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1959/60

KOROBA

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. Koroba 1 of 1959/60

Patrol Conducted by R.N. Desailly, A.D.C.

Area Patrolled Naggia River Valley and Purieni

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans Mr. Grant, P.O., for 3 days.

Natives 7 Police 1 Interpreter, 26 Carriers.

Duration—From 13/7/1959 to 20/7/1959

Number of Days 8

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services May/June/1959

Medical -----/-----/18

Map Reference Patrol Map forwarded.

- Objects of Patrol
1. General Administration
  2. Mapping.
  3. Preliminary investigation concerned with proposed extension of road network.

Director of Native Affairs,

~~PORT MORESBY.~~

*More clubs. Papua.*

Forwarded, please.

*18/8/1959*

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

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

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

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Konedobu

10th September, 1959.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEHDI.

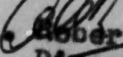
PATROL REPORT No. 1/59-60

Receipt is acknowledged.

Copies of the map will be forwarded when printed which should be today.

The Report generally indicates a highly satisfactory administrative condition amongst the people patrolled.

It would also appear that Mr. Desailly is ready to give every co-operation to the Missions; a very good idea in all areas but especially so during initial stages and preparation for control. Petty bickerings between officers/mission representatives whatever might be the justification on either side, are not conducive to a happy and effective administrative situation. Generally, all immigrants have a vested interest in a sophisticated indigenous people.

(A.A. )  
Director.

6/15/1 ✓

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
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No. 30/1-118



District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

18th. August, 1959.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu,  
P A P U A.

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B. K. LEEN  
Acting District Officer.

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his presence  
to 28/8.*

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

25th July 1959

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi,  
Southern Highlands District.

KOROBA PATROL No.1 of 1959/60

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Patrol Accompanied by: Mr N.J. Grant, Patrol Officer, 3 days.

Native personnel - 7 Police  
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8 days.

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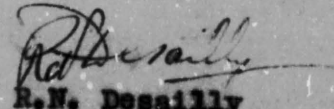
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R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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MADANI  
HIGHWAY DISTRICT

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....S.H.D..... Report No.....2 1959-60.....

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

Area Patrolled.....Koroba - Tagari River.....

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

Natives.....S.P.A. & N.G.C.....

Duration—From.....24/7/1959 to 20/8/1959.....

Number of Days.....28.....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services.....July, 1959.....

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

Map Reference.....Refer map accompanying Patrol Report No.1 1959-60.....

Objects of Patrol.....1. Road maintenance.....2. General Administration.....

Director of Native Affairs,  
~~MONEDOBU, PAPUA.~~  
~~PORT MORESBY.~~

Forwarded, please.

4/9/1959

*N.J. Grant*  
District Commissioner

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Konedobu

20th October, 1959

District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEMLI

PATROL REPORT No. 2 - 79/60 KORONA

Receipt is acknowledged.

It is gratifying to note that the KORONA - TAGARI River groups are responding to the extent of voluntary appearance on summons.

It cannot be expected that all will comply without force but the fact that some do, augurs well for the future. Good progress has been made in the past ten years.

A routine road construction job that calls for little comment.

*A.A. Roberts*  
(A.A. Roberts)  
Director

"BKL:DJL."



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply  
Please Quote  
No. 30/1-173

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

7th. September, 1959.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
Konedobu,  
P A P U A.

PATROL REPORT No. 2 1959/60 - KOROKA.

Please find enclosed the original and duplicate of the above report submitted by Mr. N. Grant, Patrol Officer.

The object of this patrol was to effect necessary maintenance on the Tari-Koroka road, and in doing this Mr. Grant combined general administration.

The matter of re-routing the road as referred to on Page 5 of the report will be brought to the notice of the Acting District Commissioner for his decision.

It is most encouraging to see that some of the influential headmen are able to persuade alleged offenders to present themselves at the Sub-District Office. The Village Constables appear to be most co-operative and fulfilling their duties in a most satisfactory manner.

The map is not submitted as it concerns the possible re-routing of sections of the Tari-Koroka road.

A claim for Camping Allowance is also attached for processing at your Headquarters and submission to Treasury in accordance with Circular 295.

Mr. Grant has done a good piece of work.

*Claims for  
Camping Allowance processed  
for 9/10*

*B. K. Leen*  
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B. K. LEEN  
Acting District Officer.

"K.L.D.J.L."



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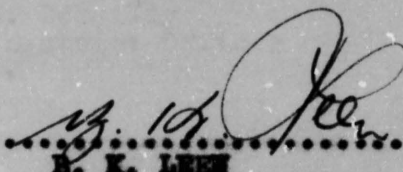
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It is most encouraging to see that some of the influential headmen are able to persuade alleged offenders to present themselves at the Sub-District Office. The Village Constables appear to be most co-operative and fulfilling their duties in a most satisfactory manner.

The map is not submitted as it concerns the possible re-routing of sections of the Fari-Koroka road.

A claim for Camping Allowance is also attached for processing at your Headquarters and submission to Treasury in accordance with Circular 295.

Mr. Grant has done a good piece of work.

  
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N. K. LEEN  
Acting District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

In Reply  
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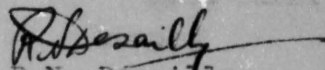
No. 30/4 - 320

Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.  
23rd July 1959

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. 30/1 - 336.  
Sub-district Office,  
Koroba.  
28th August, 1959.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.2 1959-60.

Officer Conducting Patrol.

N.J. Grant, P.O.

Area Patrolled 6

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Went to Tobani to interview a Munima man who owed a moga to Tugiabu of Arua, but he was not at home. Wogae of Tagarbor and Undugali came into camp at 7.30 pm. Witnesses called and C.N.Ms. held. No rain.

Thursday, 20th August, 1959.

Munima agreed to pay Tugiabu his "moga" and pigs assembled. Patrol returned Koroba.

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The area covered by this patrol has been censused, is all within 8 hours hard walk of Koroba and is under direct administrative control. From here then, it should be possible to have persons appear on summons to answer charges and not to have to chase them through the bush and arrest them. The system is now being implemented at Koroba whereby a verbal summons is issued and the person concerned with perhaps his V.C. or other interested parties appear. This is a most desirable object and does work on many occasions. There are occasions, however, when someone refuses to appear. It is then necessary to arrest this person to prevent the system from becoming useless.

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30/4 - 320

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30/1 - 336.  
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KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.2 1959-60.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....Southern Highlands..... Report No. 3 of 1959-60.....

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

Area Patrolled.....(1). Mogorofurwa. (2). Paru Valley. (3) Teni-Tabu Area.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....(2). Dr. Rodrigue.....  
6 R.P. & N.G.O., 1 Interpreter, 1 NMO,  
Natives.....Natives of 15 carriers.....

Duration—From 25 / 9 / 1959 to 15 / 10 / 1959.....

Number of Days.....21.....

Did Medical Assistant Accompany...A doctor on (2).....

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

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

Map Reference...Sections (1) & (2) Map attached. Section (3) refer either  
Tari P/R No2 1958-9 or No2 of 1959-60.

Objects of Patrol.....Preliminary road survey (1); Construction of two Aid Posts  
and investigation of reported epidemic. (2).; Suppression of Tribal Fighting.....

Director of Native Affairs,  
~~KONIEDOBU.~~  
~~PORT MORESBY.~~

Forwarded, please.

9/11/1959

*B. M. Peis*  
of District Commissioner Office

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

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

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

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67-15-16

20th November, 1959.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

KCROBA Patrol Report No. 3/59-60.

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General attitude to the Administration, as reported by Mr. Grant, seems to be commensurate with what might be expected at this stage of contact. Next objective will be to confine fights to individuals if at all possible, though such an aim might be a bit optimistic for a year or so.

*A.A.R.*  
(A.A. Roberts),  
Director.

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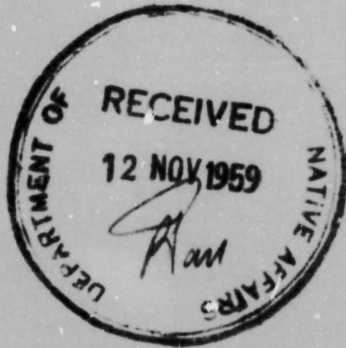
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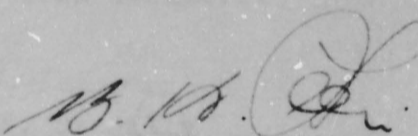
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District Headquarters,  
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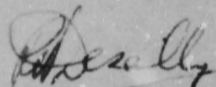
KOROBA PATROL No.3 OF 1959-60

Instructions for this patrol were written out immediately before my departure for Mendi and the Nembu Valley patrol. My absence is the reason for only one short patrol, during the past two months, in the Duna area.

It is hoped that work will soon be started on the vehicle road to Mogorofugwa, but progress will depend largely on funds made available. Other road work on the eastern side of the station is considered more urgent because it concerns our supply route, but a road link with the heavy population to the west is very desirable for administrative purposes.

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Time the patrol spent outside the Sub-District will be adequately covered by reports by Tari officers.



R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer



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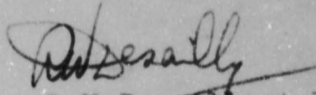
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Southern Highlands.  
27th October, 1959.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROPA PATROL REPORT No. 3 1959-60.

Officer Conducting Patrol.

N. J. Grant, P.O.

Area Patrolled.

Section (1). Mogerofugwa Area.

" (2). Para Valley.

" (3). Teni - Tabu Area in  
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b. Construction of two Aid Posts (2).

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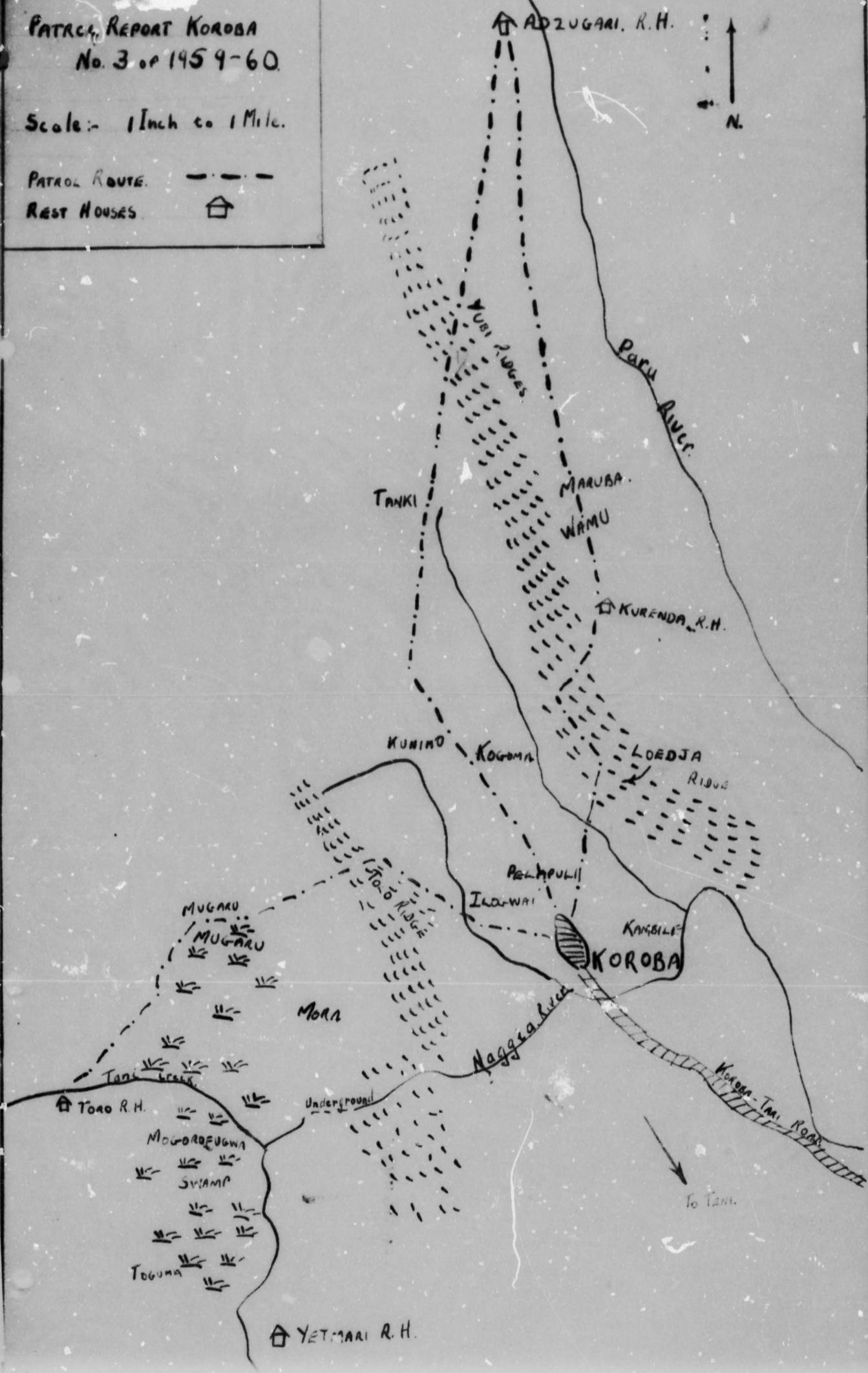
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PATROL REPORT KOROBA  
No. 3 of 1959-60.

Scale: 1 Inch to 1 Mile.

PATROL ROUTE. - - - -  
REST HOUSES. 





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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D.N.A.

# PATROL REPORT

Koroba No.

District of.....Southern Highlands..... Report No. 1 of 1959-60

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

Area Patrolled 1. Mogorofuyu. 2. Toxoma Creek - Purieni. 3. Paru Valley.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans...R. H. Decilly... 4 days

Natives...R. P. A. N. G. C. ... 5 to 11 members.

Duration—From 6/11/1959 to 18/12/1959

Number of Days... 38 days on patrol.

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

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

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

Map Reference.....Map included.....

Objects of Patrol 1. Preliminary road survey. 2. Suppression of Tribal Fighting. 3. General Administration.

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Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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"KWD:GIE"

30/1-631

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

23rd January, 1960.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
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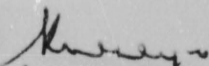
KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO.4 OF 1959/60

Attached hereto patrol report submitted by Mr. Grant covering his recent patrol in the Duna Sub-District together with Assistant District Officer's covering memorandum.

Since receipt of this report I have visited Koroba and discussed this patrol and report with the Assistant District Officer and Mr. Grant. I was impressed by their intimate knowledge of the area and I am quite sure that a certain casual style in the report was not indicative of the patrol. The frequent use of native's names in the report which I found rather difficult to follow arises from the fact that Mr. Grant knows these people so well.

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In general I believe the report could be presented in a much better manner and be more indicative of the unceasing fine work done by Messrs Desailly and Grant at Koroba.

  
(K. W. DYER)  
District Officer

c.c. The Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

67-15-23.

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Koroba Patrol Report No.4/ 1959-60.

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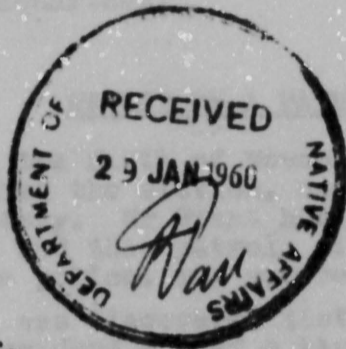
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23rd January, 1960.

The Director,  
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KOROBA PATROL REPORT NO.4 OF 1959/60

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c.c. The Assistant District Officer,  
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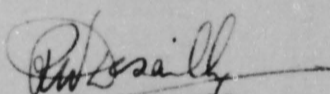
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Saturday 21st November Learnt that there was more than a marriage payment involved in the dispute. Left camp 0800 and arrested two Harega men. Rain from 1230. 1630 attempted to find and arrest a man named Tonda but could not find him and returned to camp at 1830.

Sunday 22nd November After waiting in the hope of Kangabu, summoned to appear, coming to camp. Messengers returned without him. Broke camp 0900 and arrived Koroba 1100.

Monday 23rd November By tractor (kind favour Father Bernard of Capuchin Mission) to Tagari River area. Proceeded to Parieni area and inspected Penalia bridge site.

Tuesday 24th November Crossed Tagari River. Further inspection of various bridge sites and returned to Kebia camp, arriving at 1830. Showers during afternoon.

Wednesday 25th November Broke camp 0600 to return to Koroba. Kangabu had appeared as summoned (see diary 22nd Nov.) and was in custody at Koroba. Paid off carrier line and recruited new men for the carry into the Paru River area.

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Saturday 28th November. Waited in camp until messengers reported they had been unable to contact either Tobowa or Waraba. We broke camp at 0945 hrs and came up to Warari (6040 ft.) 1105 hrs. En route, we arrested two Anguba men. Tobowa came into camp at 1200 hrs with some of the local men who promised to try and persuade Waraba to come in. Waraba came in at 1700 hrs. Rain from 1445 hrs

Sunday 29th November. Away at 0700 hrs, passed through our Habenudya camp site after arresting seven men en route, crossed Mugudya river and made camp at Hubi (5150 ft.) at 1150 hrs. Sent messengers to summon Lubela's relatives (he had been killed in the fight). As they had not arrived by 1530 hrs., we went to Tendowa where we surrounded a group of men who had been talking. One ran away (he was unimportant), but we restrained the rest. Returned to camp at 1800 hrs with the Tendowa group. Here we arrested four more men. Porago, the Tendowa headman, then came in. Showers at night.

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Tuesday, 1st December. Left camp at 0600 hrs, passed Kurenda at 0700 hrs and reached Koroba at 1140 hrs.

Wednesday, 2nd December. Proceeded by land rover to Diwi ridge. Walked through Tagarbor to Purieni.

Thursday, 3rd December. Inspected Kuterafugwa bridge site and surveyed road approaches to it.

Friday, 4th December. Further inspection of various bridge sites. Rain at 1530 hrs.

Saturday, 5th December Sent patrol ahead to make camp at Kebia Rest House. Self proceeded from Purieni to Tumbilia marking a route to be cleared of timber and cane grass cover. Reached Kebia at 1800 hrs. Summoned Pajole to appear.

Sunday, 6th December. Poor turn up for roadwork. Sent police to supervise clearing road route through Purieni. Self patrolled Tagarbor, recruited a few

Sunday, 6th December, 1959 (Cont.). workers and advised all to turn up to-morrow.

Monday, 7th December. A very good turn up. Re-commenced clearing bush for road from present Tagari bridge through Tagarbor. Commenced adding another building to our camp.

Tuesday, 8th December. Tagarbor still clearing bush. Self proceeded Purieni. Back in camp by 1800 hrs where interviewed Pajoie and sent out word for Kelahara and Pungarali to present themselves.

Wednesday, 9th December. Pegged section of Tagarbor road and walked to Diwi ridge. Kelahara and Pungarali were here and accompanied me to Korobaby rover.

Thursday 10th to Monday 14th December. At Koroba for visit of Administrator, Dr. Gunther.

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Thursday, 17th December. After waiting until a good line had turned up at Kebia, proceeded to Purieni (Porabali creek) at 0900 hrs. Began pegging road back through Purieni to Kumugu. In camp by 1930 hrs.

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Section 1 Mgorofugwa Area. NATIVE AFFAIRS.

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We were just preparing to depart South to the Purieni area the next day when our Koroba Village Constable, Arobere, reported he had heard there was some sort of a disturbance in the Arawuni area. Subsequent reports confirmed that no actual fighting had taken place. In company with Mr. Desailly, the patrol proceeded to Arawuni to signify our interest and readiness to act when necessary. The headmen and all the people concerned came into camp to discuss the disagreement. Actually, it had been cleared up before we arrived. The trouble was over a "moga" settlement. The story - as they usually are - was quite involved. Briefly, without any side issues and counter claims, it was this. Years ago, Aliowi's father was wounded in a fight while helping Tondelai and subsequently died. Tondelai has since died too. Now, Aliowi asked Warbadya (Tondelai's son) and Waragae (a cousin) to combine and pay him 15 pigs compensation for his father's death. Warbadya was agreeable and contributed 8 pigs, but Waragae said the fight had nothing to do with him. Besides, there were other debts involved. An argument occurred, bows were produced and talk of fighting took place. When tempers simmered down a bit, however, agreement was reached and Waragae gave 6 pigs.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.).

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ROADS AND BRIDGES.

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Friday 20th November Left camp at dawn, through Awei, Wunga and Harega again. One man arrested and returned to camp 1000. Two more of those concerned came in to camp. Remainder of day spent improving the patrol camp.

Saturday 21st November Learnt that there was more than a marriage payment involved in the dispute. Left camp 0800 and arrested two Harega men. Rain from 1230. 1630 attempted to find and arrest a man named Tonda but could not find him and returned to camp at 1830.

Sunday 22nd November After waiting in the hope of Kangabu, summoned to appear, coming to camp. Messengers returned without him. Broke camp 0900 and arrived Koroba 1100.

Monday 23rd November By tractor (kind favour Father Berard of Capuchin Mission) to Tagari River area. Proceeded to Purieni area and inspected Penalia bridge site.

Tuesday 24th November Crossed Tagari River. Further inspection of various bridge sites and returned to Kebia camp, arriving at 1830. Showers during afternoon.

Wednesday 25th November Broke camp 0600 to return to Koroba. Kangabu had appeared as summoned (see diary 22nd Nov.) and was in custody at Koroba. Paid off carrier line and recruited new men for the carry into the Paru River area.

Thursday 26th November. Away at 0900. Passed Kurenda at 1200 and made camp at Tiginali (5300') at 1400 because of threatening weather. From here we could see the smoke from burning houses, occasionally hear men shouting and watch the warriors returning along the ridges. Heavy rain started at 1500 and continued for most of the night.

through Purieni.

Self patrolled Tagarbor, recruited a few

Friday 27th November, 1959. Broke camp at 0720 hrs, crossed Paru river (4640 ft.), proceeded North and the N.W. to camp at Habemadya (6040 ft.) at 1020 hrs. We came upon Tobowa en route and, although he appeared surprised, he did not run away. He said he would persuade Waraba to come in and talk to us. At 1100 hrs went North and called out to Ibitali and Taya to come in. They accompanied us back to camp. Bila had also come up while we were away. At 1500 hrs, after waiting in vain for Tobowa and Waraba to turn up, we left camp, crossed into the Kumbai valley and went through Warari to Towarta. Our entry into the Kumbai valley was seen and news of our coming was shouted from the ridge tops. Consequently, when we got to the valley floor, all the men had fled and the women and roped pigs were scattering in all directions. We returned to Habemadya at 1900 hrs.

Saturday 28th November. Waited in camp until messengers reported they had been unable to contact either Tobowa or Waraba. We broke camp at 0945 hrs and came up to Warari (6040 ft.) 1105 hrs. En route, we arrested two Anguba men. Tobowa came into camp at 1200 hrs with some of the local men who promised to try and persuade Waraba to come in. Waraba came in at 1700 hrs. Rain from 1445 hrs

Sunday 29th November. Away at 0700 hrs, passed through our Habemadya camp site after arresting seven men en route, crossed Mugudya river and made camp at Hubi (5150 ft.) at 1150 hrs. Sent messengers to summon Lubela's relatives (he had been killed in the fight). As they had not arrived by 1530 hrs., we went to Tendowa where we surrounded a group of men who had been talking. One ran away (he was unimportant), but we restrained the rest. Returned to camp at 1800 hrs with the Tendowa group. Here we arrested four more men. Perago, the Tendowa headman, then came in. Showers at night.

Monday, 30th November. Away at 0700 hrs and crossed Paru river at 0725 hrs. At 0830, met Kombura who advised that Wangarai (he had shot Lubela, it was alleged) had been with him, but had only now run away. Instructed Sgt. Orera to make camp at our Tiginali camp site which was now only a few hundred yards away. Myself and small party set out to comb the area for Wangarai. After arresting two more men, we got back to camp at 1300 hrs. Wangarai, having decided to give himself up, was here waiting for us. Sent out word for all the people to assemble as now all the instigators and principal participants were in custody. Gave a talk on Administration policy and invited the people to be present at the Court for Native Matters. Sixteen of the twenty three men in custody were convicted. Rain at 1600 hrs.

Tuesday, 1st December. Left camp at 0600 hrs, passed Kurenda at 0700 hrs and reached Koroba at 1140 hrs.

Wednesday, 2nd December. Proceeded by land rover to Mwi ridge. Walked through Tagarbor to Purieni.

Thursday, 3rd December. Inspected Kuterafugwa bridge site and surveyed road approaches to it.

Friday, 4th December. Further inspection of various bridge sites. Rain at 1530 hrs.

Saturday, 5th December Sent patrol ahead to make camp at Kebia Rest House. Self proceeded from Purieni to Tumbilia marking a route to be cleared of timber and cane grass cover. Reached Kebia at 1800 hrs. Summoned Paijole to appear.

Sunday, 6th December. Poor turn up for roadwork. Sent police to supervise clearing road route through Purieni. Self patrolled Tagarbor, recruited a few

Sunday, 6th December, 1959 (Cont.) workers and advised all to turn up to-morrow.

Monday, 7th December. A very good turn up. Re-commenced clearing bush for road from present Tagari bridge through Tagarbor. Commenced riding another building to our camp.

Tuesday, 8th December. Tagarbor still clearing bush. Self proceeded Purieni. Back in camp by 1800 hrs where interviewed Paijole and sent out word for Kelahara and Pungarali to present themselves.

Wednesday, 9th December. Pegged section of Tagarbor road and walked to Diwi ridge. Kelahara and Pungarali were here and accompanied me to Korobaby rover.

Thursday 10th to Monday 14th December. At Koroba for visit of Administrator, Dr. Gunther.

Tuesday, 15th December. Mr. Desailly and myself rejoined patrol at Kebia. Unexpected road route and work. Mr. Desailly returned Koroba. Light shower at night.

Wednesday, 16th December. Pegged section of Tagarbor road and set the men cutting to my marks. At 1300 hrs, in slight drizzle, left for Purieni where examined road route from Tumbilis to Kungu. Light rain from 1500 hrs and showers at night. Back at Kebia by 1700 hrs.

Thursday, 17th December. After waiting until a good line had turned up at Kebia, proceeded to Purieni (Porabali creek) at 0900 hrs. Began pegging road back through Purieni to Kungu. In camp by 1930 hrs.

Friday, 18th December. Marked out and explained what work was to be done while the patrol returned to Koroba. We broke camp, met the rover at 1100 hrs and proceeded Koroba.

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Section 1. Kogorofuswa Area. NATIVE AFFAIRS.

(a). Arawuni.

We were just preparing to depart South to the Purieni area the next day when our Koroba Village Constable, Arobere, reported he had heard there was some sort of a disturbance in the Arawuni area. Subsequent reports confirmed that no actual fighting had taken place. In company with Mr. Desailly, the patrol proceeded to Arawuni to signify our interest and readiness to act when necessary. The headmen and all the people concerned came into camp to discuss the disagreement. Actually, it had been cleared up before we arrived. The trouble was over a "noga" settlement. The story - as they usually are - was quite involved. Briefly, without any side issues and counter claims, it was this. Years ago, Aliovi's father was wounded in a fight while helping Tondelai and subsequently died. Tondelai has since died too. Now, Aliovi asked Warbadya (Tondelai's son) and Waragee (a cousin) to combine and pay him 15 pigs compensation for his father's death. Warbadya was agreeable and contributed 8 pigs, but Waragee said the fight had nothing to do with him. Besides, there were other debts involved. An argument occurred, bows were produced and talk of fighting took place. When tempers simmered down a bit, however, agreement was reached and Waragee gave 6 pigs.

(b). Toguma - Kanimo.

As we were over this way, a opportunity was taken to discover who else was involved in the tribal clash which occurred on 7th October, 1959 in this area after our patrol had proceeded into the Tari Sub-district to help suppress tribal fighting there

NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.)

When we returned to Koroba, six men came into Koroba on summons and four of them (including the opposing ringleaders) were convicted in the Court for Native Matters. It was obvious, however, that other men had taken part in the fighting.

While the patrol was at Tale most of the members of the two lineages principally concerned in the fighting came into the camp on summons or were arrested. Of the 19 men charged, only 7 were convicted, but perhaps the people are beginning to realize that it is not only the instigators of the fight who go to gaol.

We still require two men, Pimbe and Parlara, who took part in this fight, but refused to come into camp. Neither were principals, but each has been named. We probably could have picked them up by staying another couple of days in the area, but were anxious to get on to the roadwork. Roadwork will be commenced also in the Mogorefuwa area shortly and this should afford ample time and opportunity to arrest Pimbe and Parlara.

(c) Awei - Harega.

This dispute did not result in actual fighting though I am sure, if allowed to continue for another day or so it would have. The people are beginning to realize that the Administration's attitude towards fighting must be considered. Consequently, their reactions to inter-klan disputes are becoming progressively better. Some time ago, such a disagreement would most probably lead to bows and arrows being produced and a fight commencing at once. Now however, the men seem to hesitate and consider. If, during that brief period, it is indicated that the Administration will be actively interested, then the fight is usually forgotten and all start preparing stories and alibis.

Briefly, the facts were these. An argument occurred between Perini and Kungabu about Kungabu's affair with a widowed relative of Perini. When both lines had assembled to discuss payment or marriage, Para of Harega demanded that Kungabu's line pay him compensation for the death of one of his relatives before they settled the widow business. By this time, the assembled men were somewhat excited so they rushed off calling for allies to assemble for a fight. Two gardens were destroyed and many threats made as armed bands roamed adjoining ridges calling out to each other.

When we first arrived at Yetuari, no mention was made of the Kungabu - Para story. This, of course, was the major issue as Perini's line had accepted two pigs compensation for the widow incident. However, everything turned out well. Perini came in as soon as we sent for him, Kungabu ran away, but subsequently came into Koroba (See diary entry 25th Nov.). Para we arrested as he sat in his house sheltering from the rain. We also arrested other participants.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Section 3. Paru Valley.

(a). Anguba - Tigima Tribal Fight.

Fighting, in which one man was killed, did actually break out in this dispute. It resulted from dissatisfaction with the distribution of a "moga" payment. The principals were Ibitali and Taya on the Tigima side and Tobowa and Waraba on the Anguba side. Labela of Tendowa was killed by Wangarai, but the investigation revealed he had fled in self defence. The dispute is now settled and the 16 main participants are now in the Corrective Institution Koroba.

As soon as the patrol arrived in the Paru valley, we received very good co-operation from the people. Hai-juni, the Village Constable from Eureka, reported this fight and was most helpful in persuading the people to come in and talk with us. He is certainly performing his duties very well.

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ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The road from Purieni to Koroba has now been commenced. It had been hoped to completely peg this road during the patrol, but other more pressing work intervened. However, a preliminary survey of the whole route has been made both from the ground and from the air. From these observations, the general route has been determined. We have pegged through Purieni (3 mile) as far as Kusugu as well as a section from Tagarbo north towards the present Tagari bridge and work has commenced on both these sections.

The site of the new Tagari bridge has not been selected. It seems likely, however, that a suspension bridge, 130 ft. span, 300 ft. overall length will be necessary. We have most of the information, but I should like to discuss the matter further with Fr. B. Tomassetti and Mr. Demilly on the site before we come to a final decision. The structure should be similar to the one Fr. Tomassetti designed and helped us to build upstream in 1957. Here the measurements were 75 ft. span, 150 ft. overall length.

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CONCLUSION.

Roadwork is going to play an important part in our Native Administration work in 1960. Despite the fact that we did not get much time for this work during the patrol, we did overcome the initial unwillingness of the people to commence work. They have now started and have really settled down well.

Shortly, we are to commence roadwork in the Mogoro-fugwa area and I am sure our degree of control there will be greatly increased as a result.

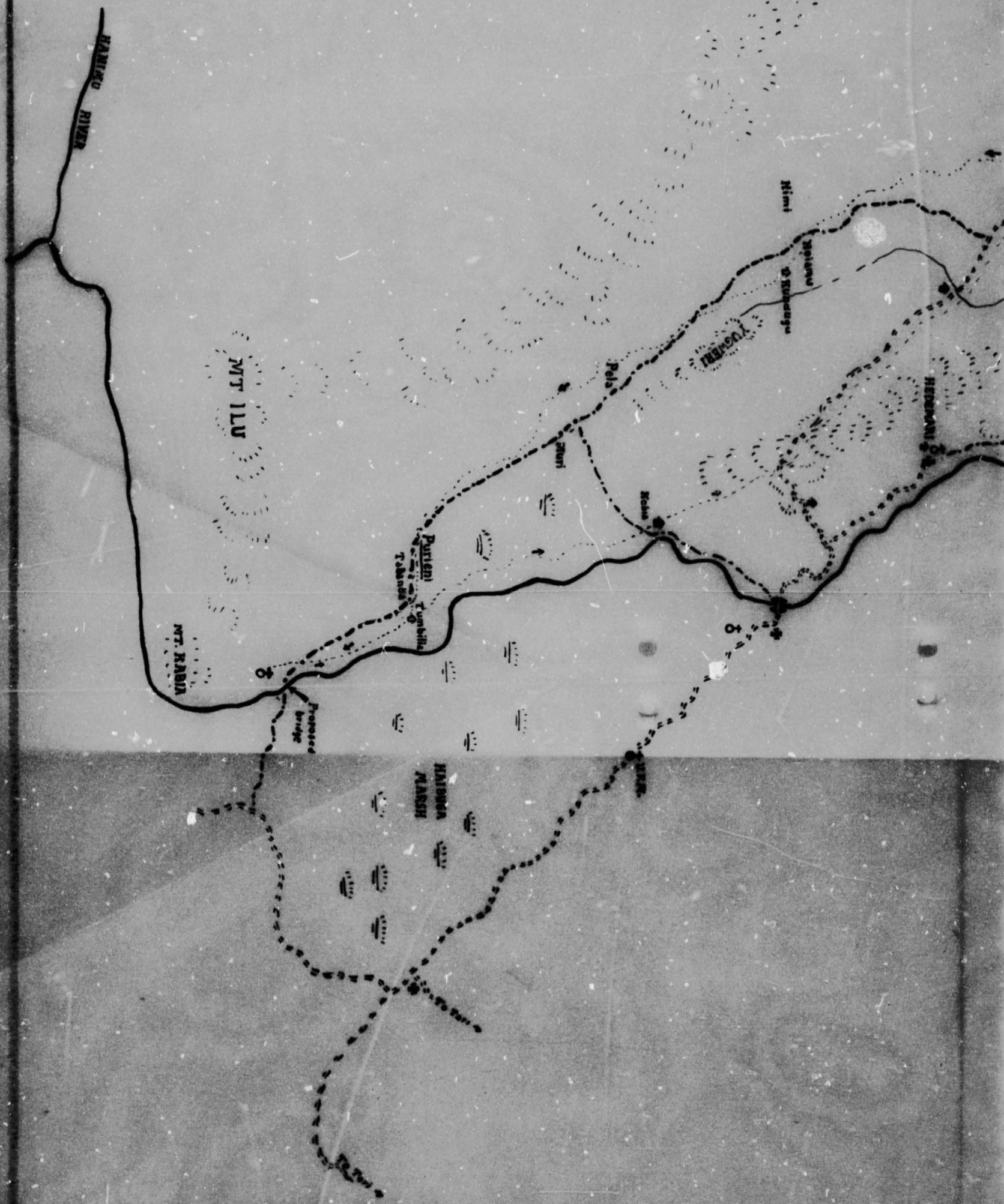
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Patrol Officer.

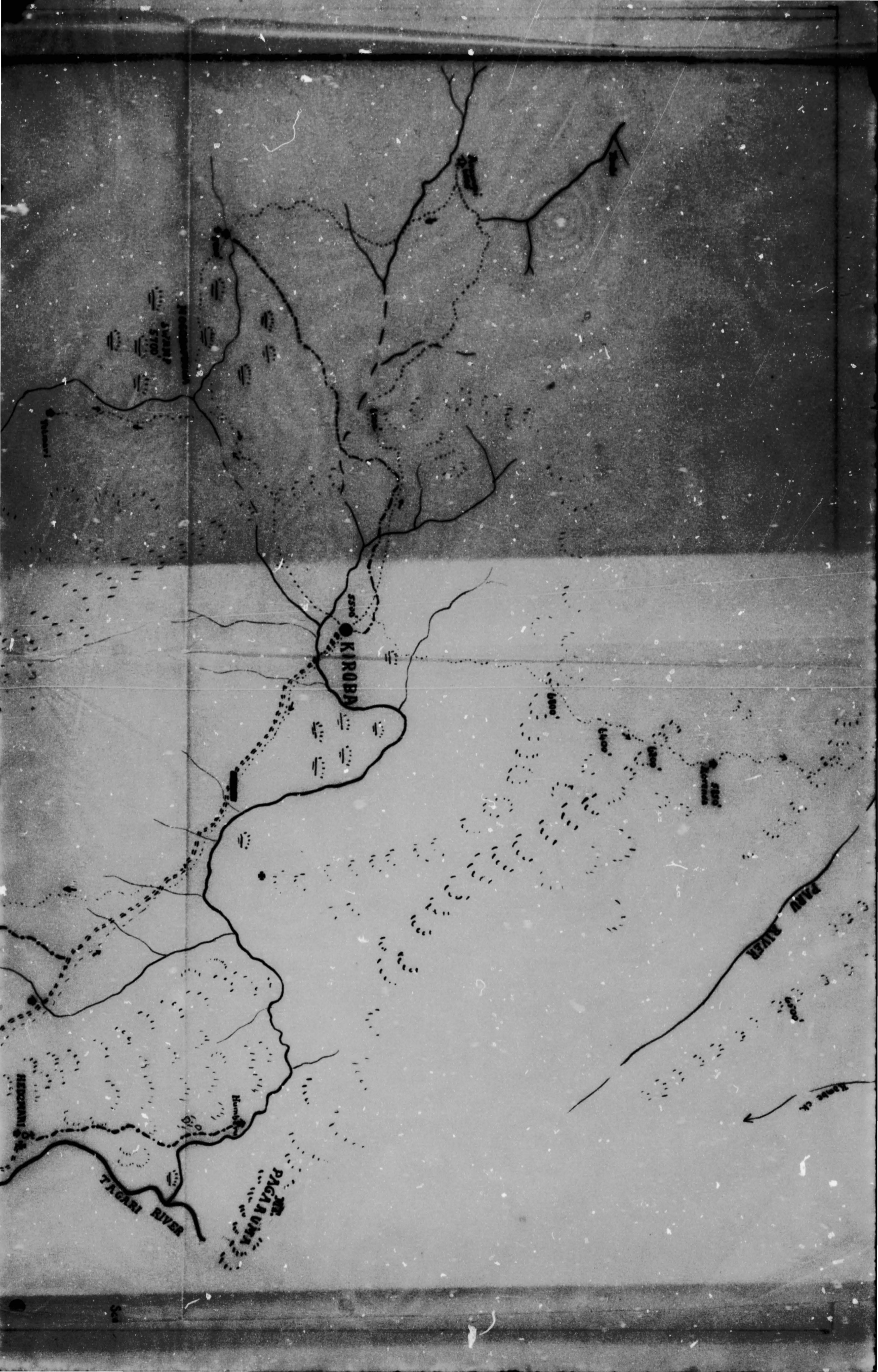


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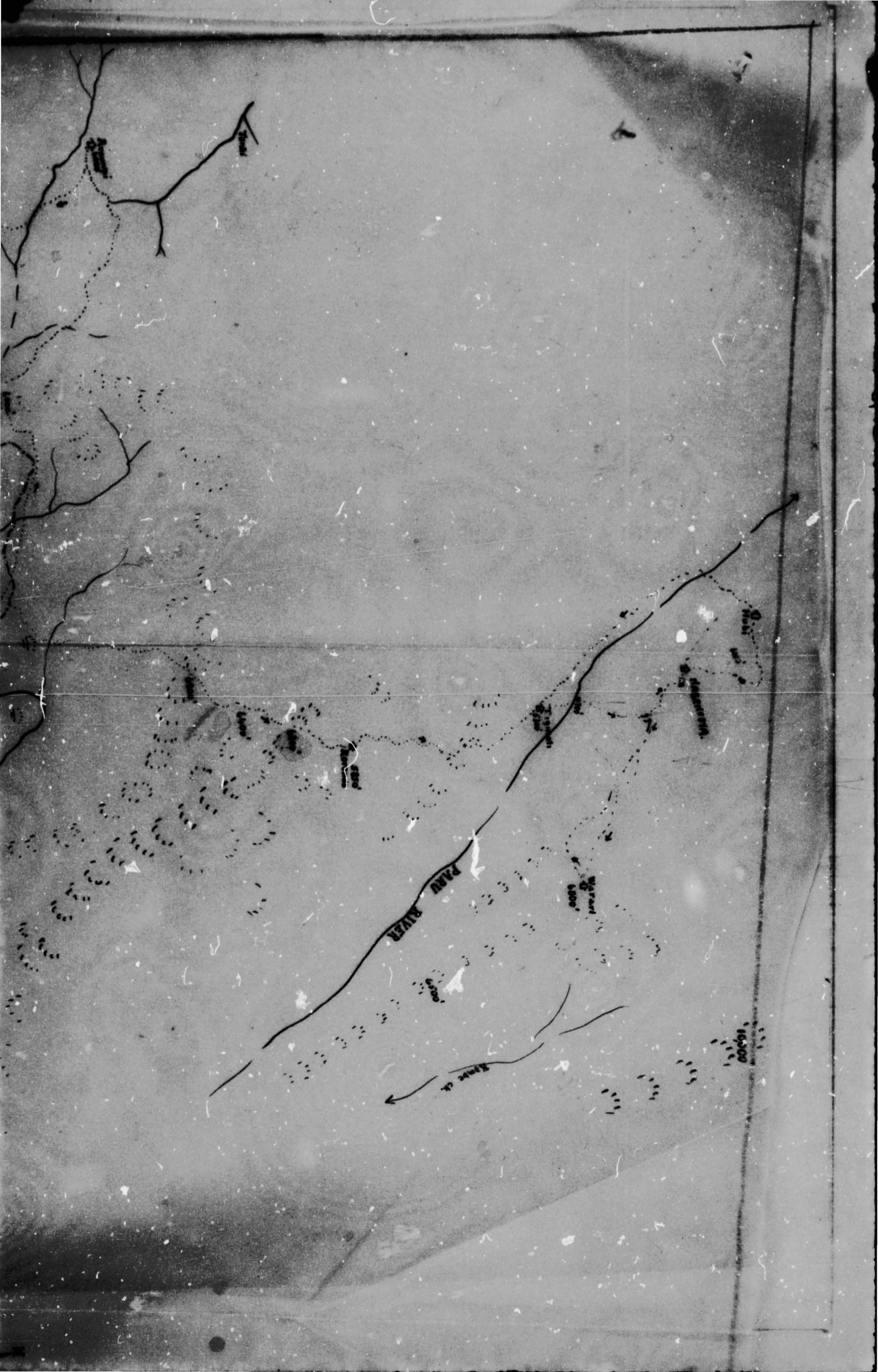






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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. Koroba No. 5 1959/60

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

Area Patrolled 1. Koroba - Puren. 2. Kuti valley.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans No.

3 to 5 members RPANGC.

Natives 1. interpreter, nucleus of 15 carriers.

Duration—From 25/1/1960 to 16/2/1960

Number of Days 23

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services December/1960 (Part).

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

Map Reference Map attached.

Objects of Patrol 1. General administration. 2. Investigate Kuti valley disturbance. 3. Road survey.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

17/3/1960

*M. J. Grant*  
District Commissioner

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

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29th March, 1960.

District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
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PATROL REPORT KOROBA NO. 5/59-60.

Your reports from the KOROBA area indicate a highly satisfactory attitude towards the Administration. It is too much to expect that inter-racial strife will cease immediately. It is enough at this stage that the numbers involved in any one outbreak are continually decreasing. It will no doubt develop to the stage of individual vendettas before the Queen's peace is finally enforced.

Your prompt action no doubt was responsible for containing the trouble before it reached serious proportions.

Good work by Mr. Grant.

(T. G. ~~Mc~~Johnson)  
Acting Director

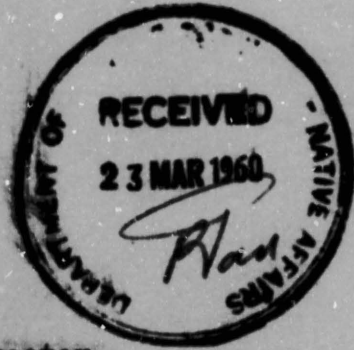


TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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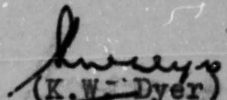
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The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU,  
Papua.

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(K.W. Dyer)  
DISTRICT OFFICER

Enclosures



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District Office,  
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DISTRICT OFFICER

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. 30/4

Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.  
23.1.60

Mr N.J. Grant,  
Patrol Officer,  
Koroba

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

Please prepare to depart on a patrol of the area between Koroba and Pureni.

You should plan on remaining in the area for approximately three weeks, visiting all the main population groups for general administration work.

During your time in the area you should also attend to the following: 1. Construct a rest house near Kundugu and at least one more at some suitable site (or sites) in the Pureni area.

2. Peg as much as possible of the proposed road between Gitnoma and Pureni and encourage the people to work on this section and others already pegged.

3. Concentrate on the Kundugu/Pureni area, where direct contact with the station is slight, and as far as possible work with the people on the various projects to allow for the maximum casual contact.

4. Endeavour to get any information on possible fugitives from the Tari Sub-District who may be wanted in connection with the recent unrest in the Iumu and Hambueri areas.

R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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No. 30/4

Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.  
6th February 1960

Mr N.J. Grant,  
Patrol Officer,  
Koroba

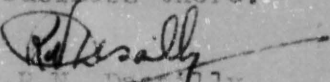
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

Further to patrol instructions dated 23.1.60, please prepare to proceed to the area near Humberu to investigate reports of tribal fighting there.

If not too inconvenient it is suggested that you should first visit Koroba for whatever supplies you may need and to discuss the Humberu reports.

I am unable to allocate sufficient police for a very strong patrol, but constables Aiam and Mumba will be added to the three already with you. If it seems necessary to arrest more than a small number of offenders advise me by runner and I will visit you to assist in the arrests and to escort prisoners back to Koroba, but it will not be possible to send more police.

Return to Koroba immediately the position is satisfactory near Humberu. You may make a brief visit to Kundugu/Pureni ~~en route~~ to attend to any urgent unfinished business there.

  
R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

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

23rd February 1960

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Hendi,  
Southern Highlands District.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1959/60

Officer Conducting: N.J. Grant, Patrol Officer

Area Patrolled: Koroba - Pareni  
Kuti Valley (North-east of Numbe)

Objects of Patrol: 1. General Administration.  
2. Investigate disturbance in the Kuti Valley.  
3. Road Survey.

Duration of Patrol: Commenced 25.1.60  
Completed 16.2.60  
No. of Days : 23

Personnel Accompanying: R.P.&N.C.C. 8474 Const. Yapti  
8869 " Maratea  
9624 " Rosi  
7629 " Numbe (from 9.2.60)  
3806 " Aiam ( " " )

Interpreter: Mangio

Carriers: Nucleus of 15 with local casuals.

Map: Sketch map accompanying report.

INTRODUCTION When Koroba was first established the only supply route was overland from Tari. This is still the case, but a light aircraft strip is now under construction and human portage has been replaced with vehicular transport.

The present vehicle road, poor though it is, has greatly reduced transport difficulties. This was the original purpose of its construction.

Even more important, however, has been the effect it has had on the local people. The main construction period was some fourteen months, during which the native situation underwent a marked change.

Because the people lack any training in, or sound knowledge of, road construction, a feature of such projects is the constant supervision required, which means constant personal contact between officers and the local workers.

When building the first road the most contentious matters were settled, and although in the early stages brawling was common and all came to work heavily armed, by the end of the job men were coming unarmed and unafraid to work and the area was largely settled. Areas which had been abandoned because of local fighting were again cultivated, and visits by Tari natives, many of whom had never before crossed the Tagari, became the accepted thing.

This situation contrasts greatly with areas where there has been no road work, so that roads and good government have become almost synonymous to the native people.

That the natives themselves are well aware of the result of road work was indicated recently when a headman from the Mogorogwa area visited Koroba to ask that the road at his place be started so that the area would be properly settled down. (In fact the road has already been started from the Koroba end.) Also, the Village Constable of Humberu remarked, with reference to the recent Kuti Valley disturbance, that we should mark the road to Humberu "so that we will not have such trouble involving my people and disturbing you."

The above introductory explanation is given because it may be thought that too much emphasis is being put on road work. This aspect of general field work is considered very important for the reasons stated, but not to the extent that prompt attention is not given to any threatened unrest.

PATROL DIARY

- Monday 25th January 1960 Proceeded to Kundugu from Koroba and established camp. Rain from 1400.
- Tuesday 26th January A very good turn-up of men and women in camp. Spent day searching for road route to south. Back in camp by 1500 and general discussions with people.
- Wednesday 27th January Proceeded to Gitnoma investigating possible road route. Rain at 1445.
- Thursday 28th January Overnight rain continued until 1130, then some further showers until rain again set in at 1600. Marked out rest house and began clearing road route.
- Friday 29th January Some time in road pegging, remainder in discussions with people various matters.
- Saturday 30th January Rain until 1000. Worked on road survey until rain at 1500.
- Sunday 31st January Road survey. Rain commenced 1400.
- Monday 1st February Road work and Court for Native Matters hearing. Rain at 1400.
- Tuesday 2nd February Road survey and discussions.
- Wednesday 3rd February Finished pegging Holamu section of road. Rest house completed. Rain at 1430.
- Thursday 4th February Visited by Mr. Desailly, A.D.C., for discussions. Inspected surveyed section of proposed road together. Rain started 1530.
- Friday 5th February Pegged section of road into the Tili area. Showers from 1330. Discussions with local people during the afternoon.
- Saturday 6th February Started Tili people clearing their section of the proposed road. Walked through Holamu and Mimi to remind all to come to work on their sections of road. Proceeded to Sunaka where one man arrested on a charge of threatening behaviour. Escorted prisoner to Koroba where Mr. Desailly had received vague reports of fighting near Humberu.
- Sunday 7th February At Koroba. Discussion of rumoured trouble and of proposed new Tagari River bridge with Mr. Desailly and Rev. Father Berard.

Monday 8th February Transport provided to Togoma River by Father Berard proceeding Tari with tractor and trailer. Met patrol there as arranged and proceeded Humberu, arriving 1500. Discussions with people at Humberu.

Tuesday 9th February Left rest house at 0800. Repaired bridge over the Nagala River and put camp at Igidya at 1130. Most of the men concerned in the dispute came to the camp. At 1500 searched the surrounding hills and arrested one man. Two other men came in to the camp at night. Showers from 1400 hours.

Wednesday 10th February Continued searching the mountains for others who had been present at the fight. One arrest made.

Thursday 11th February Again patrolling nearby ranges. One arrest.

Friday 12th February Moved camp further north to the foot of Mount Pagaruma. Kuti, the woman in the case came to the camp this morning, as all principal participants were then in custody. Court for Native Matters heard.

Saturday 13th February Left Tonowi 0700. Passed Humberu 1000 and witnessed moga payment concerned with another matter. Arrived Bedemari 1430 and Kebia rest house 1315. Inspected road work done since last visit and checked pegs. Discussions over moga dispute.

Sunday 14th February Patrol to camp at Kuterafugwa on the Tagari River. Afternoon spent searching for road route on Tari side of river bank. Patrolled Telebo to check on road workers for tomorrow.

Monday 15th February Good turn-up of Telebo men. Road pegged and work started on clearing. Court for Native Matters hearing (stealing charge) and moga discussions.

Tuesday 16th February Broke camp and sent patrol ahead to Koroba. On Telebo Village Constable's complaint summoned two men to appear for answer a charge of riotous behaviour. While waiting surveyed further section of road. Two summoned men appeared and both convicted in Court for Native Matters. Proceeded through Puren, met Mr Desailly en route, and thence through Kebia to the main road at Diwi. To Koroba by land rover.

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS

Despite an occasional flare-up, during which bows are produced and used, the general situation here is very good. It has now reached the stage where, quite frequently, should someone think of starting a fight information is immediately obtained at Koroba and action taken.

The Village Constables are taking their jobs seriously and are fairly conscientious in carrying out their duties.

It may seem, on reviewing recent Koroba patrol reports, that these people do little else but fight, as patrols must frequently be diverted to suppress some new outbreak of tribal fighting.

The situation is that the people are very quick to anger, and often do things in the heat of the moment before considering the consequences. Where there is some real or fancied wrong a man often reacts in the traditional manner, such reaction being almost involuntary and in any case expected of him in such a situation. The initial excitement, involving abuse and usually skirmishing, would normally have been followed automatically by a gathering of allies on both sides for full scale fighting.

Such preliminaries are often reported as fighting, though full scale warfare has not begun, because the informant assumes that things will follow the normal course.

Recently, however, because there has been some concern over possible "government" action when tempers have cooled slightly, the disputes have often not developed in the old way. The mobility and effectiveness of patrols have often prevented such development in any case, and as long as this mobility is maintained the general situation should continue to improve.

It is hoped that with the increased road network planned, it will soon be possible to extend our pacification beyond the area (population about ten to twelve thousand) to which we have now confined our concentrated efforts. The roads should make the area, brought under a fair degree of control already, so quickly covered in any sudden emergency, that (apart from routine patrols) it may be adequately attended to by an officer attending to normal station duties at the same time. This would allow for longer range patrols, particularly to the north and north west.

The Kuti Valley dispute arose out of a dispute over an unfaithful wife. Relatives punished the offending man by destroying his gardens, but angered another man who had bought rights to one garden. Arrows were exchanged and three men were injured.

Later they exchanged pigs and tried to hush up the incident, and must have been worried when they learned that we knew of the matter. Actually those most concerned did appear on summons after the patrol had been some time in the area, the few who had been only arrested after a chase being found not guilty and discharged. (Details given in Appendix A)

One man, Mangobe, who was wanted on a murder charge concerning the death of a man in the Tari Sub-District, was reported to be in the area patrolled. While a search was being arranged and information sought he went of his own accord to Tari and gave himself up there.

ROADS AND BRIDGES

The Koroba/Pureni road has now been pegged except for about two miles in the Pela section. This road should have no gradient exceeding seven percent.

The section yet to be pegged may present some problems, but the people are co-operating very well in this work and a lot of progress should be made within the next six months.

CONCLUSION

Although it had been intended to spend slightly more time in the southern part of the area patrolled, at least sufficient time was spent to see most of the people and to check the road workers, many of whom had done reasonably well in the absence of direct supervision since the last visit. (Last patrol November 1959, but brief visits have been made since.)

Later this year a new bridge is to be constructed over the Tagari River in the Pureni area, and at that time - if not before - these people will have plenty of contact with officers. Subsequently they will be accessible by vehicle road from both Tari and Koroba.

As mentioned above, the native situation is considered to be quite good for people at this stage of contact and even the Kuti Valley trouble was confined to a few men and quickly settled.

*D. J. Grant*

D. J. Grant  
Patrol Officer.

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Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District  
23.1.60

Mr N.J. Grant,  
Patrol Officer,  
Koroba

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

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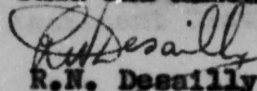
You should plan on remaining in the area for approximately three weeks, visiting all the main population groups for general administration work.

During your time in the area you should also attend to the following: 1. Construct a rest house near Kundugu and at least one more at some suitable site (or sites) in the Purení area.

2. Peg as much as possible of the proposed road between Sitnema and Purení and encourage the people to work on this section and others already pegged.

3. Concentrate on the Kundugu/Purení area, where direct contact with the station is slight, and as far as possible work with the people on the various projects to allow for the maximum casual contact.

4. Endeavour to get any information on possible fugitives from the Tari Sub-District who may be wanted in connection with the recent unrest in the Iumu and Hambuari areas.

  
R.N. Desailly

Assistant District Officer

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Sub-District Office,  
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Southern Highlands District.  
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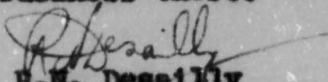
PATROL INSTRUCTIONS

Further to patrol instructions dated 23.1.60, please prepare to proceed to the area near Humberu to investigate reports of tribal fighting there.

If not too inconvenient it is suggested that you should first visit Koroba for whatever supplies you may need and to discuss the Humberu reports.

I am unable to allocate sufficient police for a very strong patrol, but constables Aiam and Mamba will be added to the three already with you. If it seems necessary to arrest more than a small number of offenders advise me by runner and I will visit you to assist in the arrests and to escort prisoners back to Koroba, but it will not be possible to send more police.

Return to Koroba immediately the position is satisfactory near Humberu. You may make a brief visit to Kundugu/Pureni <sup>en route</sup> to attend to any urgent unfinished business there.

  
R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

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

23rd February 1960

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi,  
Southern Highlands District.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 5 of 1959/60

Officer Conducting: N.J. Grant, Patrol Officer  
Area Patrolled: Koroba - Puren  
Kuti Valley (North-east of Humberu)  
Objects of Patrol: 1. General Administration.  
2. Investigate disturbance in the Kuti Valley.  
3. Road Survey.  
Duration of Patrol: Commenced 25.1.60  
Completed 16.2.60  
No. of Days : 23  
Personnel Accompanying: R.P.M.G.C. 8471 Const. Yaput  
8869 " Karatan  
9624 " Rosi  
7629 " Numbo (from 9.2.60)  
9806 " Aiam ( " " )  
Interpreter: Manggo  
Carriers: Nucleus of 15 with local casuals.

Map: Sketch map accompanying report.

**INTRODUCTION** When Koroba was first established the only supply route was overland from Tari. This is still the case, but a light aircraft strip is now under construction and human portage has been replaced with Vehicular transport.

The present vehicle road, poor though it is, has greatly reduced transport difficulties. This was the original purpose of its construction.

Even more important, however, has been the effect it has had on the local people. The main construction period was some fourteen months, during which the native situation underwent a marked change.

Because the people lack any training in, or sound knowledge of, road construction a feature of such projects is the constant supervision required, which means constant personal contact between officers and the local workers.

When building the first road the most contentious matters there were settled, and although in the early stages brawling was common and all came to work heavily armed, by the end of the job men were coming unarmed and unafraid to work and the area was largely settled. Areas which had been abandoned because of local fighting were again cultivated, and visits by Tari natives, many of whom had never before crossed the Tagari, became the accepted thing.

This situation contrasts greatly with areas where there has been no road work, so that roads and good government have become almost synonymous to the native people.

That the natives themselves are well aware of the result of road work was indicated recently when a headman from the Mgorofugwa area visited Koroba to ask that the road at his place be started so that the area would be properly settled down. (In fact the road has already been started from the Koroba end.) Also, the Village Constable of Humberu remarked, with reference to the recent Kuti Valley disturbance, that we should mark the road to Humberu "so that we will not have such trouble involving my people and disturbing you."

The above introductory explanation is given because it may be thought that too much emphasis is being put on road work. This aspect of general field work is considered very important for the reasons stated, but not to the extent that prompt attention is not given to any threatened unrest.

#### PATROL DIARY

- Monday 25th January 1960 Proceeded to Kundugu from Koroba and established camp. Rain from 1400.
- Tuesday 26th January A very good turn-up of men and women in camp. Spent day searching for road route to south. Back in camp by 1500 and general discussions with people.
- Wednesday 27th January Proceeded to Gitnema investigating possible road route. Rain at 1445.
- Thursday 28th January Overnight rain continued until 1130, then some further showers until rain again set in at 1600. Marked out rest house and began clearing road route.
- Friday 29th January Some time in road pegging, remainder in discussions with people various matters.
- Saturday 30th January Rain until 1000. Worked on road survey until rain at 1500.
- Sunday 31st January Road survey. Rain commenced 1400.
- Monday 1st February Road work and Court for Native Matters hearing. Rain at 1400.
- Tuesday 2nd February Road survey and discussions.
- Wednesday 3rd February Finished pegging Hoiama section of road. Rest house completed. Rain at 1430.
- Thursday 4th February Visited by Mr Desailly, A.D.O., for discussions. Inspected surveyed section of proposed road together. Rain started 1530.
- Friday 5th February Pegged section of road into the Tili area. Showers from 1330. Discussions with local people during the afternoon.
- Saturday 6th February Started Tili people clearing their section of the proposed road. Walked through Hoiama and Himi to remind all to come to work on their sections of road. Proceeded to Hunaka where one man arrested on a charge of threatening behaviour. Escorted prisoner to Koroba where Mr Desailly had received vague reports of fighting near Humberu.
- Sunday 7th February At Koroba. Discussion of rumoured trouble and of proposed new Tagari River bridge with Mr Desailly and Rev. Father Berard.

Monday 8th February Transport provided to Togoma River by Father Berard proceeding Tari with tractor and trailer. Met patrol there as arranged and proceeded Humberu, arriving 1500. Discussions with people at Humberu.

Tuesday 9th February Left rest house at 0800. Repaired bridge over the Naggia River and put camp at Igidya at 1130. Most of the men concerned in the dispute came to the camp. At 1500 searched the surrounding hills and arrested one man. Two other men came in to the camp at night. Showers from 1400 hours.

Wednesday 10th February Continued searching the mountains for others who had been present at the fight. One arrest made.

Thursday 11th February Again patrolling nearby ranges. One arrest.

Friday 12th February Moved camp further north to the foot of Mount Pagaruma. Kuti, the woman in the case came to the camp this morning, as all principal participants were then in custody. Court for Native Matters heard.

Saturday 13th February Left Tonowi 0700. Passed Humberu 1000 and witnessed moga payment concerned with another matter. Arrived Hedemeri 1130 and Kebia rest house 1315. Inspected road work done since last visit and checked pegs. Discussions over moga dispute.

Sunday 14th February Patrol to camp at Kuterafugwa on the Tagari River. Afternoon spent searching for road route on Tari side of river bank. Patrolled Telebo to check on road workers for tomorrow.

Monday 15th February Good turn-up of Telebo men. Road pegged and work started on clearing. Court for Native Matters hearing (stealing charge) and moga discussions.

Tuesday 16th February Broke camp and sent patrol ahead to Koroba. On Telebo Village Constable's complaint summoned two men to appear for answer a charge of riotous behaviour. While waiting surveyed further section of road. Two summoned men appeared and both convicted in Court for Native Matters. Proceeded through Pureni, met Mr Desailly en route, and thence through Kebia to the main road at Divi. To Koroba by land rover.

#### NATIVE AFFAIRS

Despite an occasional flare-up, during which bows are produced and used, the general situation here is very good. It has now reached the stage where, quite frequently, should someone think of starting a fight information is immediately obtained at Koroba and action taken.

The Village Constables are taking their jobs seriously and are fairly conscientious in carrying out their duties.

It may seem, on reviewing recent Koroba patrol reports, that these people do little else but fight, as patrols must frequently be diverted to suppress some new outbreak of tribal fighting.

The situation is that the people are very quick to anger, and often do things in the heat of the moment before considering the consequences. Where there is some real or fancied wrong a man often reacts in the traditional manner, such reaction being almost involuntary and in any case expected of him in such a situation. The initial excitement, involving abuse and usually skirmishing, would normally have been followed automatically by a gathering of allies on both sides for full scale fighting.

Such preliminaries are often reported as fighting, though full scale warfare has not begun, because the informant assumes that things will follow the normal course.

Recently, however, because there has been some concern over possible "government" action when tempers have cooled slightly, the disputes have often not developed in the old way. The mobility and effectiveness of patrols have often prevented such development in any case, and as long as this mobility is maintained the general situation should continue to improve.

It is hoped that with the increased road network planned, it will soon be possible to extend our pacification beyond the area (population about ten to twelve thousand) to which we have now confined our concentrated efforts. The roads should make the area, brought under a fair degree of control already, so quickly covered in any sudden emergency that (apart from routine patrols) it may be adequately attended to by an officer attending to normal station duties at the same time. This would allow for longer range patrols, particularly to the north and north west.

The Kuti Valley dispute arose out of a dispute over an unfaithful wife. Relatives punished the offending man by destroying his gardens, but angered another man who had bought rights to one garden. Arrows were exchanged and three men were injured.

Later they exchanged pigs and tried to hush up the incident, and must have been worried when they learned that we knew of the matter. Actually those most concerned did appear on summons after the patrol had been some time in the area, the few who had been only arrested after a chase being found not guilty and discharged. (Details given in Appendix A)

One man, Mangobe, who was wanted on a murder charge concerning the death of a man in the Tari Sub-District, was reported to be in the area patrolled. While a search was being arranged and information sought he went of his own accord to Tari and gave himself up there.

#### ROADS AND BRIDGES

The Koroba/Pureni road has now been pegged except for about two miles in the Pela section. This road should have no gradient exceeding seven percent.

The section yet to be pegged may present some problems, but the people are co-operating very well in their work and a lot of progress should be made within the next six months.

#### CONCLUSION

Although it had been intended to spend slightly more time in the southern part of the area patrolled, at least sufficient time was spent to see most of the people and to check the road workers, many of whom had done reasonably well in the absence of direct supervision since the last visit. (Last patrol November 1959, but brief visits have been made since.)

Later this year a new bridge is to be constructed over the Tagari River in the Pureni area, and at that time - if not before - these people will have plenty of contact with officers. Subsequently they will be accessible by vehicle road from both Tari and Koroba.

As mentioned above, the native situation is considered to be quite good for people at this stage of contact and even the Kuti Valley trouble was confined to a few men and quickly settled.

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KORORUA.  
PATROL REPORT No 5. 1959/60.

N. J. GRANT. P. O.

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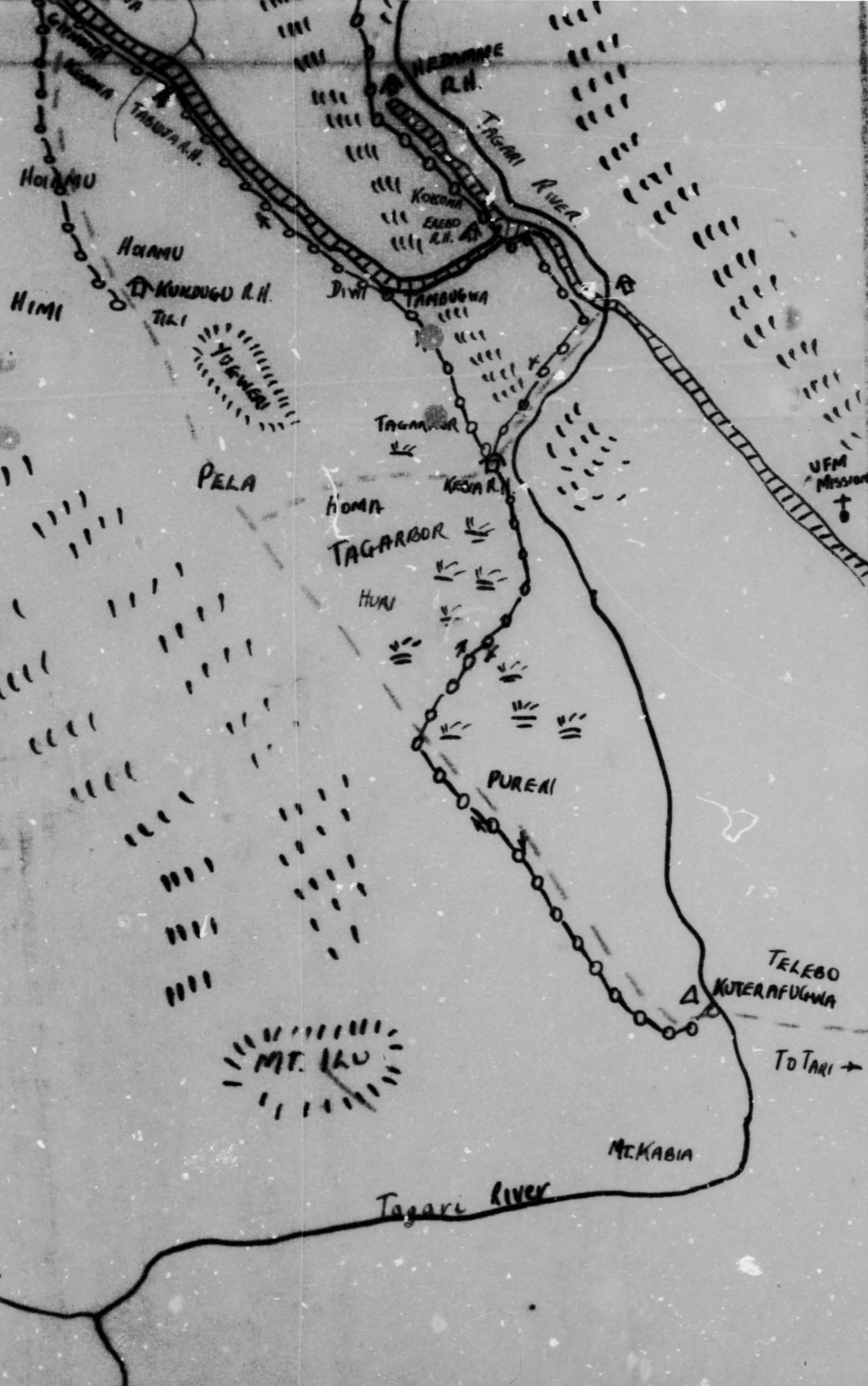
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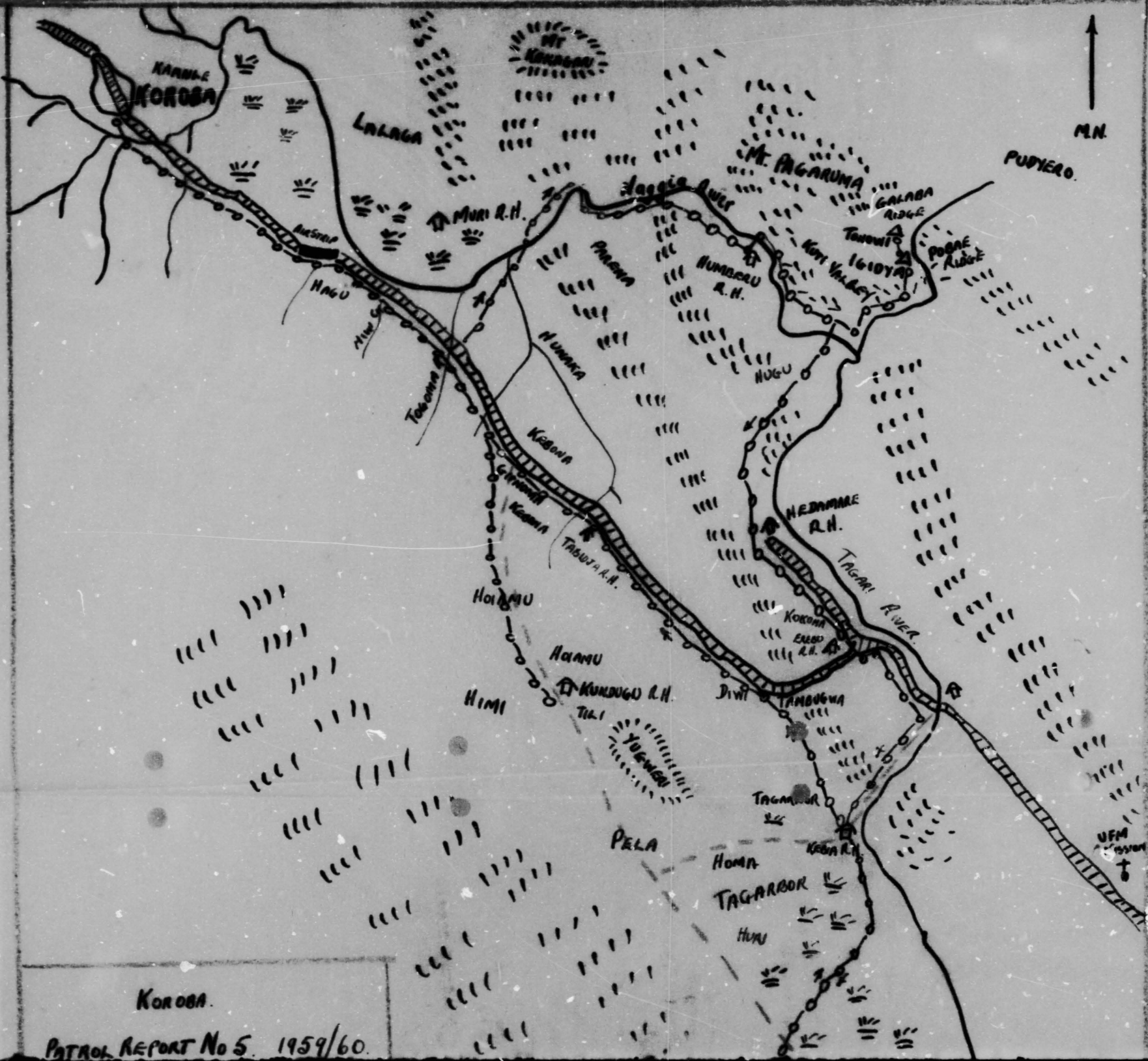
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of Southern Highlands Report No. Koroba No. 6 1959/60

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

Area Patrolled 1. Mogorofugwa. 2. Pureni

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Natives 6 RP&NGC, 1 interpreter, nucleus of 15 carriers.

Duration—From 25 / 3 / 1960 to 13 / 4 / 1960

Number of Days 20

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

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Map Reference Map accompanying report.

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Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

2 / 5 / 1960

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner

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24th May, 1960.

District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

KOROBA PATROL NO. 6/59.60.

You and your officers are to be commended for the increased and extended patrols in your District.

Road construction is a natural corollary of consolidating control, and the views of Mr. Grant are endorsed. It is purely a matter of priority when the occasion of an outbreak occurs. Concentration on the job in hand, i.e. restoration of the peace, should not be attempted in conjunction with other less important projects, until equilibrium has been re-established.

The attitudes of the Megerofugwa and Purenas are most gratifying and with the concentrated attention to be given these people in the next year by the Koroba personnel, I have no doubt that their ambitions will be realised.

(J. K. McCarthy)  
Director

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

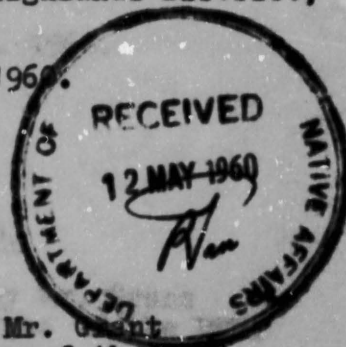
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District Office,  
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4th May, 1960.

The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.



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Sub-district Office,  
Koroba.  
25th April, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
Mendi.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.6 1959/60.

Officer Conducting: N.J. Grant, P.O.

Area Patrolled: 1. Koroba - ~~FIXE~~ Mogorofugwa.  
2. Puren.

Objects of Patrol. 1. General Administration.  
2. Road Survey.

Duration of Patrol. 25th March, 1960 to 13th April, 1960  
( 20 days ).

Personnel Accompanying:

Members R.P. & N.G.C.	No. 7795 Const. Vendari
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	No. 10153 Const./Eugler Ioat
	No. 10530 " Goekave
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	No. 9570 " Sipori from 8/4/60

Interpreter. Iagoba.

Carriers. Nucleus of 15 with local casuals.

Map. Sketch map accompanying report.

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DIARY.

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Sunday, 27th. Road survey In camp by 7 pm. Parlara was waiting here.

Monday, 28th. Road survey. At Koroba by 6pm. Spent night here.

Tuesday, 29th. Sent tents to Yagona river where camp was made. Road survey. In camp by 6pm when native affairs discussions and C.N.Ms held.

Wednesday, 30th. Road survey. In camp by 4 pm in rain. Tonda (refer appendix A) was in camp.

Thursday, 31st. Road survey. Into camp by 5 pm.

Friday, 1st April, 1960. Completed pegging road over Nugabi ridge (5800 ft.) and down to cross Yagona river (5500 ft.). In camp by 5.30 pm.

Saturday, 2nd April. Moved camp to Tolo R.H. Road survey. In camp by 6.30 pm.

Sunday, 3rd. Road survey. In camp by 6.30 pm.

Monday, 4th. Road survey. In camp by 6.30 pm.

Tuesday, 5th Completed pegging road to Tolo R.H. Into camp at 5.30 pm.

Wednesday, 6th. Patrol proceeded Koroba.

Thursday, 7th. At Koroba.

FRIDAY

Friday, 8th. Patrol to camp at Kebia Rest House.

Saturday, 9th. Put camp at Kuterafugwa on Tagari river. With FR. Berard O.F.M., checked levels and began clearing site for bridge.

Sunday, 10th. Marked out Rest House on the Telabo side of Tagari river. Purchased quantity of timber and set up pit saw stands. Pureni men commenced building jetty from their side. Summoned and convicted a Telabo man for assault and three Telabo men for contempt of court. Moga discussions.

Monday, 11th. Drove some jetty piles on Pureni side and marked out place for jetty on Telabo side. Moga and native affairs discussions.

Tuesday, 12th. Walked through Pureni to Tagarbor and set a local (Koroba trained) road cambering team to work on this section of new road. Moga and matrimonial discussions



PATROL DIARY (Cont.).

Wednesday, 13th April, 1960. Sent patrol to Koroba via Kebia, Diwi and Koroba - Tagari road. Self proceeded through Pela, Kundugu, Gitnoma and Koroba - Tagari road to Koroba.

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INTRODUCTION.

As mentioned in Koroba P/R No.5 1959/60, roadwork in this Sub-district plays a very important part in Native Affairs field work. In the past, the Mogorofugwa area has been unsettled because the people there felt themselves cutoff somewhat from Koroba and Government influence. Although over the past year this supposition of theirs was shown to be wrong, it is desirable that there be a road link from Koroba across the Tola ridge into the Mogorofugwa area.

That the people themselves recognise and are anxious for this was shown when no obstacles in the form of arguments about gardens or Spirit Grounds were placed in the way. Moreover, they have all willingly set to work clearing and cleaning the route.

In this patrol then, Native Administration and road work were combined.

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NATIVE AFFAIRS.MOGOROFUGWA.

The Native Affairs situation

here is most satisfactory. The Administration has now been accepted as the law giver and law enforcer and, whenever a patrol is in the area, most disputes and frequently decisions are referred to the Native Affairs officer for his arbitration or assent. This patrol it was particularly noticeable. Perhaps, seeing the road route cleared and the road itself starting to wind through their land helped them to realise more fully that, if once they had been slightly isolated, this was no longer the case.

Parlara and Tonda (refer appendix A) both of whom before had refused to obey a summons, came into the patrol and gave themselves up.

During the last year, frequent patrols have been made to this area to prevent or suppress tribal fighting. This fact plus the commencement of the road is responsible for the improved state of affairs here.

NATIVE AFFAIRS (Cont.).

Pureni - Telabo. The Native Affairs situation here is also quite good in so far as the people are willing and anxious to refer their problems and disputes to the Administration for arbitration and decision. During the past year also, there have been frequent patrols to the Pureni area, but it is only now that problems are being brought in any quantity. As work has commenced (barely) on the new bridge, the people realise that they will have frequent and relatively long visits by Native Affairs officers. This will enable the officer to go into their problems fully, find a solution and have time to enforce (if necessary) his decision. During the construction of the first Tagari bridge at Arua (1957), very many mogas and other native problems were discussed and solved. Mindful of this, the people are now beginning to assemble a formidable array. These are mainly to do with mogas, women, pigs, sorcery and stealing.

There can be no doubt that this area and the Haibuga marsh generally should benefit in more ways than one from the construction of the Hiwa Falls bridge.

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ROADS AND BRIDGES.

The road to Mogorofugwa which was pegged to Tolo this patrol is intended to be the start of the road to the North.

At a later stage, this road could possibly cross the Tumbudu river and follow the Tumbudu river towards Lake Kap- iago and the Strickland Gorge area. It now leaves Koroba and climbs the Tola ridge into the Mogorofugwa area proper.

The turn off to Tolo R.H. is only a branch from what will eventually become the main road to Northern Areas.

A start has been made on the Hiwa Falls bridge over the Tagari river. At this stage, it seems likely that a suspension bridge (130-5 ft. between towers, overall length 260-300 ft.) will be required here. Work has begun on building out jetties from both sides of the river.

It is intended to put the towers in re-inforced concrete blocks and, depending on the bearing qualities of the soil, it may be necessary to put these blocks on concrete or wooden piles.

Rev. Father Berard Tomassetti is again the chief consulting engineer and Dept. of Works have promised assistance. At this stage, however, no insuperable obstacles are apparent.

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CONCLUSION.

The Native situation in both areas patrolled is very good. Because of the fairly constant and concentrated attention which will be centered here for the next 8 - 12 month, the situation can be expected to improve further.

Both areas contain relatively dense populations and initial census will be carried out in Pureni and the Mogorofugwa area in the near future.

*N. J. Grant*

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APPENDIX A.KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.6 1959/60.

During Koroba Patrol No.4 1959-60, the Mogorofugwa area was visited on two occasions because of tribal fighting. On the first occasion, all men named as participants in the fight were arrested except Pimbe and Parlara (refer diary entry 9th Nov., 1959) who ran away to Lavani valley. This time, however, Parlara came into the patrol on summons. Pimbe is still in Lavani, but will be arrested shortly.

Tonda was involved in the other Mogorofugwa disturbance (refer diary entry 21st November, 1959.), but was not arrested at that time. He also surrendered to the patrol this trip.

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Sub-District Office,  
Koroba.  
25th April, 1960.

The District Officer,  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

*In Reply  
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Officer Conducting: N.J. Grant, P.C.

Area Patrolled: 1. Koroba - HEBEHI Mogorofugwa.  
2. Fureni.

Objects of Patrol. 1. General Administration.  
2. Road Survey.

Duration of Patrol. 25th March, 1960 to 13th April, 1960  
( 20 days ).

Personnel Accompanying:

Members R.F. & N.G.C.	No. 7795 Const. Vendar
	No. 9576 " Alam.
	No. 10158 Const./Bugler Iost
	No. 10530 " Gockave
	No. 10538 " Urakatoin
	No. 9570 " Siperi from 8/4/60

Interpreter. Iagoba.

Carriers. Nucleus of 15 with local casuals.

Map. Sketch map accompanying report.

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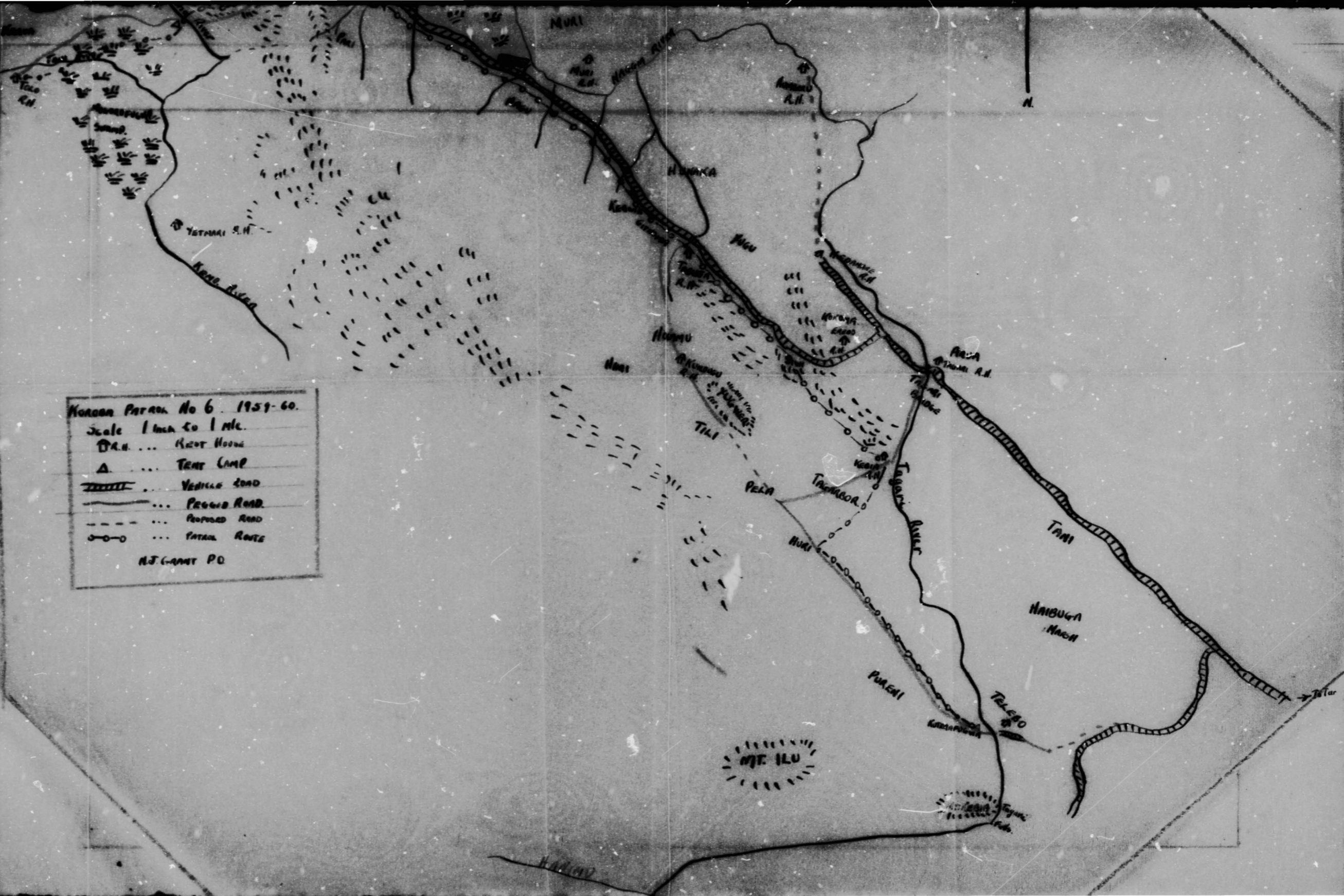


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 D.H. ... Host House  
 Δ ... Tent Camp  
 [Symbol] ... Vehicle Road  
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 [Symbol] ... Patrol Route  
 N.J. GANT PD



Korosa Parava No 6 1939-60.

Scale 1 inch to 1 mile.

□ Dam ... Rice House

△ Tent Camp

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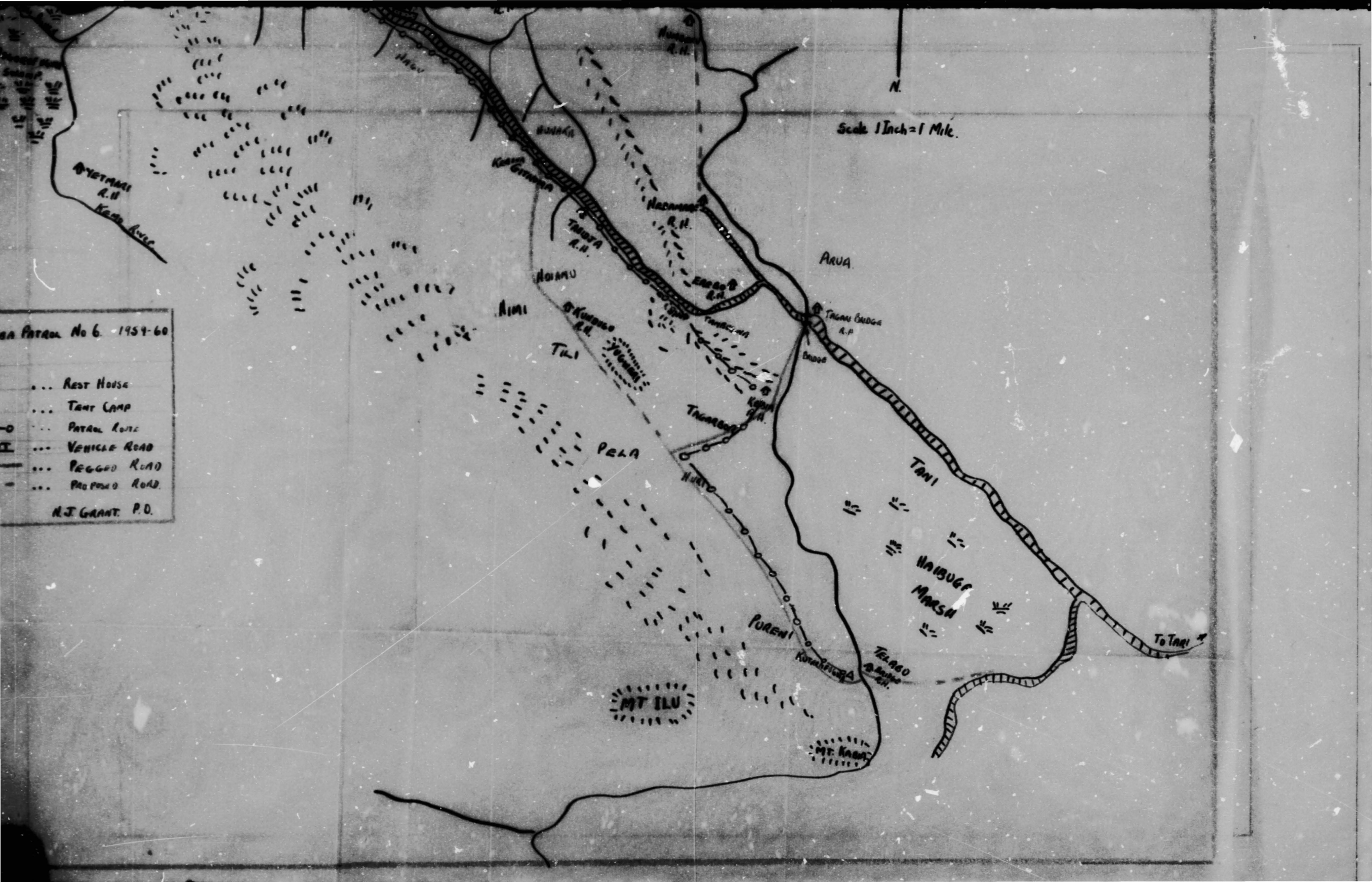


KORONA PARUA No 6. 1954-60

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○	... Parua Fort
III	... Venetian Road
—	... Fecce Road
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A. J. GANNETT P.O.





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 ... TENT CAMP  
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 N.J. GRANT. P.O.

BYETMAKI  
 R.H.  
 KESU  
 ROAD

KAWA  
 GUMARA

TANDYA  
 R.H.

NAWANGA  
 R.H.

ARUA

AGIAMU

KAWA  
 R.H.

AIMI

KUMBURO  
 R.H.

TANI  
 BRIDGE  
 R.P.

TANI

PELA

TANI

NABUGU  
 MARSA

PURENI

TELAGO  
 R.H.

MT ILU

MT. KAWA

To Tani



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of...SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS..... Report No.7 of 1959/60 (Koroha).....

Patrol Conducted by...N.J. Grant..... Patrol Officer.....

Area Patrolled...Hoianu, Hini, Pela; Paru Valley; Mogoro; Gugwa; Purieni, Telabo.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans...Mr. Brownridge, P.O., 8 days

Mr Desailly, A.D.O., 5 days

Natives.....Varying number of police, 1 interpreter, 15 carriers

Duration—From...22/4/1960...to...17/5/1960.. (Broken periods)

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

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...March.../1960.. (Most of the area)

Medical .../18.....

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

Objects of Patrol...General Administration, investigate wounding in the Paru Valley and road building.....

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

26/6/1960

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner

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

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

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

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15th July, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MMBI.

KOROKA PATROL REPORT NO. 7/59-60

This short report of quick inspection visits is acknowledged with thanks.

The work of the Officers at Koroka, and especially that of Mr Deaully, the Assistant District Officer, is showing very gratifying results.

The rapid response by the patrol to the report of the PARU incident would be most effective, and I see the people are still prepared to report to the office on Summons. Although there may be some regression on this attitude later, it is an excellent indication of their respect for the Administration justice they receive.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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In Reply  
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No. 30/9 - 1372.



District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEKDI.

14th June, 1960.

The Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No. 7 OF 1959/60.

Thank you for Mr. Grant's report on the above patrol to the controlled areas in your Sub-District and your covering comments.

Mr. Brownridge tells me that his patrol activities all fell during this patrol and that he was unaware that he was required to submit a separate report. He was apparently with Mr. Grant for the 3 days (22nd April to 24th April) mentioned in the report and remained on road supervision within the area until the 29th April which date is mentioned in the report.

In the circumstances I will not require a report from Mr. Brownridge on this occasion but will amend the patrol statistics to show the patrol covering a period of 24 days (total field patrol days involved 28 - Grant 20, Brownridge 8).

This report indicates that further good work is being done at Koroba. I am particularly pleased with the way the people are appearing on summons and generally settling down.

Another good effort by Mr. Grant. Claim for camping allowance is returned herewith for payment.

(K.W. DYER)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

c.c. THE DIRECTOR OF NATIVE AFFAIRS.

Copy for your information, please.

Patrol Report is attached hereto.

(K.W. DYER)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.



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

31st day 1960

The District Officer,  
Mandi,  
Southern Highlands District.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.7 of 1959/60

The above patrol report, with camping allowance claim, is forwarded herewith.

This report could be considered to concern a period of field work rather than what is usually referred to as a patrol. During my absence Mr Grant was kept busy in various parts of the Sub-District, he being then the only experienced officer here, and because most of the time was spent camping out he has written his report on these activities in the form of a patrol report.

Following my return to Koroba we worked for a while in the same area near Telaba (Koroba P/A No.9 reference).

Koroba patrol No.8 was conducted by Mr Brownridge and the report will be forwarded when received. Mr Brownridge is now in Tari.

*R.M. Donally*  
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Assistant District Officer

30/1  
Sub-District Office,  
Koroba,  
Duna Sub-District,  
Southern Highlands District.

25th May 1960

The District Officer,  
Mendi,  
Southern Highlands District.

KOROBA PATROL REPORT No.7 of 1959/60

Officer Conducting: N.J. Grant Patrol Officer.

Areas Patrolled: 1. Hoiamu, Himi, Pela.  
2. Paru Valley.  
3. Mogorofugwa.  
4. Purieni - Telabo.

Objects of Patrol: 1. General Administration.  
2. Investigate reported wounding.  
3. Road and Bridge building.

Duration: 22nd April 1960 to 17th May 1960  
with 24 days on patrol.

Personnel Accompanying: Mr Brownridge, Patrol Officer. 3 Days.  
Mr Desailly, Assistant District Officer.  
5 Days (Koroba patrol No.9 refers)

Const 1st Class Taem	3 days
Constable Yaput	9 days
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T/Constable Poudei	7 days
T/Constable Uta	3 days
T/Const. Bglr. Ioat	14 days

Interpreter Manggo.

15 Carriers (permanent)

Map: Sketch map accompanying.

INTRODUCTION

The first part of this patrol was carried out while Mr Desailly, Assistant District Officer, was attending the linguistics course at Goroka. In his absence the patrol was more broken than is usual because of the need to check each of our widespread road building projects and to attend to other urgent native affairs work.

The main purpose of the patrol was to maintain and consolidate Government control in that part of the Sub-District which is actually controlled from Koroba. At present this area would include approximately twelve thousand people, and the more times these people see patrols moving through, whether to arrest wrong doers, suppress unrest, or attend to other routine matters, the more effective our control will be. These people are responding very well to Government control and direction, but it is only by remaining ever watchful and mobile that this situation can be maintained. Completion of the road program will make the work easier and more effective, and when true peace has become a reality, attention can be focussed on improving living standards.

PATROL DIARY

- Friday 22nd April 1960 With Mr Brownridge, to Kundugu and made camp.
- Saturday 23rd April Supervising road construction and checking survey in Hoianu and Hini section.
- Sunday 24th April Went through Yugu area for discussions with locals and returned to Koroba 1730.
- Thursday 28th April Received report of an arrow wounding in the Paru Valley and recalled the patrol.
- Friday 29th April Mr Brownridge and patrol returned Koroba.
- Saturday 30th April Departed 0900 and arrived Tartara 1430. Set out to find wounded man, but on receiving word that the man reported to have inflicted the wound had come to the camp returned to interview him. At 1800 another of those concerned came to camp. After investigation six more men were summoned to appear.
- Sunday 1st May Broke camp at 0930 after three of the men summoned had appeared. Two others found en route and camp made near the house of the last man, at Kwando. 1100 left the new camp to search for wanted man and met him on the road nearby. Offenders tried in the Court for Native Matters held during the afternoon.
- Monday 2nd May Patrol proceeded through Koroba to Tolo in the Mgorofugwa area.
- Tuesday 3rd May At Tolo checking on road work progress and returned to Koroba 1800.
- Friday 6th May Sent patrol on ahead to Kebia via Diwi ridge and proceeded through Gitnoma, Kundugu and Pela to Kebia. Road work inspection en route.
- Saturday 7th May To Telabo on the Tagari River. Party completed rest house occupied by self and Mr Desailly who joined the patrol in the afternoon.
- Sunday 8th May Inspected roadwork on the Purieni side of the river.
- Monday 9th May Investigated road route from Hiwanda to bridge site.
- Tuesday 10th May Pegged road from Hiwanda.
- Wednesday 11th May Left Telabo (Mr Desailly remaining) and proceeded to Kundugu.
- Thursday 12th May Spent the day between Pela and Kundugu to check on the best site for the road.
- Friday 13th May Road survey work continued.
- Saturday 14th May " " " "
- Sunday 15th May " " " "
- Monday 16th May Patrol sent on ahead to Koroba, self pegging section of road near Jugaru to Kelabo Creek then return to Koroba.
- Tuesday 17th May To Tolo and return to check road work.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The native situation in the areas concerned remains quite good, and the only dispute which lead to trouble was one in the Paru Valley.

The Paru trouble resulted from an argument over an alleged debt. A man named Yangarowa claimed that one Jaba owed him a large sow, which Jaba denied. On the 27th April Yangarowa and six friends went at night to Jaba's house to steal a pig. They surrounded his house, but Jaba escaped and apparently fired some arrows while doing so. One of the pig stealers was wounded with an arrow.

The incident was reported on the following day, and on the 30th April a patrol was in the area. Both Jaba and Yangarowa reported to the patrol and the other six men eventually came in on summons (see diary).

ROAD AND BRIDGES

Work on the new road link through Gitnoaa, Kundugu and Purieni is going ahead very well. A small section between Kundugu and Pela still remains to be pegged. This part is particularly difficult because it climbs some six hundred feet through a maze of limestone ridges, and several days were spent climbing around it trying to decide where reasonable grades could be surveyed without too much need for explosive. Some blasting will be necessary, but the result should justify the time and effort involved.

CONCLUSION

During the past year this area has been visited many times, and there seems little point in continued reiteration of situations reported upon so frequently. For this reason this report is very brief.

In general, the native situation continues to improve, Village Constables are becoming more and more useful in reporting and arresting offenders, and it has become the rule rather than the exception for wanted men to appear on summons.

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T/Const. Bglr. Ioat	14 days

Interpreter Manggo.

15 Carriers (permanent)

**Map:** Sketch map accompanying.

INTRODUCTION

The first part of this patrol was carried out while Mr Desailly, Assistant District Officer, was attending the linguistics course at Goreka. In his absence the patrol was more broken than is usual because of the need to check each of our widespread road building projects and to attend to other urgent native affairs work.

The main purpose of the patrol was to maintain and consolidate Government control in that part of the Sub-District which is actually controlled from Koroba. At present this area would include approximately twelve thousand people, and the more times these people see patrols moving through, whether to arrest wrong doers, suppress unrest, or attend to other routine matters, the more effective our control will be. These people are responding very well to Government control and direction, but it is only by remaining ever watchful and mobile that this situation can be maintained. Completion of the road program will make the work easier and more effective, and when true peace has become a reality attention can be focussed on improving living standards.

PATROL DIARY

- Friday 22nd April 1960 With Mr Brownridge, to Kundugu and made camp.
- Saturday 23rd April Supervising road construction and checking survey in Holamu and Himi section.
- Sunday 24th April Went through Yugu area for discussions with locals and returned to Koroba 1730.
- Thursday 28th April Received report of an arrow wounding in the Paru Valley and recalled the patrol.
- Friday 29th April Mr Brownridge and patrol returned Koroba.
- Saturday 30th April Departed 0900 and arrived Tartara 1430. Set out to find wounded man, but on receiving word that the man reported to have inflicted the wound had come to the camp returned to interview him. At 1800 another of these concerned came to camp. After investigation six more men were summoned to appear.
- Sunday 1st May Broke camp at 0930 after three of the men summoned had appeared. Two others found on route and camp made near the house of the last man, at Kwando. 1100 left the new camp to search for wanted man and met him on the road nearby. Offenders tried in the Court for Native Matters held during the afternoon.
- Monday 2nd May Patrol proceeded through Koroba to Tolo in the Mgorofugwa area.
- Tuesday 3rd May At Tolo checking on road work progress and returned to Koroba 1800.
- Friday 6th May Sent patrol on ahead to Kebia via Diwi ridge and proceeded through Gitnoms, Kundugu and Pela to Kebia. Road work inspection en route.
- Saturday 7th May To Telabo on the Tagari River. Party completed rest house occupied by self and Mr Desailly who joined the patrol in the afternoon.
- Sunday 8th May Inspected roadwork on the Purieni side of the river.
- Monday 9th May Investigated road route from Hiwanda to bridge site.
- Tuesday 10th May Pegged road from Hiwanda.
- Wednesday 11th May Left Telabo (Mr Desailly remaining) and proceeded to Kundugu.
- Thursday 12th May Spent the day between Pela and Kundugu to check on the best site for the road.
- Friday 13th May Road survey work continued.
- Saturday 14th May " " " "
- Sunday 15th May " " " "
- Monday 16th May Patrol sent on ahead to Koroba, self pegging section of road near Mugaru to Kelabo Creek then return to Koroba.
- Tuesday 17th May To Tolo and return to check road work.

NATIVE AFFAIRS

The native situation in the areas concerned remains quite good, and the only dispute which lead to trouble was one in the Paru Valley.

The Paru trouble resulted from an argument over an alleged debt. A man named Yangarowa claimed that one Jaba owed him a large sow, which Jaba denied. On the 27th April Yangarowa and six friends went at night to Jaba's house to steal a pig. They surrounded his house, but Jaba escaped and apparently fired some arrows while doing so. One of the pig stealers was wounded with an arrow.

The incident was reported on the following day, and on the 30th April a patrol was in the area. Both Jaba and Yangarowa reported to the patrol and the other six men eventually came in on summons (see diary).

ROAD AND BRIDGES

Work on the new road link through Gitnoma, Kundugu and Purieni is going ahead very well. A small section between Kundugu and Pela still remains to be pegged. This part is particularly difficult because it climbs some six hundred feet through a maze of limestone ridges, and several days were spent climbing around it trying to decide where reasonable grades could be surveyed without too much need for explosive. Some blasting will be necessary, but the result should justify the time and effort involved.

CONCLUSION

During the past year this area has been visited many times, and there seems little point in continued reiteration of situations reported upon so frequently. For this reason this report is very brief.

In general, the native situation continues to improve, Village Constables are becoming more and more useful in reporting and arresting offenders, and it has become the rule rather than the exception for wanted men to appear on summons.

It is anticipated that as time passes the work of maintaining law and order will become less difficult and there will be time to concentrate on other aspects of native affairs work.

*N. J. Grant*

N. J. Grant  
Patrol Officer

Scale 1" = 1 mile

- Mission
- Medical Aid Post
- Rash House
- Vehicle Road
- Road Site
- Suntrap
- Patrol Route

# Karoba Patrol No 7 of 1959/60

N.T. Grant, CO.









No. 577



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of...Southern Highlands..... Report No. 9...of 1959/60... (Koroba)....

Patrol Conducted by...B.N. Desailly..... Assistant District Officer.....

Area Patrolled...Purieni and Telabo, southeast of Koroba.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

Natives...1 Interpreter, 4 Police, 15 Carriers.

Duration—From...7/5/1960...to...18/5/1960...

Number of Days...12.....

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

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

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

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

Objects of Patrol...General Administration.....

Road Construction and bridge site preparation.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

27/ 6 /1960

*M. Desailly*  
District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-15-47

15th July, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

KOROGA PATROL REPORT NO. 8/59-60

It is noted that Mr Desailly is maintaining the general District policy of combining road construction with general administration.

The complex system of compensations for varying degrees of assistance and responsibility without the ultimate reprisal or threat of retaliatory attacks, must certainly tax the patience of the arbitrating officers. Nevertheless reports from the Tari Sub-District confirm your opinion that definite progress is being made in getting these people under a degree of control in so much as they submit their complaints and claims for decision. Their voluntary co-operation on road work is a reasonable indication that they are aware of the ultimate benefit to themselves of an access network. The vicious circle of compensating payments will be mitigated with the extension of control as long as the litigants are not allowed to resurrect old grudges that extend beyond the imposition of the fighting prohibitions.

Mr Desailly is maintaining his well known standard of energetic field work and his information on "Native Affairs" has been brought to the attention of the Government Anthropologist.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

67-15-47. ✓

File No. 33/1 - 1414.

District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

22nd June, 1960.

The Assistant District Officer,  
KOROBA.



PATROL NO. 8 OF 1959/60 - KOROBA.

Thank you for your report of the above patrol.

Despite the difficulties I feel good progress is being made in your area and that in due course the people will realise the advantages of our banning violence even though in many cases it seems to be unfair.

The progress on the new road is most pleasing. The heavy cable has been indented from Australia but will not be delivered Madang prior to August.

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Camping Allowance Claim is returned herewith for payment.

*K. W. Dyer*  
(K. W. DYER)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

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

Patrol Report in duplicate is forwarded herewith.

*K. W. Dyer*  
(K. W. DYER)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

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

31st May 1960

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi  
Southern Highlands District.

PATROL REPORT - KOROKA No. 9 1959/60

Forwarded herewith, in triplicate, is the report  
on Koroba Patrol No. 9 of 1959/60.

The camp built at Telabo and the section of road surveyed to Mivanda are within the Tari Sub-District, but it is local policy to disregard such administrative boundaries if they conflict with administrative convenience. That part of the proposed main road link is of interest to people in both areas, but is of prime importance to Koroba. Mr Crellin assisted by sending Mr Robins to supervise road building, and good work was done by that officer in the short time during which he was available.

  
R.N. Deally  
Assistant District Officer

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

30th May 1960

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
Mendi,  
Southern Highlands District.

REPORT OF KOROKA PATROL NO. 8 - 1959/60

Officer Conducting: R.N. Desailly, Assistant District Officer.  
Area Visited: Purieni and Telabo, southeast of Koroba.  
Objects of Patrol: 1. General Administration.  
2. Road Construction.  
3. Bridge site preparation.  
Duration of Patrol: Commenced 7th May 1960  
Completed 18th May 1960  
Total of 12 days on patrol.  
Personnel: 1 Interpreter  
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Map: Sketch Map accompanying report.

INTRODUCTION A period of illness during April had made the writer unfit for normal patrol work at the time that this patrol was planned. However, we urgently needed road access from Tari to the new bridge site on the Tagari River, there was preliminary work to be done on the bridge approaches, and previous visits had indicated a great number of unsettled disputes among the people of Purieni and adjacent areas.

This situation meant that a lot of useful field work could be done with a minimum of hard walking, and I decided to spend some time at Telabo.

DIARY

Saturday 7th May By landrover to Hiwanda (Hiwa) area. Thence 40 minutes to Telabo. Met Mr Grant, Patrol Officer, and moved into the partly completed rest house which he had started to erect.

Sunday 8th May Short walk through Purieni area. On return to camp a minor brawl started between some of the people gathered there. One man subsequently sentenced to one month at Koroba Corrective Institution. Discussions with local men.

Monday 9th May With Mr Grant did preliminary survey of approximately 1½ miles of road between the camp and Hiwanda. Afternoon discussing and arbitrating in local disputes.

Tuesday 10th May Mr Grant completed marking the road to Hiwanda. More native litigation.

Wednesday 11th May Mr Grant departed for Kundugu. Local natives working to clear the new road route, carriers employed finishing off the camp buildings. Arbitrating in local disputes most of the day.

Thursday 12th May Some work done on the bridge approaches, and road clearing continued on the eastern side. Heavy rain and cold wind about 1300 stopped work and drove everybody to shelter. Rain continued for most of the afternoon and evening.

Friday 13th May Mr Crellin, Assistant District Officer Tari, visited during forenoon en route for the water fall area about a mile downstream. Road work continued with a good turnout of workers.

Saturday 14th May Walked through Purieni area to within about 2 miles of Yugwari to inspect progress on road work there. Returned to camp at 1530 and learned that Mr Robins, Cadet Patrol Officer Tari, is camped at Hiwanda. An alleged thief appeared on summons and convicted in the Court for Native matters.

Sunday 15th May Proceeded to Hiwanda to meet Mr Robins, who accompanied me on a short reconnaissance of the area through which the road is to be built. After discussions concerning the work to be done Mr Robins returned to Hiwanda 1630.

Monday 16th May Visited Mr Robins and found him involved in energetic supervision of road workers who had turned up in good numbers. The new route is now completely cleared of timber and undergrowth and actual road building has commenced.

Tuesday 17th May Road work continued at a pleasing rate. Mr Robins patrol cargo shifted to Telabo. Some time in discussion with local people. Mr Robins arrived 1800.

Wednesday 18th May Left Telabo at 0830 and walked through Purieni to Kebia along the approximate route planned for the new vehicle road. Inspected the work being done near Kebia, thence to the main road near the Taguri Bridge. Followed the main road about three miles and met the Koroba landrover. Returned to Koroba.

NATIVE AFFAIRS Formerly there were two accepted methods used by the Hm people to settle disputes - warfare and the payment of compensation. The former did not so much settle disputes (except that it lay even the score) as discourage claimants seeking payment of debts or compensation.

There is a complex system of payments for many different circumstances and degrees of responsibility for debt and injury. For example, if a man was injured while helping an ally the man whose cause he had espoused was expected to pay his compensation. The man who actually inflicted the injury may also be called upon to pay compensation. If it seemed necessary (through weakness, lack of allies or other reason) for the latter to pay he would expect the person whose side he had taken - the man who was the main cause on his side of the dispute - to give most if not all of the agreed upon compensation.

*Mr. Crellin*  
*P.R.*  
*13/7/60*



Compensation for a death could be quite large, and I have often heard of forty five or more pigs being paid. This is far more than most men would own, and in order to obtain sufficient wealth a man would need to borrow heavily, and the end result is that everybody owes and is owed a considerable number of pigs and other native valuables.

Many men, feeling secure from attack, unafraid of their creditors, or simply unable to raise the amount, refuse to pay compensation or to repay certain debts. This would normally have lead to fighting, but with fighting becoming increasingly difficult to organise many are heeding our instructions about bringing their disputes to court.

Unfortunately many of the matters brought to us are outside the legal jurisdiction of our courts. (I have mentioned only death or warfare injury compensation - there are many other matters which involve compensation or payment) This presents many problems to officers in the field, as without offering an alternative way to settle disputes our banning of violence is considered most unfair and unnecessarily tyrannical. They often point out that their quarrel is not our affair when we take action against those involved in fighting.

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I estimate that it would require five experienced officers for about one year if the bulk of all outstanding disputes are to be attended to, and so preoccupied are the people with these matters that they often have little thought for other things.

Of course there are not five officers - or even one officer - available full time for this work and only in a few small areas have we gone very far towards clearing up the various claims and counter claims. As mentioned in earlier reports, a lot of this work is done when working on roads and bridges, and the longer a particular project lasts the fewer are the outstanding disputes at the end of it.

The area visited is reasonably settled, all things considered, and the only armed group seen was a small party from the Tana area. As it transpired these people were returning from a celebration near Purieni. I saw them when walking through the area and seeing that they were armed called on them to stop. They took fright and started to run, but most of them stopped when I seized their leader. Their explanation being satisfactory they were released after having been told to carry their bows unstrung and arrows tied in bundles. They were also addressed on the matter of running away when called on to stop by an officer.

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R.N. Desailly  
Assistant District Officer

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

30th May 1960

The District Officer,  
District Headquarters,  
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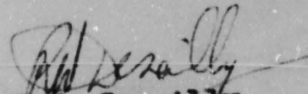
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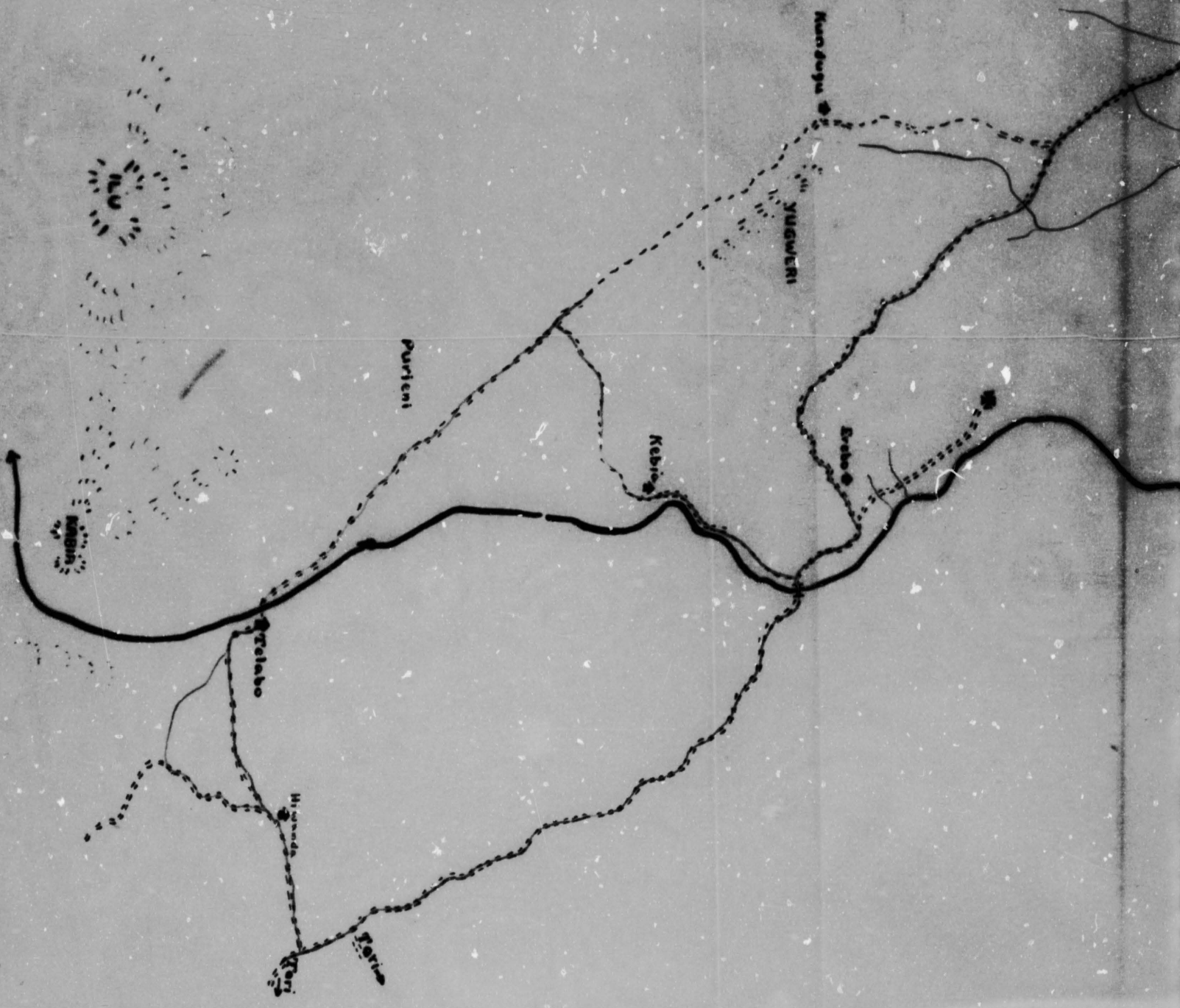
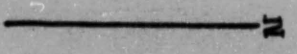
  
R.N. Desailly

Assistant District Officer

**Koroba Patrol  
No 9 of 1959/60**

*Billie Kelly* N.D.O.  
25<sup>th</sup> May 1960

- Scale 1" = 1 mile
- Patrol Route ———
- Rest House ●
- Vehicle Road = = = =
- Proposed Road - - - -

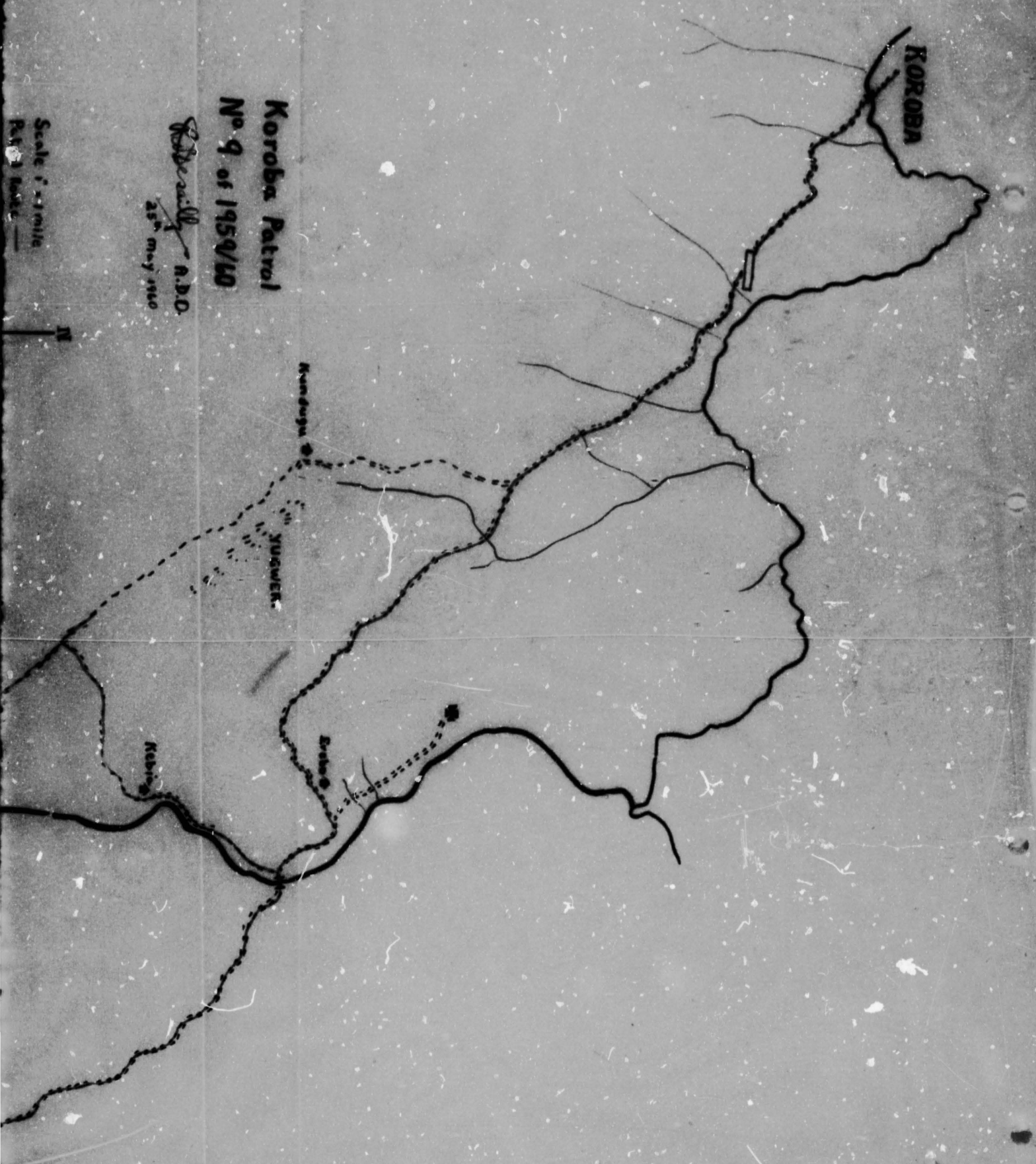


KOROKA

Koroka Patrol  
No 9 of 1959/60

*Robb* A.D.C.  
25<sup>th</sup> May 1960

Scale 1:40000  
Patrol Base





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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of.....Southern Highlands..... Report No. Koroba No. 9..... 1959-60.....

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

Area Patrolled.....(1) Mogorofugwa..... (2) Koroba..... Lower Tagari.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....R. N. Desailly, ADO..... 2 days

Natives.....3 to 6 RP&NGC..... 1 interpreter..... 1 NMO..... Nucleus 15 carriers.

Duration—From.....8./6...../1960..... to.....30...../6...../1960.....

Number of Days.....23..... (25 patrol days)

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

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

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

Map Reference.....Map accompanying report.....

Objects of Patrol.....1. General Administration..... 2. Road and bridge work.....

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

14/ 7 /1960

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner

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

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

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

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JSMcL.FG

67-15-51

29th July, 1960.

The District Officer,  
Southern Highlands District,  
NEEDI.

KORORA PATROL REPORT NO. 9-59/60

The prospective complete administrative control of 15,000 people around KORORA within one year is indeed a remarkable tribute to the Officers there. Mr Donally's common-sense approach to Restricted Area administration is well appreciated here.

It is interesting and instructive that the last and most elusive fugitive got tired of the continued presence of patrols that made life miserable for him in the forest country and finally decided to face the consequences of his perversity.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
Acting Director.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

67-15-51. ✓

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District Office,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

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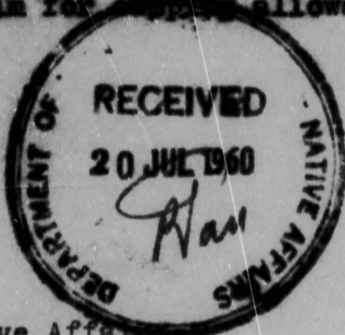
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KOROBA.

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Claim for ~~allowance~~ allowance is returned herewith  
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c.c.  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KONEDOBU.

*K.W. Dyer*  
(K.W. DYER)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

..... For your information please. Patrol Report is  
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*K.W. Dyer*  
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C.C.  
The Director,  
Department of Native Affairs,  
KORODOHU.

*KWD*  
(K.W. DYER)  
DISTRICT OFFICER.

For your information please. Patrol Report is  
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*KWD*  
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DISTRICT OFFICER.

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Koroba,  
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Southern Highlands District

7th July 1960

The District Officer,  
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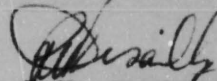
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Reference: Enclosed Report

As you know the policy here is to concentrate on areas small enough to be manageable, and to combine road building with consolidation work. Thus, as each area becomes settled it also becomes easily accessible and we will become free to extend our operations.

The area nearest to the original vehicle road has already been recommended for de-restriction, and the most recent patrols have been concentrated mainly in the two areas adjacent, Mogorofugwa and Purieni, which have large population groups.

Results have been most gratifying. I am confident that within six months we will be able to make further recommendations concerning de-restriction, and by this time next year possibly fifteen thousand people will be well under administrative control and direction.



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The District Officer,  
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Sunday 13th June Road survey and general administration.  
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Wednesday 15th June Difficulty with road survey in broken country. Clearing lines and checking levels.

Thursday 16th June Road survey work continued. Word received from Koroba that the wanted man Kuabali, of Logorofugwa, is being held at Koroba awaiting trial.

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Tuesday 21st June Mr Desailly visited patrol for discussions on road. Further talk with people concerning Kobarbu, who is still wanted on three charges.

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Work is proceeding well, and the only major obstacles are the Tagari River, which will require a rather large suspension bridge, and the limestone section, which will require a lot of work with explosives.

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The road to Mgorofugwa is progressing fairly well, but unfortunately our supply of spades is limited and priority has been given to the more urgently needed linkage road.

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FAST HOUSE	△
VEHICLE ROAD	
ROAD UNDER CONSTRUCTION	---
PATROL CAMP	△

