol Post,
KARUM,
Morobe District.

24th October, 1966.

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

KARUM PATROL No. 2 of 1966/67.

Patrol Conducted by: J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer.

Area patrolled: TIMBE Census Division.

Personnel accom-
panying the
Patrol:

K.G.T. Sandell, C.P.O.
3 Members R.P.N.G.O.
1 Aid Post Orderly.

Duration of the
Patrol:

27/8/66 to 23/9/66, 28 days.

Last patrol to
the area:

D.D.A. 1965
D.A.S.F. 1966
P.H.D. 1966.

Objects of the
Patrol:

Census revision, Local Government
Council propaganda, Compilation of
Council Tax Register, General Admin-
istration.

Map references:

District Map.

INTRODUCTION.

As I had only been at KABWUM for approximately three (3) weeks before the commencement of the TIMBE Census Division patrol, and as this is my first posting. I feel it only relevant to explain that throughout the patrol I was greatly assisted by Mr. J.G.Benson P.O., in a full understanding of certain factors concerned with patrol and the compiling of a patrol report.

The patrol was conducted into the TIMBE Census Division, which is situated at a distance of some 40 miles from LAE, extending from the Saruwaged Mountains down to the coast.

This is an area of approximately 225 square miles, with a constant topography of high ridges descending into deep gorges, applicable to the larger rivers. Vegetation is of thick forested land throughout. With the mountainous terrain in the TIMBE, the climate is notably windy and cold with clouding on the many high ridges.

The purposes of the patrol were, census revision and general administration, also with the proposal for the establishment of a Local Government Council in the KABWUM area, talks were given in regards to this.

The patrol was accompanied by Mr. J.G.Benson P.O. three members of the R.P.N.G.C., and one Aid Post Orderly.

In considering the political, social and economic development of the Census Division, it is not of a relative high standard. This may be attributed to the isolation and lack of accesses into this area.

DIARY.

27th August, 1966.
KABWUM to YAKOP 6 hrs. Discussion with Village officials.
Overnight YAKOP.

28th August, 1966.
Census revision and Local Government Council talk at YAKOP.
Overnight YAKOP.

29th August, 1966.
Census revision and Council talk BOROKE. To YANDU 15 mins.
Commenced census revision, delayed due to weather. Overnight YAKOP.

30th August, 1966.
Completion of census revision and Council talk given at YANDU.
YAKOP to GOLANKE via BUSIAD 1 hr. Overnight GOLANKE.

31st August, 1966.
Census revision and Council talk of GOLANKE and BUSIAD.
Afternoon GOLANKE to SONGGIN 1 1/2 hrs. Myself ill. Overnight SONGGIN.

1st September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk of SONGGIN and BEN. Minor complaints heard. Overnight SONGGIN.

2nd September, 1966.

SONGGIN to DENIN 1 1/2 hrs. Census revision and Council talk. Minor complaint settled. DENIN to YAKOP 30 mins. Overnight YAKOP.

3rd September, 1966.

YAKOP to ONGGANKE via TUMUNG 1 hr. Census revision of TUMUNG. Overnight ONGGANKE.

4th September, 1966.

Census revision of ONGGANKE in afternoon and a Local Government Council talk given. Overnight ONGGANKE.

5th September, 1966.

ONGGANKE to SABBANGEN 2 hrs. Patrol well relieved, meeting with Mr. SPON ITOU'S father. Census revision taken, Council talk delayed due to weather. Overnight SABBANGEN.

6th September, 1966.

Local Government Council talk SABBANGEN. SABBANGEN to HONZIUKNAN 2 hrs. Census revision of LAUMGEI and HONZIUKNAN. Minor complaints heard and settled. Overnight HONZIUKNAN.

7th September, 1966.

Census revision of PINANG and MUMUNGAN. Council talk given. Departed for DAVOT 2hrs 30 mins. Discussions with Village Officials, minor complaints. Overnight DAVOT.

8th September, 1966.

Census revision and Council talk at DAVOT and GOMBATO. Departed for POBUNG 2 hrs. Overnight POBUNG.

9th September, 1966.

Day spent writing up proposed Local Government Council tax register of the previous villages censused by Mr. J.G. Benson. Overnight POBUNG.

10th September, 1966.

POBUNG to LEWEMON 1 hr. Myself taking census assisted by Mr. Benson. Overnight LEWEMON.

11th September, 1966.

Day spent compiling Council tax register. Overnight LEWEMON.

12th September, 1966.

LEWEMON to ETAITNO 1 hr 40 mins. Overnight ETAITNO.

13th September, 1966.

Compiling of the Local Government tax register. Overnight ETAITNO.

14th September, 1966.

ETAITNO to KOMUTU 3 hrs. Census revision of SUNDI assisted by Mr. Benson. Work done on tax register. Overnight KOMUTU.

15th September, 1966.

Day spent compiling tax register at KOMUTU. Overnight KOMUTU.

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16th September, 1966.
KUMUTU to BONGGI via SUNDE 5 hrs. Worked on tax register.
Overnight BONGGI.

17th September, 1966.
BONGGI to MALASANGA 5 hrs. Overnight MALASANGA.

18th September, 1966.
MALASANGA to WASU 3 hrs. Went to KALALO by landrover. Overnight
KALALO.

19th September, 1966.
Observed. Overnight KALALO.

20th September, 1966.
KALALO to TOWAT. Census revision and Council talk given, myself
assisting Mr. Benson. No complaints brought to the patrol.
Overnight KALALO.

21st September, 1966.
KALALO to WAVIT 4 hrs. Overnight WAVIT.

22nd September, 1966.
Census revision assisted by Mr. Benson. Council talk given by
Mr. Benson. at WAVIT. Overnight WAVIT.

23rd September, 1966.
WAVIT to KABWUN via DCHUN 5 hrs. End of patrol.

OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS.

RECEPTION OF PATROL.

In all villages the patrol was well received, with
friendly welcomes, in most villages the ^{patrol} was presented with
food and artefacts, few bilumz, bow and arrows.

Before entering the village area, certain places
requested the patrol to wait until a prayer was said, then a
dance was performed. Usually after this a speech of welcome
was given to the patrol, to which we replied.

VILLAGES.

Throughout the TIMBE Census Division the standard of
housing is the same. The house construction is of a satisfactory
quality, being small in size with little or no ventilation,
this may be due to the height at which most villages are sited.

The Aid Post Orderly accompanying the patrol gave
hygiene talks in all villages, however from inspections they
were found to be clean and in regards to sanitation to be
of a satisfactory standard. The supply of fresh water in most
villages is found at some distance from the actual village,
this appears an inconvenience to the people.

It was noticed that in certain villages, that they
were still maintaining well kept gardens in the village area.
They were instructed to be removed.

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VILLAGES Contd.

The only point which may be made in regards to the disadvantages of village sites in this Census Division, is that they are located on rather high ridges, being exposed to cold windy and clouding conditions.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

It was not found necessary for any recommendations for re appointments or terminations of Village Officials to be made whilst the patrol was in the TIMBE Census Division.

The standard of the Village Officials is not high, however they all appear to take a reasonable interest in the job, carrying out their work to the best of their ability.

In considering the influence and loyalty of the Officials, it can be seen that this varies from one village to another. In villages where the mission representatives are the influential body, the 'hat men' are virtually a name only, having very little to say.

Found in the majority of villages are Committeemen which give assistance to the Village Officials, between the two they carry out a reasonable job.

The loyalty of the Village Officials was to be found of a good standard.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION

The people of the TIMBE Census Division have divided feelings, with the attitude taken towards the Administration, may be stated as being good. However with the rather long contact that the Lutheran Mission has had in this area, the attitude towards the mission is better.

In most of the larger villages the mission has carried out extensive work, as seen by the construction of permanent material churches and semi-permanent buildings. When these are viewed by the people they compare these with what has been done by the Administration.

The formation of a Local Government Council has been talked about for some years with the people, but they have as yet, seen any steps made towards its establishment. However now that it is proposed for 1967, and the people have a sincere interest in it, there is no reason why the attitude towards the Administration will not be firmly secured in this Census Division.

Mr. STOI UMUT M.H.A., is held in much respect throughout the TIMBE Census Division. There is a rather firm support shown towards him, as his influence is aided by frequent visits made by him to the area.

AGRICULTURE.

The food situation in the TIMBE Census Division is in a good position, with plenty of food in all villages as none are short. *Waw*

AGRICULTURE. Cont'd

The main systems of cropping in the Census Division are subsistence and cash, even though the latter is on a smaller scale at present. The main cash crop is coffee, the latest figures from the Coffee Census of 25/6/65 taken by the Dept of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries at KABWUM, show that for the TIMBE area that there is, 1st year 347,374, 2nd year 17,096, 3rd year 25,818, and mature 90,070. The standard of coffee being an average grade, with the better crops on the lower areas, with a decrease in quality and number of trees over the 7,000 ft. mark.

Cash cropping in the Census Division is carried out on a communal basis in each village, however some prefer to have their own individual gardens. Working these as well as giving assistance in the communally own coffee gardens.

The actual growing of coffee is taken with great interest by the people of the TIMBE area, however when it comes to the transport of the crop to market, the interest declines.

The coffee has to be carried to the buying points at either KABWUM or WASU. As no vehicular roads exist in the TIMBE Census Division, only walking tracks, it proves difficult to transport the coffee to the above mentioned places. It is this disadvantage that causes the interest to decrease. However the people have come to realise that by carrying the coffee is the only means of gaining the rewards of their initial labours. A system of vehicular roads in the TIMBE Census DIVISION would prove valuable, as the increase in coffee production will warrant the construction of a road to service the whole area.

There are also many European vegetables grown in the TIMBE area besides the main crops of taro, kaukau etc. such vegetables as potatoes, beans and pumpkins are grown. These crops provide part of the peoples diet, as well as providing a surplus of fresh food, due to the difficulty of getting them to a buying source.

To overcome this problem of transport of the cash crops and other produce of agriculture in the TIMBE Census Division, it would be necessary for a system of adequate roads to overcome this difficulty.

LIVESTOCK.

All villages in the TIMBE Census Division have the usual pigs and fowls as seen in other places, however there is appearing an increase in the amount of cattle in the TIMBE area.

At present there is in the vicinity of thirty (30) cattle in the Census Division, with an increase in interest shown by the people, there exists a definite potential for livestock in this area. However at present the the ownership of cattle is merely a prestige symbol, with no attention being paid to the breeding of stock or for the eating of meat.

The cattle at present are brought on a communal basis with a certain area of land in the village allocated for grazing of the stock. One or two men are appointed, with little knowledge of cattle, to tend the animals.

POSSIBLE

Within the TIMBE Census Division there does not exist any natural stands of forested land for economical or commercial use.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

The only operation carried out in the TIMBE Census Division in regards to commercial and industrial activities, are trade stores.

Most villages have at least one trade store, some having two. These are however very poorly stocked with goods as was noticed at the time of the patrol. Only three (3) of the thirty two (32) trade stores in the Census Division had a reasonable supply of goods, these being usually rice, tinned meat, soap, sugar, salt and tobacco, also a number of clothing items.

In the TIMBE area it appears that trade stores are operated on a group basis, where six or so men will build a store. One man obtains a licence to trade with natives and he operates the store, the others assisting him in the work of operating the trade store.

At some of these trade stores a little coffee is brought, then carried to the larger buying points at either KABUM or WASU.

To attempt to estimate the cash earnings of one of these stores, would prove difficult, as there exists an irregularity in the actual ordering of goods, until the time they arrive at the store. However in the majority of cases, it can be stated that the actual profit derived in one year would be sufficient to cover the fee payed for a licence. Some trade stores do manage to secure enough profit earnings to make the store pay for itself, in some cases this may be due to assistance from an outside source of income, obtained from other activities.

In general these trade stores in the Census Division have very little influence on the lives of the people, they are merely a symbol of prestige. This may be attributed to the lack of roads in this area, which causes an isolation. The introduction of suitable roads in the TIMBE Census Division may increase their interest and activities to a great extent.

LAND.

There is no shortage of land in the Census Division, as there is plenty available to meet their requirements throughout the whole area.

No land disputes were brought to the patrol

At the villages of DALUSIOMOM and TAKOP a minor complaint was brought forward, which Mr. Benson discussed with the people and was settled. It was due to migrations between the two villages, which caused a problem over the ownership of garden land.

It appeared that at one time there was one large village which divided forming the two present villages, now being a short distance apart.

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LAND Cont'd.

The decision being made by the people themselves that garden land in the original village would be made available to the migrated person, whilst no land will be given in his new village.

COMPLAINTS.

Many minor complaints were brought forward to the Patrolling Officer's attention, these mainly concerned wives pigs and gardens.

It appears evident that in the ONGGANKE?, TUMUNG area, for a man to take a second wife, disregarding the first wife and any children of this marriage. A decision was reached after explanations were given in regards to family obligations and usually the second marriage was dissolved, as no children were of the marriage, the man returning to his first wife. Only a few preferred to maintain the two families, however this was not common.

No other forms of complaint was received by the patrol whilst in the TIMBE Census Division.

COURTS.

Only one (1) court was referred to the patrol, which Mr. J. C. Benson dealt with under the Native Administration Regulations, resulting in a conviction of two (2) months under Regulation 97 (a).

The people of the TIMBE Census Division appear to be lawful citizens, however as Mr. Benson did explain that many cases may have been settled before being brought to the Administration's attention.

REST HOUSES.

The standard of rest houses in the Census Division are adequate, however the majority of them are too small to accommodate two officers and their equipment.

In the larger villages the rest house is usually located on high ridges, being exposed to the windy and cold conditions, as they are all well supplied with adequate ventilation.

CARRIERS.

There exists no problem at all in obtaining hired carriers in the TIMBE area. Men, women and children all volunteer to carry, the only problem being, is that many have to be turned away.

Carriers may be obtained in all villages that the patrol visited, except in the smaller places, but this is due mainly to the number of men absent as workers. It is found possible to gain carriers from nearby villages, in such situations.

The time carriers are away from their village is of no concern in the TIMBE Census Division, as villages are only a matter of hours apart. Carriers usually ask for money for their services.

HEALTH.

The general health of the people in the TIMBE Census Division is of a satisfactory standard. No serious illness was noted by the patrol, however the Aid Post Orderly accompanying the patrol treated many colds and neglected sores, which is a habit. The occurrence of colds were mainly in the higher regions which can be attributed to the weather conditions. In the higher villages a number of goitre cases were noticed.

In the area of POBUNG, previous to the patrol's visit there had been an outbreak of measles, which was attended to by the Aid Post at KALALO. A number of deaths occurred due to this, but on advise from the Medical Assistant at KALALO, that this was the result of possible infection by pneumonia after the measles. - - - 77.

The Census Division has seven (7) Administration Aid Post, which were found to be rather inadequate in supplies, the majority having very little and some having nothing. When the medical supplies arrive at the correct time, the Aid Post Orderly is capable of carrying out a satisfactory grade of work.

The people of WAVIT village made a request to the patrol for the establishment of an Aid Post in their village. However when considering that both KALALO and ULAP are four (4) hours away, each with a hospital and also SATOP being one (1) hour from WAVIT with an Aid Post. If however the staff is available to meet the request from these people, it would be an advantage to the WAVIT village.

EDUCATION.

There are no Administration schools in the TIMBE Census Division.

In the larger villages the Lutheran Mission have their main schools, these are at YAKOP, YANDU, SONGGIN, ONGGAKKE and LEWEMON. The school buildings are relatively well constructed and the education of the younger children seems to be of interest with the people. In these schools very little or no English is being taught.

With the larger villages having the main schools, as well as smaller sources of education being available in the other villages, there are few children or adults absent from the villages as students, usually completing their education at the local village school.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

At the present time there are no vehicular roads in the TIMBE Census Division.

There does exist between the villages of YAKOP and DENGONDO a partly completed road, but there is only sections of reasonable constructed road, but this is not continuous. This road so far has been constructed by voluntary labour from nearby villages. On completion of this road it will link up with the KOTBA to KAWON road. No?

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ROADS AND BRIDGES Cont'd.

In the TIMBE Census Division the villages are connected by walking tracks, which are in places found to be in a satisfactory condition, indicating that the people are carrying out their obligations in regards to maintenance. However in other places the tracks are very rough and steep, this being due to terrain of the particular area.

It may be in anticipation of a road replacing these connecting tracks, but the people have widen the tracks in certain places. In such places if given a minor amount of work, by improving the surface, could prove adequate for vehicular roads. In other places where a similar thing has been done, it would not be advisable for road construction due to the steep terrain.

As there exists no other means of communication for the Census Division, it would only be possible to construct a number of vehicular roads. It is due to this that the full potential of the area is unable to expand, particularly so in the field of agriculture.

At least two (2) bridges would be required to give access to the whole area, one being at the YALUMET River and another at the TIMBE River. As both of these larger rivers are impassable during the wet season.

MISSIONS.

In all villages throughout the Census Division are well represented by the Lutheran Mission, to which the people are adherents.

Most villages have their own church, many constructed from permanent materials. The influence of the mission in this area is rather strong, with the people having a good attitude towards them.

AIRFIELDS.

Due to the rugged mountainous terrain of the TIMBE Census Division, it does not allow for the construction of airfields.

As such no possible sites were noticed by the patrol.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL.

In regards to this field very little information was gained due to the fact that, at the time of the patrol I had not a full understanding of Pidgin so as to converse with the people. As it will be realised it would prove difficult in gaining any adequate data in regards to anthropology.

Within the TIMBE Census Division both male and female children have rights to their father's land and other property.

The standard house in the area has it's floor 2 - 5 feet from the ground, most houses having planked walls of timber now, this fashion being introduced. In places where timber is lacking, woven bamboo is used for the walling material. The roofing design is the gable shape, being thatched with kunai or other grass materials.

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ANTHROPOLOGICAL Cont'd.

Each home has usually one (1) large room, being used as both living and sleeping quarters, this is the general case, except where two (2) families are occupying the same house, here two large rooms are built. The flooring of the house is of the usual woven bamboo, within the centre of the room there is a fireplace constructed of stone for the use of cooking purposes. Due to lack of windows in the houses, this probably being attributed to the cold conditions, particularly so in the higher regions of 7,000 feet or more. As such the ventilation and lighting of the houses is very poor.

Single males in the villages after reaching a certain age, are permitted to enter the 'single man house'. Here they live, however they do return to their parents who still supply their food. Married men are allowed to stay in 'single man house', as well as with their family.

LABOUR.

Within the TIMBE Census Division there does exist a surplus of labour, at present many able workers are only employed on their own gardens and smaller jobs, within the Census Division.

The figures show that there are 853 labourers are employed within the District, whilst 623 are working outside the District. As it can be seen that the demands for labour are being met from outside the Census Division, those that are employed are usually under a contract system of labour.

There is no native person within the TIMBE Census Division who is an employer of labour.

CENSUS.

No problems were encountered in taking the census whilst in the Census Division.

The previous census was carried out in 1965 and at this taking of the census the total population for the TIMBE Census Division was found to be 11,401. The birth rate being 3.2 per 100; death rate 1.8 per 100; and the natural increase 1.4 per 100.

Mr. J.G. Benson, as the patrolling officer, has forwarded the Village Population Register forms.

GEOGRAPHY/TOPOGRAPHY.

The TIMBE Census Division is an area of mountainous and rugged terrain. As the Census Division extends from the Saruwaged Mountains to the coast, with some villages being sited on the lower slopes of the mountain range, however they are still at a height of 7,000 feet and more. It is in such places that the typical rough areas are experienced.

The TIMBE area is mainly covered with vegetation of thick forested land, with heavy undergrowth in certain places.

Except after leaving BONGGI, the closest village to the coast, does the terrain level, here on flatter land there is areas of grassland to be found.

PERSONNEL.

As I was only accompanying the patrol with Mr. J.G. Benson P.C. it is only possible for me to comment on the Patrol Police in regards to their conduct and efficiency.

The three (3) members of the R.P.N.G.C. who accompanied the patrol all worked well and carried out their duties efficiently.

Const. 9744 GANATO. Experienced patrol policeman and is found to be of great assistance on patrol. Carries out his duties in an efficient manner.

Const. 8874 GARID. An experienced man for patrolling, going about his duties in a conscientious manner.

Const. 6447 BARAGA. Very quite, having little to say, however is an efficient policeman on patrol.

Mr. Benson has forwarded R. S. Form 1 to the Commissioner of Police.

K Sandell.

K.G.T. Sandell
Cadet Patrol Officer.

PATROL No. 2
1966/67

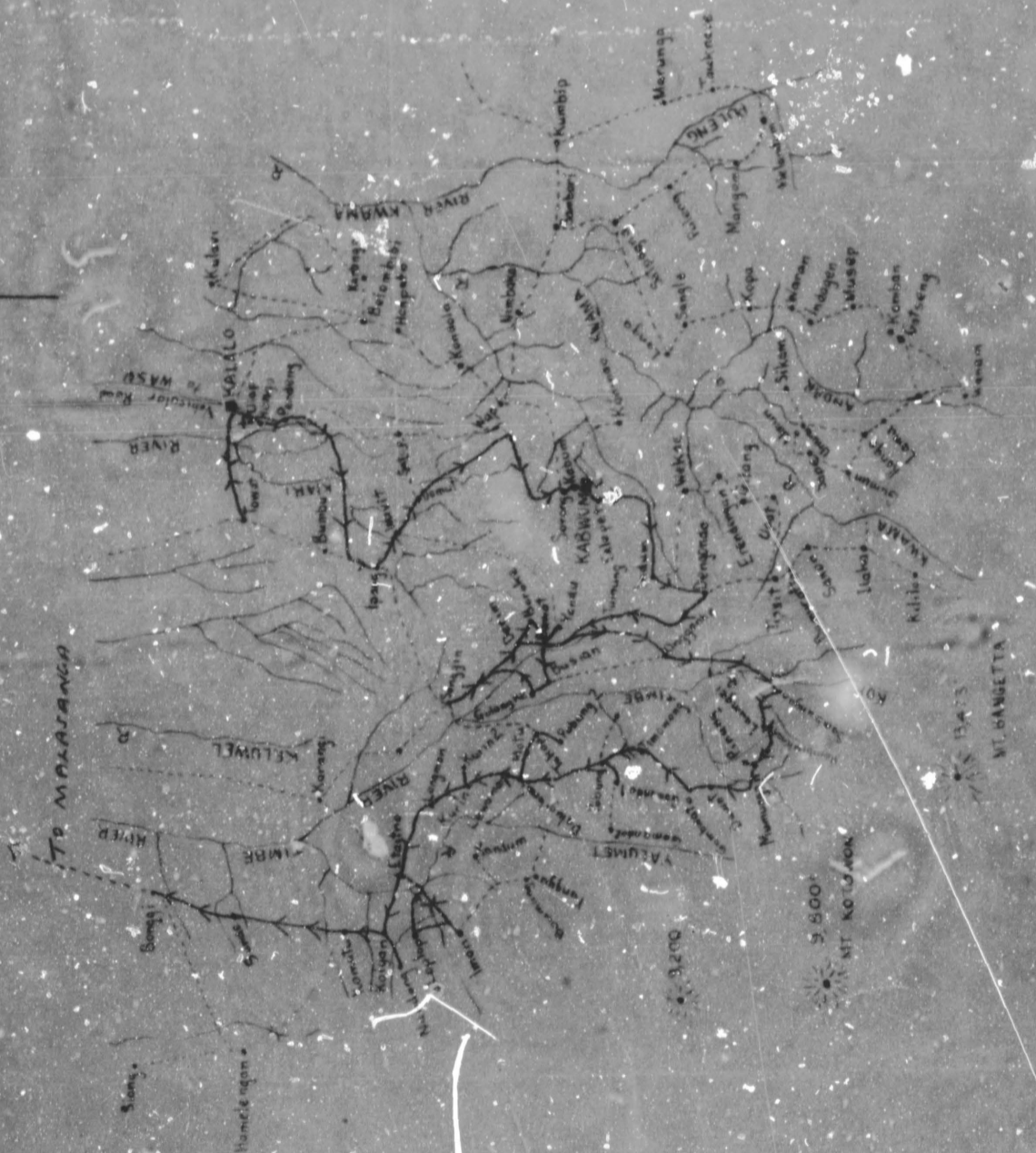
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KABWUM PATROL POST

Scale: 4 miles to 1 inch.

• Village
• Patrol Post
— Track
— Air-strip

Drawn by: Lathorne, C.P.O. 14-6-66





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of MOROBE Report No KARWUA No. 3 of 1966/67

Patrol Conducted by F. G. Hanson, Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled KOMBA and part SELEPET Census Divisions

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Nil

Natives 2 RPNGC, 2 PHD

Duration—From 8 / 3 / 1967 to 16 / 3 / 1967

Number of Days 9

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No, Hospital Assistant

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services / / 1966

Medical / / 1966

Map Reference Attached Map

Objects of Patrol Kabwun Local Government Council pre-elections

General Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

 / / 19

District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation £

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £

Amount paid from P.E.D.F. Trust Fund

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67-6-43

11th July, 1967.

District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
LAE.

KABWUM PATROL NO. 3 of 1966/67.

Your 67-2-12 /837 of 28/4 refers.

Both your comments and those of the A.D.C.,
Pinschhafen, are noted and agreed with, particularly your
last paragraph. Mr. Bernen has evidently conducted his
patrol and its affairs efficiently and satisfactorily.

The repetition of explanations about the local
government system, though tedious, is essential and the
only effective means of educating the people to a better
understanding of this form of government.

The continued need of this is apparent, and
will be for some time, considering that each Councillor
will represent some 1,200 people. Councillors will re-
quire considerable training and experience before being
capable of assuming any degree of responsibility in this
regard. Such large wards indicate the necessity for early
introduction of formally elected ward committees to assist
in establishing, and maintaining, contact between the Council
and the electors.

Thought may be given soon to an increase of
representation in the Kabwum Council as it may be found
that the present ratio is too unwieldy.

I presume the people are aware that they are
free to make a choice about paying the Lutheran Mission
"tax".

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams Discom
Our Reference 67-2-12/887
If calling ask for
Mr. Lewis.lg:



67 4 43
Department of District Administration,
District Headquarters,
Morobe District,
L.A.E. T.N.G.

28th April, 1967.

The Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEDORU, Papua.

KABWUM PATROL REPORT No. 3 1966/67.
KOMBA AND PART SELENET CENSUS DIVISIONS.

.....
I attach copy of a patrol report submitted by Mr. J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer and copy of the Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen covering memo.

This was a routine patrol, its main aim to prepare the people for the forthcoming Council elections. Mr. Benson has approached the problem in a workman-like manner.

I endorse the A.D.C.'s comments in respect of his query as to the reluctance of the people in Ward 19 to join the Council. Mr. Benson should have investigated the matter thoroughly as delay in understanding the attitude of the people will only compound the problem.

D.N. Acholon
D.N. ACHOLON,
a/District Commissioner.

c.c.
The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub-District Office,
FINSCHHAFFEN

c.c.
The Officer-in-Charge,
Patrol Post,
KABWUM.

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Department of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
KINSHAPEN, MOROBE DISTRICT.

67-1-5

14th April, 1967.

The District Commissioner,
Department of District Administration,
KINSHAPEN, MOROBE DISTRICT.

KABWUM PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1966/67

Three copies of the above are enclosed, together with Mr. Benson's claim for Camping Allowance. A patrol map is included only with the original copy of the report. Camping Allowance Claims for police personnel accompanying the patrol have been forwarded to the District Inspector, Lae.

I have the following additional comments to make:-

INTRODUCTION: Mr. Benson has not explained why the people in Ward 19 are not anxious to have the Council established. His comments have been requested.

COMPLAINTS: I have written to the O.I.C., Kalalo, advising him to make the necessary enquiries regarding the alleged collection of money by the Lutheran Mission at Ulap.

ROADS & BRIDGES: It would appear that this area will have to rely on sporadic air services for some time to come. However, the development of roads in this area is something that the Kabwum Council could consider encouraging.

AIRFIELDS: It is to be hoped that the people around INDAGEN maintain their enthusiasm long enough to see this airfield completed.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT: The purpose of this patrol was to publicise the forthcoming Kabwum Council elections and to prepare the people for them. This has been done in a conscientious and efficient manner by Mr. Benson. The elections have been recommended to commence on 22nd. May, 1967.

The remainder of the report is straightforward and calls for no comment.

A workmanlike patrol and report.

Encls.

(D. J. MURPHY)
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c: O.I.C. Kabwum.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Patrol Post,
KABWUM,
Morobe District.

17th March, 1967.

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

KABWUM PATROL No. 3 of 1966/67.

Patrol conducted by: J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled : Komba and part Selepet
Census Divisions.

Personnel accom-
panying the
Patrol : Victor Atam, Hospital Assistant,
1 Aid Post Orderly,
2 Members R.P.N.G.C.

Duration of the
Patrol : 8/3/67 to 16/3/67, 9 days.

Last patrol to
the area : D.D.A., 1966,
D.A.S.F., 1967.

Objects of the
Patrol : Kabwum Local Government
Council Pre-election,
General Administration.

Map reference : Attached map.

INTRODUCTION.

This pre-election patrol for the Kabwum Local Government Council was conducted in the Komba and Selepet Census Divisions, an area of approximately 360 square miles. Wards 14 to 25 of the proposed Council were patrolled, Wards 15 and 16 were visited from the Station.

Where possible the people were grouped by Wards and the pre-election talk given to the Ward. The first elections of the House of Assembly were used as an illustration of the type of elections to be expected for the Council. Many questions were asked and from these questions it is obvious that much of the Council propaganda has been forgotten. General Administration was carried out, Licence to Trade With Natives and Certificates of Registration were checked. Many minor complaints were settled. No Courts were referred to the patrol.

The people of these two Census Divisions are the more advanced of the Kabwum Administrative Area and except for Ward 19 are most anxious to have the Council established and functioning.

DIARY.

8th March, 1967.

Afternoon, Kabwum to Wap 1 hr. 15 min. Village inspected by Hospital Assistant and self. Trade Stores checked. No complaints. Overnight Wap. 3,800 ft.

9th March, 1967.

Pre-election talk Wap and Kondolop, Ward 14. Wap to Nimbako 1 hr. 30 min. Pre-election talk Nimbako, Ward 14. Village inspected. General Administration. No complaints. Overnight Nimbako. 4,100 ft.

10th March, 1967.

Nimbako to Sambori 3 hrs. Pre-election talk Ward 25, Kumbip, Sambori, Satwag. Ward 24, Mangam, Melandum, Puleng, Tauknawe. Village inspected. General Administration. Minor complaints. Overnight Sambori. 3,800 ft.

11th March, 1967.

Sambori to Satwag 1 hr. Village inspected, very clean. Satwag to Langa 3 hrs. Village inspected. General Administration. Minor complaints. Overnight Langa. 5,400 ft.

12th March, 1967.

Pre-election talk Ward 23, Kopa, Langa, Saune. Langa to Saune 20 min. Village inspected. Saune to Kopa 40 min. Village inspected. Minor complaint, debt, settled. Kopa to Indagen 1 hr. 30 min. Village and airstrip inspected. Many minor complaints. Overnight Indagen. 5,700 ft.

13th March, 1967,
Pre-election talk Ward 21, Geraun, Lama, Wanam.
Ward 22, Gatseng, Komban, Indagen, Musep, and
Waran. Assisted with work on airstrip. Indagen
to Ununu 1 hr. 30 min. Village inspected. Minor
complaints. Overnight Ununu. 5,900 ft.

14th March, 1967.
Pre-election talk Ward 20, Gumun, Konge, Sape,
Sikam, Umun, Ununu. Konge airstrip now operational
and people request that their coffee be flown to
the coast. Ununu to Ilaka 2 hrs. Village inspected.
Minor complaints. Overnight Ilaka. 5,100 ft.

15th March, 1967.
Pre-election talk Ward 19, Bamurofto, Ilaka and
Sanon. Ilaka to Tipsit 1 hr. No reasonable accom-
modation available. To Upat, 30 min. No accommodation
available. To Gilang, 15 min. No accommodation. To
Erendengan, 30 min. No complaints. Overnight
Erendengan. 5,500 ft.

16th March, 1967.
Pre-election talk Ward 18, Dengando, Gilang, Tipsit,
and Upat. Ward 17, Erendengan and Wekae. Erendengan
to Kabwum 2 hrs. End patrol.

OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS.

RECEPTION OF PATROL.

In all villages the patrol was given a
friendly reception. Usually involving much hand
shaking, almost with the entire village.

VILLAGES.

Most villages were clean with well kept
gardens. The cleanest village was the small village
of Satwag. Housing was satisfactory.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

In these two Census Divisions and especially
the Komba, the Village Officials are dominated by
Ewasa/ Unde, Luluai of Indagen village. All Officials
are doing their best. With the establishment of the
Kabwum Local Government Council in the near future
no new appointments or terminations were thought to
be necessary.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

There is no change that is evident in the Komba and Selepet Census Divisions. The people are divided between the Administration and the Lutheran Mission even though the Mission tax has recently been raised. Mr. Stoi Umut, M.H.A., exerts a great deal of influence in this area.

AGRICULTURE.

The main cash crop grown in these two Census Divisions is coffee. The Dept. of Agriculture, Stock and Fisheries, Kabwum, has supplied the following coffee figures:

Selepet Census Division:	293,000 mature trees,
	117,000 immature trees,
	Total 410,000.
Komba Census Division:	94,000 mature trees,
	168,000 immature trees,
	Total 262,000.

Coffee grows well in these two Census Divisions. The problem of market transport has not been solved and a great deal of coffee remains untouched on the trees. The buying point at Kabwum is central for the Selepet Census Division but not for the Komba. If Konge airstrip and later Indagen airstrip can be used to transport coffee to the coast this problem may be partially solved.

LIVESTOCK.

There is little change in this industry in the Komba and Selepet Census Divisions. An additional four head of cattle have been purchased and are at Kandclop village, Selepet Census Division. Sheep have been introduced into the Komba Census Division. There are two sheep at Ununu village.

Livestock does not figure a great deal in the local cash economy however, in the near future it should as more people become aware of the possibilities of cattle in the area.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

This is mainly confined to the operation of trade stores. All operators had current licences. There was very little cargo in any of the stores. Fish, soap, tobacco, clothes and sugar were mostly

stocked. Some stores had only a small supply of tin fish. Most trade stores in these two Census Divisions purchase their goods from Kabwum, some, those nearer the coast purchase from Ulap or Wasu.

Trade stores or, Commerce and Industry do not figure a great deal in the local cash economy.

COMPLAINTS.

Many minor complaints were brought to the attention of the patrol. I feel that of these complaints many had been settled at village level and only required a final settlement. The main complaints concerned pigs and debt.

The people of Kopa village had arranged for a carpenter from Indagen village to build their church and school. The carpenter had not been paid and the outstanding debt was settled.

The people of Konge village have requested that their coffee be flown from Konge airstrip, operated by the Summer Institute of Linguistics, to the coast. Konge is at present the only operational airstrip in the Komba Census Division and if coffee could be flown to the coast from Konge until Indagen airstrip is operational it would save the people an eight hours walk to the buying point at Kabwum. Konge airstrip could also serve the other villages of this Census Division.

The people of Indagen village advised that in 1943 £700, \$1400, was given to the Lutheran Mission at Ulap for safe keeping. According to the Indagen people in 1961 \$1400 was received at the Ulap store. The people have requested that their original money be returned, to date it has not. There is no record of a previous complaint by the Indagen people at Kabwum and I have not as yet taken any action.

Other complaints were settled. No Courts were referred to the patrol.

REST HOUSES.

With the exception of three villages, all in the Selepet Census Division, all rest houses were adequate. The three villages, Tipsit, Upat and Gilang are now repairing or building new rest houses.

HEALTH.

Victor Atam, Hospital Assistant, who accompanied the patrol is dealing with this subject. The general health of the people is good but an outbreak of common colds was evident.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Little work has been done on the small amount of existing roads in these two Census Divisions. The people of the Komba Census Division are concentrating on the Indagen airstrip and the Selepet people are not interested in roads, they have the Kabwum airstrip. There are no completed vehicular roads in either area. All walking tracks were found to be in reasonable condition considering that this is the wet season.

MISSIONS.

The Lutheran Mission operates in this area. The Mission headquarters are at Ulap near Kalalo Patrol Post. The Mission exerts a great deal of influence in both the Komba and Selepet Census Divisions. Recently the Mission tax was raised, it is now \$20 for a small village and \$50 for a large village. Most villages in this area are large. I do not know the frequency of the tax collection. The people are very pro-Mission.

AIRFIELDS.

There is one operational airstrip in the Selepet Census Division, Kabwum. The Komba Census Division has one airstrip operated by the Summer Institute of Linguistics at Konge.

The people of Indagen village, Komba Census Division, under the guidance of Luluai Bwasa/ Unde are constructing an airstrip.

Approximately one thousand feet have been completed. The degree of slope is negligible. The airstrip is approached from a westerly direction and the eastern end is almost in the village area. The majority of remaining work is on the southern side. From the one thousand ft. to the fourteen hundred ft. mark large limestone hills remain to be removed. These outbreaks of limestone are twenty feet high in places and it will be sometime before they are completely removed. From the fourteen hundred ft. to the sixteen hundred ft. mark a little filling is required after coffee trees have been removed.

Little constructive work has been completed since my last visit to Indagen in December, and it will be some months before a test landing could safely be made.

J.G. Benson
Patrol Officer.

APPENDIX 1.KABWUM LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL PRE-ELECTIONS.

The Kabwum Local Government Council will cover the Kabwum and part of the Kalalo administrative areas. There will be twenty five Wards and one Councillor per Ward, a total population of 29,750 with an average of 1200 per Ward.

Wards 14 to 25 in the Selepet and Komba Census Divisions were visited.

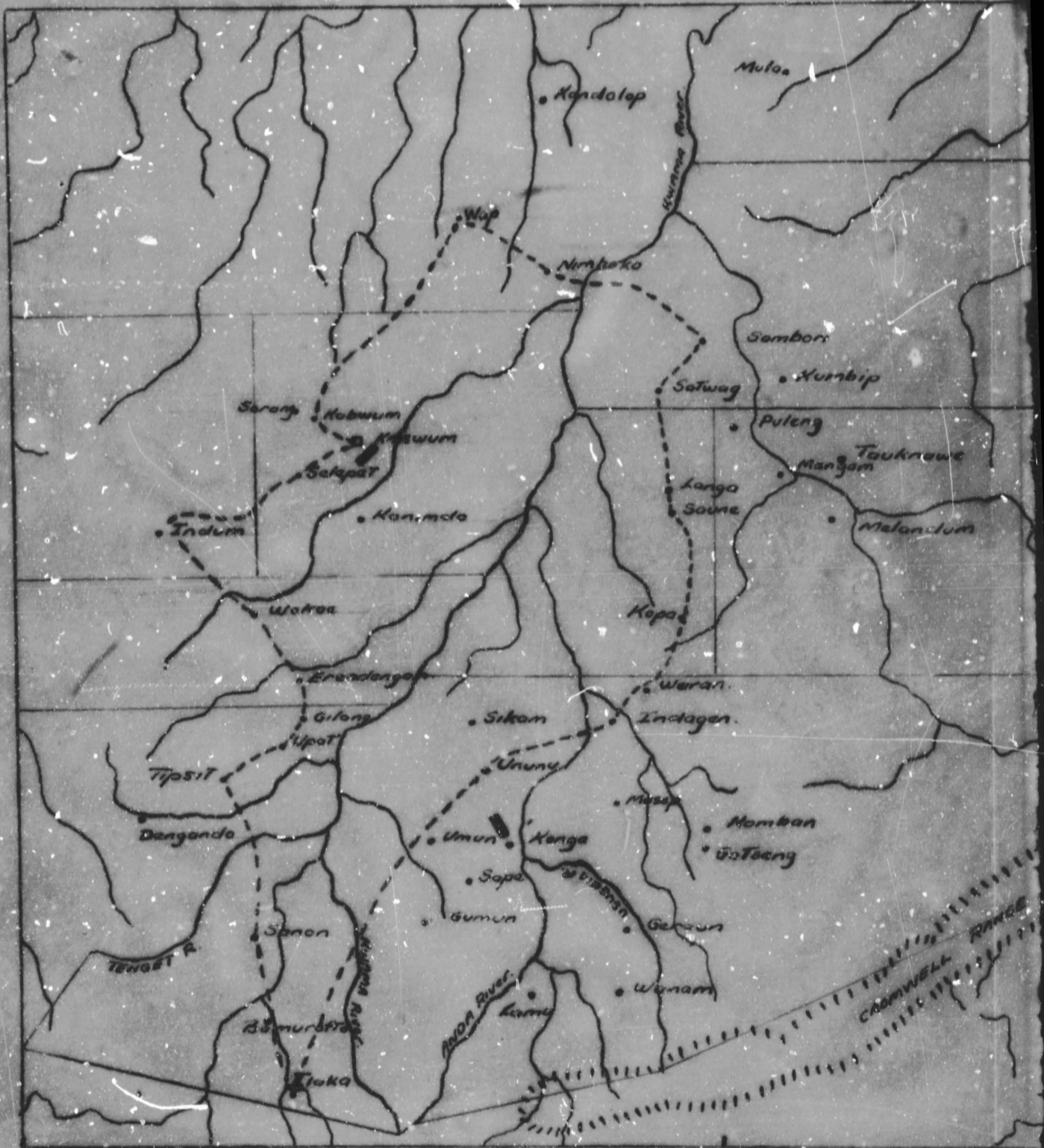
Where possible the villages were grouped and the pre-election talk given to the Ward. The pre-election propaganda was well received and a number of questions were asked. It was found necessary to repeat the Council explanatory talks previously given and then give the pre-election talk. The House of Assembly elections were used as an illustration of the type of election to be expected for the Council. The people still had some understanding of the House of Assembly elections but with regard to the Council elections were a little vague.

The people were doubtful as what happens to the Village Officials and would they automatically become Councillors. The idea of candidates was found difficult to understand. The House of Assembly did not help here as the people regard Stoi Umut, M.H.A., as the only candidate and Member. The candidates residing in the Kabwum/Kalalo area were not considered. I hope that there is now some idea of candidates.

It was found necessary for patrol personnel to act the part of candidates and conduct an election. After this short play had been acted there was a better understanding of election procedure but many people still do not have a good understanding.

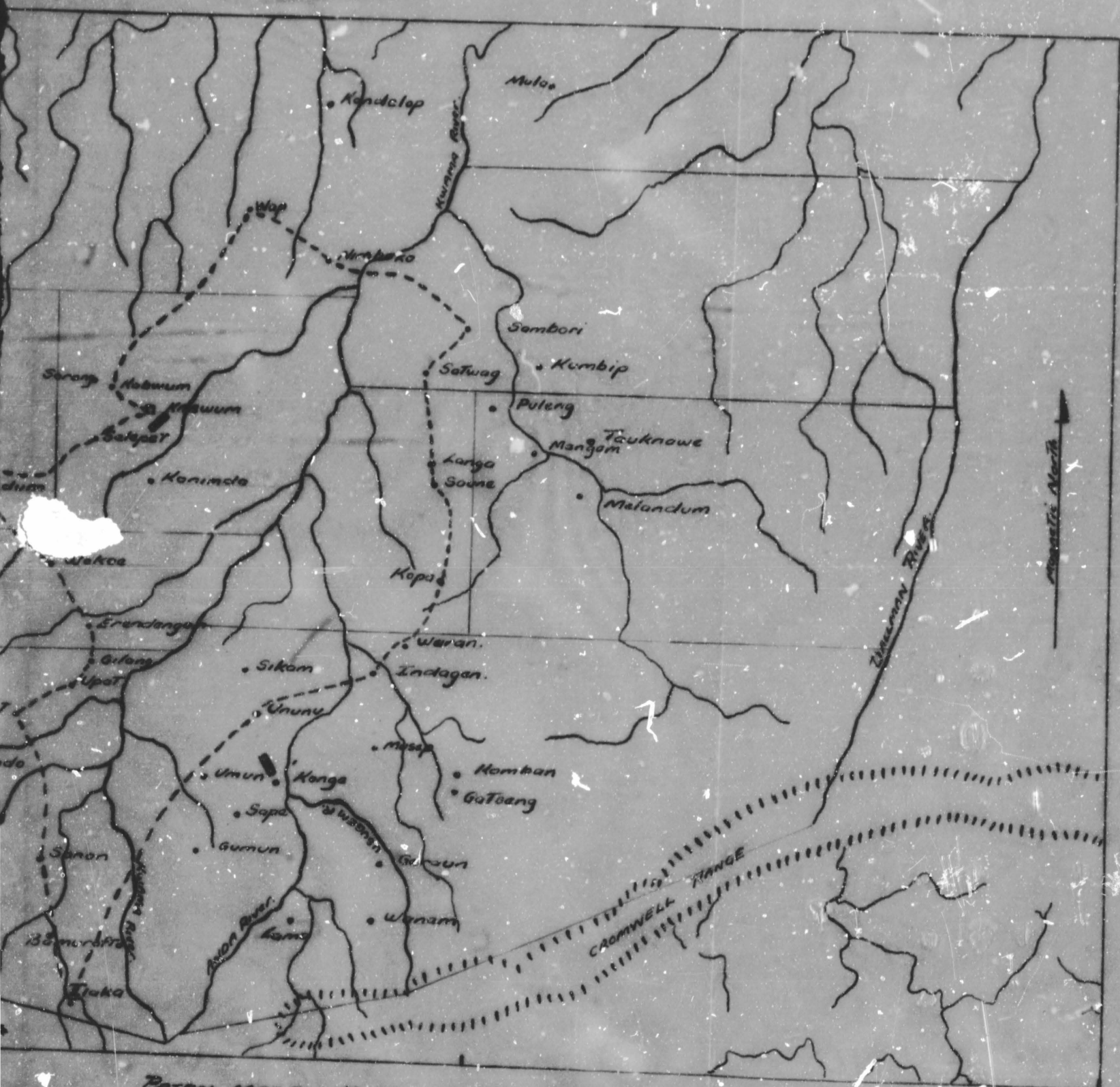
It appears that in many Wards the people have conducted their own form of an election and that the Council elections will only be a formality. Other larger Wards have not reached a decision.

At the time of the Council elections when another explanatory talk is given and with this talk fresh in their minds there should be little difficulty in conducting the elections in the Selepet and Komba Census Divisions.



PATROL MAP - KABWUM PATROL NO 3 OF 1966/67

Legend:



PATROL MAP - KASWUM PATROL NO 3 OF 1966/67

Scale: 2mils: 1inch

- Legend:
- Patrol Post: □
 - Patrol route: - - - -
 - Airstrip: ■



TERRITORY OF PAFUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....MCROBE..... Report No. KABWUM No. 4 of 1966/67.

Patrol Conducted by..... J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer.....

Area Patrolled..... TIMBE Census Division.....

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

Natives..... 2 R.P.N.G.C., 1 P.H.D.....

Duration—From...4.../4.../1967...to...14.../4.../1967...

Number of Days..... 11.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No. Hospital Assistant.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../...../19 66.

Medical /...../19 66.

Map Reference... Attached map.....

Objects of Patrol... Katvum Local Government Council pre-elections,
General Administration.....

Director of Native Affairs,
POPT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

12/5/67
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District Commissioner

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

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

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

67-6-45

11th July, 1967.

District Commissioner,
Meroke District,
L.A.E.

FADHWI PATROL NO. 4 OF 1966/67:

Your 67-2-12 of the 12th May, refers.

2. Both your comments and those of the Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen, appear to adequately cover most points needing comment in Mr. Benson's report.

3. These people have apparently had little or no contact with neighbouring Council areas, which will obviously necessitate a concentrated educational programme in the first years of operation of the Council if it is to become an effective local authority.

4. Road development and every effort should be made to peg and commence construction of an adequate road network in this area.

(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

67. 6. 45



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegram
Our Reference... 67-2-12
If calling ask for JPS/RMR
Mr.....



Department of District Administration,
Morobe District,
LAE.

12th May, 1967.

Director,
Department of District Administration,
KONEODOU.

KABWUM PATROL NO. 4 OF 1966/67 - TIMBE
CENSUS DIVISION

...
I attach herewith copy of the above-mentioned report submitted by Mr. J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer, of his patrol to the Timbe Census Division of the Kabwum administrative area. A clear sketch map is attached to the report, as is a copy of comments on the report made by the Assistant District Commissioner, Finschhafen.

2. The principal object of the patrol was to conduct pre-election meetings and this was apparently satisfactorily done. This patrol completes the pre-election patrols of the Local Government Council area and it is expected that the elections, which will commence on 22nd May, 1967, will go forward smoothly.

3. I am glad to note that Mr. Victor Atam accompanied Mr. Benson for the second time, on this and his previous patrol.

4. Mr. Murphy's comments cover most aspects of the patrol.

5. In regard to the proposed airstrip site the information given by Patrol Officer Benson is insufficient to establish whether or not this site is an acceptable proposition. If, in fact, the slope is 20 degrees then there is no chance whatsoever of achieving any but an authorised landing ground. Mr. Benson will be asked to more closely examine the site on his next visit and to actually measure the slope with an abney level.

6. A short report of a satisfactorily conducted patrol.

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(D. Ashton)
a/District Commissioner.

67-1-5

Department of District Administration,
Sub-District Office,
FINSCHHAFFEN, MOROBE DISTRICT.

1st. May, 1967.

The District Commissioner,
Department of District Administration,
L. A. E. MOROBE DISTRICT.

KABWUM PATROL REPORT No. 4 1966/67

I enclose the original and two copies of the above report, together with claim for Camping Allowance. The Original only of the report contains a patrol map.

Pre-election patrols, pursuant to the establishment of the Kabwum Local Government Council, have been covered by Kabwum Patrol No. 3 of 1966/67, which covered Wards 14-25; this Patrol report, No. 4, which covered Wards 6-13 and a patrol from Kalalo, which I believe has been completed, covering Wards 1-5. A report on the latter has not yet been received. All is now set for the elections to commence as recommended on 22nd. May, 1967.

Mr. Benson has carried out his usual workmanlike patrol and his report is brief but to the point.

I have the following additional comments to make:-

LAND. There is nothing on file at Finschhafen regarding the land dispute between the villages of TAKOP and HEM. I have instructed the Officer-in-Charge, Kabwum, to have the area of land under dispute surveyed and registered for hearing by the Land Titles Commission.

AIRFIELDS. The number of proposed airstrips in the Kabwum area could get out of hand. Would you please refer this current one to the District Airport Inspector for his opinion and I recommend that before any more work is carried out on this particular project that it be inspected by the District Airport Inspector. The site is approximately five (5) hours walk from Kabwum Patrol Post.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT. The uncertainty felt by these people regarding the coming of Local Government is quite understandable. These people are fairly unsophisticated and talk of a proposed Council has been going on for some time. It will be many months, perhaps years, before these people have a firm understanding of Local Government.

Encls.

D. J. Murphy
(D. J. MURPHY)
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c: O.T.C. KABWUM.

CONTINGENCIES

(GENERAL EXPENSES)

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

Dr. to J.G. Benson,
KABWUM.

Departmental
Reference No.

Cash Office
Registration No.

Cash Office
Consecutive No.

Date of Supply or Period of Service	Particulars	Order No.	Rate	Amount	
				\$	c
4/4/67 to 14/4/67	Payment of Camping Allowance as per Kabwum Patrol No. 4 of 1966/67. 4/4/67 to 14/4/67, 10 nights		\$1-05	10	50
TOTAL				10	50

Ten Dollars Fifty cents TOTAL \$ 10 50

Claimant's Reference

J.G. Benson
Signature of Claimant

Date 22/4/67

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TO BE COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT

DATE CLAIM RECEIVED BY D.F.O.

C.F.C. or Reqn. No.	Div.	Subdiv.	Item	Amount

C.F.C. or Reqn. No.	Div.	Subdiv.	Item	Amount
	12	2	7	\$10-50.

REGISTERED

NOT PREV. PAID

EXAMINED

B.C. ACTION

FOR STORES.—I certify that the stores included in this account have been received and taken on charge and that the account is correct as regards rates of charge and the faithful performance of the services charged.

OTHER CASES.—I certify that this account is correct as regards rates of charge and the faithful performance of the services charged.

Person Incurring Expense

Person Incurring Expense

Date

Date

CERTIFYING OFFICER.—I certify that this account is correct within the meaning of Section 36 of the Treasury Ordinance 1951-1965.

RECEIVED this _____ day of _____ 19____

the sum of _____ Dollars
_____ cents

Certifying Office

Signature of Recipient

Witness

Cheque No.

CONTINUANCES

I certify that I am single and that no cook was provided by the Administration.

J.G. Benson
J.G. Benson
Patrol Officer.

I certify that the officer actually camped out and that no provision existed within reasonable limits of travel for messing and that reasonable accommodation provided by the Administration was not available.

D.J. Murphy
D.J. Murphy
Assistant District Commissioner

CONTINGENCIES
(GENERAL EXPENSES)

Departmental
Reference No.

Dr. to J.G. Benson,

KABWUN.

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Consecutive No.

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4/4/67 to 14/4/67	Payment of Camping Allowance as per Kabwun Patrol No. 4 of 1966/67. 4/4/67 to 14/4/67, 10 nights		\$1-05	10	50
TOTAL					10 50
Ten Dollars Fifty				TOTAL \$	10 50

Claimant's Reference: J.G. Benson Signature of Claimant Date: 22/4/67

FOR
DEPARTMENTAL
USE ONLY

TO BE COMPLETED BY DEPARTMENT

C.F.C. or Reqr. No.	Div.	Subdiv.	Item	Amount	C.F.C. or Reqr. No.	Div.	Subdiv.	Item	Amount
					12	2	7		\$10-50.

DATE CLAIM
RECEIVED BY D.F.O.

REGISTERED

FOR STORES.—I certify that the stores included in this account have been received and taken on charge and that the account is correct as regards rates of charge and the faithful performance of the services charged.

OTHER CASES.—I certify that this account is correct as regards rates of charge and the faithful performance of the services charged.

NOT PREV. PAID

EXAMINED

B.C. ACTION

Person Incurring Expense

Person Incurring Expense

Date

Date

CERTIFYING OFFICER.—I certify that this account is correct within the meaning of Section 36 of the Treasury Ordinance 1951-1965.

RECEIVED this.....day of.....19.....

the sum of.....Dollars
.....cents

Certifying Officer

Signature of Recipient

Witness

Cheque No.

CONTINGENCIES
(GENERAL EXPENSES)

I certify that I am single and that no cook was provided by the Administration.

J.G. Benson
J.G. Benson
Patrol Officer.

I certify that the officer actually camped out and that no provision existed within reasonable limits of travel for messing and that reasonable accommodation provided by the Administration was not available.

D.J. Murphy
D.J. Murphy
Assistant District Commissioner

RECEIVED BY DEPT.
EXAMINED
NOT PAID
RECEIVED

OTHER (A) - This is used to report on expenses incurred by the officer in the performance of his duties.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Patrol Post,
KABWUM,
Morobe District.

17th April, 1967.

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

KABWUM PATROL No. 4 of 1966/67.

Patrol conducted by: J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled : TIMBE Census Division.

Personnel accompanying the
Patrol : Victor Atam, Hospital Assistant,
2 Members R.P.N.G.C.

Duration of the
Patrol : 4/4/67 to 14/4/67, 11 days.

Last patrol to
the area : D.D.A., 1966.
D.A.S.F., 1967.

Objects of the
Patrol : Kabwum Local Government
Council Pre-elections,
General Administration.

Map reference : Attached map.

INTRODUCTION.

This patrol was conducted in part of the Timbe Census Division. Wards 6 to 13 of the proposed Kabwum Local Government Council were visited and an explanatory talk given to the Ward. This was similar to the pre-election patrol, Kabwum No. 3 of 1966/67, in the other two Census Divisions of the Kabwum area.

In the Timbe Census Division a Council propaganda talk was followed by the election explanatory talk. The House of Assembly elections were again used as an illustration of the type of election to be expected for the Council. Mr. Stoi Umut, M.H.A., is originally from this Census Division and the people still had some idea of the House of Assembly elections. General Administration was carried out, Licence to Trade with Natives and Certificates of Registration were checked. Very few complaints were brought to the attention of the patrol and no Courts were referred to the patrol.

The people of the Timbe Census Division are the less advanced of the Kabwum area and like the other two Census Divisions are also most anxious to have the local Government Council established.

DIARY.

4th April, 1967.

Kabwum to Yakop, 5 hrs. 30 min. Spoke with Village Officials re Council elections. Village inspected. No complaints. Overnight Yakop. 5,100ft.

5th April, 1967.

Pre-election talk Ward 10, Boxoke, Derim, Yakop, and Yanou, Ward 9, Songgin and Hem. Yakop to Tumung 30 min. Village inspected. Tumung to Ongganke 30 min. Village inspected. Minor complaint. Overnight Ongganke. 6,000 ft.

5th April, 1967.

Pre-election talk Ward 11, Ongganke and Tumung. Ongganke to Sambangan (6,100 ft.) 2 hrs. Village inspected. Sambangan to Honziuknan 2 hrs. No complaints. Overnight Honziuknan. 6,200 ft.

7th April, 1967.

Pre-election talk Ward 13, Honziuknan, Laungei, Mumunggan, Pisang and Sambangan. Minor complaint, Aid Post buildings. Honziuknan to Dawot 2 hrs. Village inspected. Overnight Dawot. 6,200 ft.

8th April, 1967.

Pre-election talk part Ward 12, Dawot, Gombwato, and Timowong. Heavy rain earlier than usual. Overnight Dawot.

9th April, 1967.
Dawot to Timowong (7,000 ft.) 1 hr. Village inspected.
Timowong to Pobung 1 hr. Overnight Pobung. 7,000 ft.

10th April, 1967.
Pre-election talk remainder Ward 12, Gomandat, Hemang,
and Pobung. Minor complaint. Pobung to Lewamon 1 hr.
Village inspected. Minor complaint. Overnight Lewamon.
5,900 ft.

11th April, 1967.
Pre-election talk Ward 8, Bolimang, Busian, Dalugilomon,
Golangke, Kurung, Lewamon, Takop, and Yunggu. Lewamon
to Etaitno 2 hrs. Village inspected. Overnight Etaitno.
4,600 ft.

12th April, 1967.
Pre-election talk Ward 7, Etaitno, Koiyan, Komutu, Imon,
Longmon, Nandong, and Ward 6, Bonggi, Hamelington, Siang,
and Sunde. Etaitno to Takop 3 hrs. Village inspected.
Complaint, land, Takop and Hem Villages. Overnight Takop.
3,800 ft.

13th April, 1967.
Takop to Yakop 5 hrs. Boroce/Derim airstrip site inspected.
Land complaint Takop and Hem continued. Overnight Yakop.

14th April, 1967.
Yakop to Kabwum 4 hrs. 30 min. End patrol.

OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS.

RECEPTION OF PATROL.

The patrol was given a friendly reception in all villages. The villages were all clean for this area.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

Village Officials are of an average standard in the Timbe Census Division. No new appointments or terminations were thought to be necessary.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

In this Census Division there is a division of power between the Lutheran Mission, Mr. Stoi Umut, M.H.A., and the Administration. No change is apparent.

AGRICULTURE.

Coffee Arabica is the main cash crop grown in the Timbe Census Division. There are 481,158 coffee trees in this area though only some 100,000 are mature.

Coffee grows well in the lower regions of this Census Division but not in the higher. The only form of transport in this area is portage and much coffee is left unpicked. I am not certain of the present coffee marketing arrangements but if full harvesting takes place this may have a serious affect on the coffee market in the Territory.

There appears to be no other cash crop besides coffee that can be grown in this Census Division.

LAND.

One complaint concerning land was brought to my attention. Takop Village has complained that Hem Village is using heavily timbered land supposedly belonging to Takop. Both Villages claim the land as their own. The land concerned, BARA, is approximately five acres of timber. The land is bounded on the north by the Tonggalong Creek, on the south by the Gipma Creek, the east by the Hem Village site and the west by the Timbe River. It appears that three generations ago these two groups lived as one. Sickness forced the Takop people to their present site, however, the Hem people advise that during the War the Takop people were afraid and left for the present site. Both Villages have gardens adjacent to the timbered area and both claim this area.

Both Villages agree to differ until another decision can be given. I understand that this matter was brought to the attention of a previous officer but no record is to be found at Kabwum. Until further advice is received the land, Bara, is to remain idle.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

This is confined to the operation of trade stores as in the Selepet and Komba Census Divisions. All stores in the Timbe Census Division had current licences but little sargo, mainly tin fish.

Most trade stores purchase their goods from Ulap, near Kelalo, a few purchase from Kabwum. Trade stores do not figure a great deal in the local cash economy.

COMPLAINTS.

Very few complaints were brought to the attention of the patrol. Those settled concerned pigs and wives.

The Aid Post Orderly at Honziuknan Village complained that the Aid Post and house for patients had not been built. These are to be completed by the Council elections in May.

HEALTH.

As in Kabwum Patrol No. 3 of 1966/67, Victor Atam, Hospital Assistant, accompanied the patrol. He will forward a separate report. Common colds and goitre were evident.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

There are no completed vehicular roads in the Timbe Census Division.

As mentioned in Kabwum Patrol No. 2 of 1966/67, I had hoped that a network of vehicular roads would be built. It now appears that the people of this Census Division consider roads as outdated. They are now building an airstrip. No further work had been completed on the small amount of existing road from Yakop to Dengando Villages.

AIRFIELDS.

Although the terrain of the Timbe Census Division does not lend itself to airfield the people are attempting to find sites where none exist. This is mainly because the other two Census Divisions, Selepet and Komba, have airstrips.

In the Timbe Census Division an airstrip is under construction near Derim and Boroce Villages. The slope and surrounding mountains give little possibility of this site meeting the requirements of the Dept. of Civil Aviation.

The proposed airstrip runs in an east/west direction and would be approached from the western or Derim end. The western end is reasonably level for the first two hundred feet, then the slope increases to some twenty degrees to the Boroce end in a distance of one thousand seven hundred feet. The Boroce eastern end is midway up a five hundred foot ridge. The ridge is at right-angles to the runway and Boroce Village is on the top. This ridge joins the dividing range the Selepet and Timbe Census Divisions and is approximately eight thousand feet high and six hundred feet from the runway in a northerly direction. The southern side is clear but

the Sarawaged Mountain Range is a short distance away. An airstrip 1,700 x 150 feet with an uphill slope of some twenty degrees could, with much work, be built.

Since my last visit to this site in January little work has been done although the local population all say they spend their time working on the airstrip construction. The first two hundred feet that are reasonably level at the Derim end have been surfaced with limestone. The grass and other foliage have been cleared from the site but no other work has been attempted.

J. G. Benson
J. G. Benson
Patrol Officer.

APPENDIX 1.KABWUM LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL PRE-ELECTIONS.

The Kabwum Local Government Council will cover the Kabwum and part of the Kalalo administrative areas. There will be twenty five Wards and one Councillor per Ward, a total population of 29,780 with an average of 1,200 per Ward.

Wards 6 to 13 in the Timbe Census Division were visited.

The Council explanatory talk previously given was repeated and then followed by the pre-election talk. As in Kabwum Patrol No. 3 of 1966/67 the House of Assembly elections were used as an illustration of the type of election to be anticipated for the Council elections. The reaction in this Census Division was very similar to the Komba and Selepet, the idea of the House of Assembly had been retained but the Council elections were new and something a little vague.

Patrol personnel were again used to conduct an election. As the idea of candidates was found difficult to understand in the other two Census Divisions I did not mention candidates until the people had some understanding of the election procedure. After they had seen the election conducted using the patrol personnel then candidates were mentioned. Village leaders, Mission teachers and other educated men had some understanding of the Council election procedure. The average village man or woman still finds it difficult to comprehend the election idea. It will be necessary to repeat the explanatory talks at the time of the elections.

Many questions were asked and many men gave a speech saying what a good thing the Council was and how pleased they were that the Council was now being established in this Census Division. It was suggested that the Luluai and Tultul caps be retained after the Council is functioning as they are a sign that the Administration is present. The people were a little concerned about the Village Officials and the part they play in the Council, also they wished to know if the Europeans were leaving after the elections.

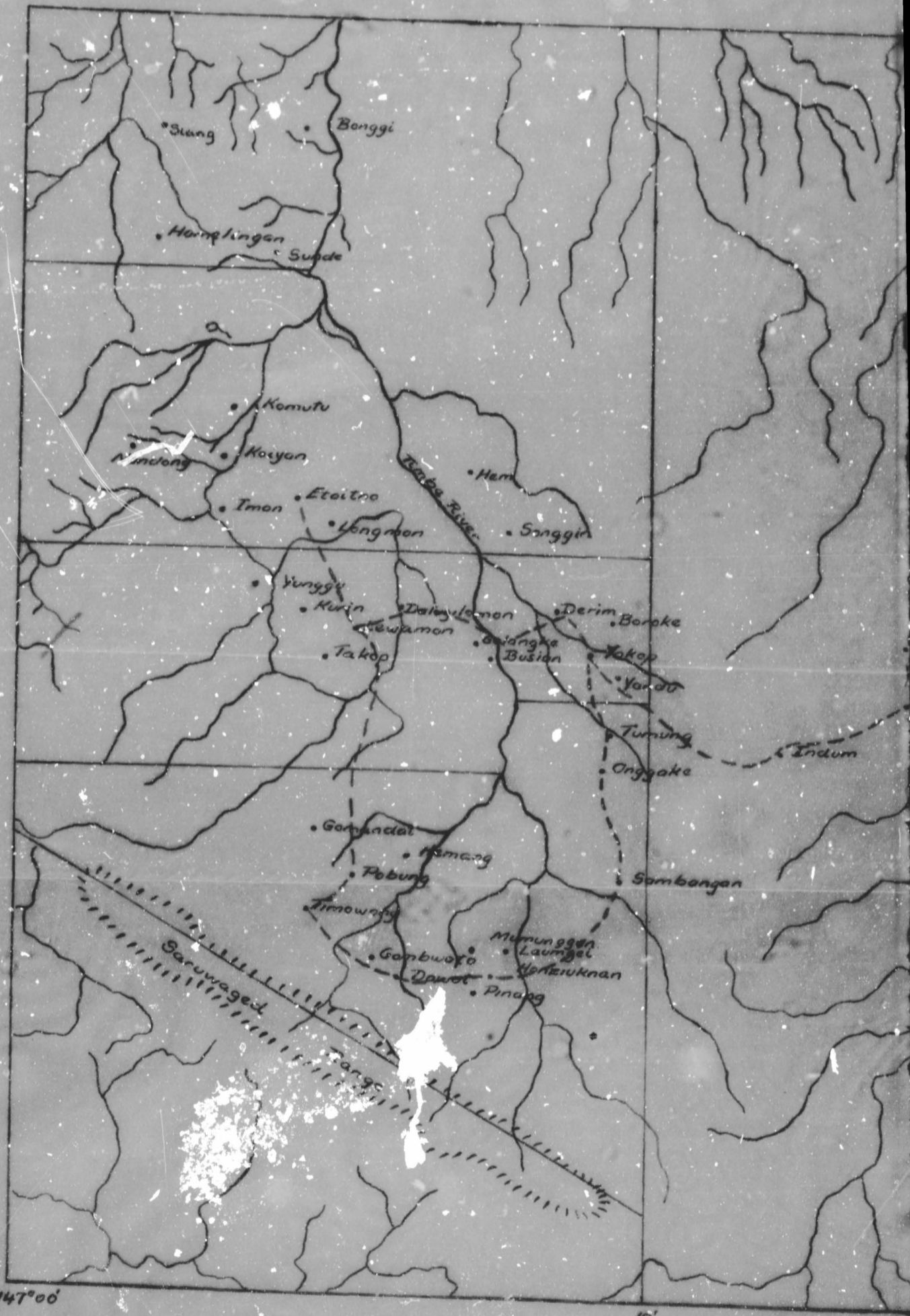
Where a number of Villages are grouped to form a Ward doubt arose as to how many Councillors would represent the Ward. The common idea was one Village one Councillor and not one Ward one Councillor.

Throughout the Timbe Census Division there was a feeling that the Council tax rate will be too high and that the old men will not be able to pay the Council tax. This was overcome by explaining that only

those who pay head tax will pay Council tax. It was agreed that the women would help the men to pay tax.

In this Census Division as in the Selepet and Komba the people have in many cases already reached a conclusion as to who is to be the Councillor for a particular Ward.

At the time of the Council elections when another explanatory talk is given there should be little difficulty in conducting the elections in the Timbe Census Division.



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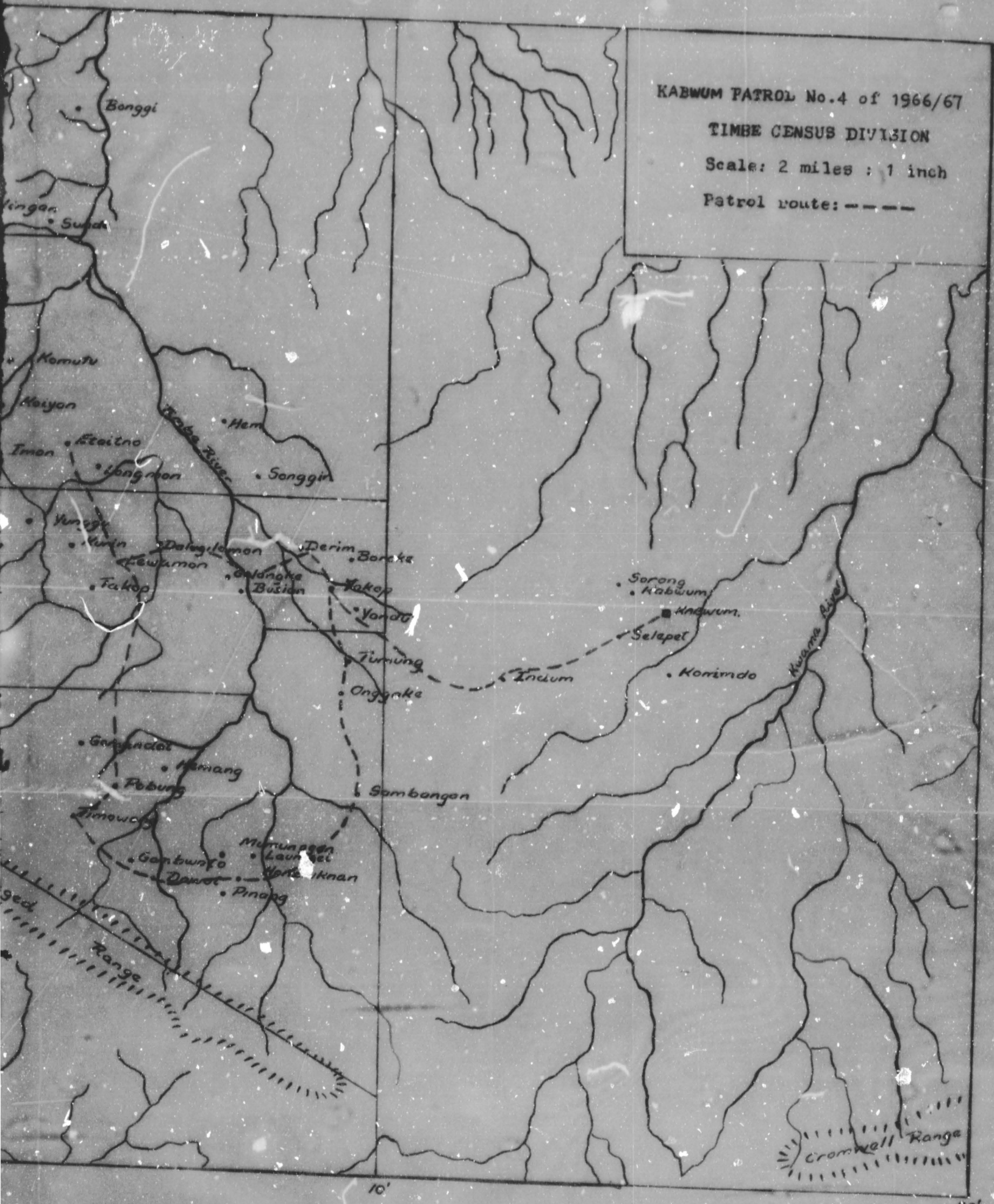
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KABWUM PATROL No.4 of 1966/67

TIMBE CENSUS DIVISION

Scale: 2 miles : 1 inch

Patrol route: - - - -



Cromwell Range

10'

20'



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of..... MCROBE Report No. KABWUM No. 5 of 1966/67.

Patrol Conducted by..... J.G. Benson, Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled..... TIMBE Census Division

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... K.G.T. Sandell, C.P.O.

Natives..... 1 R.P.N.G.C., 1 P.H.D.

Duration—From..... 22/5/1967 to..... 10/6/1967

Number of Days..... 20

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... /4/1967

Medical /4/1967

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol..... First elections Kabwum Local Government Council

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

18/7/1967


District Commissioner

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

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

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

67-6-59

21st September, 1967.

The District Commissioner,
Morobe District,
L.A.S.

KABUM PATROL NO. 5 OF 1966/67.

Your 67-2-12 of the 14th July, 1967, refers.

Receipt of the Patrol Diary is acknowledged.

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



Telegrams.....
Our Reference 67-2-12
If calling ask for.....
Mr..... JPS/CEB


Department of District Administration,
Morobe District
LAE
14th July 1967

Director
Department of District Administration
KONEBOBU

KABWUM PATROL REPORT NO. 5 - 1966/67

Attached herewith please find copy of the above mentioned patrol report submitted by Mr. J.G. Benson, Officer-in-Charge Kabwum, of his patrol to the Timber Census Division.

2. This was a special patrol for the purpose of carrying out initial elections of the Kabwum Council. The elections were carried out successfully and no further comment was required with regard to this report.


(J. G. BENTON)
a/District Commissioner

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Kabwum Patrol No. 5 of 1966/67.

Diary:

22nd May, 1967.

First elections Kabwum Local Government Council commenced. Polling Ward 15.

23rd May, 1967.

To Indum 30 minutes. Polling Ward 16. Returned Kabwum.

24th May, 1967.

Kabwum to Yakop 6 hours. Welcomed by local Village Officials. Overnight Yakop.

25th May, 1967.

Commenced polling Ward 10. Overnight Yakop.

26th May, 1967.

Completed polling Ward 10. Overnight Yakop.

27th May, 1967.

Yakop to Boroke/Derim airstrip 30 minutes. Airstrip inspected. Derim to Songgin 1 hr. 30 min. Electoral Roll and Nomination of Candidate, Form 7, forwarded from Kabwum. Overnight Songgin.

28th May, 1967.

No polling observed Songgin.

29th May, 1967.

Polling Ward 9. Songgin to Ongganke 3 hrs. Overnight Ongganke.

30th May, 1967.

Polling Ward 11. Overnight Ongganke.

31st May, 1967.

Ongganke to Sambangan 2 hrs. Welcomed by Umut/Oso, father of Mr. Stoi Umut, M.H.A. Sambangan to Honziuknan 2 hrs. Overnight Honziuknan.

1st June, 1967.

Polling Ward 13. Overnight Honziuknan.

2nd June, 1967.

Honziuknan to Dawot 2 hrs. 30 min. Village leaders from Ward 12 met patrol. Elections for Ward 12 to be held at Dawot. Not all electors arrived. Overnight Dawot.

3rd June, 1967.

Polling Ward 12. Overnight Dawot.

4th June, 1967.

Dawot to Lewamon 3 hours. Heavy rain, no welcome for patrol. No polling observed. Overnight Lewamon.

5th June, 1967.

Patrol welcomed by village leaders. Polling commenced Ward 8. Overnight Lewamon.

6th June, 1967.
Continued polling Ward 8. Overnight Lewamon.

7th June, 1967.
Polling completed Ward 8. Lewamon to Etaitno 2hrs.
Overnight Etaitno.

8th June, 1967.
Polling Wards 6 and 7. Overnight Etaitno.

9th June, 1967.
Etaitno to Yakop 9 hours. Overnight Yakop.

10th June, 1967.
Yakop to Kabwum 6 hours. End Patrol.