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PATROL REPORT OF: BUIN &amp; BOKU

ACCESSION No. 496

VOL. No: 12 : 1968-69 NUMBER OF REPORTS: 8

REPORT NO:	FOLIO	OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL	E. AREA PATROLLED	MAPS/ PHOTOS	PERIOD OF PATROL
[ ] BUIN					
[1] 1/68-69	01-17	C.J. Tabua (PO)	Part Kono Census Division	1 map	19.2.69 - 1.3.69
[2] 2/68-69	18-23	H.L. Balfour-Ogilvy (PO)	Part Siwai and Baits, C.Division		18.2.69 - 26.2.69
[3] 3/68-69	24-31	C.J. Tabua (PO)	Part Kono Census Division		24.3.69 - 9.5.69
[4] 4/68-69	32-39	H.L. Balfour-Ogilvy (PO)	Upper Kono Census Division		26.5.69 - 18.6.69
[ ] BOKU					
[5] 1/68-69	40-66	J.R. Gyngell (CPO)	Part Baits, Banoni and Nagovsi C.Division	1 map	8.7.68 - 5.8.67
[6] 2/68-69	67-87	C. Oaeke (LGO)	Banoni Nagovisi L.G.Council		1.10.68 - 30.10.68
[7] 3/68-69	88-97	C. Oaeke (LGO)	Bana Local Government Council		6.1.69 - 24.1.69
[8] 4/68-69	98-113	T.M. Kelliher (PO)	Part Nagovisi Census Division		28.3.69 - 12.4.69

BOUGAINVILLE DISTRICT PATROL REPORTS  
 1968-1969  
 B U I N & B O K U

Report no.	Officer conducting Patrol	Area patrolled
BUIN		
1-68-69	C.J. Tabua	Part Kono C.D. (map separate
2-68-69	H.L. Balfour-Ogilvy	Part Siwai Council area & part Siwai & Baitsi C.D.
3-68-69	C.J. Tabua	Part Kono C.D.
4-68-69	H.L. Balfour-Ogilvy	Upper Kono C.D.
BOKU		
1-68-69	J.R. Gyngell	Part Baitsi C.D. Banoni C.D. Nagovisi C.D.
2-68-69	C. Oaeke	Banoni/Nagovisi L.G.C.
3-68-69	C. Oaeke	Bana Local Go. C.
4-68-69	T.M. Kelliher	Part Nagovisi C.D.
5-68-69	T.M. Kelliher	BANONI (separate)

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
PATROL REPORT

Report Number 1 of 1968/69.  
 Subdistrict Buin.  
 District Bougainville.  
 Type of Patrol Special.  
 Patrol Conducted by C.J. Tabual, Patrol Officer.  
 Area Patrolled  
 (Council and/or Part Kono Census Division.  
 Census Division/s.)  
 Personnel Accompanying Patrol  
     E. Tuka Assistant Field Officer.  
     Const. Bruno R.P. & N.G.C.  
     Const. Iginas R.P. & N.G.C.  
 Duration of Patrol--from 19/2/69. To 1/3/69.  
 No. of Days 10.  
 Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: November, 1968.  
 Date 20th. November, 1968. Duration 21st. November, 1968.  
 Objects of Patrol (Briefly) To locate an airstrip site in the vicinity of ORIA  
 village in the inland KONO Census Division.  
 Total Population of Area Patrolled About 1200.  
 Director of District Administration,  
 KONE DOBU.  
 Forwarded, please.  
 20/3/1969

District Commissioner.

67-11-23

April 2nd, 1969.

The District Commissioner,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.

PATROL NO. BUIN 1/68-69

Your reference 67-1-2 of 20th March, 1969.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by  
MR. C.J. TABUA, Patrol Officer to Part of KONO Census Division.

A good report which is well documented.

Please keep me informed of progress on construction of  
the airstrip site at ORIA.

c.c. Mr. C.J. Tabua,  
Patrol Officer,  
Sub-District Officer,  
BUIN,  
Bougainville District.

(T.W. ELLIS)

Director

Please note that political education must be a continuing  
process in all situations with the emphasis on the advantages of  
national unity.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telegrams

Our Reference 67-1-2

If calling ask for

Mr.

Department of District Administration,  
District Headquarters,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.

20th March, 1969.

The Director,  
Department of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

BUIN P/R 1 of 1968/9 - MT. C. TABUA -  
PART KONO CENSUS DIVISION.

Attached is above report with covering comments  
by the Assistant District Commissioner, BUIN.

The objects of this patrol were prompted by a  
spontaneous request from the people of Kono for assist-  
ance in marketing their produce. As can be seen from  
the report, there are good possibilities of an Airstrip  
site at minimum cost on a self-help basis. The project,  
if successful, - and there is no reason why it shouldn't  
be - will be an important factor in stimulating other  
areas to join in similar community enterprises.

Perhaps the Civic Action Patrol by P.I.R. in  
April will be able to assist in the project.

(W.T. Brown)

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

Attt.

RFH/mw.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA.

In Reply Please

Quote No. 67-2-1

ML.ML

Department of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
B U I N,  
Bougainville District,  
13th March, 1969.

The District Commissioner,  
District Headquarters,  
K I E T A .

BUIN PATROL REPORT NO. I - 1968/69, KONO CENSUS  
DIVISION - TABUA.

Attached please find original and duplicate of the abovementioned report, submitted by Mr. Tabua, Patrol Officer, together with a copy of Mr. Tabua's patrol instructions. I think that you will agree that the officer concerned has carried out his instructions in a most satisfactory manner.

2. The construction of his airstrip will be a community effort with aid and encouragement from this department, consisting of on-the-spot supervision by field staff and provision of a quantity of tools from the rural development scheme. I believe that a lot of goodwill can be generated by bringing this project to a successful conclusion.

3. Mr. Tabua's Claim for Camping Allowance attached for signature, please.

Att. (2)

(M. Lang.)

Assistant District Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA.

In Reply Please

Quote No. 67-1-3

ML.ML

Department of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
B U I N,  
Bougainville District,  
18th February, 1969.

Mr. C. Tabua,  
Patrol Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
B U I N .

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS - AIRSTRIP KONO DIVISION.

Confirming verbal instructions previously given to you, please be prepared to depart on this patrol this week. You may take Emanuel Tuka, Assistant Field Officer, and two Police Constables, with you.

2. The object of this patrol is to locate an airstrip site in the vicinity of Oria Village in the inland Kono Census Division. As you know, the people of Botulai, Sulukunu, Oria, Orimai, Pagui, and Ububakogi, are now beginning to produce a significant amount of cocoa, and have no way of getting it to the coast because of an absence of communications or transport facilities. The small population (about 1200) and the hilly terrain makes road construction non-feasible, and it would seem that the best method of transporting cocoa from the area is by air. Missionary Aviation Fellowship is keen to get into this type of operation in Bougainville, and costs would work out at about \$33.00 per ton. Back-loading could also be utilised for trade store goods.

3. The people of the area have already expressed their interest through the Buin Local Government Council, in the development of such a strip and their willingness to build it by hand. Our role initially is to locate and mark out a suitable site for a Category "C" strip - 2000' x 200'. This department will also have to provide supervision and tools. There will be no payment for labour.

4. While in the area, I want you to inspect a strip which the people of Oria Orimai village ( an S.D.A. village) have started on their own initiative. Measure it, take a compass bearing of the centre line, and make an assessment of its potential for further development. I have inspected the

strip from the air. It appears to be too short and prospects of development do not seem to be favourable because of unsatisfactory local terrain.

5. Look at every strip site which the people show you, and decide which is the best one. You should measure the length and width of terrain suitable for development, take compass bearings, check the site for alignment with prevailing winds (NW - SE), and take into account other factors such as approach clearances, drainage, vegetation, surface, etc. As much of the supervision will be carried out by officers of this department, you should also select a suitable site for a camp.

6. Other factors which will influence your final selection of a strip site will be (a) the development later on of feeder roads from cocoa areas to the strip, and (b) proximity of main cocoa producing areas to the strip. To assist you in this respect you should ask the Agricultural Officer for cocoa census figures for the area.

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7. On your way past Tabago I would like you to call upon Father Fingleton and mention the objects of your patrol to him. Fingleton himself has been concerned about advancing the economic welfare of the people of this area, and at one stage contemplated the use of donkeys for the transport of cocoa. This idea has practical limitations. I think that he has now abandoned this scheme and viewed favourably the possibility of building a strip in the area when I mentioned the idea to him some time ago.

8. Do not hurry the patrol. I want you to spend a minimum of ten days in the area carrying out a thorough survey along the lines mentioned in the preceding paragraphs. When you feel that you have completed the objects of your patrol, report your findings to me.

Cc. District Commissioner, Kieta.  
(M. Lang.)  
Assistant District Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Our Reference 67/1/3.

If calling ask for

Mr CJT/CJT.

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,

BUIN,

Bougainville District.

5th. March, 1969.

The Assistant District Commissioner,

Sub-District Officer,

BUIN.

BUIN PATROL REPORT NO. 1. OF 1968/69.

AIRSTRIIP KONO DIVISION.

Station	Buin
Sub-District	Buin
District	Bougainville
Patrol Number	Buin No.1. of 1968/69
Patrol Conducted by	C.J.Tabua, Patrol Officer
Personnel Accompanying the-Patrol	E.Tuka, Assistant Field Officer Const. Bruno, R.P. & N.G.C. Const. Iginas, R.P. & N.G.C.
Duration of Patrol	From 19/2/69 to 1/3/69
Area Patrolled	Part KONO Census Division
Last D.D.A. Patrol to the area	November 1968
Object of Patrol	To locate an airstrip site in the vicinity of ORIA village in the inland KONO Census Division

Map reference

Extract from Bougainville South  
Fourmil Map

INTRODUCTION :-

The main object of this patrol to the inland KONO Census

Division was to locate a category "C" airstrip site in the vicinity of ORIA

village - Development later on of feeder roads from [illegible] areas to the strip

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## INTRODUCTION :- Cont.

and proximity of main cocoa producing areas to the strip were also observed during this patrol. A suitable site for a camp was also to be selected during this patrol as much of the supervision work in constructing the airstrip will be carried out by Officers of this Department. Opportunity was given to inspect another category "C" airstrip site, which the people of ORIMAI village have started on their own initiative.

The area patrolled is one of the more isolated portions of the Buin area. It lies approximately to the east of Buin town on the foothills of the Crown Prince Range and is bound by the headwaters of LULUAI river and ABIA river. The topography of the area is very undulating with numerous rivers and creeks cutting deep valleys between ridges. The rainfall in the area would be in excess of 100 inches per year. Soil types would appear to be very good as indicated by the excellent quality of cocoa planted in the area, and the vegetation in the area consisted of heavy rain forests.

The patrol was conducted by me C.J. Tabua, Patrol Officer, and accompanying the patrol were; Mr. E. Tuka, Assistant Field Officer and two members of the Royal Papua and New Guinea Constabulary, Constables BRUNO and IGINAS. The patrol lasted for ten days from the 19th. February, 1969 to the 1st. March, 1969.

Being a patrol of a special nature not all the headings as set out in [outing] Departmental Standing Instructions Volume 1 will be covered in this report.

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## DIARY :-

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| 19/2/69<br>:- | Departed BUIN at about 0900 hours for ORIA village in the inland KONO Census Division by car and foot via TABAGO Catholic Mission. Arrived ORIA village via UBUBAKOGI village at about 1500. Slept ORIA rest house. |
| 20/2/69<br>:- | At ORIA village. Held meeting with the people re the airstrip site in the vicinity of ORIA village. Thence went out to inspect the airstrips sites proposed by the people. Returned and slept ORIA rest house.      |
| 21/2/69<br>:- | At ORIA village. Went out to measure and obtain compass bearings of the proposed airstrip site. Returned work uncompleted, due to heavy rain. Slept ORIA rest house.  |
| 22/2/69<br>:- | Saturday, observed ORIA, and S.D.A. village. Slept ORIA rest house.   |
| 23/2/69       | Sunday, Observed ORIA village. Slept ORIA rest house.   |

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24/2/69 At ORIA village. Completed marking out the proposed airstrip  
:- site. Thence visited PAHUI village and returned in the afternoon  
Slept ORIA rest house.

25/2/69 Departed ORIA village at about 0700 hours for ORIMAI village.  
:- Thence visited BOTULAI village and returned in the afternoon.  
Slept ORIMAI rest house.

26/2/69 At ORIMAI village. Held meeting with people re the airstrip  
:- site near ORIMAI village. Thence went out to inspect it. Also  
visited the villages SULEKUNU, KEKEMONA and KOUKOUSINO and  
returned in the evening. Slept ORIMAI rest house.

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DIARY:- Cont.

- 27/2/69 :- Departed ORIMAI village at about 1330 hours after a heavy rain for ORIA village and arrived at about 1630 hours. Slept ORIA rest house.
- 28/2/69 :- Departed ORIA village at about 0700 hours for TABAGO rest house via villages; UBUBAKOGI and TURITAI and arrived TABAGO rest house at about 11.30 am. Slept TABAGO rest house.
- 1/3/69 :- Departed TABAGO rest house at about 11.00 am for BUIN by car. End of Patrol.

#### CATEGORY "C" AIRSTRIP SITE - ORIA VILLAGE :-

The only site which the people of ORIA village choosed themselves and showed the patrol for the proposed airstrip was located about 100 feet away from ORIA village itself. The proposed airstrip was than inspected and found to be suitable for a category "C" airstrip. A compass bearing of 90 degrees east and 270 degrees west were taken so that the site was in the position with the prevailing winds (NW - SE). The length and width of terrain suitable for development was then measured (2000'x200'). A further 1000 feet was measured on both ends of the airstrip site so that the bush can be cleared out for approach. One half of the vegetation on the strip site consisted of old garden sites and the other half was mainly of rain forest consisted of primary and secondary growth. The drainage of the area selected for the airstrip site was good and the surface was fairly flat continuing for a fair distance on the ridge. The site overall seemed reasonable for future development. Refer to appendix A attached at the end of this report to find the airstrip site ORIA village.

During the meeting held xxxx xxx at ORIA village re the airstrip site, the people were told that because they have expressed their interest through the Buin Local Government Council in the development of such a strip and that they were willing to build it by hand, our roll therefore is to locate and mark out a suitable site for a category "C" strip and also to provide supervision and tools. It was emphasized to them x that there will be no payment for labour. The people were told also that because the area was starting to produce a significant amount of cocoa and have no way of getting it out to the coast, the best method of transporting cocoa from the area is by air, because of the small population of about 1200 and the hilly terrain makes road construction non-feasible. They were told that if such a strip is finished, the Missionary Aviation Fellowship would be keen to get into this type of operation, and costs would work out at about \$33.00 per ton. Back-loading could also be utilised for trade store goods.

The people that the patrol contacted all seemed interested and xxxxx enthusiastic about the idea on the airstrip site near ORIA village. All the men from the nearby villages came up to give hand

when the airstrip site was being marked. The councillor from ORIA village spoke on behalf of the people and stated that, they were all happy about the airstrip because xxxxx they are tired now of carrying their produce on their backs down to the coast. The people informed that they would work on the airstrip on village bases. That is to say that xxxx villages in the area would take in turn to work on the airstrip and would work out approximately 50 to 100 men at any one time.

The Father in Charge at TABAGO Catholic Mission, Rev. Father Fingleton was also approached and the idea about a category "C" airstrip near ORIA village was mentioned to him. Father Fingleton was interested in the idea and mentioned that he would xxxx co-operate and xxxx xxx xxxxxxxxxxxx was prepared to give any assistance in the construction of the airstrip. He has now abandoned the idea of using donkeys for the transport of cocoa because this idea has practical limitations.

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#### ROADS AND BRIDGES :-

Roads and bridges in the area patrolled were looked at and a survey was carried out on the development later on of feeder roads from cocoa area to the proposed airstrip site near ORIA village. Refer to Appendix "B" attached at the end of this report, showing the survey carried out on the possibility of vehicular roads construction from the other villages in the area to the proposed airstrip site near ORIA village.

There is already a vehicular road from TURITAI village to TABAGO village, which continues down to BUIN. The foot track that continues from TURITAI village to UBUBAKOGI village is not suitable for road construction because of the steep ridge that lies in between the two villages. However the foot tracks that leads on from villages namely; UBUBAKOGI, PAHUI, ORIMAI, and BOTULAI to the proposed airstrip site near ORIA village are suitable for development later on for construction of vehicular roads. The foot track that continues from ORIMAI village further inland to the three villages namely; SULEKUNU, KEKEMONA, and KOUKOUSINO are not suitable for road construction because of the steep ridges and deep valleys that lie between these three villages. Rivers and creeks that need to be bridged and hills that required to be leveled are also marked in Appendix "B".

Overall, it is proposed that the development later on of feeder roads from the main cocoa producing areas to the proposed airstrip site near ORIA village will be from villages viz:- UBUBAKOGI, PAHUI, ORIMAI, and BOTULAI. PROXIMITY of main cocoa producing areas to the strip are attached at the end of this report in Appendix "C".

#### AGRICULTURAL:-

The main cash crop grown in the area is cocoa, although coconuts and coffee in commercial numbers are still being planted. The cocoa census for 1969 was also carried out during this patrol, however, the cocoa census figures for 1965, 1966, 1967, and 1968 were obtained from the co-operative Officer, Buin, Mr. M.M. Kavanaugh. Refer to the Cocoa Census figures for the area attached at the end of this report in Appendix "D".

This census figures show that at present the production of the area is approximately 48 to 50 tons of cocoa per year. This figure, however is expected to rise enormously in the next few years because of the numerous cocoa tree which have xxx been planted and uncountless numbers which are still to be planted.

The people generally are working hard on their cash crops and although one of the more isolated portions of the Buin area the people are in my opinion more progressive and industrious than those in the immediate Buin Town region.

#### CAMP SITE - ORIA VILLAGE :-

Because of the fact that much of the supervision

will be carried out by Officers of this Department, opportunity was also given during tihs [this] patrol to select a suitable site for a camp where Officers can be ststioned [stationed] to supervise the people working on the proposed airstrip site near ORIA village.

The old rest house site at ORIA village was selected to be the suitable site for a camp because (a). the rest house is close to the airstrip site about less than a quarter of a mile away and (b). there was no other suitable site for a camp. The people however, were xx instructed to repair the old rest house and the toilet block as they were in bad condition and to build a new house for the policemen as there was no house for the policemen. Refer to the sketch map attached at the end of this report to find the location of the rest house in relation to the airstrip site.

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CATEGORY "C" AIRSTRIP SITE - ORIMAI VILLAGE :-

Opportunity was also given during this patrol to inspect a category "C" airstrip site which the people of ORIMAI village, a united church village, have started to build on their own initiative.

The airstrip site is located across the road leading from ORIMAI village to SULEKUNU village between the two rivers viz:- MIAHA and TONUISO. The length and width of the strip were measured and found to be 1300 feet by 100 feet. The bearing of the centre line of the strip was also taken and came out to be 90 degrees east and the back bearing of 270 degrees west. It was found out that the airstrip cannot be widened any further than 100 feet because of the two rivers, MIAHA and TONUISO, which flow on both sides of the airstrip and almost parallel to each other. On the eastern end of the strip, the leveled ground continues for about another 50 yards xxxxxxxx along the ridge and then drop almost perpendicularly down to where the two rivers bisect. On the eastern end of the airstrip site, there is a gradual slope [slope], which continues for quite a long distance along the ridge.

Because of the above factors, the airstrip site does not appear to be suitable and prospects of its potential for future development does not seem to be favourable because of unsatisfactory local terrain. Refer to the diagram attached at the end of this report of the airstrip site in Appendix "E", and also refer to the sketch map attached at the end of this report to find the location of the airstrip site in relation to the villages in the area.

CONCLUSION :-

Apart from what has been mentioned above, it is hoped that by completion of the proposed category "C" airstrip site near ORIA village and feeder roads from cocoa area to the strip, in the near future, the area will show a good future.

The patrol overall was a good one and was well received by the people in the area.

Attached at the end of this report please find the following appendices :-

Appendix "A" :- Category "C" Airstrip Site - ORIA Village.

Appendix "B" :- Area Road Survey.

Appendix "C" :- Proximity of the main cocoa producing areas to the Strip.

Appendix "D" :- Cocoa Census Figures.

Appendix "E" :- Category "C" Airstrip Site - ORIMAI village.

Patrol Map :- Showing the route of the patrol and area patrolled.

Forwarded for your information, Sir.

Att.  
C.J. Tabua.  
Patrol Officer.

Appendix "A".

CATEGORY "C" AIRSTRIP SITE - ORIA VILLAGE.

## APPENDIX "C".

PROXIMITY OF MAIN COCOA PRODUCING AREAS TO THE PROPOSED AIRSTRIP  
SITE - ORIA VILLAGE.

FROM VILLAGES	TO VILLAGES	NUMBER OF MILES APPROX.
PAHUI	ORIA	1 ½ TO 2
UBUBAKOGI	ORIA	4 TO 5
ORIMAI	ORIA	5 TO 6
BOTULAI	ORIA	6 TO 7

APPENDIX "D".  
COCOA CENSUS FIGURES.

VILLAGES.	NUMBER OF GROWERS.		NUMNER	OF	COCOA	PLANTED	.
		NUMBER MATURED	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
PAHUI	29	4,954	-	190	1,870	6,913	4,360
ORIA	21	7,646	1,335	528	-	3,260	2,934
ORIMAI	27	3,878	1,455	1,546	277	1,482	1,522
GULEKUNU	15	3,562	300	822	661	-	1,976
BOTULAI	5	2,573	-	148	299	-	-
UBUBAKOGI	4	1,220	300	220	-	580	-
KOUKOUSINO	5	-	-	-	1,736	-	-
KEKEMONA	5	-	-	-	765	—	-

TOTAL

18,332

15,509

10,160

7,321

3,020

2,320

1,736

765

APPENDIX "E".  
CATEGORY "C" AIRSTRIP SITE - ORIMAI VILLAGE.

PATROL ROUTE - INLAND KONO CENSUS DIVISION.  
SOUTH BOUGAINVILLE FOURMIL

KIETA ADMINISTTRTATIVE AREA.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

Report Number 2 of 1968/69

Subdistrict BUIN

District BOUGAINVILLE

Type of Patrol SPECIAL

Patrol Conducted by H.L. BALGOUR-OGILVY, PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled Part Siwai Council Area.

(Council and/or Census Division/s.) Part SIWAI and BAITSI Census Divisions

Personnel Accompanying Patrol

Nil

Duration of Patrol--from 18/2/69 To 26/2/69

No. of Days NINE DAYS

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: JANUARY, 1969.

Date 291.1 69 Duration 17/2/69

Objects of Patrol (Briefly) TO PURCHASE KONGA/BOKU ROAD AND IMPROVEMENTS THEREON

Total Population of Area Patrolled 6,000

Director of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

12/5/1969

District Commissioner.

67-11-28

10th June, 1969.

The District Commissioner,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.

PATROL NO. BUIN 2/68-69.

Your reference 67-1-2 of 9th May, 1969.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report  
by Mr. H.L. Balfour-Ogilvy, Patrol Officer to Parts of  
SIWAI and BAITSI Census Division.

A brief but informative report.

Contents of same have been drawn to the attention  
of Mr. Webb and the Public Relations Advisory Committee.

(T.W. ELLIS)

DIRECTOR.

c.c.:

Mr. H.L. Balfour-Ogilvy,  
Patrol Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
BUIN Bougainville District.

Please note that political education must be a  
continuing process in all situations with the emphasis on  
the advantages of national unity.

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Our Reference            67-1-2

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Mr

Department of District Administration,

District Headquarters,

Bougainville District,

KIETA

9th May 1969.

The Director,

Department of District Administration,

KONEDOBU

BUIN PATROL REPORT NO 2 - 1968/69

H.L. BALFOUR OGILVY - PATROL OFFICER

PURCHASE BOKU/KONGA ROAD ALIGNMENT

This patrol was of a special nature and requires little comment.

However from Mr. Balfour Ogilvy's remarks [remarks] and the A.D.C. Buin's comments the Siwai visit by Messrs., Webb and Kup appears to have been a success.

The purchase documents and requisition for "Pakano" have recently been forwarded to the A.D.C. Buin.

The report in duplicate together with comments from the A.D.C. Buin are herewith forwarded.

(D.N. Ashton)

District Commissioner

TERRITORY OF PAPUA & NEW GUINEA.

In Reply Please

Quote No. 67-2-1

ML.ML

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,

B U I N,

Bougainville District,

31st March, 1969.

The District Commissioner,

District Headquarters,

K I E T A .

**BUIN PATROL REPORT NO. 2 OF 1968/69 - H.L. BALFOUR  
OGILVY PATROL OFFICER - PURCHASE BOKU/KONGA  
ROAD ALIGNMENT.**

Attached please find original and one copy of the abovementioned report. Because this was a special patrol which had as its object the purchase of the new road alignment between Konga Base-Camp and Boku Patrol Post, there is very little [little] comment to make on the report.

2. Since the visit by Messrs. Webb and Kup to the Siwai area earlier this year there seems to have been a definite loss of interest in political matters, debate having returned to more parochial issues. This is true also for other parts of the Sub-District.

3. The road purchase is now complete with the exception of "PAKANO" in respect [respect] of which neither purchase documents nor "B" Requisition was ever received. This matter has been referred to Lands Department in other correspondence.

Att. (2)

(M. Lang.)

Assistant District Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

67-2-1

HB/hb

Department of District Administration,4  
Bougainville District,  
Sub-District Office,

B U I N.

13th March, 1969.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,

B U I N.

BUIN PATROL REPORT NUMBER 2 OF 1968/1969.

As this Patrol was of a special nature, in accordance with the Director's Circular Instruction of 21st June, 1968, reference 67-1-0, it is intended only to give a situation Report and other information as is thought of importance.

The main purpose of this Patrol was to purchase the land and such improvements therein, that area of land known as the Boku/Konga Road alignment. This was completed with the exception of one Parcel of Land known as "PAKANO", these documents not being held at this office at the time of the patrol. Advice has been received from the District Office in KIETA that these remaining documents will be forwarded as soon as they come to hand.

DIARY:

TUESDAY 18th FEBRUARY : Proceeded KONGA by car, set up camp in one of the Laurie and Montgomery houses on the Agricultural Station, thence to Siwai Society Office, and informed those people concerned to tell all Land owners and Owners of Improvements for the first three parcels of Land, to gather at Konga Base Camp on the 19th.

WEDNESDAY 19TH FEBRUARY : Whole day spent paying out monies to those people concerned in the first three land documents.

THURSDAY 20TH : Whole day spent paying out monies to the groups of people concerned in the next two land documents, these people mainly from PANAKE Village.

FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY : Proceeded by car to the Siwai Council Chambers at AMIO, and awaited the arrival of people from the TONU, TONUI and

SINANAI Villages. Paid out monies to all those people as listed on the Land documents. This completed the Konga Investigations, with the exception of PAKANO, which will be purchased as soon as it arrives at Buin. This was explained to the people involved in this Land Purchase, at AMIO.

SATURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY : Observed KONGA.

SUNDAY 23ND FEBRUARY : Observed KONGA.

MONDAY 24TH FEBRUARY : Proceeded BOKU. Set up camp then moved out to villages involved in Land Purchase, and advised all owners to meet at HORINU Village following Day. Advised those owners on the other side of the PURIATA River to await me at PIKEI Village on Tuesday Afternoon.

TUESDAY 25TH FEBRUARY: Proceeded as scheduled to HORINU in morning, completed [completed] purchases by 1100 hours, thence to PIKEI Village, and completed purchases there by 1600 hours. This completed whole of Road Purchase. [Purchase] Slept BOKU.

WEDNESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY : Departed BOKU for BUIN 0800. Arrived BUIN 1030.

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STATION REPORT:

It is only intended to give a brief summary under the headings of Political, Economic and Social Development as the recent patrol by Mr. Webb and Mr. Kup would give a much more detailed report than would be possible in this report, as the differing objects of the former Political trends and feelings in the Siwai area.

POLITICAL:

Certainly the above mentioned recent visit of Mr. Webb and Mr. Kup provided a great deal of information for the Siwai people, and to those two officer's credit, a great deal has been absorbed by the people with whom they came in contact. For the first time the interest shown in current political activity was more than the usual half-understood political words which semi-educated people have a notorious habit of fondly, and often, using with/out understanding the meaning of what they are saying. The interest in the referendum now that they appear to understand what it means is something that was perhaps there before, but not spoken so

openly about as it is now.

It is unfortunate that there are neither the field officers nor visual aids such as a mobile Movie Projector Unit available to follow up Mr. Webb's lead to good advantage. One of the main failings of a political education campaign such as is advocated at present, seems to be the lack of suitable 16 mm films on all aspects of Government, which could be used through the media of the Local Government Councils.

ECONOMIC:

As stated in previous reports of this area, cocoa is the mainstay of the Siwai economy, and present plantings indicate that the ever increasing yearly output will probably triple within three years. Prices paid by the patrol for economic trees on the Road alignment were apparently, satisfactory to the owners involved.

The Road Contractors have at present completed construction of the road, without any surfacing materials, from the Boku airstrip to the Sirokoro river; this section can be used. Past the Sinokoro River they have completed perhaps three miles of road, but the surface of this was still very soft and had not been rolled at the time. Subsequent to the patrol it is believed, due to heavy rains in the Boku area, sections of the formed road were washed away. This would be due to the lack of surfacing materials, as only

sand had been rolled onto the formed road. Apparently several iron culverts were also washed out on the section near Boku Patrol Post. The Alignment has been cleared from KONGA to near TONUI Village, and from BOKU to near SINANAI Village.

SOCIAL:

Some time was spent at the Catholic Mission, MONOITU, talking with Father LEBEL. Fr. LEBEL bitterly complained to me about the lack of liason [liaison] with the missions by the Government, and about the existing mail services in the Siwai. The mail system appears to be run as efficiently as is possible in the Siwai, when the mail is brought up from Buin it is distributed through the Council; and it would appear that Fr. LEBEL wishes a car to call at his mission every mail day to take his mail down. This was pointed out as being impracticable, also there seems to be little co-operation between the United Church and the Catholic Church in the Siwai, as even while the Patrol was at MONOITU, the United Church Land rover went past on its way down to BUIN, without stopping to inquire for mail. Fr. Lebel did say he was impressed with the attitude of Mr. WEBB during his recent visit, and had had a long talk with both him and Mr. KUP.

In conclusion, it would appear that events in the Siwai area are fairly stable, and do not give rise to any [illegible]

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
PATROL REPORT

Report Number 3 of 1968/69

Subdistrict BUIN  
District BOUGAINVILLE

Type of Patrol SPECIAL  
Patrol Conducted by C. J. TABUA, Patrol Officer  
Area Patrolled  
(Council and/or Part KONO Census Division  
Census Division/s.)

Personnel Accompanying Patrol

Constable 1/C KAIO R.P. & N.G.C.

Constable xx BRUNO R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration of Patrol--from 24/3/69 To 9/5/69

No. of Days 47

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: February and March, 1969.

Date 19/2/69 Duration 1/3/69

Objects of Patrol (Briefly) To supervise work on the proposed airstrip site  
near ORIA Village in the inland KONO Census Division

Total Population of Area Patrolled About 1200

Director of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

5/6/1969

Forwarded, please.

District Commissioner.

67-1-38

18th June, 1969.

The District Commissioner,  
Bougainville District,  
KIETA.

PATROL NO. BUIN 3/68-69

Your reference 67-1-2 of 3rd June, 1969.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Speical [Special]  
Report by Mr. C.J. Tabua, Patrol Officer to Part of KONO  
Census Division.

Mr. Tabua continues to carry out good work and  
it is most pleasing to note the enthusiasm and evident pro -  
Administration attitude of these people.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
DIRECTOR.

cc:

Mr. C.J. Tabua,  
Patrol Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
BUIN Bougainville District.

Please note that political education must be a  
continuing process in all situations with the emphasis on the  
advantages of national unity.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telephone

Telegrams

Our Reference 67-1-2

If calling ask for

Mr                RAD/gp

Department of District Administration,

District Headquarters,

Bougainville District,

KIETA. BOUGAINVILLE.

3rd. June, 1969.

The Director,

Department of District Administration,

KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

BUIN PATROL REPORT No. 3 of 1968/69: C.J. TABUA: PATROL OFFICER.

Herewith the above report, together with comments from the A.D.C.,

Buin.

Mr. Tabua's special report is clear and concise, and apparently the enthusiasm towards the Airstrip project near ORIA village is very good.

The Project is being publicised on Radio Bougainville.

D.N. ASHTON.

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

c.c, A.D.C., Buin,

67-2-1

ML/jg

Sub-District Office,

B U I N,

Bougainville District.

19th May, 1969.

The District Commissioner,

District Headquarters,

K I E T A.

BUIN PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1968/69 -

C. TABUA. PATROL OFFICER.

Attached please find original and one copy of the above-mentioned patrol report. This patrol was a follow up to Mr. Tabua's earlier patrol to this area (Buin Patrol Report No. 1 of 1968/69).

2. Under Mr. Tabua's supervision the people of the bush Kono area have made a start on the proposed strip near Oria Village. A commercial Cessna strip (2000' x 200') has been marked out and good progress, felling of timber on the runway and approaches, has been made to date.

3. Mr. Balfour-Ogilvy will be relieving Mr. Tabua at Oria for a month, and in the meantime the people have taken a fortnight off from working on the strip to attend to the present cocoa flush in that area. Next stage in the project is the removal of logs and stumps from the runway. The people have been issued with tools by the Administration for this purpose, and later on we hope to get a tractor and terracer blade to the site to assist with runway formation.

4. Co-operation to date between the Administration and Kono people has been excellent and hopes for the successful completion of the project, which will completely transform the economic life of these people, is high. Publicity on Radio Bougainville would be appreciated.

5. The assistance of the P.I.R. on this project for six days was appreciated by the people and very good relations were established between the Army and the people. Is the Police Commissioner aware of the fact that the Army is enhancing its image by civic action patrolling, while the police who once used to do this sort of work have lost status at the village level by holding themselves aloof from this kind of activity?

6. Mr. Tabua's claim for Camping Allowance attached for signature, please.

M. Lang.

Assistant District Commissioner.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Our Reference 67-2-1

If calling ask for

Mr CJT/jg

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,

B U I N,

Bougainville District.

12th May, 1969.

The Assistant District Commissioner,

Sub-District Office,

B U I N.

BUIN PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1968-69.

The main purpose of this patrol to part KONO Census Division was specifically to commence work and supervise the people working on the proposed category "C" airstrip site near ORIA Village in the inland KONO census division. Because of the special nature of this patrol, the headings of a formal patrol report, as set out in the Departmental Standing Instructions, Volume 1, will not be covered in this report. The report specifically outlines the improvements [improvements] and progress on the airstrip site near ORIA Village during the period the patrol stayed at ORIA Village, and improvements and progress which are likely to take place on the airstrip site in the near future.

The patrol lasted for 47 days, from the 24th March to the 9th May, 1969. However, only 26 nights were actually camped out in ORIA Village, due to the fact that the week-ends and Easter holidays were spent in Buin.

DIARY:-

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| 24/3/69:- | Departed BUIN for ORIA Village at about 0900 hours by car and foot via villages, TABAGO, TURITAI and UBUBAKOGU, and arrived ORIA Village at about 1600 hours. Slept ORIA rest house. |
| 25/3/69:- | At ORIA Village. Held discussions with the Councillors of the area re the work on the airstrip site. Thence commenced repairing the camp site. Slept ORIA rest house.                |
| 26/3/69:- | At ORIA Village. Continued and finished repairing the camp site. Slept ORIA rest house.  |

27/3/69:- At ORIA Village. Commenced working on the proposed airstrip site, supervising the people clearing the primary growth on the strip site. Slept ORIA rest house.

28/3/69:- At ORIA Village. Supervised the people working on the airstrip site, clearing primary growth. Slept ORIA rest house.

29/3/69:- Saturday, observed at ORIA, an SDA village. Slept ORIA rest house.

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30/3/69:- Sunday, observed at ORIA village. Slept ORIA rest house.

31/3/69:-) At ORIA Village. Supervised the people working on the airstrip site, clearing the primary growth.

1/4/69 :-) Slept ORIA rest house.

2/4/69 :-)

3/4/69 :- Departed ORIA Village at about 0700 hours for BUIN by foot and car via villages, UBUBAKOGU, TURITAI and TABAGO, and arrived BUIN at about 1300 hours.

4/4/69:-) Easter holidays, observed at BUIN.

5/4/69:-)

6/4/69:-)

7/4/69:-)

8/4/69:-)

9/4/69 :- Returned to ORIA Village at about 1000 hours, after Easter holidays and arrived ORIA Village at about 1500 hours. Slept ORIA rest house.

10/4/69:- At ORIA village. Supervised the people working on the airstrip site, clearing the primary growth. Slept ORIA rest house.

11/4/69:- To BUIN for week-end at about 0700 hours and arrived BUIN at about 1200 hours.

12/4/69:- Saturday, observed at BUIN.

13/4/69:- Sunday, observed at BUIN.

14/4/69:- Returned to ORIA Village at about 0900 hours and arrived ORIA Village at about 1400 hours. Slept ORIA rest house.

15/4/69:-) At ORIA Village. Supervised the people working on the airstrip site, mainly removing primary growth. Slept ORIA rest house.

16/4/69:-)

17/4/69:-)

18/4/69:- To BUIN for week-end, at about 0700 hours and arrived BUIN at about 1300 hours.

19/4/69:- Saturday, observed at BUIN.

20/4/69:- Sunday, observed at BUIN.

21/4/69:- Sick leave. Stayed BUIN.

22/4/69:- Returned to ORIA Village at about 1000 hours and arrived at about 1500 hours. Slept ORIA rest house.

23/4/69:- At ORIA Village. Supervised the people working on the airstrip site. Mainly clearing primary growth. Slept ORIA rest house.

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- 24/4/69:- Awaited visit by the ADC, Buin, Mr. M. Lang, to ORIA Village. Thence selected a new site for the airstrip with the ADC. Slept ORIA rest house.
- 25/4/69:- To BUIN for week-end at about 0730 hours and arrived BUIN at about 1300 hours.
- 26/4/69:- Saturday, observed at BUIN.
- 27/4/69:- Sunday, observed at BUIN.
- 28/4/69:- Returned to ORIA Village at about 1100 hours after week-end, and arrived at about 1600 hours. Slept ORIA rest house.
- 29/4/69:-) At ORIA Village. Supervised the people working on the new airstrip site. Mainly removing timber off the site. Slept ORIA rest house.
- 30/4/69:-)
- 1/5/69:-)
- 2/5/69 :- To BUIN for week-end at about 0700 hours, and arrived at about 1200 hours.
- 3/5/69 :- Saturday, observed at BUIN.
- 4/5/69 :- Sunday, observed at BUIN.
- 5/5/69 :- At the Sub-District Office, compiling general Patrol Officer's duties.
- 6/5/69 :- To ORIA Village at about 1000 hours and arrived at about 1500 hours. Slept ORIA rest house.
- 7/5/69 :-) At ORIA Village. Supervised the people working on the airstrip site. Mainly clearing the timber ) on the approach. Slep ORIA rest house.
- 8/5/69 :-)
- 9/5/69 :- To BUIN by car and foot at about 0700 hours and arrived BUIN at about 1200 hours. Thence for the rest of the afternoon at the Sub-District Office, compiling my field Officer's Journal.

End of the Patrol.

#### IMPROVEMENTS OF THE AIRSTRIP:-

The fact that Officers of this Department and the policeman will be spending much of their time in future at ORIA Village, supervising the work on the proposed airstrip site, the patrol, during its first couple of days at ORIA Village, established a permanent camp site. This included repairing a rest house and building a new house for the policemen and toilet blocks etc..

During the period the patrol stayed at ORIA Village, the

people have put in a great deal of effort in the work on the airstrip site. Both the primary and secondary growth on the airstrip site have been cleared, and the suitable terrain for a strip site was marked out with a centre line of 2000 feet long, and 100 feet were measured off on the opposite sides from the centre line. Work on the clearing of the vegetation on the  
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approach has begun, however, it is hoped to be finished when another Patrol Officer, Mr. H. B. Ogilvy, goes up to the area to continue with the work on the project in about a weeks time.

It is hoped that when the work on the clearing of the vegetation, and the removal of stumps, etc., on the strip site is completed, a tractor will be sent up to the area to assist the people in grading and levelling the surface of the strip.

The work force on the project ranged between 50 and 70 men at any one day. There are still a few men from villages, ORIMAI, SULEKUNU and UBABAKOGU who have not been turning up for work on the airstrip site near ORIA Village. However, the importance of a Category "C" airstrip site near ORIA Village has been mentioned to the people, and all are aware of it. The Civil Action Patrol by the Pacific Island Regiment also assisted in the project when they patrolled through the area.

CONCLUSION:-

Overall, the people in the area are working hard on the project. The tools which have been ordered for the project have been received and sent up to the area.

In conclusion, it is hoped that when the tractor is taken up into the area to assist the people in the construction of the airstrip site at ORIA Village, the interest and enthusiasm of the people in the construction of such a project will increase.

Forwarded for your information, Sir.

C. J. Tabua,  
Patrol Officer.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA  
PATROL REPORT

Report Number 4 of 1968/69

Subdistrict BUIN

District BOUGAINVILLE

Type of Patrol SPECIAL

Patrol Conducted by H. L. BALFOUR-OGILVY, PATROL OFFICER

Area Patrolled

(Council and/or UPPER KONO CENSUS DIVISION

Census Division/s.)

Personnel Accompanying Patrol

CONSTABLE 1/C KAIO

CONSTABLE POKARABUS

Duration of Patrol--from 26/5/69 To 18/6/69

No. of Days 23

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: 9/5/69, BUIN PATROL 3 OF 1968/69

Date 9/5/69 Duration 47 days

Objects of Patrol (Briefly) To continue supervision construction on Oria airstrip.

Total Population of Area Patrolled 1,200 (approx)

Director of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

28/8/1969

District Commissioner.

67-11-42

10th September, 1969.

The District Commissioner,

Bougainville District,

KIETA.

PATROL NO. BUIN 4/1968-1969.

Your reference 67-1-2 of 29th August, 1969.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by Mr. H.L. Balfour-Ogilvy, Patrol Officer to part KONO Census Division.

It is pleasing to note the progress that is being made on the airstrip at Oria.

(T.W. ELLIS)

Secretary

Department of the Administrator.

Mr. H.L. Balfour-Ogilvy,

Patrol Post,

c/- Sub-District Office,

BUIN. Bougainville District.

Please note that political education must be a continuing process in all situations with the emphasis on the advantages of national unity.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telephone

Telegrams

Our Reference 67-1-2

If calling ask for

Mr RFH/ca

Department of District Administration,

District Headquarters,

Bougainville District,

KIETA.

29th August, 1969.

The Secretary,

Division of District Administration,

Department of the Administrator,

KONEDOBU.

BUIN PATROL REPORT No. 4 of 1968/69 - UPPER KONO

H.L. BALFOUR-OGILVY

Attached in duplicate is report of above Patrol.

The patrol was one of routine in supervising construction of Rural Development project of an airstrip at ORIA in the Upper Kono Census Division. Work is progressing very satisfactorily due to constant supervision and interest by staff at Buin.

D.N. ASHTON

DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

c.c. The Assistant District Commissioner,

BUIN.

67-2-1

ML/jg  
Sub-District Office,  
B U I N.  
Bougainville District.

7th August, 1969.  
The District Commissioner,  
Department of the Administrator,  
District Headquarters,  
K I E T A.

BUIN PATROL REPORT NO. 4 OF 1968/69:

H. L. BALFOUR-OGILVY. PATROL OFFICER.

Attached please find original and two copies of the abovementioned report. The purpose of Mr. Balfour-Ogilvy's patrol to the upper Kono Census Division was to carry out supervisory duties at Oria, where an airstrip is being built with Administration assistance under the Rural Development Scheme.

2. Good progress continues to be made on this project.

Latest reports from Oria indicate that all stumps have now been cleared from the runway area. The next step, and the one which will take the most time and effort, is runway formation and earthworks. The Oria people have already been supplied by the Administration with sufficient tools to enable them to carry out these works.

3. In addition, a Ferguson tractor with earthmoving attachments (plough and terracer blade) is available at Buin for use at Oria to speed up formation of the runway and surface movement areas. It was originally proposed to carry this equipment from the road terminus at Tabago, to Oria, and the Oria people have agreed to do this.

4. However, when the C.R.A. Area Manager, Mr. Bishop, visited Buin recently, I asked him if the company would be prepared to assist the Oria people by making available a helicopter [helicopter] to airlift the tractor and attachments, plus fuel, from Tabago to Oria. Mr. Bishop held out some hopes of this possibility but said that he wanted to confer with yourself before making a final commitment.

5. Can you please advise me if this interview has taken place, and if so what was decided?

6. Mr. Balfour-Ogilvy's claim for Camping Allowance for signature, please.

M. Lang,  
Assistant District Commissioner.

Att.

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telegrams

Our Reference

If calling ask for

Mr HBO/jg

Department of District Administration,

Sub-District Office,

B U I N,

Bougainville District.

31st July, 1969.

The Assistant District Commissioner,

Sub-District Office,

B U I N,

Bougainville District.

BUIN PATROL NUMBER 4 OF 1968/69

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this patrol was to continue supervision of the work on construction of the Oria airstrip. This strip was commenced by the people of the Oria area under the supervision of Patrol Officer C. J. Tabua (refer Buin Patrol 3 of 1968/69).

This report is of necessity only a short one covering Stage Two of construction, which entailed the removal of log stamps and other vegetation on the runway.

PATROL DIARY

The Patrol moved to Oria village on the 26/5/69 and returned on the 18/6/69 - diary as per Folios 146 - 169 of the patrolling officer's Field Officer's Journal.

AIRSTRIP

At the time of arrival of the patrol, the airstrip had been roughly cleared of light vegetation and timber. Large stumps towards the bottom end had also been removed.

During the period 26/5/69 to 18/6/69 considerable progress was made. The runway was cleared 200' for a length of 1000'. All stumps were removed and the area was ready for earthworks. However, it was decided to clean the full 2000' and then commence earthworks. Recent verbal reports on the airstrip indicate that it is now ready for levelling and forming.

In general, the attitude to this project by the people of this area has been enthusiasm and the work has proceeded well to date.  
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## CONCLUSION

In conclusion, it must be said that the Councillor from PAGUI Village, KORIBAI, has been the motivating force behind the village people who are engaged in the construction of the airstrip, and without his enthusiasm it is doubtful whether this project would have reached the stage that it is now at.

The proposal of putting a tractor and terracer blade up on the airstrip site, by the Administration, has given them the incentive to proceed with the third, and most difficult stage of

construction of the airstrip which entails levelling and forming the runway.

For your information, please.

H. BALFOUR-OGILVY

Patrol Officer.

APPENDIX 1

PATROL DIARY

26/5/69 :— Departed BUIN a.m. for ORIA, accompanied [accompanied] by BRIAN CAMPBELL, Malaria Control.  
Slept ORIA.

27/5/69:- Day spent supervising work on airstrip site.  
Slept ORIA.

28/5/69:- Supervised work on airstrip.  
Slept ORIA.

29/5/69:- Supervised work on airstrip site. Talked with Councillors from PAGUI and ORIMAI.  
Slept ORIA.

30/5/69:- Supervised work on airstrip. People now clearing 100' x 200' sections a day.  
Slept ORIA.

31/5/69:- Saturday observed ORIA.

1/6/69:- Sunday observed ORIA.

2/6/69:- Day spent at airstrip site working on clearing with the people.  
Slept ORIA.

3/6/69:- Day spent at airstrip. Average attendance workers 40 a day.  
Slept ORIA.

4/6/69:- Day spent at airstrip site. Talked with Councillor KOLIBAI about council rules.  
Slept ORIA.

5/6/69:- Day spent at airstrip.A.D.C. in M.A.F.  
Cessna flew over strip several times creating much enthusiasm.  
Slept ORIA.

6/6/69:- People worked only half day. Now finished 500'. Still the large logs to be removed.  
Slept ORIA.

7/6/69:- Saturday observed ORIA.

8/6/69:- Sunday observed ORIA.

9/6/69:- Queen's Birthday holiday observed ORIA.

10/6/69:- Worked on airstrip as usual. Talked with  
Councillor AMPI from BOGISAGO and Councillor  
MASIU from ORIMAI concerning Council affairs,  
and approaching Buin Show.  
Slept ORIA.

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- 11/6/69:- Worked on airstrip as usual. Four trainee Agricultural Officers from VUDAL visited ORIA and stayed overnight.  
Slept ORIA.
- 12/6/69:- Work on airstrip as usual. Talked with Councillor MAKAU from KAUKASINA about Council affairs. Received mail and minutes of Council meeting as well as Agenda.  
Slept ORIA.
- 13/6/69:- Most of bottom half of airstrip (900') cleared except for large logs which have to be dragged off.  
Slept ORIA.
- 14/6/69:- Saturday observed OPIA.
- 15/6/69:- Sunday observed ORIA.
- 16/6/69:- Day spent at airstrip clearing large logs, dragging them off with long lengths of kunda.  
Slept ORIA.
- 17/6/69:- Day spent working on last of the logs. This completed all clearing on the lower sections.  
Slept ORIA.
- 18/6/69:- Patrol departed ORIA for IRIUNOKU 0600 hours. Arrived IRIUNOKU 1000 hours, moved to BUIN by Toyota. Arrived BUIN 1330 hours.  
End of patrol.