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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of..... **SEPIK** ..... Report No. **SISSANO No 1 of 1965/6** .....

Patrol Conducted by..... **P. J. RUSSELL, Patrol Officer**  
**1. Aitape West Coast Census Division. (Part)** .....

Area Patrolled..... **2. Aitape West Coast Inland Census Division. (Part)** .....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... **Nil**  
**1. Mr P. Bouraga, Patrol Officer. (Part)**  
Natives..... **2. Two R.P.N.G.C. Sissano Detachment.**

Duration—From...../...../19.....to...../...../19..... **See Diary enclosed**

Number of Days..... **Fifteen 15.** .....

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

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services...../ **11/1964**  
**5** **60 West Coast Inland**  
Medical ...../ **6/1965 West Coast**

Map Reference..... **Army series 4 nil and District Map.** .....

Objects of Patrol..... **1. Census revision**                      **2. Council extension**  
**3. Routine Administration**                      **4. Decimal Currency Conversion.**

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 .... £ .....

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

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67-8-31

13th January, 1966.

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

SISSANO PATROL REPORT NO. 1-1965/66:

The Patrol Report by Mr. P.J. Russell and your covering memorandum 67-3-20/1253 is acknowledged with thanks.

2. Your comments and those of the Assistant District Commissioner have been noted.
3. It is pleasing to see that the Assistant District Commissioner is planning a Training Course for Councillors. This should help the Councillors to become aware of their responsibilities; that is, towards their constituents and the area they represent. This responsibility is to place before the Council the views of their constituents and to report back to them on the views of the Council. The authority or lack of authority the Councillor has in village affairs should also be carefully explained.
4. The activity in the KARANDU area towards gold mining is encouraging; every possible assistance should be given to the people to further their activities.
5. A concise and well presented report.

(J.K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR.

67. 8. 31

beyond repair, then a Board of Survey should be held. Mr. Russell does not say what is wrong with them.

MINING.

I have asked the Chief of Division, Mines, if it is possible for the Native Mining Assistant at Maprik to go to Aitape and have a look at the area.

LAND.

Please send the documents for the purchase of land for the Post in as soon as you can.

DECIMAL CURRENCY.

I sincerely hope that Mr. Russell is correct on this.



*E.G. Hicks*  
E. G. HICKS,  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

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

*W. G. ...  
... 4/1*

67-3-20/1253

Sepik District,  
MEWAK.  
9th December, 1965.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub District Office,  
ATEAPE.

SISSANO PATROL REPORT No. 1 65/66.

Please thank Mr. Russell for his patrol report. It is pleasing to note that the patrol was well received.

VILLAGES.

The Rule on Health and Hygiene was made by the Council in 1961, and I feel that it is time that the committee did something more than "observe".

KALAU VILLAGE.

These people have been excluded from wards in the amending proclamation recently approved and they will be included in the Wapei Council when proclamation is next amended.

WATER SUPPLY.

This has been taken up with Mr. B. McGarry of P.H.D. and he has written to yourself and the Council on this. Please let me know if there is any hold-up.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

This situation is not unusual. The Local Government Officer is conducting a course for the Councillors shortly and every endeavour will be made to educate them in their duties and functions.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

There is an extensive pre election education programme now under way in areas now to be included in the extended Council.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

This has been extracted from the report and the District Agricultural Officer has been asked to comment.

I feel that the answer can only be - no start.

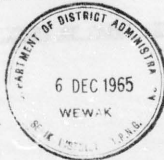
TRANSPORT.

I suggest that if in your opinion, the outboards are

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Sub District Office,  
Aitape, Sepik West.  
30th November, 1965

The District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
Wewak.

SISSANO PATROL REPORT No. 1/65-66.

Enclosed copies of a Patrol Report conducted by Mr. P.J. Russell, Patrol Officer, to that area of the Aitape Sub District controlled from the Sissano Lagoon Base Camp. Initial development of the Base Camp is complete and the Officer in Charge should now be able to spend more time in the field.

2. The extension of the Siau Council has been proclaimed; nominations are being received in readiness for the Council elections planned for January 10th, 1966. I am aware of the faults in leadership of certain Councillors and know that in some cases they deal with cases that more properly should be brought to the notice of a magistrate. The Council President has written to those concerned explaining the position of an elected Local Government representative in the village. I hope to make this an important section of the proposed Councillor Training Course in February.
3. Recommendations have been forwarded proposing that KALAU be incorporated in the WAFEL L.G.C.
4. Decimal Currency Conversion talks have been aimed and explaining the mechanics of the change over, the desirability of a decimal system of currency and the fact that a long transitional period is to allow the use of both types of currency until the people have full confidence in dollars and cents. There would appear to be no problems in this area associated with the change over.
5. Mr. P. Bouraga, who was recently transferred to Sissano as Officer in Charge, was able to accompany the patrol in its latter stages. The patrol, by reason of particular problems at Sissano, was broken by varying visits back to the station.
6. Karandu gold has been forwarded to the Bank for assay and collection. Several village groups have asked for mining assistance and the request will be passed onto the proper department.
7. The patrol was of a routine nature and the report is concise and well presented. Allowance claims are included.

  
J.H. ROACH.  
Assistant District Commissioner



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

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SISSANO LAZOR.

27th November, 1965

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
AITAPE.

GX BAND PATROL REPORT No 1 of 1965/6.

WEST COAST CENSUS DIVISION. (Part)  
WEST COAST INLAND CENSUS DIVISION. (Part.)

Officer Conducting : P.J. Russell, Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled : Aitape West Coast Census Division. (Part)  
: Aitape West Coast Inland Census  
Division. (Part.)

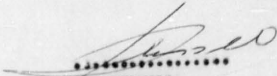
Personnel Accompanying : Mr P. Bouraga, Patrol Officer. (Part.)  
: Two members R.P.N.G.C. Sissano  
Detachment.

Number of Days : Fifteen (15)

Last D.D.A. Patrol to the Area : November, 1964.  
" Agric. " " " : September, 1962.  
" Medical " " " : May, 1960 (West Coast Inland)  
: June, 1965 (West Coast)

Map reference : Army series four milinch and district  
map.

Objects of the Patrol : 1. Census Revision.  
: 2. Routine Administration.  
: 3. Propaganda, Council Extension.  
: 4. Propaganda, Decimal Currency  
conversion.

  
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P.J. RUSSELL.

Patrol Officer.

DIARY, SISSANO PATROL NO 1 of 1965/6.

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- 26/8/65 At Sissano village, census revision of Meindrom and Mainya hamlets, talks re decimal currency conversion and council extension.
- 27/8/65 At Sissano village, census revision of Anzor and Nimas hamlets, talks re decimal currency conversion and proposed council extension.
- 30/8/65 To Warapu village, census revision, talks re decimal currency conversion and proposed council extension returned Sissano Base Camp in p.m.
- 2/9/65 To Arop village, census revision, discussions including proposed council extension and decimal currency conversion. Slept night.
- 3/9/65 To Po village, census revision, discussions re proposed council extension and decimal currency conversion. Slept night.
- 4/9/65 Returned to Sissano Lagoon Base Camp in am.
- 18/10/65 To Barira village, census revision of Barira and Drome, discussions re proposed council extension and decimal currency conversion. Slept night.
- 19/10/65 To Goiniri village, census revision of Walwali, Goiniri and Mengian, discussions re proposed council extension and decimal currency conversion. Slept night.
- 20/10/65 To Ramu village, census revision and discussions re proposed council extension, and decimal currency conversion. Slept night.
- 24/10/65 Returned to Sissano lagoon Base Camp in am.
- 26/10/65 To Serra villages, census revision of three hamlets, discussions re decimal currency conversion and proposed council extension. Slept night.
- 27/10/65 Returned to Sissano Lagoon Base Camp.
- 28/11/65 Departed Sissano in am accompanied by Mr P. Bouraga, Patrol Officer, to Savamu village in nine hours. Slept night.
- 9/11/65 Census revision of Savamu, Nebike and Mumuru villages. Discussions re council extension and decimal currency conversion. Nominations received for council elections. Slept night.

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- 10/11/65 To Mori No 1 village, cen sus revision of Mori No 1 and Mafoka, discussions re decimal currency conversion and council extension. Nominations received for council elections. Slept night.
- 11/11/65 To Amsuku village, census revision of Amsuku, Kalandu, Katiye and Kalau. Discussions re council extension and decimal currency conversion. Nominations received for council elections. Slept night.
- 12/11/65 To Sumo village. census revision and discussions re decimal currency conversion and council extension. Nominations received for council elections. Slept night.
- 13/11/65 To Sissano Lagoon Base Camp.
- 22/11/65 To Malol village, census revision of Uian, Amsor and Mainyeu hamlets. Discussions re council extension and decimal currency conversion, slept night.
- 23/11/65 To Census revision of Aindin, Aipukon and Tainyapin hamlets in am. Discussions re decimal currency conversion and council extension.  
Census revision of Toles and Lampu hamlets in pm.  
Discussion re council extension and decimal currency conversion. Returned to Aitape.

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## INTRODUCTION.

The patrol contacted all villages of the West Coast and West Coast Inland census divisions that comprise the Sissano administrative area. This includes six village groups in the Aitape West Coast division and sixteen villages of the Aitape West Coast Inland division.

With the Siau Local Government council about to be extended to include all villages in the Aitape sub-district it was considered advisable to discuss proposals and elections with complete wards, rather than talk to the people village by village. Therefore where more than one village comprise a single ward it was attempted to bring all the villagers to a central site.

The patrol moved throughout the area by canoe and on foot. With the exception of a couple of areas where it is necessary to walk in river beds travelling is reasonably easy. The people have maintained well cut tracks that easily link most villages.

## OBSERVATIONS AND COMMENTS.

There is no marked difference noticeable in the living standards since the last patrol of the area twelve months ago. The inland villages still rely on casual employment for what cash income they enjoy. These areas are becoming increasingly aware that they must have some form of cash income in their villages, however they have shown themselves discouraged with most cash crops. Native mining in the Karandu area has over the last two months produced approximately £85 worth of gold and more groups were talking of joining in a venture with the Karandu people.

The building project at Sissano Base Camp allowed the local people to earn an estimated £1200 through their labour and supplying local materials.

## RECEPTION OF PATROL.

The patrol was well received throughout, all villages had excellent resthouses and village officials were eager to assist.

## VILLAGES.

### 1. Standard and type of Housing.

The West Coast inland villages have been regularly patrolled by members of the R.P.N.G.C. detachment at Sissano and a marked improvement was noticed in housing standards throughout the area. NEBULE have moved down river to amalgamate with SAV MUI and the people have built new housing. Mori No 1 have also completed a move to their new village site.

Since my last report the Siau council have formed a Health and Hygiene committee which has twice patrolled the area. However, with the exception of RAWU and SUMO villages there has been no change in the standard of housing. The council has as yet made no ruling on standards and so far the committee have been content to observe.

### ii. Advantages and Disadvantages of Village sites.

SUMO Village. The village site is slowly disappearing into the Rheinbrum river and the people have started to clear a site further up the river. They were encouraged to move as quickly as possible because I don't think their present village will last through another wet season.

KALAU Village. These people been sharing a village site with the Kaiye people. However this site is several hours walk from their own ground, and they are talking of joining with the WANTIPI village. They have indicated that they would like to join the WAPI L.G. Council at LUMI in preference to joining with the SIAU council at Aitape. It is recommended that this group be transferred to the Lumi administrative area.

iii. Water Supply.

Since the last report the Siau council have installed a well and pump at PO village. The cement moulds have been completed for pumps at RAMU, SISSANO (2 wells) and TELES. However the council has not yet purchased pumps.

iv. Cleanliness... Hygiene and Sanitation.

Satisfactory throughout the area.

VILLAGE OFFICIALS.

The Iuluis at KALAU and ANSUKU have both died since the last patrol. No recommendations for new appointments are made as the area will be going into Local Government in 1966. There are no other changes.

Luluis and Tultuls continue to do a good job. However, leadership by some of the councillors elected to the Siau council is somewhat erratic. They have managed to set themselves up as Dictators who control all activities from when a person should make sage to directing business operations. There have been several instances of councillors sitting in judgement and flogging the people. It is anticipated that with the re-organisation of the council all elected members will be well aware of the limitations of their authority and, more important, that the people will also understand the true role of the councillor.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

Over the last year the people have been asking when they would be able to join the council. Once they had accepted the fact that local government was inevitable and had gained a clearer idea of the structure and functions of councils they wished for immediate inclusion. During the patrol nominations were received from four of the new wards and competition was keen with every village nominating a candidate.

As previously stated councillors in the Siau council are exceeding their authority. Surprisingly, this is not leading to discontent in the villages, rather the people tend to accept the role of the councillor as another step towards independent self-government. Alternatively the councillor explains himself with "What is the use of me being a councillor if I have no real authority?"

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK.

The situation remains practically unchanged since my last report.

PO village is the only place that has produced any coffee for sale. In other places the initial enthusiasm is wearing off and the people are disgruntled with the slow return.

DASF have not had an officer at Aitape for over one year and there still remains areas that have never been visited by Agricultural officers.

The cattle herd at DROME continues to increase with a further two head this year. It is the intention of the people to kill two bulls this year at Christmas, one at the mission station where it will be sold to the local people and another that they intend to bring to Aitape.

The villages of RAMU, WARAFU and SISSANO all intend to start breeding and at the moment are clearing bush for pasture land. It is anticipated that they will receive cattle early in the new year.

#### COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

##### i. Trade stores.

Since the last report the Catholic Mission have commenced stores at DROME. There are also two privately operated native owned trade stores, one at WARAFU and one at MALOL.

All stores hold current Licence to trade with Natives.

##### ii. TRANSPORT.

There are now two inboard-outboard powered canoes on the coast at WARAFU and Sissano. All benzine outboard motors on the coast are now unserviceable and there seems little chance that these will ever be repaired.

The administration have a 14 foot Aluminium dinghy and a 20hp outboard motor stationed at Sissano.

##### iii. FISHING.

Still confined to small cash income from sales to Missions and Administration personnel at Sissano.

##### iv. MINING.

The people of the KARANDU area spent several months early this year exploring the possibilities of gold mining. They state that they discovered a reasonable area in September and since then they have produced approximately £85 worth of gold. This has greatly encouraged other village groups in the area and this may prove a worthwhile industry.

#### LAND.

The area of land for the Sissano Patrol Post still remains unpurchased, although documents are now being prepared.

#### COMPLAINTS AND COURTS.

All complaints were of a domestic nature and settled by arbitration.

Six natives were charged in the Court of Native Affairs under section 113 of the Native Administration Ordinance with failing to appear for census.

#### RESTROUBES.

Adequate buildings were found in every village.

#### CARRIERS AND CANOES.

Carriers and paddlers are easily obtainable at all villages and are hired on an hourly basis of 1/- per hour. Canoes can be hired at 10/- per day.

#### HEALTH.

Satisfactory throughout the area.

Medical teams have just completed smallpox immunisation throughout the entire area.

The service supplied at Aid-posts remains the same. The nursing sister at the Sissano Mission has now extended infant welfare clinics to cover WARAPU, SISSANO, AROP, BANU and SERRA villages.

#### EDUCATION AND MISSIONS.

At the beginning of 1965 an Administration school staffed by a European teacher was opened at Sissano. This year there was a prep and a Standard V. It is envisaged that this school will grow over a number of years to a full Primary "T" school.

In addition to the schools run by the Catholic Mission at Sissano the mission at DROME is also considering opening a school. There are 420 children attending the school at Sissano and Warapu and it is expected that there will be a further 60 at Drome in 1966. Most other villages have small village schools run by mission catechists.

The Catholic mission have again restaffed their mission station at Drome and their influence is re-settling throughout the area. The Mission at Sissano continues to enjoy good relations with the people.

#### ROADS AND DRAINAGE.

These consist of well-cut native tracks throughout the area. It was noticed that the people from WALI ALI had cleared an area of 75 yards either side of the track in an attempt to improve drainage.

#### AIRFIELDS.

There are two privately operated airstrips controlled by the Catholic mission in the area, at Drome and Sissano.

#### PERSONAL TAX.

As the area will shortly be under council control no personal tax was collected.

#### CENSUS.

Census revision was carried out in all villages and copies of these figures are attached. It may be noted that the figures on sheet 3 are incomplete, this is because original figures were worked out on the old-style village population register.

#### DECIMAL CURRENCY CONVERSION.

Talks were given on the currency conversion for next year and pidgin pamphlets handed out. The idea was received with varying degrees of success, however I feel that all persons are aware that the money will be changed and that many will have very little trouble with the changover.

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SEPIK Report No. 2/1965-66

Patrol Conducted by P. Bourne

Area Patrolled 1. Aitape West Coast Census Division  
2. Aitape West Inland (part) Census Division.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives Local Gov. Assistant, Council Clerk, and  
3 Members of RPHSG.

Duration—From 11.1.1966 to 1.2.1966

Number of Days 22

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 11/10/65 West Coast Inland  
5/1965 West Coast

Medical 1/1966 West Coast Inland.

Map Reference Army series 4 mil and District Map

Objects of Patrol To conduct Siau Local Gov. Council Elections.

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

23/2/1966

*E.C. Baker*  
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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67-8-46

23rd March, 1966.

The District Commissioner,  
Sepik District,  
BRWAK.

MISSANG PATROL REPORT NO. 2/1965-66

Thank you for your memorandum 67-3-20/2015 of 24th February, 1966 together with Mr. Bouraga's patrol report.

2. Your comments and those of Mr. Roach have been noted.

3. Mr. Bouraga seems to have spent usefully nearly a month among the people of the Aitape West Coast and Aitape West Inland Census Divisions, but unfortunately has submitted a very brief report on the people among whom he lived and worked. He should, by this time, have learned to submit a detailed and informative report.

4. No map was attached to the report.

(J. K. MCCARTHY)  
DIRECTOR.

67-3-20/2015



Sepik District,  
NEW GUINEA.

24th February, 1966.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
ALTAPÉ.

PATROL REPORT NO. 2 - 65/66

Receipt is acknowledged of the Patrol Report by  
Mr. P. Bouraga.

I agree with your comments. The patrol was of a  
high standard, and the report was well presented.

The Director has asked for a report on Mr. Bouraga  
as a Magistrate. This should only be brief and sent in here  
under confidential cover. The report is due this month. I  
shall be grateful if you would submit one please.

It is hoped that some good will come from the visit  
of the Field Assistant (Mining) in the Rome - Barira area.

As soon as the Extension Officer arrives it might  
be as well to draw his attention to Mr. Bouraga's remarks  
on the state of the coffee in the Po area. I should imagine  
that coffee in such a state could encourage disease.

It was a good patrol and well presented, but the  
report was marred with bad spelling. There was no contingency  
attached.

*E. G. Hicks*

E. G. HICKS  
Actg. District Commissioner.

c.c. The Director, Department of District Administration,  
KONKODOBU.

c.c. Mr. P. Bouraga,  
C/- Administration Staff College,  
PORT MORSBY.



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Sub District Office,  
Aitape, Sepik West.

21st February, 1966,

The District Commissioner,  
epik District.

SISSANO PATROL REPORT No. 2/1965-66.

Enclosed please find two copies of a report on a patrol by Mr. P.O. Bouraga from Sissano Base Camp. The main aim of the patrol was to conduct the Siau Local Government Council Elections and Mr. Bouraga's Assistant Returning Officer's report has already gone forward.

Elections are complete and the initial meeting of the extended Siau Council is over and estimates submitted for approval. The extension of the Council to the more primitive villages inland from Sissano was long overdue.

It is expected that an Extension Officer from Dept. Agriculture Stock and Fisheries will be posted to Aitape this month. He should be able to visit this area during an initial patrol and arrange the pruning of coffee trees and give assistance in the extension of plantings. It is indeed difficult to plan the extension of economic cropping to this neglected part of the Aitape Sub District. The population is relatively small and available land is far from any means of transport to market. Any proposed re-settlement scheme on blocks nearer to Aitape must be of interest to progressive members of these isolated communities and they will be kept well informed of progress through the media of the Local Government Council.

A Field Assistant (Mining) from the Dept. Lands Surveys and Mines is in the Rome/Barira area now and I hope this will stimulate production.

During the Patrol Mr. Bouraga heard a number of cases as a Magistrate of Local Court and relevant papers indicate a sound knowledge of procedure.

The Sissano/Warapu people have for many years had the opportunity of cleaning and working the government Coconut plantation near Sissano. Although the plantation is old and not bearing well certain members of the community are able to gain a small income from copra production.

The report is well presented and indicates a high standard of patrolling. Upon his return from patrol Mr. Bouraga was informed of his selection to attend the Administrative College this year and for that reason his report is a short one.

J.H. ROACH.  
Assistant District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS

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1/1/66	128	New year holidays.
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3/1/66		
4/1/66	129	0800-1200. Routine office duties. 1330-1605. Routine office duties.
5/1/66	130	0800-1200. Routine office duties. 1330-1445. Routine office duties. 1500 Departed Sissans for Aitape. 1520-1610. Routine office duties. Nation DIV's for Pohn, Aitape, Supina ent. Local officials attended to.
6/1/66	131	0800-1200. Clerical duties. With

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = N/A

Assistant District Officer to send Original to District Officer.  
Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

SECTION

Name.

Bauraga, P.

Station.

Sissano

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print—9361/1.63—2,000 hks.

Date	Para. No.	
6/1/66	131.	(Contd.)
		ADC and Senior Local Government Officer for West Sepik. Suchen procedures briefly outlined. Routine office duties. 1330-1605. Local officials attended to. Church duties.
7/1/66	132.	0800-1200. Routine office duties. 1330-1605. Routine office duties.
8/1/66	133	0800-1200. Routine office duties. <del>0800-1200. Routine office duties.</del>
9/1/66	134	0800-1100. Stores for Sissano received. Church duties. Two local court cases heard. Local officials attended to. 1115. Departed for Sissano for duty, arriving at 1345. 1415-1610. Patrol gear received.
11/1/66	135.	0845 departed Sissano with patrol personnel and gear for canoes for entrance to the Loch leading to Ramu village, and arrived at 1045. 1130 departed for Moki village via Ramu, Suro, and MOKKI villages. Arriving Moki at 1700. Patrol well received. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the officials. Purchased fresh food for patrol personnel. Slept Moki.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 1

Assistant District Officer to send Original to District Officer.  
Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

Name BARBARA, P.

Station 3133 ANO.

Date Para. No.

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print.—9301/1.63.—2,000 hks.

- 12/1/66 136. 0745 Departed Momi with personnel and carriers for Momi village and swami. Changed carriers at swami and proceeded on to Momi, arriving at 1430. Pachel will receive Pachel diary explained to the officials from this village. Carriers paid and dispatched. Purchased fresh food for Pachel personnel. Group discussion with officials and villagers on Swan Council elections. Slept Momi.
- 13/1/66 137. At Momi.  
0800 Nominations closed for suitable candidate for this ward.  
0800-0900. Ballot papers stamped and initialed with the assistance of Council Clerk, Willie Bad and L.G. Assistant Lindsay Sopwambi. Addressed the assembled group on voting procedures and other matters on election as usual.  
0900 election commenced and closed at 1130. Vote counted and the results announced. KASNE/PAINI was the successful candidate.  
1215 Departed Momi with personnel and carriers for swami and arrived at 1545. Pachel will receive. Carriers paid and dispatched. Pachel diary explained to the village officials. Group discussion with the villagers.  
1930-2045. Clerical duties.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 2.

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Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.



Name BOURAGA, P.Station S/S AVO.

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print.—9301/L.62.—2,000 bks.

Date 14/1/66 Para. No. 138.At SAVAMU.

0800 nominations closed.

0800-0900. Ballot papers stamped and initialed. Addressed the assembled groups on voting procedures and other matters concerning the election as a whole.

0900 election commenced and was closed at 1200. Votes counted and the results announced. Kubani AMASI of MORI village was the successful candidate. Other matters as per patrol instruction were attended to before the patrol departed for AMSUKU via MORI at 1230 hours.

1300 hours arrived at AMSUKU. Patrol well received. Patrol itinerary explained to the officials here and from adjacent villages.

1945-2130. Clerical duties.

Date 15/1/66 Para. No. 139.At AMSUKU.

0830 Nominations for suitable candidates closed. Four nominations from this ward which comprises four villages.

0830-0930. Ballot papers stamped and initialed. Addressed the assembled groups on voting procedures and on other election matters generally.

0930-~~1030~~ Election commenced and closed at 1330 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. KAWANEI MOSI BE

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 2

Assistant District Officer to send Original to District Officer.  
Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

SECTION

Name Bouraco, P.

Station SISSANO.

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print.—3283/1.52—2,000 lks.

Date Para. No.

15/1/66 139 (Contd.)

From Amsoke village was elected to represent this ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to before the patrol departed for Semo at 1415 hours.

1650 hours arrived at Semo. Patrol itinerary explained to the officials here. Carriers paid and dispatched.

1930-2100. Clerical duties.

16/1/66 140 Observed. Some clerical duties.

17/1/66 141 at Semo.

0845. Nominations for suitable candidates closed.

0845-0945. Ballot papers stamped and initialed with the assistance of Council Clerk and L.G. Assistant. Later self addressed the assembled group on the election generally, special emphasis given to voting procedures.

0945. Election commenced and was closed at 1345. Votes counted and the results announced. MARE/KARIPA elected to represent this ward. Other matters as per patrol instruction were also attended to.

1430-1830. Clerical duties. Group discussions with villagers on general village matters.

Slept Semo.

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio = 2

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Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
DEPARTMENT OF NATIVE AFFAIRS

Folio No. 31

Name BEURAGA, P.

Station SISAANO.

FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print—9361/1.62—2,000 hks.

18/1/66 142. 0645. Departed Semo with carrier and personnel for Rano, arriving at 0900. Patrol well received. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinery explained to village officials.  
1030 Nominations closed.  
1030-1130. Ballot papers stamped and initialed. Addressed the assembled groups on election matters generally, especially voting procedures.  
1130 Election commenced and was closed at 1600. Votes counted and the results announced. Previous Councilor (SIVARE/MARE) returned for another term. Other matters as per patrol instructions were also attended to.  
1700 Departed Rano with personnel and carrier for BASISA/DROME, arriving at 1820. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinery explained to village officials.  
2050 - 2145. Clerical duties.  
Slept SARIRA/DROME.

19/1/66 143. at SARIRA/DROME. 1900. Nominations closed.  
0900-1000. Ballot papers stamped and initialed. Addressed the assembled groups on voting procedures.  
1000 Election commenced and was closed at 1430. Votes counted and the results announced. Luberi SANGAR J

Total Field Days recorded this Folio =  $1\frac{1}{2}$

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Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

Name BARAGA, P.Station SISSANO

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print.—9301/1.43—5,000 kks.

Date 19/1/66 Para. No. 143 (Contd.)

BARIRA was checked to represent this ward. Other matters as per patrol instructions were also attended to. Village books finalized.

1530. Departed BARIRA/DROM with carriers and personnel for GOSNIKI, arriving 1645. Patrol well received. En route passed through KAWIKAWI village which was found satisfactory. Carriers paid and dispatched. Patrol itinerary explained to village officials.

1930 - 2130. Clerical duties.

Slept GOSNIKI.

Date 20/1/66 Para. No. 144 At GOSNIKI.

0900. Nominations closed.

0900-1000. Ballot paper stamped and initialed. Addressed the assembled groups on election matters generally, special emphasis given to voting procedures.

1000. Election commenced and closed at 1430. Votes counted and the result announced.

TUKI/IAFE of GOSNIKI checked to represent this ward. Other matters as per patrol instructions were also attended to. Village books finalized.

1530. Departed GOSNIKI with carriers and personnel for PO, arriving at 1900.

Carriers paid and dispatched. Patrol itinerary explained to village officials.

2030 - 2145. Clerical duties.

Slept PO.

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio =  $1\frac{1}{2}$

Assistant District Officer to send Original to District Officer.  
Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and  
Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

Name BOURAGA, P.Station SISSANO.

Date Para. No.

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print.—9381/1.62.—2,600 kks.

21/1/66 145 at PO.

0830. Nominations closed.  
 0830-0930. Ballot papers stamped and initiated. Addressed the assembled group on voting procedures. Sounded other matters on election generally.  
 0930. Election commenced and was closed at 1300. Votes counted and the results announced. Previous councillor (MARIO WINGI) returned for another term. Other matters as per pocket instructions were also attended to. Village book finalized.  
 1415. Departed PO with personnel and carriers for Sissano, arriving at 1830. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to Village Officials.  
 1930-2130. Clerical duties.

Slept SISSANO.

22/1/66 146. 0745. Departed Sissano with carrier and personnel for SORRA, arriving 1000.

1130. Nominations closed.  
 1130-1230. Ballot papers stamped and initiated. Addressed the assembled groups on voting procedures.  
 1230. Election commenced and was closed at 1730. Votes counted and the results announced. SOCREJAVAK elected to represent this ward. Other matters as per pocket instruction were also attended to.  
 1930-2100. Clerical duties. Slept SORRA.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 2.

Assistant District Officer to send Original to District Officer.  
Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

Name BOURAGA, P.Station SISSANO.

Date Para. No.

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print-3301/L.E.-2,690 hks.

- 23/1/66 147 0830. Departed SERRA with personnel and carriers for SISSANO, and arrived at 1145. Carriers paid and despatched. Rest of the day observed.  
2030-2330. Clerical duties.  
Slept SISSANO.
- 24/1/66 148 At SISSANO.  
0800 Villagers assembled and nominations taken.  
0900. Nominations for suitable candidates closed.  
0900-1000. Ballot papers stamped with the assistance of both the Council Clerk and L.G. Assistant. Addressed the assembled groups on the election as a whole, special emphasis given to voting procedures.  
1000. Election commenced until 1630 - this to be resumed following day.  
1645-1800. Issues fully complained heard and settled same satisfactorily.  
1930-2100. Clerical duties.  
Slept SiSSANO
- 25/1/66 149 At SiSSANO.  
0800-0830. Clerical duties  
0845. Voting resumed, and the election closed at 1630. Votes counted and the results announced. SACON/PANUS of WIMM village was re-elected to represent this ward. Other matters as per postal instruction also attended.

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio = 2Assistant District Officer to send Original to District Officer.  
Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

Name Buwaga, P

Station Sissano

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print—9381/L.61—2,000 lks.

Date	Para. No.	
27/6/66	149	1115 - 1200. Clerical duties. 1330 - 1500. Village inspected and found fair. 1510 - 1615. Clerical duties. Police notices issued. 1630. Departed Sissano for Warapu and arrived at 1640. Carriers found and dispatched. Patrol clerical explained to Village Councils. 1930 - 2100. Clerical duties.
28/6/66	150	0800. Villagers assembled, and remuneration taken. 0830. Remuneration closed. 0830 - 0930. Ballot papers stamped and initialed. Addressed the assembled groups on the election as a whole, special emphasis given to voting procedures. 0930. Election commenced - this was closed at 1930. 1930 - 1845. Group discussions with villagers. Clerical duties. 1945 - 2130. Statistical returns completed. Supt Warapu.
27/6/66	151	0830. Votes counted and the results announced. MATAOPA/ATIMO of WOKURI village was re-elected to represent this ward. Other members as per patrol instruction also attended to. 0945 - 1215. Clerical duties. Villages inspected and found fair.

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio = 2

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Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and  
Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

Name Bouraga, P

Station Sissano

Date Para. No.

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print.—8391/1.63.—2,000 kks.

Date	Para. No.	Field Officer's Journal
27/6/66	151	(Contd.) 1245. Departed WARRAPU with carriers and personnel for canvas, arriving at 1530. Carriers paid and dispatched. Patrol itinerary explained to village officials. 1630 - 1745. Clerical duties. Group discussions with villagers. 1730 - 2100 Clerical duties. Slept AWOP.
28/6/66	152	at AWOP. 0830. Villagers assembled and nominations taken. 0900 Nominations closed. 0900-1000 Ballot papers stamped and initialed. Addressed the assembled groups on the election as a whole. Polls Election commenced and was closed at 1730. 1915-2100. Clerical duties. Slept AWOP.
29/6/66	153	at AWOP 0800 - 0900 Clerical duties. 0900. Votes counted and results announced. S.M.M.M./P.M.M.M. of AWOP No. 2 was re-elected to represent the AWOP ward. Other matters on fire patrol instruction also attended to. 1105-1230. Villages inspected and found satisfactory.

Total Field Days  
recorded this Folio = 3Assistant District Officer to send Original to District Officer.  
Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and  
Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.



Name

Bouraga P.

Station

SISSANO

Date

Para. No.

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print—3201/1.52—8,000 kks.

- 29/1/66 153 (Contd.)  
1345 - 1830. Clerical duties. Group discussion with villagers about ROAD.
- 30/1/66 154 Observed. Some clerical duties.
- 31/1/66 155 0930 Departed Molo for Mawa and arrived at 1100. Carriers paid and dispatched. Patrol duty explained to Village Councilors. 1330 - 630. Some clerical duties.
- 1/2/66 155 0845 Villagers assembled at the mission grounds and addressed them on the election as a whole. Nominations for suitable candidates taken.  
0930 Nominations closed.  
0930 - 1030. Ballot papers stamped and initialed with the assistance of Council clerk and the L. G. Assistant.  
630. Election commenced and was closed at 1730. Votes counted and the results announced.  
1930 - 2100. Compiled statistical return.
- 3/2/66 157 At Molo.  
0800 - 1230. Clerical duties. Two petty complaints heard and settled same satisfactorily.  
1330 Departed Molo for Sissano per canoe, arriving Sissano at 1745. Patrol stood down.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 4

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Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.

Name BARAG P.

Station SISSANO

## FIELD OFFICER'S JOURNAL

Govt. Print.—9361/L.43—3,000 kks.

Date	Para. No.	
3/2/66	158	0800 - 1200. Routine office duties. 1330 - 1630. Routine office duties.
4/2/66	159	0800 - 1200. Routine office duties. Two petty complaints heard and settled satisfactorily. 1330 - 1610. Routine office duties.
5/2/66	160	0800 - 1200. Handover/takeover certificates drafted and finalized. Other clerical duties. 1330 - 1645. Clerical duties.
7/2/66	161	0800 - 1200. Routine office duties. 1330 - 1610. Routine office duties.
8/2/66	162	0800 - 1200. Routine office duties. 1330 - 1610. Routine office duties.
9/2/66	163	0800 - 1200. Routine office duties. Local officials attended to. 1330 - 1610. Routine office duties.
10/2/66	164	0800 - 1130. Routine office duties. 1145 Departed Sisano for Ailafe en route for Misaki, for Misaki, arriving at 1200. 1330 - 1610. Routine office duties. Petri matters attended to. Election report commenced.
11/2/66	165	0800 - 1200. Clerical duties. Village officials attended to. 1330 - 1610. Routine office duties.

Total Field Days recorded this Folio = 114

Assistant District Officer to send Original to District Officer.  
Patrol Officer to send Original to District Officer and Duplicate to Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

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Our Reference

If calling ask for

Mr.

File 67-1-5

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Sub District Office,  
Aitape, Sepik West.

23rd December, 1965.

Mr. P. Bouraga,  
Officer in Charge,  
Sissano.

SISSANO PATROL No. 2/1965-66.

1. Please arrange to Patrol all villages in the Sissano Base Camp area to conduct the elections for the Sissano Local Government Council. I attach in writing your appointment as an Assistant Returning Officer; Willi Bat Council Clerk and a Local Government Assistant will accompany you to act as Poll Clerks.

2. The District Officer (Local Government) will visit Aitape just prior to the elections. I want you to be at Aitape when he visits so that we both may go over final arrangements; the election period covers 28 days (not including Sundays) from 10th January, 1966. When you come to Aitape arrange to collect all election equipment, ballot papers etc; adequate to cover your needs.

3. I refer you to 'Directions for the Conduct of Local Government Elections' issued by the Chief Electoral Officer and Part IV and V of the Local Government Ordinance, 1963. Please read Local Government Circulars No. 7 and 10 and Circular Instruction No. 306 (Local Government Memorandum No.2). You will be required to furnish me with all relevant information from your area to enable me to submit an election report as is required by the Commissioner for Local Government.

4. Otherwise please submit a report in the required manner on all aspects of your patrol covering separately Native Affairs, Agriculture, Medical and Health etc. as instructed by your Field Officers Hand Book Volume 1.

5. For your information you will be required to conduct elections in the following wards;

- Ward 6. AMJOR (MALOL) MAINYEU and UAIN
- Ward 7. TAIHYAPIN, AINDEN and AIPUKOH, MALOL Mission.
- Ward 8. AROP No.1 and 2
- Ward 9. WARAPU and WARAPU Mission
- Ward 10. AMJOB (SISSANO) MAINDRON, MAINYA, NIMAS, SISSANO PATROL POST, MISSION
- Ward 11. PUINDU, RAINUK and SARAI
- Ward 12. SUMO
- Ward 13. RAMD
- Ward 14. PO
- Ward 15. MUMURU
- Ward 16. MORI, SAVAMUI and NEBEKI.
- Ward 17. AMJUKU, MAFOKA and KARANDU and KAIYEI
- Ward 18. BARINE, DROME and ROME Mission
- Ward 19. WALWALI, GOINIRI and NENGLIAN village groups.

at some villages one days polling will be adequate; however at Sissano, Warapu, Arop and Malol villages you should programme two days polling to cope with the population involved. I enclose a copy of my patrol programme which notifies each village of the election day and times they are to prepare for voting. Please compile a similar notice for your area and provide me with a copy. You may not be able to stick exactly to the itinerary but it will be a guide for the electors.

7. Much of the actual mechanics of voting etc. will be discussed with you when you visit Aitape next. Anything you are unsure of we can discuss then with the District Officer (Local Government).

8. As a Magistrate for Native Affairs you will almost certainly have a number of cases brought to your notice. Should any persons be convicted under N.A.R.'s please arrange to forward Court Papers and relevant documents to Aitape with the epopal concerned.

9. At the end of the Patrol move down to Aitape where you will be of assistance to me in Local elections.



J.H. ROACH,  
Assistant District Commissioner.

Station: SISANG

Sub-District: AITAPE

District: SEMPIL

Patrol No. 2/1965-66.

Patrol Conducted By: F. Pouranga

Area Patrolled: 1. Aitape West Coast Census Division  
2. Aitape West Inland (part) Census Division.

Personnel Accompanying: 1 Local Government Assistant  
1 Council Clerk  
2 Members RPNCO.

Duration Of Patrol: From 11/2/66 to 1/2/66

22 Days

Last D.D.A. Patrol: November, 1955 West Coast Inland (part)

June, 1965 West Coast


" Medical "

June, 1965 West Coast

January, 1966 West Coast Inland (part)

Map Reference: Army series 4 mil and the District Map

Object Of Patrol: To conduct Siau Local Government Council Elections.

  
(F. POURANGA)  
Patrol Officer.

67-1-5.

AITAPE  
Sissano  
Bepik District.

18th February, 1966.

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

SISSANO PATROL No. 2/1966-66.

(b) Introduction.

The abovementioned patrol was mounted to these areas normally patrolled from Sissano Lagoon Base Camp, viz, the Aitape West Coast and the Aitape West Inland (part) Census Divisions. The two Divisions lie parallel to each other and are bounded by, to the south, Lumi-Aitape boundary and, to the west, by Vanimo-Aitape boundary.

The areas traversed vary from flat and swampy country to gradual sloping hills. There are patches of kuanai grass and elephant grass together with stands of pinyit along the slopes of hills and the river flats. In the mountain regions the vegetation is mainly rain forest with scattered stands of sage. Several good stands of millable timber are found right throughout the area. The climate is hot and moist. The rainfall is high throughout the year, and it invariably rains in the afternoons and early evenings.

The principal aim the patrol was to conduct the elections for the Siau Local Government Council for the area referred to in the opening paragraph. A report on these elections has been submitted separately.

(c) Itinerary.

Tuesday 11th Jan. 1966.

0845 hours departed Sissano for Mori village and arrived at 1700 hours. Patrol well received. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the village officials, group discussions held with the villagers. Slept Mori.

~~Wednesday 12th Jan. 1966.~~ By canoe: Sissano - Aroporo 2 hours  
Walking time: Aroporo - Mori 6 hours.

Wednesday 12th Jan. 1966.

0745 hours departed Mori with personnel and carriers for Mumuru and arrived at 1430 hours. Patrol well received. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the village officials. Pre-election talks held with the people. Some clerical duties. Slept Mumuru.

Walking time: Mori - Mumuru 6 1/2 hours.

Thursday 13th Jan. 1966.

At Mumuru. 0800 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped with the assistance of a Local Government Assistant and the Council Clerk. Explained voting procedures to the assembled people. 0900 hours election commenced and was closed at 1130 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. KASHE/AFIRI was the successful candidate. 1230 hours departed Mumuru for Savumi and arrived at 1400 hours. People quite receptive. Patrol itinerary explained to the village officials.

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Thursday 13th Jan. 1966 (contd.).

Pre-election talks held with the people. Clerical duties.  
Slept Savanui.

Walking Time: Savanui - Bevanui 8 1/2 hours.

Friday 14th Jan. 1966.

At Savanui. 0800 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped with assistance of the Local Government Assistant and the Council Clerk. Briefly explained voting procedures to the people. 0900 hours election commenced and was closed at 1200 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. KALUAI ANASI of Mari village was the successful candidate. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. 1230 hours departed Savanui for Anauku and arrived at 1830 hours. People quite receptive. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the village officials. Clerical duties. Slept Anauku.

Walking Time: Savanui - Anauku 6 hours.

Saturday 15th Jan. 1966.

At Anauku. 0900 hours people assembled and nominations taken. 0930 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Voting procedures explained to the people. 0930 hours election commenced and was closed at 1330 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. KAHUAI/ROSTERS of Anauku village was the successful candidate. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. 1415 hours departed Anauku for Sumo and arrived at 1650 hours. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the village officials. Pre-election talks held with people. Clerical duties. Slept Sumo.

Walking Time: Anauku - Sumo 2 hours 35 minutes.

Sunday 16th Jan. 1966.

Observed. Some clerical duties.

Monday 17th Jan. 1966.

At Sumo. People assembled and nominations taken. 0845 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Gave brief talk on voting procedures. 0945 hours election commenced and was closed at 1345 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. MAEFA/KARIFA was elected to represent this Ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. Group discussions held with the people on general village activities. Clerical duties. Slept Sumo.

Tuesday 18th Jan. 1966.

0645 hours departed for Renu village and arrived at 0905 hours. People quite receptive. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the people. 1030 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures to the people. 1130 hours election commenced and was closed at 1600 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. Previous Councillor, SIVARI/MAHE, was re-elected to represent this Ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. 1700 hours departed Renu for Barira/Drome and arrived at 1800 hours. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the official.

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Tuesday 12th Jan. 1966 (contd).

Clerical duties. Slept Barira/Drome.

Walking Times: Sumo - Romu 2½ hours  
Rasa - Barira/Drome 1½ hours.

Wednesday 19th Jan. 1966.

At Barira/Drome. 0930 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures to the people. 1000 hours election commenced and was closed at 1430 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. LALUAI SANGAL of Barira village was elected to represent this Ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. 1530 hours departed Barira/Drome for Goiniri village and arrived at 1645 hours. Patrol well received. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the people. Pre-election talks held with the people. Clerical duties. Slept Goiniri.

Walking Time. Barira/Drome - Goiniri 1½ hours.

Thursday 20th Jan. 1966.

At Goiniri. People fro Nongian, Walwali, and Goiniri villages assembled and nominations taken. 0900 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures to the people. 1000 hours election commenced and was closed at 1330 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. TORU/LAEB of Goiniri village was elected to represent this Ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. 1430 hours departed Goiniri for Po village and arrived at 1900 hours. Patrol well received. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the people. Clerical duties. Slept Po.

Walking Time: Goiniri - Po 3½ hours.

Friday 21st Jan. 1966.

At Po. 0800 hours people assembled and nominations taken. 0630 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures. 0930 hours election commenced and was closed at 1300 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. Previous Councillor, MARIO/AVINGI, was re-elected to represent this Ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. 1415 hours departed Po for Sissano and arrived at 1930 hours. Carriers of the hired canoes paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the officials. Clerical duties. Slept Sissano.

Walking Time: Po - Arop 1½ hours

Arop - Sissano by canoe 2½ hours.

Saturday 22nd Jan. 1966.

0745 hours departed Sissano with personnel and carriers for Serra and arrived at 1000 hours. People quite receptive. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the people. 1130 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures. 1230 hours election commenced and was closed at 1730 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. SO'OKI/AVAK elected to represent this Ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. Group discussions with the people. Clerical duties. Slept Serra.

Walking Time: Sissano - Serra 3 hours.



Sunday 23rd Jan. 1966.

0630 hours departed Serra for Sissano and arrived at 1130 hours. Carriers paid and despatched. Rest of the day observed. Some clerical duties. Slept Sissano.

Walking Time: Serra - Sissano 3 hours.

Monday 24th Jan. 1966.

At Sissano. Villagers assembled and nominations taken. 0900 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures to the people. 1000 hours election commenced until 1630 hours-to be resumed following morning. Two petty complaints heard and settled same satisfactorily out of Court. Clerical duties. Slept Sissano.

Tuesday 25th Jan. 1966.

At Sissano. Clerical duties. 0845 hours voting resumed, and the election was closed at 1030 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. SARDIA/PAULUS, previous Councillor from Ninas village, was re-elected to represent the Sissano Ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. Villages inspected and found satisfactory. Police rations issued. Clerical duties. 1630 hours departed Sissano for Warapu and arrived at 1640 hours. Patrol well received. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the officials. Pre-election talks held with the people. Clerical duties. Slept Warapu.

Walking Time: Sissano - Warapu 10 minutes.

Wednesday 26th Jan. 1966.

0800 hours villagers assembled and nominations taken. 0830 nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures to the people. 0930 hours election commenced and was closed at 1730 hours. Group discussions held with the people on general village activities. Clerical duties. Slept Warapu.

Thursday 27th Jan. 1966.

0830 hours villagers assembled and votes counted, and the results announced. MAINTOPA/ATIMO, the previous Councillor from Warapu hamlet, was re-elected to represent the Warapu Ward. Other matters as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. Villages inspected and found fair. 1245 hours departed Warapu with personnel per canoes for Arop and arrived at 1530 hours. Owners of the canoes paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the people. Pre-election talks held with the people. Clerical duties. Slept Arop.

Friday 28th Jan. 1966.

At Arop. 0830 hours villagers assembled and nominations taken. 0900 nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures to the people. 1000 hours election commenced and was closed at 1730 hours. Group discussions with the people on general village activities. Clerical duties. Slept Arop.

Saturday 29th Jan. 1966.

At Arop. Clerical duties. 0905 hours people assembled and votes counted, and the results announced. SAPIAN/ALMINI, previous Councillor from Arop No.2, was re-elected to represent the Arop Ward. Other matter as per Patrol Instructions were also attended to. Villages inspected and found satisfactory. Group discussions with the people on general village activities. Clerical duties. Slept Arop.

Sunday 30th Jan. 1966.

Observed.

Monday 31st Jan. 1966.

0930 hours departed Arop for Malol and arrived at 1100 hours. Carriers paid and despatched. Patrol itinerary explained to the officials. Clerical duties. Slept Malol.

Walking Time: Arop - Malol 1 1/2 hours.

Tuesday 1st Feb. 1966.

0845 villagers assembled and nominations taken. 0930 hours nominations closed. Ballot papers stamped. Briefly explained voting procedures to the people. 1030 hours election commenced and was closed at 1730 hours. Votes counted and the results announced. Group discussions with the villagers on general village activities. Clerical duties. Slept Malol.

Wednesday 2nd Feb. 1966.

At Malol. Clerical duties. Ten petty complaints heard and settled some satisfactorily out of Court. 1130 hours departed Malol for Sissano per canoes and arrived at 1930 hours. Owners of the canoes paid and despatched. Patrol stood down. End of patrol. End of diary.

SUMMARY NATIVE SITUATION--AITAPE WEST COAST and AITAPE WEST INLAND(part)  
CEBUS DIVISIONS.

The contrasting picture of enthusiasm for economic change within the two divisions was the predominant feature apparent during the patrol. Those people in what I will call Group I, viz, Mumru, Savamui, Mubike, Mori, Mafoka, Amuku, Karandu, and Kayle all profess enthusiasm for economic development in the form of coffee plantings which is still in the experimental stages. They have done some work mainly with shade gardens so far but also several coffee blocks actually planted.

The people from the villages of Saso, Rama, and Po - Group II are also enthusiastic for economic development, but unfortunately this enthusiasm is overshadowed by the personal interest they have in their own affairs and also the distant from marketing centres. In Po there are several coffee blocks actually planted, but it appeared during the patrol that no work has been done on these blocks. There were weeds and other plants germinating with the coffee. What the people here need is for a Field Assistant with some experience of pruning coffee to carryout the work. I feel sure that when this is done the people will realize the importance of cash cropping.

The final contrast is in the villages of Serra, Sissano, Warapu, Arop, and Malol. Here the people have done much more throughout the past years than people in the rest of the two divisions. During the past two years these people have received returns from the production of copra and sale native food stuff to the Mission and the government station at Sissano. Within this Group the people no longer need convincing and are quite aware of the importance of cash cropping.

I feel that this enthusiasm for any change, political, economic, educational or social is a good barometer

for the general native affairs situation throughout the two census divisions. In Group I the people are not as advanced as those in either Group II or Group III but the tendency is towards change. I feel that, within time, provided encouragement for the few who are interested in change and propaganda for those who are not, are maintained these villages will develop enthusiasm for cash-cropping as has been done in the other two Groups.

Apart from all the villages in Groups II and III, the villages in Group I were not previously in the Council. However, they have now been included in the recently reconstituted Siam Local Government Council. The people, this Group favour Local Government Council and it should not be long before they adjust themselves to the administrative functions of the Council. It can be said that these people were somewhat left out of any development that was taken place in the sub-district during the past few years, but this feeling should change now that they are in the Council. In addition they have considered the establishment of a Patrol Post at Sisone as a major step towards assistance in establishing an industry. As this they have been vocal in their demands for the necessary assistance. I feel that once they see some tangible effects being made they will assist.

Few disputes were brought forward and these were settled satisfactorily out of Court. Walking tracks, minor bridges, canals and village hygiene were satisfactory, except in Amaha village where the cemetery was poor. Instructions in this matter were given to the Amaha villagers.

It was noted during the election each polling place that several villagers were recruited over the arbitrary one third limit. However, no hardship was apparent here except in the cases of wives getting into trouble with other men during the absence of husbands from the villages outside the district-but this would be so whether or not the villages were over-recruited.

Native Medical Orderlies stationed closer to each polling place were called in and all the people were subjected to a cursory medical inspection. The health situation throughout the two divisions was found to be satisfactory.

*Ramsey*  
 (P. RAMSEY)  
 District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

SEPIK WEST

SISSANO 3/65-66

District of..... Report No.....

T. J. A. HEUSTON ADO

Patrol Conducted by.....

SISSANO PATROL POST

Area Patrolled.....

NIL

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....

2

Natives.....

17 5 68 12 24 5 66

Duration—From 2 / 6 / 19 66 to 12 / 6 / 19 66

Number of Days..... 20

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... / 2 / 19 66

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

TADJI 4 Miles to Inch

Map Reference.....

General Administration.

Objects of Patrol.....

Director of Native Affairs,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

/ / 19

District Commissioner

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

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

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

67-8-71

14th October, 1966.

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
NEW A K.

SISSANO PATROL REPORT NO. 3/1965-66:

Receipt of Mr. Heuston's patrol report covered by your memorandum 67-3-20 of the 16th August, 1966 and Mr. Roach's memorandum 67-1-5 of the 28th July, 1966, is acknowledged with thanks.

2. Mr. Heuston has apparently spent his three weeks in the field very profitably which is clearly shown in his well written and informative report. The way he tackled the political education programme appears to be sound and good.

3. No other comments necessary.

(J. K. McCarthy)  
DIRECTOR

67-3-20



16th August, 1966.

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

SISSANO PATROL REPORT NO. 3/65-66  
MR. T.J.A. HEUSTON

Receipt of Mr. Heuston's report of a patrol through the Sissano Patrol area is acknowledged. The report is well written and informative. I have the following comments to make.

Outline of Political Situation:

Kalau is not part of the Siau Council and in view of this I do not consider that the present ward is too unwieldy especially in view of the fact that ANSUKU is centrally situated to the other villages of the ward.

The disputes over land title is a matter which should be referred to the Demarcation Committee when it is set up. I understand that the Lands Title Commissioner will be discussing the formation of this body with the Council at its next meeting at the end of this month.

Commerce and Industry

Would you ask Mr. Heuston to take a close look into the mining industry with a view to giving it more encouragement if this is at all possible.

Health

These comments have been passed on to the District Medical Officer.

Education and Missions

These comments have been passed on to the District Inspector.

Roads and Bridges

Before giving any consideration to taking any action under the Roads Maintenance Ordinance I would like Mr. Heuston's advice as to how he thinks the Ordinance could be enforced.

Your comments have been noted. I understand that the matter of Mr. Julian Lee's visit to the District in relation to water supplies has been discussed by yourself and the Senior Local Government Officer.

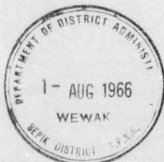
(D.J. GLANCY)  
District Commissioner

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

Copy of the report is attached.

(D.J. GLANCY)  
District Commissioner

67-1-5



Sub District Office,  
Aitape, Sepik West.

28th July, 1966

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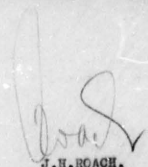
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AGRICULTURE.

The extension Officer based at Aitape will keep an eye on coffee and copra production. I have been informed that F. Graham from the Division of Animal Industry will visit Aitape soon to check over cattle projects.

LAND.

The extension to the Sissano post - mainly to be used for Dept. Education will be completed soon.

  
J.H. ROACH.  
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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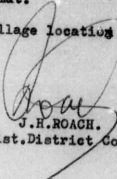
Sub District Office,  
Aitape, Sepik West.

29th March, 1966

The Officer IN Charge,  
Sissano Patrol Post.

SISSANO PATROL No. 3/1965-66

1. Please prepare and leave for a patrol to the villages within the Sissano Patrol Post area. Visit all villages but return to Sissano at the end of each week to make a check on population movements.
2. The patrol will familiarise you with the area and people. Local Government has just been introduced in to the inland villages and your comments on its acceptance would be appreciated.
3. You are aware that Sissano and area have been selected as sample villages for the forthcoming enumeration. Please explain to these people the idea of the census and explain to others why they are not to be censused.
4. Your report should cover all facets of the information gleaned on patrol and should follow the usual format.
5. Please include an up to date village locating map.

  
J.H. ROACH.  
Assist. District Commissioner

Patrol post SLEMAN,  
ALYAPE Sub District,  
WEST SEMPAN District.

SLEMAN PATROL No. 3 of 1965/1966.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY: T.J.A. NEUGUM, Assistant District Officer (Provisional).

AREA PATROLLED: ALYAPE WEST COAST Census Division, and  
ALYAPE WEST COAST INLAND Census Division.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: 2 Constables, R.F. & S.C.C.

DURATION OF PATROL:	17th May, 1966 till 24th May, 1966	- 8 days.
	2nd June, 1966 till 12th June, 1966	- 11 days.
	15th June, 1966.	- 1 day.
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>20 days.</u></b>

LAST PATROL TO THE AREA: Last D.D.A. Patrol: Jan/Feb 1966 - 22 days.  
 Last D.A.S.C.F. Patrol: West Coast only - March 1966 - 7 days.  
 Last P.A.D. Patrol: West Coast Inland (Part),  
 January, 1966 - about 1 week.

- OBJECTS OF THE PATROL:
1. Familiarisation.
  2. General Administration.
  3. Political Education - Local Government & Mills.
  4. Preliminary Education, selected Census Villages.
  5. Cash crop inspections - Opium & Coffee.

RAF REFERENCES: Patrol Map Attached in Q. 1. 1966.

INTRODUCTION.

1. The Area Patrolled included all Villages in the Siemau Administrative Area which comprise the Westernmost Third of the Atape Sub District, bordered by the Imai and Avonab Sub Districts in the South, and by Vanine Sub District in the West. It contains some 22 villages with an estimated population of 65000 persons.

2. The Northern part of the area is Coastal Swamp Plain, and the major communications are by canoe, and small motorized pinnaces, along the coast and by inland waterways depending on the season. There are no connecting roads to Atape, short service roads along the Coastal Strip, from Atape to Yalinet, and from Siemau to the Mainstem River. There is a man made canal from Koiel to Aray - this connects with the Siemau Lagoon, and natural canals at Siemau curve the Patrol Post and Mission. In the Southern area the foothills of the Tordicalli Range commence and rise to the Watershed at the headwaters of the Piore and Mainst Rivers, tributaries of the Mainstem. Communications are by foot, often along the stream beds. There are airstrips suitable for Cessnas and Dorniers at Siemau and Drupe Mission.

3. The only economic Development in the area is along the Coastal Strip, attempts in the inland areas to establish trading ventures and cash cropping have received set backs and little is being done at the present time. The input of the introduction of Local Government Councils has caused few noticeable changes in the inland areas.

DIARY.

- Tuesday, 17th May, 1966. 0700 departed SIEMAU Patrol Post to NAUPU. Subvented Micol Water Canoe to SERA, arriving 1200. Malarial Control Team took blood samples from all people in P.M. Inspected Village, Mission, counted Cocosuts. Various informal discussions till 1800. Slept RAINK Rest House.
- Wednesday, 18th May. 0800 Medical Team departed. Reassembled PUIRU, RAINK and SARAI Villagers. Talks and discussions re - 1966 Census Health & Hygiene; Adult Education; Serra Tobacco Society; Local Government & Council Tax; Copra Production - inspected Village Copra Buyer. Questions raised re Independence. One Local Court Civil Jurisdiction - negligent loss of canoe.
- Thursday, 19th May. 0800 left RAINK along flooded, swampy, tracks arriving SERU 1300. SERU's lined, medically examined for scum, leprosy and other illnesses. 10 people ordered to Aid Post for treatment. 4 to go to AIRAPE for Medical Examination (3 suspect leprosy, 1 T.B.) Various discussions. Villagers want enquiry into MALWALI Native Society, and NORA Industries Society, in which they have shares. Slept SERU R.H.
- Friday, 20th May. 0800 to NAUPKA arriving 0830. Village inspected, people lined, medically examined (some ordered for treatment). Discussions - more complaints re Mission run Trading Societies. 1700 to NOKI arriving 1730. Slept NOKI.
- Saturday, 21st May. NOKI Village inspected, discussions etc. 2 children with T.B.'s ordered to be taken to Aid Post SERA. Queries re Serra Tobacco Society. 1900 left NOKI to SAVANU by 1730 in heavy rain. Slept SAVANU-HEBKE Rest House.
- Sunday, 22nd May. SAVANU - HEBKE combined Village inspected. People lined inspected. Discussions etc. Economic Development main topic.
- Monday, 23rd May. 0645 to HURRU arriving 0945. Half Village absent in Vanine area at work and otherwise. Village inspected, discussions. No complaints. 1500 left HURRU returned to SAVANU at 1810.
- Tuesday, 24th May. Cargo sent on to ASERU with Police myself to SIEMAU to meet pre-arranged schedule. 0700 left SAVANU via NOKI, NAUPKA, SERU to SIEMAU P.F. by 1610. Slept SIEMAU P.F.

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**MALTA (Continued).**

25th May to 1st June

2nd June, 1966.

Friday, 3rd June, 1966

Saturday, 4th June

Sunday, 5th June

Monday, 6th June

Tuesday, 7th June

Wednesday, 8th June

Thursday, 9th June

Friday, 10th June

Saturday, 11th June

Sunday, 12th June

13th and 14th June

15th June, Wednesday.

**At Gharad Patrol Post.**

1000 left Gharad Patrol Post by canoe by Redner Creek for one hour. Canoe through maze swamp to 1480 arriving 1440. 1430 left 1480 to Gharad arriving 2045.

1480's in bush hunting plan as expected Patrol detachment went early. Village a coffee impromptu. 1460 Gharad Island 2 larger detachments to 1480. Various circumstances kill 1900.

0900 left Gharad to KALIBB arriving 1000, Gharad 1200. Villages very close. Remnants etc. 1 guerrilla. Medical Regiment, 2nd division - canoe navigation, 4 other 1 1000s accompany to 1470s. 1030 left KALIBB river for its 1300s, cut back to opposite KALIBB and Gharad in great 1.10p order arriving KALIBB 1800. 1800 KALIBB.

William impromptu, housing gone. KALIBB's did not arrive as expected. KALIBB Island detachment 2 1000s to 1470s. One could hold observation to 1480s, 1800 KALIBB.

0930 left KALIBB walking upstream to KALIBB at old village site on border of 1470 and 1480s. 1030. Village a collection of hovels in a garden like. 1400 men present at work to 1480s. These present Island and 1000s to disbandance no future intentions, agreed to move back to one-hour village site at KALIBB on day, were cordially in a poor condition as they were very little.

Local source at KALIBB had 08A Radio. To 3 communications KALIBB 8 2,00 each. 0945 left KALIBB to KALIBB and thence to KALIBB arriving 1000. 1800 KALIBB.

0945 left KALIBB by old patrol route to 1470's - 0830s. Road mainly in poor condition and dangerous in sections. Many runs on river, arrived 1470's-0830 1460. Road in charge of Island about 1470's. 1000 arrived 1630 in heavy rain. 1800 KALIBB - 1800 reached village.

Island 0830s and 1800s villages, all in order, no communications. 1200 left for 1480 along good patrol track arriving 1400. Village close, all in order, disbandance, complete that night following all elements. Left 1480 1630 returning to 1480A - 1800s by 1030.

0950 left for 1480A arriving 0950 on good track. All in order as 1480A remains disbandance. 1480A arriving 1230. Village Island and 1000s all in order, disbandance. 1800 KALIBB.

0960 left Gharad to 1480A by 1030. All in order, disbandance, no communications. 1430 left Gharad arriving 10 1730.

0960 Island Pt. Remnants etc. all in order. Impromptu coffee and 1000s water. 1300 left Pt to 1470 arriving 1340. 1800's about playing football at Gharad Patrol Post. To Gharad arriving 1700.

**At Gharad Patrol Post.**

0700 to 0800 arriving 1000. People assembled by 1100. Remnants etc. 1800 No. 1 and No. 2 villages impromptu in poor condition. A number of impromptu communications against Pt. Left 0800 arriving 1000. 1000. Red of Police.

DESCRIPTION OF PARISH.

4. The patrol was received well in all villages. Most houses were generally neat, and in some places excellent. The people seemed generally pleased to see the patrol.

VILLAGES.

1. Shirahat and town of Jharkhat.

Generally housing was of good standards and quality. The road and type of dwelling on pillars with timber flooring and painted walls is common throughout the entire area. The local government councillors at KALTI, KALSI and AHRI were informed of the improvements required in housing in their villages, and said that they would ensure that steps were taken to implement these.

11. Akrothanas and Mandharkhatas of Village Ahong.

SHRO and KALUKA Villages are both being expanded at the end further away from the banks of the Phare River due to flooding in the lower sections during the previous wet season. The Phare has a very fine flood channel the annual overflow of the stream causing upwardly about 1 foot in year so class are normal adjustments for those who live on its banks. SAHROI and NERKE have built a good elevated village on a ridge overlooking a swamp land in the Phare. The other riverine villages are adequately clear of the water stream. KALSI had prepared a proposal to be in a riverine garden, landscaped upstream on the Phare River on the banks of the land and forest. The people ask that they were too landless to care for their site, and that they had to the company to keep up the site and have decided to move back to the original village site at KALTI. They blamed the work on the epidemic, who died this year.

111. Other Details.

For most villages, particularly in the central area, water supplies are inadequate. No houses of the SHRO Council are incomplete due to a shortage of (or non-availability of) adequate pipes. The well at Ph 12 filled with brackish water/underground water at the present time. I mentioned that the next medical patrol inspect 18.

11v. Sanitation, Hygiene and Sewerage.

Satisfactory with the exception of all hamlets of Sikkang Village and Amp Village. At both places and Amp the people are considerably defecating in the nearby bush. Council health and Hygiene Committees have visited the areas but merely observed, and left no clear orders. Pits are also reaching unworked at both these villages. At AHRI most of the housing is insanitary and lacking in respect. I have prepared a memorandum to the SHRO Government Council requesting that the health and Hygiene Committee take immediate action in these cases. As the Health and Hygiene Committee has left no clear orders have been no provisions to date for neglect in this sphere.

VILLAGE COUNCILS - COMPOSITION.

Local Government Councils are generally above now the are attempting to improve their constituents Villages, clean them up encourage cash cropping and so on. As noted previously, many of them tend to see their duties as including clean enhanced power and practices and have tried to get themselves up as petty dictators in their villages. With national education, and introduction the work should have been carried. A Council Committee was held at 2.00 for "working group" on a matter of provincial interest - that was at Ph, and the councillor of Sikkang was Head of 15.00, also in the local party, for striking a woman with a cane - the woman had failed to clean up her house. Most councillors now understood that their role is one of advice and representation of the people, rather than that of rulers, they also understand that if in the interests of "goodwill" they overstep their authority they are liable to prosecution. It appears well of the cooperation with their constituent, that to date there have been few complaints against councillors. My objective is to hold a meeting with the interested body in the affairs of the villages. Where the councillor has been reasonable in his approach the people have tended to go along with his ideas without complaint. The majority of councillors in the Sikkang administrative area, are pro-administration in their attitudes.

OUTLINE OF POLITICAL SITUATION.

The outlying West Coast Inland areas have only this year been amalgamated into the S.M.D. Local Government Council. The people generally accept the principle of Local Government, although they are still unclear of its method of operation, its relationship with the Administration, and its aims. Continual education was necessary throughout the patrol, and will be necessary for 2 or 3 years to come. There was no objection to Council Tax. At KALAB Village, which had defaulted during the tax collection patrol earlier this year, most young men were absent at work in Aitape seeking to earn their tax money. The Council has established a roster system for casual labour in Aitape, in cooperation with the A.D.C. Aitape and the P.W.D. IN ORDER that young men in the more isolated villages each receive a fair chance to earn their tax.

Relationships between the constituent villages in newly created Council Wards are generally good. The exception is the MARWA - ANSEKU - KARANU - KALIE - KALAB Ward. (See my revised Patrol Map which indicates the actual present position of these villages). Due to distance, and regional affiliations I consider that despite low populations in these villages, the Ward should be split in two - one part comprising MARWA - ANSEKU; the other - KARANU - KALIE - KALAB. The incumbent Councillor (from ANSEKU) complains that his Ward is too spread out for him to visit properly, that it takes him a full week to visit all villages for only one night. In order to visit all these villages he accompanied this Patrol and in consequence missed the June Council Meeting at Aitape.

Relationships between the people and the Catholic Mission are strained at the present time as the Priest in Charge at Druse has seen fit to close down a number of Village stores which were operating on share capital subscribed by the people. Unfortunately he was absent in Aitape when the Patrol reached Druse. I hope to enquire into the organization and running of these Societies, and the Cattle Society at Druse, and submit a full report in due course.

There is continual stress between SIBSANO and YARAFU villages, and ANUP and FO villages: generally these boil down to differences of language and psychology, and disputes over land required for economic tree crops such as coconuts and coffee. All parties however are reluctant to press formal land claims and confine themselves to minor skirmishes in the bush which are generally resolved by the awarding of compensation for damage done to crops.

The question of Independence for Papua and New Guinea was raised by a man at Rainak. His attitude was that Independence should be granted within 3 years, as that is what the United Nations Visiting Mission is purported to have told the people at Aitape. He seemed to have support from a number of younger men, but none from the elder men. The Official Policy was explained clearly, and on the point of who should "speak" for the intentions of the people a large number of people considered that the Local Government Councils, and the L.G.C. Conference had more right to "speak" than the House of Assembly as Councillors were closer to the people than Members. An interesting discussion took place but no more notable points were raised.

SEIGNIUMS.

For tables of plantings of cash crops see Appendix.

Copra is produced sporadically along the coastal strip during the South West season and shipped to Aitape by motor canoe. Most individuals produce sufficient only to raise their tax money, a few entrepreneurs have raised over \$60.00 this year from copra, but they are exceptions. FO has produced 3 bags (as yet unsold) of what appears to be fairly poor coffee this year. The only village that is making a major communal effort to produce copra is Serra. The Agricultural Officer at Aitape has visited the Coastal strip this year, and has sent Field Officers who have constructed copra dryers at Serra, and on village sections at Halfdren Plantation. This has helped to raise production, but not as much as was hoped. The people still see their major cash income along the Mission coast to be the traditional sale of Sage to the Mission stations, at Aitape, and on the Aitape Island. Very few on the coast there is no Copra production, and the Coffee plots adjacent to most villages are immature, poorly tended and are regarded more as an experiment than as business ventures by the people concerned.

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MAYANQUE.

One cattle here at Milla appears to be progressing and this year cattle have been sold to Astley, and only covered cattle markets in the Yuki Sub Market. Due to the absence of Field in Chico Primo Hendon I was unable to obtain full details and hope to report more adequately at a later date.

YANQUE.

The island Lowland forests of the Mateval and of SHU and SHU along the Guama Stream has been surveyed and the Timber Rights Inventory completed. In an unusual that the present position is, but presumably if these rights are purchased and development before please it will be an economic when the Yuki Timber License.

OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT.

1. Trade Stores. As mentioned previously a number of the villages were stores opened with the assistance of the Urbain Hendon have been closed down. The only stores operating now are at Kulu (Artillado with Kariton Hendon in the land and Maritelo), Yuki (Waldal Native Society), and shop (Artillado with Indigenous rather than Hendon operator). All Stores were closed in June 1955, but the management and the books following the death of its co-President SHU. This store is being reopened due to poor investment and lack of control, and therefore, and had management.

2. Transportation. There are now only two operative native owned motor coaches - one at SHU and one at Yuki. They operate between stores and Alago and occasionally on charter work for the A/C Alago and Yuki and Yuki. They usually carry bags and bags for Alago and return at Government Stores and passengers. They are not operated which is long expensive and unable to maintain and the groups appear to be using a motor for service.

Kulu Hendon has a small entire daily as does the Hendon at SHU - these operate on the local vehicle requirements of the season. The Alago Alago Native Society and entire operated by the administration has been based at Alago for the past few months due to transportation difficulties with the outboard motor.

3. Trucking. This is engaged in along the coast and providing a small cash income. The Hendon has a deep fleet at SHU and passenger are able to operate on various Hendon routes. The boats had intended operating a deep fleet at Alago for sales to Alago stores, but this has not yet materialized. Various trucks are being used for the operation along the coast at SHU.

4. Harvest. At SHU and KARITON Native Gold Mining activities have produced about 7 oz of alluvial gold over the past three months. This has not yet been sold. An estimate of the recovered gold sent on these vehicles averages an income of approximately 10 cents per can bag (provided that the records are correct). (Assuming that the gold is sold for \$ 22.00 per oz.)

LANDS.

The land distribution plans for purchase a further 5 acres at Land at SHU to extend the Patrol Post Site. The Administration has been delayed through other activities but it is intended to carry it out in the near future.

As mentioned previously there is continued bordering between SHU and Yuki, and SHU and the villages over the use of land for each enterprise. As yet all parties have reluctantly avoided filling formal claims. In other villages in the area there has been some planning to the dislike of the people to some extent to the point, unstable relations in land claims have been revealed. There is in any case insufficient land available for all.

OFFICERS

There was one complaint *ad parca* to the negligent loss of a canoe, this was settled as a Civil matter in the Local Court. Several claims at *tarapu* re Giacomo's damaging economic trees were settled out of court by way of compensation for the loss sustained.

CRIMES

There were 3 prosecutions under Reg. 65A N.A.S. - the defaulters were convicted and fined \$ 2.00 each. There was one prosecution under Reg. 67A N.A.S. concerning a case of severe infant malnutrition. The defaulter was convicted, and being found to be a recidivist was sentenced to 4 months I.L.L. at the Corrective Institution at Alotau.

HOST HOUSES

There are Host Houses and Police Quarters serving every village. Hosts are good, and some (GOSIARI, KOSIARI, KANAKU) are of magnificent proportions. At Baluku, where a separate house had been constructed for the Priest, it was suggested that one house should be sufficient to cater for all Government and Mission visiting personnel. KANAKU despite the decrepit state of the village had a new and adequate Host House.

CARRIERS

Carriers and canoes were obtained without difficulty wherever required and paid at the official rates. A number of young men volunteered to carry for several villages, to earn money. Sufficient food for carriers and patrol personnel was provided at every village, and the carriers ate before returning home.

LEPROSY

Leprosy is prevalent throughout the entire area. Suk village has the quota of either discharged lepers or outpatients receiving regular treatment. 21 persons were sent to Alotau for medical checks concerning leprosy.

There were 2 persons suspected of having Tuberculosis sent for checks.

3 children with malnutrition were sent for treatment - one each from KURURU, KARANBU and KALIA.

1 child with cataract of the right eye was sent from SAKO. Alotau later reported that the operation was too long established to be cured.

Persons suffering from Filariasis and Elephantiasis were noted at MAPUKA, MOBI, KALAU, KOSI, KANAKU, GOSIARI, KOSIARI and ANUP.

At all villages there were children ordered to be treated for sores and Tropical Ulcers - the two worst villages in this regard and as concerns personal cleanliness were SAKO and UO.

Many of the villages patrolled have never been visited by a medical patrol.

There are Aid Posts at KANAKU, SAKO, SIKO, GOSIARI, ANUP and KANAKU. All seem adequately staffed, however the A.P.O. at GOSIARI has failed to have the Leprosy treatment records for his line of Outpatients entered for the past six months. The Council subsidised Aidposts at ANUP and KANAKU are urgently in need of a good coat of paint, and minor repairs to the sage blind walls to prevent deterioration. As can be seen from the map the Area East of the Shabram and Miriri Rivers is well serviced by Aid Posts. As remarked by previous Patrols and Aid Post in the SAVUMI area, and another in the KAITI area appear urgent priorities.



EDUCATION AND MISSIONS.

There are Mission Primary T Schools at SIBSANG, WARAFU and DEHRE. An Administration Primary T School at Sissano Patrol Post. Attendance at all these centres is good. For details re Standards, Numbers and Teacher's Qualifications see Appendix. DEHRE figures are not available at this time.

In addition the Catholic Mission runs Catechetical classes from time to time in all villages, and at SERRA and ANUP there are small village schools - "opportunity classes", teaching the village children to read and write in Pidgin.

The Mission has established considerable influence in all but the most outlying villages, and is generally well liked. It is noted however at ANUP that there is a small strongly anti-Mission group supported mainly by those who have had quarrels with the Church over questions of Marriage and Divorce.

The Mission Station at DEHRE is staffed by a single Priest, the station at SIBSANG by a Priest and 3 Nuns, one of whom is a Trained Nurse and who carries on Infant Welfare work at SIBSANG, WARAFU, SERRA, ANUP, PO and RENO villages, in addition to maintaining a Mission Aid Post at SIBSANG.

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Apart from Motor Bike roads along the coastal strip from WARAFU to the Rhainbrun River, and from the river to the Yandee Sub District Border at the Serra Hills, and from DEHRE via RENO to the Landing at ARAFONG (Outlying East of Warapu on the Southern banks of the Sissano Lagoon), there are no vehicular roads.

Patrol tracks in the areas closest to Sissano Patrol Post are well maintained, but in the outlying areas have fallen into serious disrepair. As mentioned previously the KARANGU to BAKAMA - DEHRE track has become dangerous. In view of this and other instances I consider that the Tracks in the Sissano Area should be declared as such by the District Commissioner under the Roads Maintenance Ordinance.

AIRFIELDS.

There are airstrips suitable for Cessnas and Dorniers at SIBSANG and DEHRE Mission Stations. They are Private Strips - Sissano airstrip was previously opened to R.A.F. but has been closed to Commercial operations since R.C.A. tightened up standards.

LABOUR.

Generally the people prefer Casual to Contract labouring in this area. At RENO half the able bodied men were absent purportedly working casually at Venice. Many of them took their families with them. The same was true at KALAU where the men were absent with their families at Mitope.

PERSONNEL.

Const. NAHURI - performs quite well in the bush, always on the job.

Const. PALUP - fair to average, tends to be lazy at times.

APPENDIX "A".

COCONUT TREE COUNTS.

VILLAGE	<u>COFFEE.</u>		<u>COCONUTS.</u>	
	<u>NATIVE</u>	<u>EUROPEAN</u>	<u>NATIVE</u>	<u>EUROPEAN</u>
KAIBIK	-	-	2,101	497
POLIKU	-	-	740	515
SARAK	374	-	11,130	226
SUMU	196	71	226	137
KAPUKA	24	295	522	145
NOHI	-	9	165	93
SAVAVAI -	-	34	60	5
NERIKI	-	-	18	11
MUNUHO	-	-	30	50
ASIKU	95	521	35	6
KARAKU	500	41	5	101
KAKI	604	966	-	-
KAKU	-	-	24	-
KALISA	129	255	160	219
DIGMS	122	74	315	106
KAPU	-	453	422	564
VALVALI	22	73	60	125
GUGULI	-	436	11	30
BUKILIA	-	72	30	229
PO	296	24	399	313
ANGP No. 1	124	129	1,960	740
ANGP No. 2	-	200	1,300	520
VARAFU	449	233	790	450
SIKIANO	593	136	1,160	893
SIKIANO GOVERNMENT PLANTATIONS	-	-	3,540	96

NOTE: The Coconut counts are of those in and adjacent to the villages only. Many people have small stands of coconuts on old and scattered garden sites for obvious reasons it was not possible to count these. Figures for coffee trees are for actual trees sighted during the patrol.

APPENDIX "A".

REGISTRATION.

<u>SIKIANO PARCEL HOLD.</u>				<u>MARAFU LICENSE.</u>			
Standard	N	F	Teacher's Qualifications.	Standard	N	F	Teacher's Qualifications
PREF	34	19	A Certificate	III	21	16	"B" Certificate
I	20	11	B License	II	24	17	"
				II	11	17	Permit to teach.
				I	12	19	A Certificate
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>30</u>		PREF	17	13	Permit
				KINDERGARTEN	19	21	
				<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>103</u>	
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>134</u>	<u>178</u>					

