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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of..... WEST SEPIK Report No. .... NIUKU No.1 of 71/72

Patrol Conducted by..... W. D. SMAN A.P.C.

Area Patrolled..... Parts of EAST PALEI, WEST PALEI Census Divisions/Council Area.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans..... M11

Natives..... 4 Interviewers  
1 Member R.P.N.G.C.

Duration—From..... 3/7/19 71 to..... 17/7/19 71

Number of Days..... 15 Days

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... No

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services..... 16/1/19 71

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

Map Reference..... AITAPE SA 5A-15, WEMAK SA 5A-16 ARMY

Objects of Patrol..... To conduct Territory Census of T.L.A. 21 (Team Leader Area 21)

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

23/ 8 19 71.

*B. Bunting*  
 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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P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

67-16-1

14th December, 1971.

The District Commissioner,  
District Office,  
WANING.  
West Sepik District.

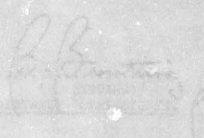
NUKU PATROL NO. 1 OF 71/72.

Your reference is 67-3-9 of 23rd August, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special Report by Mr. W.D. Swan, A.P.O. of a Patrol to parts of the East and West Palai Census Divisions, for the purposes of the Territory Census.

The report is well written and Mr. Swan appears to have conducted the patrol in an efficient manner.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67-16-13



Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67-3-9

If calling ask for

Mr. ....

In Reply  
Please Quote

No.

Department of the Administrator,

Division of District Administration,  
District Headquarters,  
VANIMO.  
West Sepik District.

August 23, 1971.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
KONEDOBU. PAPUA.

NUKU PATROL No. 1 of 1971/72

EAST PALEI & WEST PALEI CENSUS DIVISIONS

Forwarded herewith is the original and one copy of the report covering the above patrol conducted to parts of the East Palei and West Palei Census Divisions by Mr. W. D. Swan, Assistant Patrol Officer, Lumi.

This was a special purpose patrol mounted to assist in the conduct of the recent Territory Census.

The patrol, conducted in an efficient and competent manner, went without incident. Mr. Swan is proving himself as an efficient officer, capable of observing well, paying attention to detail and reporting in clear, concise terms.

It is noted that the four high school students who acted as Interviewers during the course of the census taking, carried out their duties extremely well and behaved in an exemplary manner. This will do much to foster good relationships with the people of the area and maintain their support during similar undertakings in the future.

*B. Bunting*  
(B. BUNTING)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

c.c. Assist. Dist. Commissioner,  
LUMI.  
c.c. Mr. W. D. Swan, A.P.O.,  
LUMI.

F/R NUKU No.1 of 71/72

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
L.M.L. West Sepik District.  
5th August, 1971

Mr. W. D. Swan,  
Assistant Patrol Officer,  
L.M.L.

Nuku Patrol Report No.1 of 1971/72  
Territory Census Area No.21

I acknowledge receipt of the above report, together with map, on 4th August, 1971. It is understood that your claim for Camping Allowance has already been submitted to the Sub-District Field Supervisor and has been paid.

The report is well written and presented.

Situation Report

*DRC*  
*No. 1000 -*  
*The report is*  
*to warrant*  
*the that*  
*in fact*


I would suggest that from now until the 1972 Papua New Guinea Elections are completed that you do not discuss the activities of the Local M.H.A., as what is said by you and the people could be misconstrued and taken the wrong way by the present Member.

This does not suggest that Political Education should not be continued to be promulgated, but when discussing the role of an elected member of the House of Assembly, I suggest you discuss the topic in general terms only.

The economic development of the area appears to be progressing satisfactorily and as you state will move at a faster pace once the Wewak-Lumi road passes through the area.

I agree with your sentiments regarding the Nuku Council tax rate. The people can most certainly afford \$3 and in fact could pay at least \$6.

Your report on the affects of the Yangoru Cargo Cult movement and its impact on the people on July, 7th 1971 is informative and well recorded.

  
P.J.H. Broadhurst  
Assistant District Commissioner.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telephone.....

Telegrams.....

Our Reference. P/R Nuku No. 1 of 71/72

If calling ask for

Mr.....

~~Department of District Administration~~

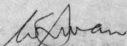
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, West Sepik District.  
26th July, 1971

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI

Nuku Patrol Report No.1 of 1971/72

Please find enclosed Nuku Patrol Report No.1 of 1971/72 written in accordance with Departmental Standing Instructions, Volume 1, Chapter 4, Patrol Reports, Paragraph 5.

The object of the patrol was to carry out the 1971 Territory Census of Team Leader Area No.21 in the East and West Palei Census Divisions as instructed by the Sub-District Field Supervisor.

  
W. D. Swan  
Assistant Patrol Officer

  
Sub-District Field Supervisor  
1971





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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Telephone  
Telegrams  
Our Reference  
If calling ask for  
Mr.

Department of District Administration,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, West Sepik District.  
23rd June, 1971.

Mr. W. Swan,  
Assistant Patrol Officer,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI

Patrol Instructions - Nuku Patrol No.1 of 1971/72


As verbally advised, you have been selected to lead a field team during the 1971 Territory Census.

Your patrol will be through the East and West Falei Census Divisions, more specifically in that area known for Census purposes as Team Leader Area Number 21. You are to fully enumerate all the villages and non-village settlements within this area. Your patrol staff will include four interviewers and a member of the R.P.N.G.C.. The patrol route is at your discretion, however each settlement selected must be enumerated.

A Training Course will be held from the 28th June, to 2nd July, 1971, and your attendance at this is mandatory. This course will equip you with the knowledge necessary to the task. All stores and equipment are to be drawn through Census Stores and I will advise you at a later date regarding air travel arrangements.

A Patrol Report in accordance with the Director Division of District Administration Circular 67-1-0 paragraph 5 dated 21st June, 1968 should be submitted to the Assistant District Commissioner.

I wish you a successful patrol.

  
G. McCraw  
Sub-District Field Supervisor  
1971 Census

6.5.71  
9.7.71  
10.7.71  
11.7.71

PATROL DIARY

- 3.7.71 1400 Patrol Equipment and personnel flown to Nuku in 3 uplifts from Lumi.  
1800 Last uplift arrived Nuku. - Patrol Post.  
Slept Nuku.
- 4.7.71 Observed Sunday  
Slept NUKU.
- 5.7.71 0830 Departed NUKU by station Toyota.  
1000 Arrived WASSISI (1½ hours drive)  
1015 Conducted "Territory Census" interviews.  
1230 Census Completed. Lunch.  
1330 Departed WASSISI.  
1500 Returned to NUKU.  
Slept NUKU.
- 6.7.71 0800 Assembled Patrol Equipment and stood by for proposed flight to YINUNGEN. Assisted O.I.C. NUKU with office work.  
1030 Radio with Mr. McORAW, S.D.P.S. Notified plane delayed.  
1300 Mr. WOODS A.D.O. arrived NUKU and advised that no plane would be coming to-day. Assist O.I.C. NUKU with station work for the rest of day.  
Slept NUKU.
- 7.7.71 0800 Assembled Patrol Equipment again and stood by.  
1100 Plane arrived. 3 uplifts.  
1200 Arrived YINUNGEN. Assemble equipment.  
1230 Lunch.  
1330 Territory Census conducted. Self talked to people.  
1730 Census completed. Self checked census sheets.  
Slept YINUNGEN.
- 8.7.71 0830 Departed YINUNGEN.  
0930 Arrived SIBILANGA. (1 Hour's walk on good track)  
1230 Territory Census conducted.  
1600 Census completed. Self check forms until 1700.  
Discussions with people and missionaries held.  
Slept SIBILANGA.
- 9.7.71 0910 Departed SIBILANGA.  
1110 Arrived YAPUNDA (walking time 2 hours over boggy downhill track)  
1430 Territory Census conducted.  
1700 Census completed. Self checked sheets. Discussions with people.  
Slept YAPUNDA.
- 10.7.71 0845 Departed YAPUNDA.  
1045 Arrived YOULPA. (walking time 2 hours on fair track)  
1230 Territory Census conducted.  
1600 Census completed. Self checked sheets. Discussions with people.  
Slept YOULPA.
- 11.7.71 0830 Departed YOULPA.  
1100 Arrived WURO (walking time 2½ hours over very boggy track)  
1330 Territory Census conducted.  
1730 Census completed. Self checked sheets. Discussions with people.  
Slept WURO.

- 12.7.71 0845 Departed WURO.  
1030 Arrived WEIKI (walking time 1½ hours on fair track)  
1200 Territory Census conducted.  
1330 Census completed. Self checked sheets. Discussions with people held.  
1445 Departed WEIKI.  
1600 Arrived WARA. (walking time 1½ hours on fair track)  
Rested. Discussions with people.  
Slept WARA.
- 13.7.71 0800 Territory Census of WARA, conducted.  
0930 Census completed. Self checked sheets.  
0950 Departed WARA.  
1150 Arrived WOMIL (walking time 2 hours on fair track)  
1300 Territory Census conducted.  
1630 Census completed. Self checked sheets. Discussions with people.  
Slept WOMIL.
- 14.7.71 0845 Departed WOMIL.  
0945 Arrived MUKU. (walking time 1 hour on good road.)  
1045 Territory Census conducted.  
1600 Census completed. Self checked sheets. Discussions with people.  
Slept MUKU.
- 15.7.71 0600 Runner sent to NINGIL.  
0810 Departed MUKU.  
0900 Arrived WINBE (walking time 50 mins. on good road.)  
Carriers and policeman continued on to WEIGIN. Interviewers and self remained WINBE.  
0930 Territory Census conducted.  
1130 Census completed. Self checked sheets. Discussions with people.  
1230 Departed WINBE.  
1530 Arrived WEIGIN (walking time 3 hours on good road.)  
Rested. Discussions with people.  
Slept WEIGIN.
- 16.7.71 0745 Departed WEIGIN.  
1030 Arrived NINGIL (walking time 2½ hours on good road.)  
Rested. Lunch at Mission. Informed that plane was to arrive at 1400.  
All equipment and personnel weighed.  
1400 Stood by.  
1700 Informed per mission radio, plane not coming.  
Slept NINGIL.
- 17.7.71 0800 Informed plane to come this morning.  
0945 Departed NINGIL by plane.  
1000 Arrived LUMI.  
1200 Second uplift arrived LUMI.

PATROL STOOD DOWN

REPORT ON TERRITORY CENSUS

TEAM LEADER AREA No. 21

1. The main aim of this patrol was to conduct the Territory Census in the East and West Palei Census Divisions under instructions from the Sub-District Field Supervisor.

2. The area undergoing the census was known as Team Leader Area 21. It consisted of 8 native villages and 3 mission stations situated on the high southern slopes of the Terricelli Ranges. The terrain is very mountainous, consisting of high steep ridges and deep valleys at the bottom of which are fast flowing streams leading in a southerly direction towards the Sepik River. The villages had been previously selected by the Bureau of Statistics.

3. The patrol consisted of myself as Team Leader, four indigenous Form 4 students as interviewers, and one member of the R.P.N.G.C.. The Team Leader organised patrol activities and checked the interviewers' completed census forms. The interviewers interviewed personally the head of each house and determined who slept in the house the previous night and obtained the information as outlined on the Territory Census Form.

4. The LANGORU Cargo Cult did not affect the actual information gathered by the census team (See Social, Cargo Cult)

5. All four St. Ignatius High School students from Aitape performed their duties as interviewers extremely well and exhibited exemplary behaviour throughout the patrol.

6. The completed Census Forms have been handed to the Sub-District Field Supervisor, at the completion of the patrol.

Nuku Patrol No.1 of 7/72

POLITICAL

The people's attitude towards Local Government appeared to be quite good, although little material benefit from the Council could be seen in the villages visited. The President of the Nuku Local Government Council lives at SIBILANGA and has fostered a keen interest in Council activities.

Generally, the people were very aware of Mr. YAKOB TALIS (Member of House of Assembly) from NINGIL. There seemed to be mixed feelings in regard to his popularity. Some criticized him for not coming to visit them, etc..

The people in each village, after the Australian flag was raised, were informed of the new name "PAPUA NEW GUINEA" and that they now had their own flag. There was little reaction shown to this.

ECONOMIC

This high region of the East and West Yalei appears to be ideally suited for lowland coffee and the people have energetically entered into its production. Coffee gardens lined the roads and walking tracks and generally gardens appeared to be well tended. One village, MARUMBA, has its own coffee pulper.

The coffee is now being sold to the C.M.M.L. Mission at SIBILANGA or D.A.S.F. at WASSISI. The Mission buys the coffee at the current price and back leads it on their aircraft to MEMAL.

Rice is also grown and is sold to D.A.S.F. at NUKU and the Catholic Mission at YINUNGEN.

The proposed Sepik Highway passes through the area and, when completed, will assist greatly in the marketing of this area's coffee and rice.

The section of road running from WURO through to YUWIL is in good condition and now serves as a route to WASSISI and NUKU. This is a well formed and graded road and would not need a lot of work to improve it, so that tractors and four wheel drive vehicles may be used.

The people complained about the recent Council tax rise to \$3. It was explained to them that with the evident abundant coffee production, the tax could easily be paid. These people appeared to the writer to be much "better off" economically than many people in the Wapei Local Government Council who are paying \$5 this year.

The people were generally concerned as to the way the Government was running their villages and districts and wanted to know the reasons for this.

The school at YUWIL had been cancelled by the Government and the 17th annual holidays at YUWIL, only 20 days at school in 1971.

The people were also concerned as to the way the Government was running their villages and districts and wanted to know the reasons for this.

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The people had interpreted this day as a sort of "festival" and the end of the work week caused by an overabundance and surplus of coffee. The day was a day of rest and the people would later work back to their usual work in the fields of coffee.

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SOCIAL

Education

Education facilities are fair. Mission Primary T Schools are in operation at YINUNGEN and WASSISI (Catholic) and SIBILANGA (C.M.M.L.). All schools offer boarding facilities.

Health

Health of the people was generally fair. Aid Posts operate at WASSISI, YINUNGEN and SIBILANGA. The Aid Post at WURO has closed down through lack of support from the local people in assisting the Aid Post orderly. This is a pity, because it serviced the villages of WETIKI, MARA, WOMILL and MUKU, and it was this area that a number of tropical ulcers and boils were seen by the patrol.

Missions

The Roman Catholic and Christian Missions in Many Lands (C.M.M.L.) are operating in the area. There was no evidence of any inter-mission ill will.

Cargo Cult Activities

The Census team was flown to YINUNGEN on the 7th July, which was the "day of the cargo" for the YANGORU cultists.

It was found that:-

1. Most people were genuinely frightened on this day and most remained in their villages and didn't dare venture to the garden or bush.
2. Students at schools had been collected by fellow villagers and returned home. Of the 170 school children at YINUNGEN, only 30 were at school on 7th July.
3. Three adult males from YINUNGEN had gone to YANGORU to witness the happenings there.

The reason why this state of affairs existed appeared to be because:-

The people had interpreted this day as a sort of "doomsday" with the end of the world being caused by an earthquake and storms at 12 o'clock on 7th July. The sun would disappear and all would be killed except the small children. Some people would later come back to life and obtain wealth in the form of money.

This "idea" was spread by:-

1. Rumour passed from one village to the next.
2. Radio Wewak had given broad coverage to the cult activities which many people had heard. This, I feel, had been misconstrued in many quarters giving rise to rumours. (Of the people questioned, most had mentioned that they heard about the cult activities on Radio Wewak.)
3. It was revealed that a young man had visited SIBILANGA with a letter allegedly written in Pidgin by "DANIEL", one of the cult leaders. This letter was sighted by the resident C.M.M.L. Missionaries at SIBILANGA.

Text was to the effect:- "A big wind accompanied by an earthquake would occur. American planes would fly over Mt. TURU. The

*Normal  
beliefs*

troops of America, Sydney and Melbourne would also come. At 12 o'clock on 7.7.71 the cement markers would be removed and money would appear. After the following Sunday, all crops would flourish."

I did not see this letter.

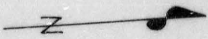
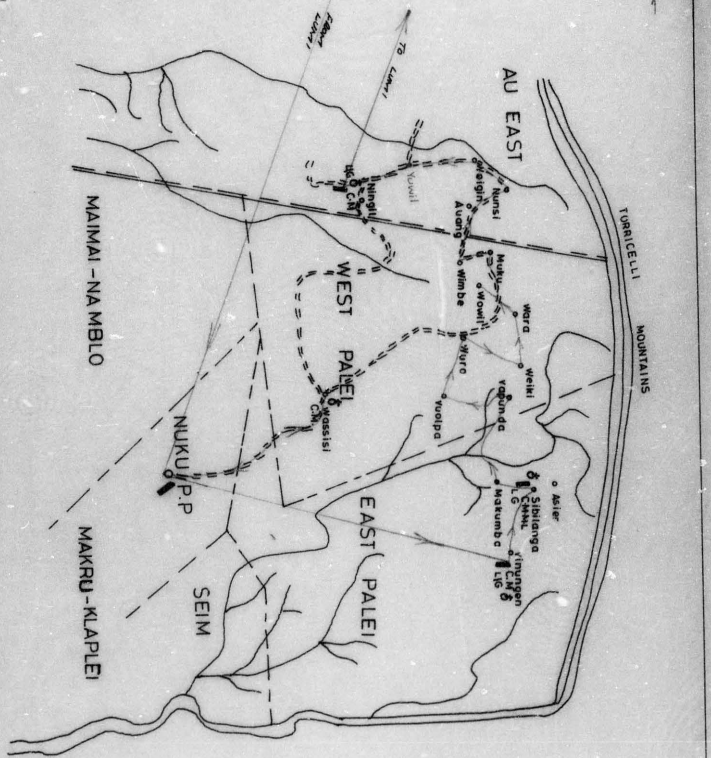
This letter could not be traced past SIBILANGA.

*The Amoy paddock*



VILLAGES IN WHICH CENSUS WAS CONDUCTED

WASSISI Mission Station  
YINUNGEN Mission Station  
SIBILANCA Mission Station  
YAFUNDA  
YOULPA  
WURO  
WEIKI  
WARA  
WOMIL  
MUKU  
WINBE



SCALE = 1/2 INCH TO MILE  
 PATROL ROUTE  
 ROADS



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

Report Number. NUKU NO.2 OF 1971/72.

Subdistrict. LUMI.

District. WEST SEPIK

Type of Patrol. SPECIAL.

Patrol Conducted by. S.ELIASER. ASSISTANT FIELD OFFICER.

Area Patrolled	}	<u>SEIM CENSUS DIVISION AND YAGRUMBOX.</u>
(Council and/or		<u>COUNCIL AREA.</u>
Census Division/s.)		<u>SEIM CENSUS DIVISION AND YAGRUMBOX.</u>

Personnel Accompanying Patrol  
NIL.

Duration of Patrol—from 24/8 .. / 71 .. to 25 .. / 9 .. / 71

No. of Days. 24 DAYS

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: .....

Date..... Duration.....

Objects of Patrol (Briefly) Supervised the clearing of the proposed new road from Yagrumbok to Seim, and the upgrading of the road by the bulldozer. Recorded the bulldozer's working hours for each day.

Total Population of Area Patrolled.....

Director of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

8 / 11 / 19 71

B. Bunting  
District Commissioner.

P.O. Box 2396, KONEDOBUN.

67-16-14

14th December, 1971.

The District Commissioner,  
District Office,  
VANUEB.  
West Sepik District.

NUKU PATROL NO. 2 OF 1971/72.

Your memorandum 67-3-9 dated 8th November, 1971 refers.

It is noted that the above report has been submitted by Mr. S. Eliaser an Assistant Field Officer. I notice that in Patrol Instructions given to him by the O.I.C. Nuku Patrol Post at para. (4) he is instructed to submit a Patrol Report in accordance with Circular Instructions. Please find enclosed copy of Duty Statement of an Assistant Field Officer. It will be noted that Mr. Eliaser is solely employed on Land Work and should not be directed to do the work of a Patrol Officer. I agree with paragraphs (1) (2) and (3) of the Patrol Instructions but all he need do at the finish of such a Patrol is submit the following:-

1. F.O.J.
2. List of Economic Trees
3. Survey map of roadwork carried out.

Would you please advise the Assistant District Commissioner at Lumi accordingly.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.

67-16-14



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Division of District Administration,  
District Headquarters,  
VANIMO,  
West Sepik District.

November 8, 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
L U M I.

SUBJECT: Nuku Patrol No. 2 of 71/72.

Receipt of the Report arising out of the above patrol together with your covering comments, P/R Nuku No. 2 of 1971/72 of October 18, 1971, is acknowledged with thanks.

2. I agree with your comments on the efforts of the Officer in Charge Nuku and Mr. Eliaser in regard to the new road. It is a very good job. I don't quite understand the contents of para A (4) Political - page 4. Would you have Mr. Eliaser clarify his comments, please.

3. Mr. Eliaser is to be commended for the interest he displays towards his work.

*B. Bunting*  
.....  
(B. BUNTING)  
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

→ c.c. The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
KONEDOBU.

F/R Nuku No.2 of 1971/72

XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI. West Sepik District.  
18th October, 1971

Mr. S. Eliaser,  
Assistant Field Officer,  
Patrol Post,  
NUAU

Patrol Report Nuku No.2 of 1971/72  
Sepik Highway, Yarrumbok - Nuku Road


Receipt on 12th October, 1971 of the above Patrol Report together with Camping Allowance is acknowledged.

You have previously been requested to supply a patrol map with your patrol report. You have again failed to do so. Would you please remember to do so in future.

The patrol has obviously been well conducted although the actual narrative is marred by a number of spelling mistakes.

The District Commissioner and myself have driven over the new road. The Officer in Charge, Nuku and yourself are to be congratulated for your effort in finding an excellent alignment, for surveying it and assisting the people in having the road constructed in such a short time. The road is going to greatly assist the people in their economic development.

I hope you will use it as an example, during Political Education discussions with the people, as to how the people, through self-help and their Local Government Council, can materially assist their area.

  
P.J.K. Broadhurst  
Assistant District Commissioner

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Department of the Administrator,  
Division  
Patrol Post Nuku,  
West Sepik District,  
24th September, 1971.

Sakie Eliaser,  
Assistant Field Officer,  
Patrol Post,  
NUKU.

NUKU PATROL NO.2 1971/72.

Please be prepared to camp at Yagumbok village E.S.D. to supervise the clearing of the new road to Nuku, and to direct the operation of the bulldozer on this road.

(1) Ensure that the road clearing follows route marked by myself and you in the preceding week.

(2) Maintain a list Economic trees destroyed and owners for future negotiations.

(3) Bulldozer is only to work in areas previously discussed with yourself and no other due to shortage of fund.

(4) Submit a special purpose report in accordance with D.D.A. Circular, Patrol Report Generally. Director, Division of District Administration circular 67-1-0, paragraph 5 dated 21st June 1968 and part 3 headed situation report.

The length of patrol will until work is completed, estimate time approx. two weeks.

I wish you a pleasant patrol.

*K.W.K. [Signature]*  
.....  
Karl W. Kitchens,  
Officer in-charge.


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Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
Patrol Post Nuku,  
West Sepik District,  
28th September, 1971.

The Officer In-Charge,  
Patrol Post NUKU,  
West Sepik District.

PATROL REPORT - NUKU NO.2 1971/72.

Conducted by - S. ELIASER. ASSISTANT FIELD OFFICER.  
Area Patrolled - Seim Census Division/Council Area.  
Duration of Patrol - 24/8/71 - 25/9/71. 25 days.  
Personnel Accompanying - Nil/  
Map Reference - Nil.

  
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Sakie Eliaser,  
Assistant Field Officer.



PATROL DIARY:

- Tuesday - 24/8/71. As road work in progressed O.I.C leading the patrol ~~left~~ No.1 of 1971/72. left. Supervision of road work all day.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Wednesday - 25/8/71. Left Yagrubok 0800 for P.W.D camp to investigate commencement of bulldozer on grading the road. Departed Dreikikir 1420 hrs. and arrived Yagrubok 1545 hrs.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Thursday - 26/8/71. Road supervision on clearing commenced 0800 hrs. Work ceased 1700 hrs.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Friday - 27/8/71. Road supervision 0800 hrs. till 1645 hrs. when work ceased.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Saturday - 28/8/71. Observed at Yagrubok.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Sunday - 29/8/71. Observed at Yagrubok.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Monday - 30/8/71. Road supervision 0800 hrs. till 1645 hrs. when work ceased.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Tuesday - 31/8/71. On road supervision 0800 hrs till 1610 hrs. when work ceased.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Wednesday - 1/9/71. Economic trees of villager's of Yagrubok on the proposed road counted which are likely to be destroyed accompanied by owners.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Thursday - 2/9/71. Continued with counting economic trees all day.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Friday - 3/9/71. Road supervision and clearing all day. Work ceased 1630 hrs.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Saturday - 4/9/71. From 0800 hrs. to 1200 hrs. completed compiling list of economic trees and owners.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Sunday - 5/9/71. Observed at Yagrubok.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Monday - 6/9/71. Left ~~for~~ Yagrubok 0800 hrs. for Dreikikir, Had talks with constructions official in regards to the bulldozer for grading. Returned to Yagrubok 1740 hrs.  
Slept Yagrubok.
- Tuesday - 7/9/71. Departed Yagrubok 0800 hrs. for Nuku arriving 1745 hrs.
- Wednesday - 15/9/71. Departed Nuku 1330 hrs. by tractor with R.D.O Mr. M. Hunt arrived Seim 1600 hrs.  
Slept Seim.
- Thursday - 16/9/71. Departed Seim 0800 hrs. arriving Yagrubok

- Thursday - 16/9/71. Departed Seim 0800 hrs. arriving 1110 hrs. Bulldozer commenced work 1110 hrs. and supervision of bulldozer all day till 1830 hrs. when work ceased . Slept Yagumbok.
- Friday - 17/9/71. Work commenced 0630 hrs. by bulldozer. Supervision on bulldozer all day. Work ceased 1800 hrs. Slept Yagumbok.
- Saturday - 18/9/71. Supervision of bulldozer commenced 0700 hrs. till 1800 hrs. when work ceased. Slept Yagumbok.
- Sunday - 19/9/71. Supervision on bulldozer commenced 0630 hrs. Work ceased 1800 hrs. Slept Awes.
- Monday - 20/9/71. Supervision on bulldozer commenced 0630 hrs. Work ceased 1800 hrs. Slept Nukuanglo.
- Tuesday - 21/9/71. Supervision on bulldozer commenced 0700 hrs, work ceased 1800 hrs. Slept Nukuanglo.
- Wednesday - 22/9/71. Supervision on bulldozer commenced 0700 hrs. Work ceased 1830 hrs. Slept Nukuanglo.
- Thursday - 23/9/71. Supervision on road commenced 0640 hrs. on the new Yiminum-Seim road on upgrading it. Work ceased 1800 hrs Slept Nukuanglo.
- Friday - 24/9/71. Supervision on bulldozer on Yiminum-Seim road. Work ceased 1830 hrs. Slept Nukuanglo.
- Saturday - 25/9/71. Supervision on bulldozer commenced 0800 hrs. Work ceased 1800 hrs. Returned To Nuku 1830 hrs.

Patrol ended.

NUKU PATROL NO. 2 OF 1971/72.

INTRODUCTION:

(a) Acting on your written instructions of 24th August 1971, I remained at Yagumbok to carry out the task of supervising the clearing of bushes on the Yagumbok-Seim road and to supervise the bulldozer on upgrading it.

(b) The main object of my patrol was to ensure that bulldozer upgrade the proposed road previously pegged out by myself and the O.I.C. and to record the bulldozer's working hours each day. The new road linking Yagumbok in the Dreikikir Patrol Post of the East Sepik District and the Seim Census Division of the Nuku Administrative area. The objects as per instructions were carried out. No incidents occurred on patrol.

(c) The Seim Census Division with the population density of 63.23 per square mile has an area 55.51 square miles. The yearly rainfall is approximately 76 inches with most of it falling towards the end of the year.

(d) The patrol was conducted both in the East and West Sepik Districts. In coparison, the people of the Seim Census Division have the same standard of living with that of Yagumbok Villages.

(e) Health services to the area is provided by the Administration and the Missions. A hospital at Seim run by the Catholic Mission of the Order of Friar Minor and an Aid Post at Yagumbok established by the Administration. Both centres provided services to rural and nearby villages.

(f) With the completion of the new Yagumbok-Seim road, all villages in the area are now links up with roads accessible only in dry season.

SITUATION REPORT:

(A) POLITICAL.

(1) The general political attitude in these areas is that to advance the areas politically, everything possible must be done to ensure that there is a thorough understanding of the Administration and its various functions. As it appeared, not the majority of the population are aware of what would be the result of constructing the new road. However, realising that the road is of economical importance to the area, they favoured to assist.

(2) The councillors in the areas are all active very much and regarded leaders in the villages. Good co-operation shown by the councillors and there is no anti-government in the area. Most of the councillors have a better understanding of council functions which if compare with the Nuku Administrative area is above average. The upgrading of the road showed that things can only be done if the people co-operate and not to expect others to do it.

(3) Discussions held with the people revealed that the name PAGINI is not favoured. Most people disagree with it. They all preferred the name NUGINI. The local M.H.A for the area is Mr. Yakob Talis. The people are all familiar with through his activities in the area, and probably re-elected in the next House of Assembly election next year.

(4) Even though the area is well advance both politically and economically, much is still to be done to bring a better understanding, between Central and Local governments. The self-help basis create ill feeling amongst them, where if the area want to advance then the its the indigeneous population who are to work.

(B) ECONOMIC.

The opening of the Yagumbok-Seim road is an important thing in the field of economic to the area. Unlike in the past there is a connection through the new road with the East and West Sepik Districts. The Nuku Administrative area, being the most producer of rice and coffee in the districts well in advance.

In particular, the Seim Census Division produce an average above the Nuku area. Since most of the produce are being purchased locally at Nuku by D.A.S.F., it is to note that their economic progress follows the improvement in constructions of roads. As a result of the new Yagumbok-Seim road, it must be admitted that help offered was of greater extent. Unlike the past, they would have an accessible road linking the proposed Sepik highway right through to Wewak. The produce now being airfreighted to the coast would now be transported by road, thus reducing airfreight charges.

It could be seen that with the present existence of the new road, it is likely that greater change will take place in and around the locality and Nuku Administrative area as a whole. People with business interests could established themselves amongst the local and this will be of greater help to the people.

(C) SOCIAL:

The standard of living in the area has improved greatly. The housing average as a whole in the area is excellent.

Nearly all European artifacts are obtainable in both the Seim and Yagumbok areas. As this is becoming so popular in the villages, every family can afford to obtain some pieces of cutlery.

The area is well advance in education. Due to the establishment of three Primary schools in the area, the children now have the opportunity in gaining some form of education. There is an increase in the number of children enrolling each year. Of the schools, two are operated by the Catholic Mission. A primary school and a Girls Vocational centre are all at Hamtaba. The other school is run by the Administration at Nukuanglo. The two Primary schools enroll both male and female while the Vocational centre caters only for girls.

Health services in the area is entirely run by the Mission. However, an aid post established by the Administration is at Sibitela. The Catholic Mission has a hospital at Hamtaba and is staffed by two sisters. Clinics are done extensively by the sisters in and around the villages. This is still continuing.

CONCLUSION.

The patrol was well received as far as the writer is concerned. The area patrol is the most advance in the Nuku Administrative area. No major incidents occurred on the patrol.



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# PATROL REPORT

District of.....WEST SEIK..... Report No.....3.....1971/72.....  
 Patrol Conducted by.....R.F. Donaghan.....  
 Area Patrolled.....War War Census Division.....  
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....Nil.....  
 Natives.....1 Member RENG.....  
 Duration—From.....18./10./1971.....to.....25./10./1971.....  
 Number of Days.....8.....  
 Did Medical Assistant Accompany?.....No.....  
 Last Patrol to Area by—District Services.....23/11/1970.....  
 Medical ...../...../19.....  
 Map Reference.....Aitape SA 54-15 t. 1: 250,000.....  
 Objects of Patrol.....Revise Census, update area study.....

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

*Mrs Shing Sied*

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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NIKU PATROL REPORT NO. 3-71/72  
VAN WAN CENSUS DIVISION

(3b) Your memorandum 67-16-34 dated 27th June, 1972, refers.

... The details sought therein are contained in the attached memorandum, 67-3-4/14-2-11 dated 4th December, 1972, from the Assistant District Commissioner, Lumi.

For your information, please.

*B. Bunting*  
B. BUNTING  
District Commissioner

*PSG*

C.C.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI.

*Notes and actions*

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Division of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
Lumi. W.S.D.

4th December, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
District Office,  
VANIMO.

NUKU PATROL REPORT No. 3 - 71-72

Your memorandum 67-3-9 dated 15th September, 1972 and earlier correspondence refers.

I apologise for the delay in obtaining the information requested.

The missing names in the Leadership Section of the Area Study amendments are as follows:

✓ Aid Post Orderly THOMAS KUMBUN (GAMO VILLAGE)  
Councillor MARGOT (WASAPOM VILLAGE)

I have been unable to ascertain, through the O.I.C. Nuku, the reasons for the high death rate in the 16 - 45 years age group or the low death rate in the 0 - 1 year age group (Headquarters Memorandum 14-2-16 of 30th June, 1972). There were apparently no reports of unusual epidemics during 1971.

The matter will be investigated by the next patrol to the Wan Wan Census Division which will be given a high priority.

For your information, please.

*A.S. Wright*  
A.S. WRIGHT  
Assistant District Commissioner

P.O. Box 2396,  
KOMUDU.

67-16-34

27th June, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
 West Sepik District,  
VAUNGO.

(34)

NUKU PATROL NO.3 OF 1971/72.

Reference your 67-3-9 (undated).

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the above mentioned report arising out of the patrol of the WAN WAN Census Division, together with the Area Study amendments as submitted by Mr. R.F. LANAGHAN, Patrol Officer.

Your comments regarding the late submission of this report have been noted.

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Please have the A.D.C. at Lumi advise me of the missing names on page 4, (d) LEADERSHIP section of the Area Study amendments. (His covering letter of the 28th January, 1972, refers).

Please let me have your comments on the high death rate of persons in the 16-45 age group, as enumerated in the Village Population Register.

Mr. Lanaghan has submitted a well written and interesting report. But most of its usefulness has now been lost, due to the delayed submission.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary.





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NUKU PATROL REPORT NO. 3/1971-72.

I attach two copies of the above Patrol Report, together with copies of two memorandums dated 28th January, 1972, and 31st April, 1972, from the Assistant District Commissioner, Lumi.

The Report is submitted in the old style as this was according to instruction, and this is the manner in which the Report was submitted to this Office. Additionally, apart from the time delay in having the Report returned to Edwaki via Lumi for re-submission, Mr. Lanaghan who conducted the patrol, has now proceeded on leave.

Reasons for the late submission of the Report are as follows.

1. As explained by Mr. Lanaghan in his covering memorandum dated 27th December, 1971, notes pertaining to the Area Study were lost.
2. The fact that only one copy of the Report was forwarded to this Office in late January.

It was not until 2nd June that the other two copies of the Report were located at Lumi and all three copies received at this Office.

Although the Report is now of only historical interest my comments are as follows.

Although Mr. Lanaghan seems somewhat annoyed at the low level of political awareness, there is little more that could be done with the present limited staff resources and the fact that we are still operating under a form of direct administration, even in Local Government.

Mr. Lanaghan conducted a good patrol that is well documented.

*B. Bunting*  
(B. BUNTING)  
District Commissioner

c.c. A.D.C., LUMI.  
c.c. Mr. R. Lanaghan, LUMI.

c.c. O.I.C.,  
NUKU.

(A.S. Wright)

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Division of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
EDWAKI, W.S.D.

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ASW

31st April, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
District Office,  
VARIMO, W.S.D.

NUKU PATROL REPORT

2 - 1971/72.

The enclosed copy of this Patrol Report together with Camping Allowance and covering memorandum have arrived at this Office, via Edwaki apparently in error.

The memorandum has the District Office date stamp on it indicating that it was received there on 4 th February. However the Camping Allowance claim and Report do not appear to have been processed.

The various documents are returned for your further attention, please.

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*[Handwritten signature]*  
(A.S. Wright)  
Assistant District Commissioner.

ATTACHED.

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c.c. MR. R.F. Lanaghan,  
Patrol Post,  
EDWAKI.

Please advise the missing names referred to above.

c.c. O.I.C.,  
NUKU.

(A.S. Wright)

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NUKU P/R 2<sup>n</sup> 1971/72.  
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Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUBI. W.S.D.

28th January, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
District Office,  
VANIMO. W.S.D.

**NUKU PATROL REPORT.**  
**No. 2-1971/72. WAN WAN CENSUS DIVISION.**

Enclosed please find the original and two copies of the abovementioned Patrol Report submitted by Mr. R.F. LANAGHAN, Patrol Officer.

The Report, in the old format, is late in submission for reasons outlined in Mr. Lanaghan's covering memorandum, It has been further delayed by the unreliable mail service from EDHAKI.

The Report, in general, is well presented and indicates that Mr. Lanaghan has conducted a thorough patrol.

It is apparent from Mr. Lanaghan's comments that political awareness is at a very low level in the area patrolled. I presume that he made some efforts himself in the field of political education, the Report makes little mention of such work. With our present limited resources we can do little more than continue with basic political education activities by patrols.

The economic outlook seems to be good. Further road development is required but it is limited by the resources of the Nuku Council, It is disappointing to note that the Council has not yet completed a single project in this Census Division. *Council* wonder the people have reservations about the local government system. Admittedly the must consider and work to a programme of priorities for the whole Council area, giving more emphasis to major projects in areas where they are warranted. However taxpayers should be entitled to some work being carried out in their particular area or wards.

Area Study amendment sheets are concise and are <sup>all</sup> that is required. However page 4, (d) Leadership requires the insertion of two names. I do not propose delaying the Report further in obtaining these first. Overall a good report marred only by its late submission.

Camping Allowance claim is attached.

*a. s. Wright*  
(A.S. Wright)  
Assistant District Commissioner.

c.c. MR. R.F. Lanaghan,  
Patrol Post,  
EDHAKI.

Please advise the missing names referred to above.

c.c. O.I.C.,  
NUKU.

(A.S. Wright)

C.C. O.I.C.,  
Patrol Post,  
NUKU.

Copy of the Report for your information and records.

(A.S. Wright)

C.C. Administrative Adviser,  
Nuka Local Government Council,  
s/- Office of Local Government,  
NUKU.

FOR your information in respect of comments on lack of Council projects in the WAR W.M.N.

(A.S. Wright)



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27th December, 1971.

The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI, N.S.D.

PATROL REPORT No. 3. 1971/72.  
MAN MAN CENSUS DIVISION.

Please find attached the above enumerated Patrol Report.

I apologise for the late submission of this report.

At the completion of the Patrol, I was transferred back to Yellow River, and in the ensuing movement of cargo, most of the notes gathered to enable the Area Study to be updated were misplaced.

It has taken until the present date to gather together all necessary information from the various departments.

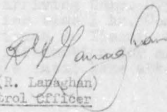
Too, I have had to conduct a Census of the South Wapoi Census Division.

I gave priority to effecting the second patrol over the first Patrol Report because of the oncoming wet season threatens to preclude all movements for a while.

This Patrol too, has, for one reason and another dragged out for nearly a month, and has not been much help to the paper work.

I will endeavour to be more prompt in future.

For your information,

  
(R. Lavaghan)  
Patrol Officer

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PATROL NO. 3 LUMI.

NUKU PATROL POST.

Monday 18/10/71.

Departed Nuku, by horse, 0815. All cargo and personnel having been sent to Tiginara on the 17/10/71. Rode via New Yiminum - Sibitella road. Organised labour en-route. Arrived Tuginara village via Seim and Kafle 1620 - Inspected village. Slept Tuginara.

Tuesday 19/10/71.

Arose 0700 - conducted census of Tuginara villages compiled information for update of area study. Departed Tuginara village 1130: arriving Wulbowe 1235 - Good track all the way. Compiled census and area study information. Talks of a Political nature late afternoon. Slept Wulbowe.

Wednesday 20/10/71.

Heavy rain delayed departure until 1000. Track reasonable, well cut and maintained. Arrived Koroborom, 1220. Conducted census, and compiled information to update area study. Inspected village - Housing only fair. Discussions with people until late afternoon. Slept Koroborom.

Thursday 21/10/71.

Departed Koroborom 0715 - Track well maintained Arrived Ulap 0920 conducted census. Continued to Woloso, another 45 minutes further along - Again track well maintained. Conducted census. Inspected village only fair. Slept Woloso.

Friday 22/10/71.

Departed Yimut 0725, arriving Gamo. 0755 - Track excellent, carrier time 1 hr. Completed census 1020, and continued to Yimaui, conducted census, and gathered information for area study. Discussions with people until late afternoon. Slept Yimaui.

Saturday 23/10/71.

Conducted census of Yauaw and Wosopom village - at Yimaui; the people having gathered early morning completed ~~XXXX~~ census 0920. Discussions with three above named, villages for remainder of day. Slept Yimaui.

Sunday 24/10/71.

Departed Yimaui 0650. Rode to Vei'i arriving same 1020 (via Gamo and Yimut). Track all but suitable for vehicular use. Conducted census of Vei'i and Undu villages. Inspected village, housing only fair. Discussions with people for remainder of day. Slept Vei'i.

Monday 25/10/71.

Departed Vei'i for Nuku 0710. Arriving same 1010. Arranged for Toyota to pick up patrol personnel and cargo.

Patrol Stood down.

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Division of District Administration,  
Patrol Post,  
NUKU. West Sepik District.

18th November, 1971

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

NUKU Patrol No. 3 of 1971/72

WANWAN CENSUS DIVISION

1. Please find attached, Nuku Patrol Report as abovementioned, together with my claim for Camping Allowance.
2. Notification was given to Treasury, Lae, of the fact that no Reimbursement would be dispatched from Nuku during the period 18.10.71 to 27.10.71; this being the estimated duration of the patrol.
3. The D.A.S.F. Officer, did, as you suggested, accept the responsibility of Assistant airstrip Reporting Officer and served competently in this capacity.
4. Census figures were revised without incident, and a Village Population Register is attached to this report.
5. All licences, both Shotgun and Trade Store, were checked and found to be fully paid up. A list is also appended to this report. In compliance with your instructions, an additional copy of the Shotgun Appendix is attached for your Sub-District records, also a copy of the appendix concerning Trade Stores has been onforwarded to the Nuku Council.
6. All those people claiming to have served as Lulual or Tultul were listed, and entered on the Nuku records. All of these ex-office bearers were able to produce documentary evidence to substantiate their claim.
7. There were no unclaimed N.M.T.A.'s in the Nuku Cash Office belonging to people of the Wanwan Census Division.
8. Discussions were held with the people at every opportunity, and the forthcoming House of Assembly Elections were publicised as much as possible.

*R. F. Lanaghan*  
R. F. Lanaghan  
Patrol Officer



WANWAN CENSUS DIVISION

SITUATION REPORT

1. POLITICAL

(a) Local Government Council

(i) It is evident the people of the WANWAN Census Division need intensive schooling in the ways and means of a Council.

(ii) All have a parochial outlook on the distribution of Council revenue, and tend to cry "misappropriation" when tax money collected from their particular area, is used elsewhere.

(iii) They have a real grievance; for nothing whatsoever, has been given them out of Council revenue. Not even the universal symbol of pacification - the "water project".

(iv) Councillors within the area are for the most part antiquated Iuluais and Tultuls, and still retain the outlook on life common to this office.

(v) The concepts of Council revenue and expenditure are lost on all; who invariably exclaim; "they have it", "why can't we have it too". Most of these men have been attached to the Council for some years now, and if by this time, they cannot understand the rudiments of distribution procedure, is it any wonder that the average man in the field looks upon the Council with some scepticism. To most people, the Council consists of a building and a flagpole, built on "Government" ground, on Iuku station. It is into the insatiable doors of this building that the tax "goes" - never to be seen again.

(vi) The fact that the Council has its own Tax Rule, which stipulates all adult men must pay \$3-00 people still tend to treat the payment of tax as something imposed on them by the "Government". The same pleas for exemption are brought up time and time again; not to the Council Representative, but to the "kiap"; if the truth be known, probably the same pleas that were used to gain leniency under the old "head tax" system.

(vii) The whole purpose of the local government system has evaded them.

(viii) While I know all this has been written before, and so far to no avail, it must be said again.

(ix) To date, the present method of Political Education has served little purpose; - the twice yearly patrol by D.D.A. personnel is not enough to arouse the average man's interest. "Council" has still a very obscure meaning, in the WANWAN Census Division.

(x) Education must be started from laws, or at least, the basic fundamentals must again be explained. It is pointless to assume that these people understand anything of the mechanics of Council Procedure. Somewhere along the line, their views have become very distorted.

(xi) There should be more literature made available, (in the lingua franca) to the constituents of the Council. Films, as education media, attract a lot of attention, and could be put to use, diagrammatic explanations, in the form of flip charts, and posters..... all these are services which could be provided by the Council itself.

(xii) The council, however, needs more than anything, a resident full time Adviser. The work load, from both the Wapei and Nuku Councils is obviously more than can be handled by the one Adviser. Similarly, pressures from other sources precludes much participation in Council affairs by D.D.A. Staff.

(b) General Political Awareness - House of Assembly - M.H.A.'s

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Once again, a more extensive and intensive, education programme is required. The means, and media by which the information should be disseminated needs no further explanation.

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2. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

(a) Potential

(i) This area has been recognised by D.A.S.F., as potentially, one of the most favoured around NUKU.

(ii) At present, the crisis of rice production verses shipment, processing and consumption is preventing the full potential of the area from being exploited.

(iii) With the advent of the recent, NUKU road connection to the Sepik Highway, and the Rural Development Funds submission for the NUKU - MUKILI Road, the situation may be alleviated somewhat.

(iv) The present road system is the main hindrance of Economic development at the moment. What roads there are, have been constructed voluntarily, and it is only the "MUN Creek" that prevents four-wheeled vehicles from reaching VEI'I and YIMUT. With little assistance, both monetary and technically, this area could become a most economically viable asset to the NUKU, *2nd* Sub-District. *sub*

(b) Sources of Income

(i) There are several major sources, one, being the time tried method of indentured labour on coastal plantations. Most adult males, have at one time or another, been on a plantation. There are at present some 200 young men following this course of action.

(ii) Production of Rice and Coffee as a Cash Crop have been accepted willingly by the indigenes of the WAINWAN Census Division.

This form of cropping is suitable to the temperaments of the indigenous people - especially the production of Rice. Figures indicate an increase in both Rice and Coffee production, and a survey carried out, by the A.R.D.C. accompanying the patrol, indicated that there is an increase of 25% in the area cultivated for preparation for rice planting.

(iii) The several trade stores in the area find it difficult to keep ahead. The proprietor of the WULEBOWE Store, insists on walking to NUKU to obtain merchandise for his establishment. He is a C.M.M.L. adherant, and refuses to utilise the nearby Catholic Mission strip at YIMUT as a source of supply.

(iv) There are no livestock projects within the Census Division; probably because D.A.S.F. discourage community projects of this nature. The cost of materials is prohibitive for one man to attempt this venture.

(v) Arguments for and against community ownership have been bandied around since time immemorial, and need no more explanation. It is interesting to note however, that Development Bank Loans are not available to those participating in Community Projects - especially I believe, cattle projects.

(vi) Production Figures

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Amt. paid to villagers for Coffee during year	\$320.00.

No. Rice Growers	200
Rice Production	55,161 lbs.
Amt. paid for Rice during year	\$1,664.83.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT cont.

(vii) There is no expatriate development in the area, and only one, temporarily staffed Catholic Mission Station at YIMUT. Another Catholic Mission Station, on the border area of the WANMAN - MAKRU-KLAPLEI Census Divisions, does exercise some control over the inhabitants of TUGINARA and WULBOME Villages. However, these stations provide little in the way of monetary reward.

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3. SOCIAL

(a) Education

- (i) Education facilities in the area are all but non-existent.
- (ii) The Catholic Mission Station at YIMT offers schooling to Standard 4, and also, basic education in Pidgin English, to those too old to attend the other alternative.
- (iii) Catechists offer preparatory schooling to pre-school age children in most villages.

(b) Health

- (i) Health services are administered from NUKU, and from the Catholic Mission, WATI.
- (ii) A maternal child welfare nurse, from NUKU makes regular patrols throughout the Census Division.
- (iii) The Priest in Charge of WATI Catholic Mission Station, travels to YIMT periodically, and, though not a qualified practitioner, is competent enough to deal with minor cuts and abrasions. He is often as not, accompanied by a qualified nurse, (Catholic Mission Sister) who is capable of dealing with the more serious cases.

(iv) An Aid Post is maintained at CAMO Village - and is well attended by the local people.

(v) Signs of medical neglect, Yaws, Tropical Ulcers etc., were not noticed. However there are a large number of people suffering from what seems to be Elephantiasis and "grille" is common throughout.

(vi) Villages, were generally speaking, in poor condition; housing dilapidated, and village surrounds dirty. Instructions were given to rectify this.

(c) Law and Order

There were no instances, or complaints that necessitated court action. Marriage and domestic disputes were many, and these were arbitrated where it seemed expedient to do so. For the main part, such disputes were turned back to village elders for counsel.

The WANMAN Census Division, receives at least four Police Rural Patrols each year, and this may account for the low incident rate of complaints. Police patrols report that they are well accepted.

Shotgun licences were checked, and in all instances were paid up to date. Two weapons were confiscated as being dangerous, and permission given for the owner of one of the guns to purchase another. A notice of disposal was made out and his gun destroyed.

The second confiscated gun was repaired at NUKU, and subsequently returned to its owner.

SOCIAL cont.

(d) Missions

The Catholic Mission is the most widely adhered to religion in the area. The Order of the Friars Minor maintains a Station at YIMUT, and surrounds the area with Stations at KLAFILEI, WATI, MUKILLI,

All Mission staff seem to be readily accepted by the people - there were no reports of discontentment by the villagers.

There is little mission-sponsored activity within the boundary of the WANWAN, but the Missions do encourage the people to greater effort, in line with present D.A.S.F. and Admin. policies.

(e) Cult and Unrest

No evidence noticed of any unrest; and all denied being part of any cult, specifically the Mt. TUBU affair.

Undoubtedly there are a few subscribers to the HAWINA - YALAWIN beliefs, but these would be few and far between.

The WANWAN has not been given the attention by HAWINA - YALAWIN promoters that other areas have received, no doubt because of its isolation.

It is interesting to note that the SEMI Census Division was canvassed for donations just prior to the beginning of this patrol, and a total of \$6-00 was given. This, from a previously very pro-TUBU area; will probably act as a barrier to pleas for donations among the WANWAN populace.

There were only two radios within the Census Division, so news of the outside world is a rare thing, indeed. This also would preclude participation in cult activity.

(f) Absentees

There are a large number of men, at present absent, on the coast. The number remains static at 178, this is about average for this area. The number represents about a quarter of the adult male population.

The poor conditions of villages is directly attributable to this number of absentees; there is just not enough able bodied men to maintain the villages in a sanitary and hygienic condition.

Like in many other areas, it is the marriage customs that induce this exodus to the coast; for two reasons; 1) for those that are lucky enough to have a bride arranged for them under native custom re exchange; to obtain the now necessary items of clothing and luxury goods like knives, lamps, plates, etc., that go with the exchange. 2) For those that cannot marry because of lack of somebody to exchange; they prefer to work and remain on the coast, rather than indulge in a life of celibacy in a WANWAN Village.

*J. J. Carahan*  
P.O.



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AREA STUDY

MAN HAN CENSUS DIVISION

UPDATED 25-10-71.

(a) Introduction.

Refer, Area Study, compiled by Mr. A.R. BEARD, PATROL OFFICER;  
No's 4 and 5 of 1968/70 from NUKU PATROL POST.

The construction of a vehicular road, joining NUKU to the Sepik  
Highway, thus allowing communication with the coast; is commented on  
under paragraph (j) of this report.

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(b) Population and Distribution Trends.

As per previous Report.

(c) Social Groupings.

As per previous Report.

(d) Leadership.

As per previous Report, with two exceptions; ONANAGI of CAMO village and WAMI OMPOP of WASAPON have died; and their positions filled respectively by the Aid Post Orderly [redacted] and the Councillor from the WASAPON area; [redacted]. At least these two gentlemen seem to be given a modicum of respect.

They are not related directly to their predecessors, so presumably their title to leadership is because of their 'official' office.

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(e) Land Tenure and Use.

As per previous Report, ...

Only one lease; remains the property of C.M. YLMPT LA 4056 WS58  
14.7 Hectares.

(E) Literacy.

Two catechists only, remain at YEMUT 'school', giving lessons in elementary English; Pidgin and a simple form of Accountancy.

One catechist in each WULBOME, ULAP, GAMO and YEMANI provide the same service.

There are no children attending higher education, either within, or without the district.

(g) Standard of Living.

As per previous report.

(h) Missions.

YIMUF is no longer staffed by an Ordained priest.

There remains, but the two catechists. A priest from WATI (C.M.)  
pays regular visits to YIMUF.



AREA STUDY (cont)

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(i) Non Indigenes.

No Europeans, Asian or Mixed Race residing in the WAN WAN CENSUS DIVISION.

(j) Communications.

a/ As per previous Report.

The VEI'I - YIMUT - GAGO road still remains unpassable to four wheel vehicles.

TUGIHARA - KLAPE, used by four wheel vehicles, only in extremely favourable conditions. This road continues to SEIM, whence it joins the newly constructed SEIM - YAGHUMBOK road this providing a link, via the SEPIK HIGHWAY, to the COAST.

(k) Technical and Clerical Skills.

As per previous Report.

(1) Stage of Political Development.

For the most part, unchanged since last Report.

As mentioned in the Situation Report for this Patrol; an intensive programme of schooling is needed to bring these people to laws.

These people were, and are not greatly affected by the MT. TURU Carg Cult. Their isolation, and lack of news media, would undoubtedly account for this.

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(m) Economy of the Area.

Rice production, though the number of growers have decreased, is above the previous years figures. More proficient methods have been employed by the indigenous producers and better supervision by D.A.S.P. staff.

Similarly with Coffee production

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Amt paid for Rice during Year	\$1,664.83.

The number of absentee labourers remains constant at about 170: approximately 1/5th do not return. Most of those who do return bring with them to the village amounts varying between \$2 and \$40; the rest being dissipated enroute from WEMAR, on cloths or utensils.

Actual earnings however, realise about \$6,120 per annum, by these indentured labourers.

Thus : Value of Rice Grown	1,664.83
Coffee	320.00
Labourers	6,120.00
	<u>8,104.83</u>

Mission Personnel : 5 catechist x 95.00	475.00
1 "       x 155.00	155.00
	<u>670.00</u>
Average Capital Income	<u>8724.83</u>

Average Earnings = \$3.9.

A realistic figure.

The tax rate has been altered to a common rate of \$3.00 throughout the entire NUKU Council Area.

All people bemoan the increase, but seem to experience little difficulty in meeting the demand.

(h) Possibilities of Expanding the Economy.

Comments in previous Report still pertinent;

Although it may not be D.A.S.F. policy to encourage the planting of rice and coffee nothing has been done to discourage it.

Production figures continue to rise.

With the advent of the link to the Sepik Highway, a boom in the production of both crops is predicted, especially if the GANO - VEI'I - MIKU is built up to accommodate four wheel vehicles.

(c) Attitudes towards Local Government.

As yet the WAN WAN people have not seen any return for the monies paid in the form of TAX. Understandably, faith in the Council is at ground level.

The Council, should be able to, especially with the increase Tax rate supply implements of work, to the WAN WAN's. Spades, axes, crowbars are all need to enable the road from CAMO - VEI'I - NUKU to be completed.

The mechanics of a Council are not understood by the Councillors or the people. A much more intensive programme of education is needed. For this there is no obvious untoward attitude held towards the Council. All are content to go along with it, waiting for enlightenment.

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a. Local Council

b. Check all roads, water and drainage systems.

Prepare the annual report of work of the Council for the year and forward to the District Registrar (District Registrar).

a. Investigate and submit completed within the jurisdiction of the Local Council.

b. Investigate District Registrar.

c. "Investigation of Services - District Registrar also set up office in the area and their years of service and other work in your records should be done. The work should be done before the end of the year.

d. Check all the work done in the area before the end of the year. Make sure people from the area are working and have not worked their own and report them to the District Registrar.

Send the following reports regularly and ensure they are done with standing satisfactory completion.

Prepare, within the District Registrar's office, a report of work done in the area and forward to the District Registrar.

Make sure you have to complete a District Report, however you do not have to complete it until the end of the year. The District Registrar is not required until the end of the year. The District Registrar is not required until the end of the year. The District Registrar is not required until the end of the year.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Telephone

Telegram: R/R Nuku No.2 of 71/72

Our Reference

If calling ask for

Mr.

Department of District Administration  
 Department of the Administrator,  
 Division of District Administration,  
 Sub-District Office,  
 MUMI, West Sepik District.  
 22nd September, 1971

Mr. E. Lanaghan,  
 Patrol Officer,

NUKU

Nuku Patrol No.2 of 1971/72

Man Man Census Division

Please prepare to proceed on Patrol to the above area as soon as possible. The patrol should take you no longer than 10 days and consequently I would prefer that you departed the Monday after a pay-day, so that you can be back at Nuku station for the following pay day.

Upon departure on Patrol, advise Treasury, Les that there will be no reimbursement during the period of your absence. This notification is a requirement laid down by Treasury Circular Instructions.

Prior to departing on patrol you are to nominate a competent person to be an Assistant Airstrip Reporting Officer for the Nuku Airstrip. The D.A.S.F. Officer will probably accept the responsibility, but he must sign a memorandum stating he will accept the position in your absence.

The objects of your patrol are as follows.

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- b. Check all trade store and shotgun licences.

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- c. Investigate and settle complaints within the jurisdiction of the Local Court.

- d. Promulgate Political Education.

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- f. Check all N.M.T.A.'s held at Nuku and before departing on Patrol list those people from the area you are visiting who have not claimed their cash and request them to proceed to Nuku for payment.

Read the following circulars carefully and ensure you comply with standing instruction contained therein.

Director, Division of District Administration Circular 67-1-C paragraph 6 contained in the Departmental Standing Instructions General Field Administration Hand Book.

Note that you have to compile a Situation Report, however you do not have to compile an Area Study as the re-compilation is not required until 1973. All that is required is for you to up-date the contents of the last Area Study for the area concerned submitted by Mr. A. Beard A.D.O., by submitting amendment sheets, updating figures and facts and by referring to paragraph and page numbers in the previous report.



Please advise Miscom and myself by telegram of the day you depart on Patrol and the day you return.

P.J.K. Broadhurst  
Assistant District Commissioner

cc. District Commissioner,  
Vanimo

E/R Nuku No.2 of 71/72

Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
Sub-District Office,  
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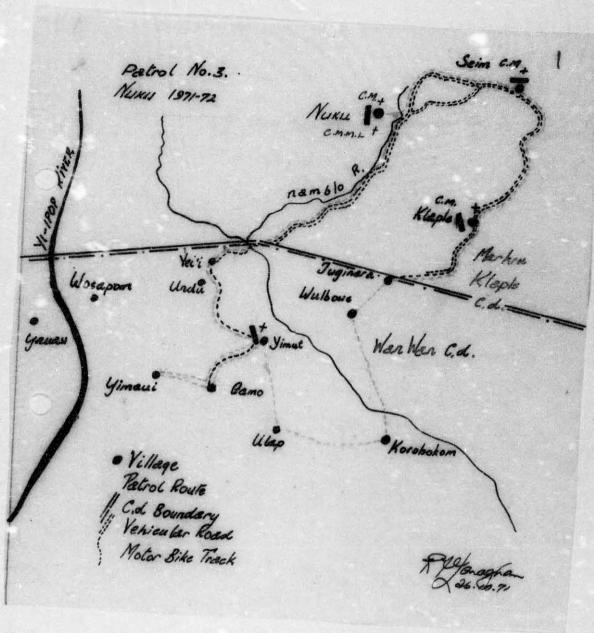
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P.O. Box 2396,  
KCNEDOBU.

14th November, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

MUKU PATROL NO. 4 OF 71/72.

Reference your 67-3-9 of 21st September, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 and 2 arising out of the above patrol of the Makru-Klapel Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, and also the Area Study amendments, as submitted by Mr. K.W. Kitchens, Patrol Officer.

Despite the reasons given for the delayed attention to this report and amended Area Study the period of ten months from the completion of the patrol till receipt at this Headquarters is too excessive. Accordingly you are requested to give more prompt attention in the assessment of future reports arising out of patrols in your District.

S. J. P.  
S. J. PEARSALL,  
s/Secretary )

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Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
District Headquarters,  
VANIMO. W.S.D.

21st September, 1972.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Post Office Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

NUKU PATROL REPORT NO. 4/1971-72.

Copies of this Report are attached.

The Report was delayed at Lumi due to staffing problems and at this office due to the pressure of other duties.

Area Study amendments should be set out with a separate page for each heading.

Under Attitude Towards Local Government I fail to understand why a non-change in the tax rate would lessen the Councils' chances of Rural Development Funds. The granting of these funds is based largely on the proportion of self-help which the Council is prepared to contribute, and has nothing to do with tax rates.

It is difficult to follow the rice production figures under Economy of the Area. If these figures are in pounds then the total production for 1970/71 was 215,440 which is 96 tons. It is therefore difficult to understand an anticipated production of 400 tons for 1971/72 as stated in Situation Report No. 1.

*A. D. Steven*  
(A. D. STEVEN)  
A/District Commissioner.





SITUATION REPORT NO.1

STATION: Nuku

DISTRICT: West Sepik

CENSUS DIVISION: Makru-Klaplei

OFFICER COMPILING: K.W.KITCHENS P.O.

SUB DISTRICT: Lumi

L.G.COUNCIL: Nuku

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SUBJECT: ECONOMIC

1. Economic progress has followed road construction. NUKU will soon be linked to Wewak via the TAGRUMBOK- DREKIKIR Road. An immediate effect of this has been expanded rice production. Estimated production for the 1971/1972 period is for 400 tons of rice, for the whole NUKU area. A substantial amount of this will be grown in the MAKRU-KLAPLEI census division which adjoins the NUKU road. Gardens have been planted along the road and allows easy transport to NUKU for processing.

2. When the road link is established from NUKU to DREKIKIR D.A.S.F. are keen to launch a rice growers cooperative that will be a member of the Sepik Producers Cooperative Association.



SITUATION REPORT NO. 1

STATION.....NUKU..... OFFICER COMPILING. K.W. KITCHENS.....  
 DISTRICT.....WEST SEPIK..... SUB-DISTRICT. LUMI.....  
 CENSUS DIVISION. MAKRU/KIAPLEI..... L.G. COUNCIL...NUKU.....  
 SUBJECT.....Economic.....

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE, ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.  
LUMI.

DATE RECEIVED

21.7.72

The economic prospects for this Census Division are good now that a road link to the Sepik Highway is imminent. I have inspected the road from NUKU to the KIANG River and it follows a good alignment. When it has been gravelled and a causeway constructed across the KIANG (BONGOS) River, the economy of the whole NUKU area will be boosted considerably.

ACTION TAKEN:

SGN.....  
 (A.S. Wright)

DATE...21/7/72.....

DISTRICT OFFICE,

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

DATE RECEIVED

9/6/72.....

The completion of the Nuku - Yagrumbok road was probably the greatest advance in this District during 1971/72. This area, already the richest due to its rice ~~rice~~ production, has gone ahead even more rapidly as a result of the road.

ACTION TAKEN:

SGN

*P. D. Stanton*

DATE

21/9/72.....

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DATE.....

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SITUATION REPORT NO.2

STATION: Nuku

OFFICER COMPILING: K.W.KITCHENS P.O.

DISTRICT: West Sepik

SUB DISTRICT: Lumi

CENSUS DIVISION: Makru-Klaplei

L.G.COUNCIL: Nuku

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SUBJECT: POLITICAL

1. There is no nomination for the House of Assembly election from the Nuku patrol area. JACOB TALIS has been visiting villages and talked to councillors after their January meeting. As he is the only candidate whose name is known in the area he can expect to receive a substantial majority of the NUKU vote.

2. Mr. Talis has distributed United Party Literature and has made some attempt to explain the party concept, although he held the opinion that the area was not sophisticated enough to understand the party on a national basis. No other political parties are represented in the area.

SITUATION REPORT NO. 2

STATION..... NUKU ..... OFFICER COMPILING..... K.W. KITCHENS .....  
 DISTRICT..... WEST SEPIK ..... SUB-DISTRICT..... LUMI .....  
 CENSUS DIVISION..... MAKRU/KLAPLIE ..... L.G. COUNCIL..... NUKU .....  
 SUBJECT..... *Political* .....

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE, ..... ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.  
 LUMI

DATE RECEIVED  
*26.1.72*  
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As expected MR. TALIS was re-elected. He campaigned quite actively in this Census Division and in other Divisions of the NUKU area.

ACTION TAKEN:

SGN..... *A. S. Wright* .....  
 (A.S. Wright)  
 DATE... *6/6/72* .....

DISTRICT OFFICE,

ASSESSMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

DATE RECEIVED

.9/6/72.....

Mr. Kitchens states elsewhere in the report that there is a belief that self-government will mean an end to the benefits brought by the government. Beliefs such as this, and the general lack of political awareness in the more distant villages, points to the need for more intensive political education.

ACTION TAKEN:

SGN

DATE

*A. J. Stinson*  
*2/19/72*

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PROJECT OFFICER.....

DATE.....

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APPENDIX K

AREA STUDY AMENDMENTS.

MAKRU KLAPLEI DIVISION

TO ACCOMPANY NUKU PATROL NO. 4 1971/72

DURATION 20/12/71 to 24/12/71.

COMPILED BY K.W.KITCHENS, PATROL OFFICER.

AREA STUDY AMENDMENTS.

INTRODUCTION.

A.

No Amendments necessary.

B. POPULATION DISTRIBUTION AND TRENDS.

(a) Updated Village Population Register is attached.  
Appendix C NUKU PATROL No. 4 1970/71

C. SOCIAL GROUPINGS.

No amendments necessary.

D (a) LEADERSHIP.

<u>VILLAGE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>APPROXIMATE AGE</u>	<u>EDUCATION</u>	<u>HEREDITARY ACQUIRED.</u>
KLAPLEI No.1	TOKUMBAHA	54	NIL	ACQ
	Cr. TAMBALE	50	NIL	ACQ
KLAPLEI No.2	SOGOMI	52	NIL	HERED
KLAPLEI No.3	WATAKUL	60	NIL	HERED
	Cr. OKONDO	48	NIL	-
WIL WIL	EMBELEHANGOA	58	NIL	HERED
	Cr. PAULI	40	NIL	ACQ
IFKINDU	NAMBENA	65	nil	HERED
	Cr. TOMASOMBO	50	NIL	HERED
MANTSUKU	MELEKAFI	60	NIL	HERED
	Cr. AKWAMINGA	50	NIL	HERED
YDMINUM	KWAM	60	NIL	HERED
	Cr. ULAI	45	NIL	HERED
NUKU	ERAWAU	60	NIL	HERED
	Cr. AFLATAWA	45	NIL	HERED
SELEPUT	WAKIL	62	NIL	HERED
	Cr. MA'HIM	45	NIL	HERED

(B) Councillor OKONDO of KLAPLEI NO.3 cannot be termed a strong or respected leader. KLAPLEI No.3 is a village made up of many groups who have consolidated recently. Lack of hereditary solidarity and an impartiality to work have produced this lack of support. THE other councillors as well as having respect and hereditary position also are usually the most advanced financially.

E LAND TENURE AND USE.

NO amendments necessary.

F LITERACY.

- No amendments necessary.



#### G. STANDARD OF LIVING.

(a) Station trade store returns are rising and this reflects the increased spending power of this Census division particularly.

#### H. MISSIONS.

(b) The C.M.M.L. station at Nuku has put in a road to its mill now in construction. This road meets the NUKU-WASSISSI road at one and a half miles from NUKU. The C.M.M.L. road passes through the ground of NUKU Village while the mill site is in the ground of Seleput Village. Plans are for a mill and timber treating plant, capable of supplying projected local demand.

#### I. NON-INDIGENES.

No amendment necessary.

#### J. COMMUNICATIONS.

The DREKIKIR -LUMI section of the Sepik Highway is well advanced and will offer an alternate route to Wewak, via Wassissi from NUKU.

Most important in the field of communications is the NUKU - YAGRUMBOK road link. The road from NUKU to the Kiang river has been upgraded and re-routed. Rural Development Funds have been available to enable this development. With a proposed higher Council tax rate, further funds should be attracted. A concrete causeway is proposed for the Kiang river, hopefully to be built as an Army Civil Action project. Public Works has withdrawn its equipment which was grading and gravelling the YAGRUMBOK section of the road to the river. There return in drier conditions will allow this section to be completed, although already of a high standard.

A Council project starting in the next month is to upgrade and top with coral the Selm to Klapei road. With the coming of dryer months Wewak will be accessible to road transport from NUKU. The implications for the development of the area are great.

Already local interest is being shown in the purchase of Passenger Motor Vehicles and Tractors. The next year should place Wewak only six hours drive from NUKU.

#### K. TECHNICAL AND CLERICAL SKILLS.

No expansion of skilled workers. There is a small body of engine attendants and lighting operators who hold plantation references for these jobs. Possibly in the future these people could be more gainfully employed.

I. STAGE OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

The Klaplei group of villages and Saleput are a distance away from the station. A complete lack of questions as to political development and the coming House of Assembly elections, illustrates their lack of education on these issues. This should be held by political education patrols after the elections.

Villagers closer to the station expressed fears for self-government and understand it to mean the end of governmental benefits.

There was a certain dissatisfaction on the villagers part when it was known that none from the NUKU area had nominated for election.

II. ECONOMY OF THE AREA.

(b) MAKRU KLAPLEI

TOTAL ACTUAL RICE PRODUCTION.

	1967/68	1968/69	1969/70	1970/71
KLAPLEI 1.			48074	40783
KLAPLEI 2.	3078	11320	20588	28742
KLAPLEI 3.			5562	
WIL WIL	15996	50230	37016	40960
IFALINDU	1632	13331	22090	30900
YIMIDUM	681	2673	13146	12468
MAHESUKU	2934	391	21970	24364
WATI	37	174	9459	60
NUKU	1281	201	4590	37163
(f) M	25,639	(f) Overleaf. 78,300	183,415	215,460

III. POSSIBILITIES OF EXPANDING THE ECONOMY

No amendment necessary.

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O. ATTITUDE TOWARDS LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Local Government meetings are still well attended through their agenda is thin, apart from the adviser's items.

Taxpayers meetings are being arranged for February and an increased tax rate is one item for councillors to discuss. This tax rate would be on a zone basis and the Makru-Klaplei area would be one where a rise is more than justified. With rice production and road access the tax can be found in this division, immediately a high proportion will be spent on roads in the area.

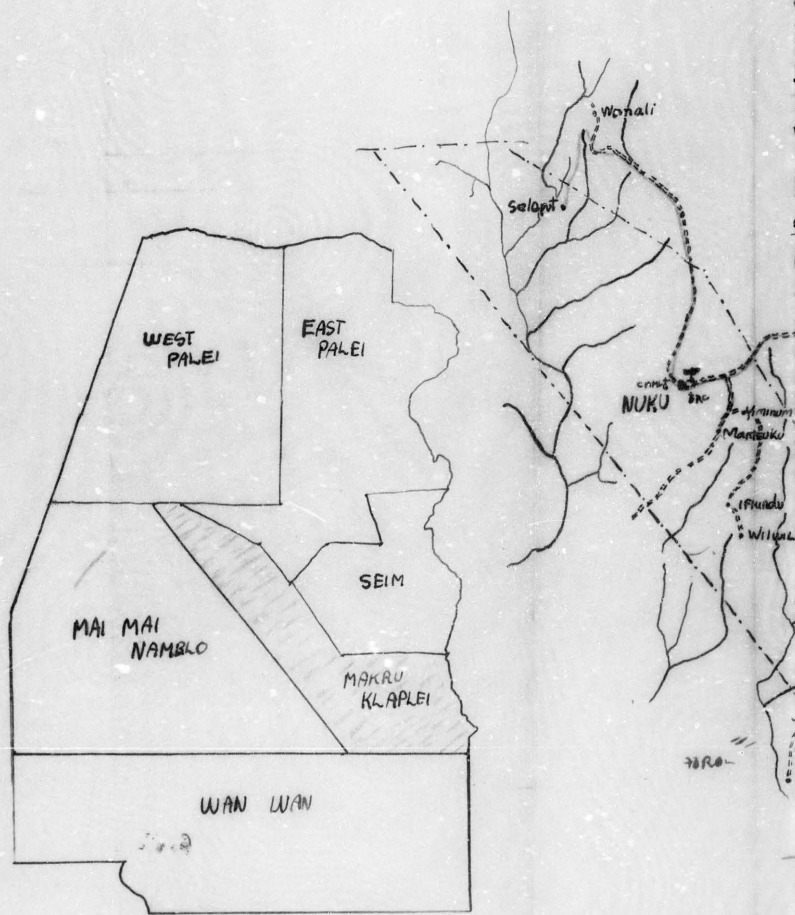
It has been pointed out to the Councillors that their chances of further Rural Development Funds are limited while the existing tax rate stands. 1/14/49

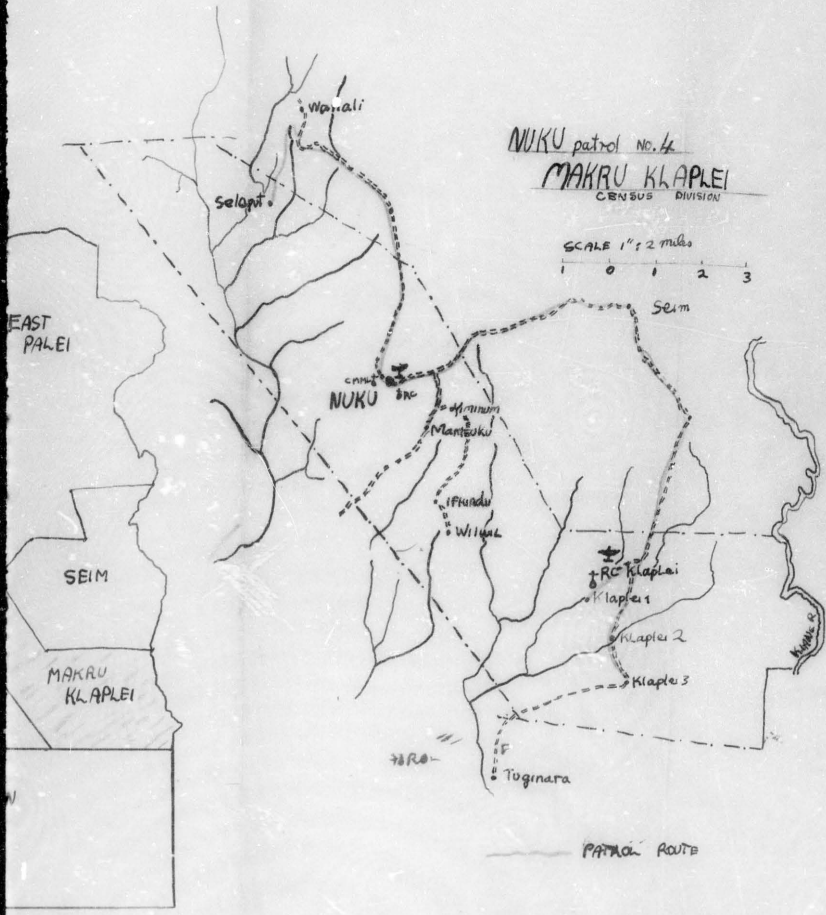
P. ATTITUDE TOWARDS CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

It does not appear that the people correlate the Central Government with elected indigenous members.

Q. AVAILABILITY OF SERVICES.

No Amendment necessary.





NUKU patrol No. 4  
**MAKRU KLAPLEI**  
 CENSUS DIVISION

SCALE 1" = 2 miles  
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EAST  
PALEI

SEIM

MAKRU  
KLAPLEI

NUKU INC

Mantoku  
Mantoku

Wihual

Seim

Klaplei 1

Klaplei 1

Klaplei 2

Klaplei 3

Tuginara

PATROL ROUTE

JWK:MKG

67-16-45

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU

14th November, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

NUKU PATROL NO. 5 OF 71/72.

Reference your 67-3-9 of 22nd September, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the Area Study amendments arising out of the above patrol of the East Palei Census Division, as submitted by Mr. M. Kaalund, Assistant Patrol Officer.

Again there has been an inordinate delay in the processing of this report and I reiterate my comments in respect of Nuku Patrol No. 4 of 71/72. Please ensure that patrol reports receive more prompt attention in the future.

An average Area Study amendment. I note that Mr. Kaalund has not followed instructions in that villages are not listed in alphabetical order.

The need for a continuous political education programme throughout the Census Division is obvious.

S.J.P  
S.J. PEARSALL  
a/Secretary

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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67-3-9

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Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
District Headquarters,  
VANIMO. W.S.D.

22nd September, 1972.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Post Office Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

NUKU PATROL REPORT NO. 5/1971-72.

I attach two copies of Area Study amendments and maps which were included with the above Report, together with a copy of my memorandum 67-3-9 of to-days date to the Assistant District Commissioner, Lumi.

No Situation Reports were included with the general Report.

The Report has been delayed due to staffing difficulties at Lumi and the pressure of other work at this office.

*A. D. Steven*  
(A. D. STEVEN)  
A/District Commissioner.

Area Study filed.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

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JND:lt

Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
District Headquarters,  
VARAKA. N.G.P.

22nd September, 1972.

~~The Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI~~

NEKU PATROL REPORT NO. 5/1971-72.

Receipt of the above Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

I assume that Mr. Kaslund gave full explanations concerning the people's fears about self-government as well as the increased tax rates and school fees.

Mr. Kaslund has made some worthwhile observations and his area study amendments are generally sound.

It is unfortunate that an otherwise well compiled report has been spoilt by carelessness in spelling and sentence construction. The objects of the patrol were carried out except that Mr. Kaslund did not submit the report in the required form.

As you state, Assistant Patrol Officers and Trainers Patrol Officers submit the new style report out in more detail.

Camping allowance claim is being processed.

(A. M. SILVER)

District Commissioner.

c.c. The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
VARAKA.





## APPENDIX "D"

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DATE OF CENSUS	VILLAGE	TOTALS (Excluding Members)		AGERS/ERS (Resident Outside Electorate)				GRAND TOTAL
		CHILD (Under 15 yrs)	ADULT	CHILD (Under 15 yrs)		ADULT		
				M	F	M	F	
	YILIWAMBIL	21	29 41	27		2		120
	KUWALUU	18	20 32	29		2		101
	WERANYUWOK	25	24 47	41		1		138
	SUAN	32	32 47	46		6		163
	MONADIN	58	61 123	77		5		324
	SENGI	17	16 29	22		1		85
	MAKUMBA	30	28 50	42		2		152
	ASTER	57	43 77	56		2		235
	YETUNGEN	21	18 35	33		2		109
	SUMANGU	33	28 32	30		2		125
	YAUAN	36	41 65	52		6		200
	SUNDUN	31	23 51	39		10		154
	YADAGORO	42	37 20	15		8		122
	YAMEGILL	65	51 28	32		4		181
	WAMBI	26	24 7	8		4		65
	WUMERAU	31	22 53	42		10		158
	NANGEN	26	25 54	43		4		152
	WOMORIR	37	38 56	54		5		190
								GRAND TOTAL: 2774

AREA STUDY AMENDMENTS

to District Village population Register in attached  
Appendix of Area 1971/72

AREA STUDY AMENDMENTS  
EAST PALEI - CENSUS DIVISION.

To accompany NUKU Patrol No.5. 1971/72

Duration 24th January to 9th February  
1972

Compiled by M.KAALUND Assistant Patrol Officer.

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(B) POPULATION DISTRIBUTION AND TRENDS.

(a) Updated Village population Register is attached  
(Appendix C) NUKU PATROL NO.5 1971/72.

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(B) LAND TENURE AND USE.

(C) The YENUNGAN Village SOCIETY, which was given impetus by Mr. AIYO NILGANKAI NUKU Council President and common Councillor for YENUNGAN and ASISE (SIBILANGA), has taken over a coffee garden as a Society venture. They have no plans for increased planting, though the C.M.M.L. Mission will buy coffee at their airstrip at SIBILANGA.

(D) LITERACY

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(a) 2. The Catholic Mission primary school at YEWUNGEN will be deteaching to Standard 6 this year. Figures could not be given for this enrolment as school year had not yet begun.

3. Monadin Catholic Mission has built the first stage of a Primary school. They have obtained an English speaking teacher for the post. Possible first year enrolment has provided for 43 places, 18 - Monadin 8 - Suan 8 - Wumerau 5 - Yalta 3 - Wongre 3 - Yerki 1 - Yipunda, it still has to be seen if those eligible start.

A future plan involves using buildings at the old Catholic Mission airstrip at WARAFULFUL, as a Vocational school. A figure of 120 boys was mentioned by the mission. Old skills such as making pungal matting were hoped to be taught with visits from D.A.S.F. personell, some formal schooling, and practical self help.

(H) MISSION.

(b) Apart from the provision of an aid post and school, by the Catholic Mission at Yanungen. They also run an impressive trade store and are the sole purchaser of local rice, which is flown to Aitape where the Catholic Mission has a mill.

The C.M.M.L. Mission at SIBILANGA also provides school, medical facilities, trade store, and is the sole purchaser of coffee in the immediate area. This they sell to dealers in WEMAK, and are paying growers 14 cents a pound at the airstrip.

(c) The practice of the missions is to establish a church committee in each village, older members of these committees are disturbed by the trend of the people to avail themselves of both missions. Mission competition though not hostile is apparent.

At WOMGRIR there was a C.M.M.L. meeting house, it is now joined by a Catholic Mission House for visiting nurse. The parents and children who attend the Catholic school at Yanungen are agitated that the C.M.M.L. school at Sibilanga has better food. While the vying for attendance goes on I see the attitude of the people being one of changing camps rather than working to build up the school and mission to which they have their nominal allegiance.

(J) COMMUNICATIONS.

(a) The Sepik Highway has reached the border of the East Census division. The exploratory road has stopped at the river which separates the bush of the WURUM people in the DREKKIR area and the WAMBI of the East Palsei. This is a point four miles east of Monadin. Palsei

(2) With the Sepik Highway nearing, work has revived on the inter village roads. These were surveyed by a patrol officer from LUMI, I gather some five years ago. These are extremely good sections of road throughout the area, all unused and unconnected.

(a) Monadin - Sengi two sections of road, comprising three miles. Separated by one small creek and a steep hillside of a half a mile to be traversed.

(b) Sengi - Makumba probably the best bit of useless road in the area. Two miles ends at Makumba. Then either a 1700' climb to Sibilanga on an alternate route to East of YANUNGEN, unsurveyed.

(c) From Sibilanga a ridge, with some steep relief along it runs to WASERANG (YADAGORO, some hamlets of YAMEGIL WAMBI) various unconnected parts have been worked. Local missionaries assume the road has been surveyed and possible.

(d) YADAGORO is connected close to the east of the village to a fine road from WUMERAU. This road runs to the junction of the Sepik Highway and the river. A small, comparatively, amount of work to this road would bring WUMERAU, YADAGORO, YAMEGIL, WAMBI, to close connection with the Sepik Highway.

3. There is a general feeling of awareness to the possibilities the Sepik Highway will offer. Though some are prompted by cargo mentality. The Sumambu village society has collected a hundred dollars to contribute to a feeder road to the Highway, though naive the enthusiasm is encouraging. It is a pity that the application is not shifted to cash crops. Constant questions were asked by all parties in the area about feeder roads from the Highway, were these part of the program? When the Highway is proximate there should be renewed active roadwork by the village peoples.

(L) THE STAGE OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

1. Attitude towards Europeans and patrol officers is very good. The people have worries over self-government. They quickly acknowledge a paternal role to Australia. Being an isolated, non cash cropping, fairly illiterate group their contact with government has been through Patrol Officers. European Patrol Officers are construed as the Australian Government, and self government to them ment all Australians leaving, and all Australian monetary assistance stopping.

With discussions informal, and also answering public questions I was able to put across the idea that self government did not mean the end of progress, that there were New Guineans capable of good government, and especially reassuring that Australian funds would not suddenly be retracted. That the Australian Government would remain friendly and helpful to New Guinea.

There is a definite need for political education to the village as a whole. This is especially so in the villages Sumoumbu to Nangen.

2. The NUKU Local Government Council has undertaken to hold Councillor education courses after the House of Assembly elections. What form these will taken has not been communicated, it would be hoped that National Government Institutions and Self Government aspirations would be included, rather than just Council workings. The importance of this is illustrated at Sibilanga, where the ASIBE people, a small group, at least are familiar with the jargon of self government. Thanks due to councillor AIYO Nilgiankei who though doesn't speak english has absorbed a lot from his governmental committees and posts.



(M) ECONOMY OF THE AREA.

Actual Production 1970/1971.

a. RICE

Date last D.S.F. census March 1971  
PADDY Produced 17,326 Lbs.  
Average price Three Cents per pound  
Revenue \$520.00 apx.

b. COFFEE. Number of trees previous years total 15,451  
Current Total 19,621  
Trees of Bearing age 12,791  
Young Trees not Bearing 6,830  
Total Production for year 1,566 Lbs.  
Average price 17 cents Lb.  
Revenue \$265.00

a) Trade store licences have been granted to Yenungen and Sumambu village societies. With minimal rice production in these villages and only some coffee the trade store should not flourish. Though with the possible road access in the future cash crops could expand and give these stores an income. Both these societies plan to acquire cattle, the Yenungen Society has a cow.

The tax for the East Falei has been raised to \$3.50 which is difficult for some to meet, especially when coupled with school fees. High school boarding costs are \$33.00 a year and are much complained about, though fair.

◀(N) Possibilities of Expanding the Economy. ✕

(C) Traditionally most of this village in this region were not sedentary gardeners. With the mountains close by and an abundance of game there, this and sago formed the major part of their diet. Contrast this with the Sein and Klapel peoples of the Nuku area, who were traditionally yam gardeners and have made the change to cash crops quickly and profitably.

A distinction must be drawn in speaking of the area as a whole. Monadin village produces a majority of the coffee production of the East Palei, YILWAMBIL and SUAU the majority of rice. The villages close to the mountains from Asier producing some coffee, to Nangen not producing any cash crops. The opportunity to expand the production of cash crops is there, the Catholic Mission at Yenungen will buy rice, but has received three bags of paddy this year. The C.M.M.L. Mission at Sibianga will buy coffee.

(e) The people are eager to talk of businesses, road expansion, village societies. Whether the Sepik Highway will act as a catalyst for expansion of cash crops can only be hoped for. In an area where nutrition could be substantially improved it is regretful that a "Cargo mentality" could lead to disappointment in economic matters.

When inspecting new trade store applicants, one found all receptive to the idea that cash crops must generate some cash flow before the store could prosper. But the complete lack of a rice planter in both Sumambu and Yenungen villages, applicants, raised a mute point.

(0) ATTITUDE TOWARDS LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

1. As I was in the area at the time they heard their tax rate had been raised to \$3-50 a man, 50 cents a woman, the views of the people were effectively conveyed. They were resigned to the payment of the tax but could not appreciate any benefits the tax brought. Village water supplies and other on the spot projects are absent in the area.

2. Councillors in the village are hearing and arbitrating most village problems, I had to stress the importance of bringing courtable matters to NUKU as I discovered some matters that had escaped the attention of the Patrol Officer and Court.

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(P) ATTITUDE TOWARDS CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

1. The Central Government is not construed yet as a government by New Guineans. Self Government is seen as the replacement of an mainly Australian government by indigenous parties who have educational and monetary advantage over the village people.

P.O. Box 2396, KONEDOBUI

67-16-48

27th November, 1972

The District Commissioner  
West Sepik District  
VANIMO

NUKU PATROL NO. 8 - 71/72

Your 67-3-9 of 22nd September, 1972 refers.

I acknowledge with thanks the Area Study amendment of the NAIMAI-NAMBLEO  
Census Division.

There is no indication who was responsible for the submission of the  
amended Area Study as no blue Patrol Report Jacket accompanied the docu-  
ment; however it does not reflect greatly to the credit of the officer  
concerned as it is extremely sketchy. I suggest that at the first opportu-  
nity a thorough and more detailed amendment of the Area Study for the  
Census Division be undertaken.

After reading the sections dealing with Political Development and Missions  
I am surprised that Situation Reports were not submitted on the current  
situations existing in these particular spheres.

While more intensive political education might overcome the situation  
commented upon under Political Development one would have to exercise  
tact and be most circumspect in what was said as it could lead to  
accusations of meddling in political matters. However we are interested  
in hearing of such observations from bystanders.

In respect of the Mukili-Muku road situation this can only be described as  
a deplorable state of affairs. What chance of national unity exists when  
such disunity at local level is actively encouraged by non-indigenous  
organisations. If the Mukili-Muku road was constructed as a Rural Develop-  
ment project then such road is open to use of the general public regardless  
of what adherents from what particular mission actually constructed the  
road. In addition public usage of the road whether by vehicle or on foot  
is permissible in law provided it is not a private road. These aspects  
should be tactfully pointed out to the mission concerned.

In conclusion I would point out that the submission of an amendment to  
the Area Study was correct procedure as an amendment to the original

JWK:JB

Area Study undertaken in 1968/69 was carried out in April 1971 by Mr. K.W. Kitchens Patrol Officer. Nuku Patrol No. 8 -70/71 refers.

C.T.I

G.T. LINSLEY  
a/Secretary

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Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
District Headquarters,  
VANIMO. W.S.D.

22nd September, 1972.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Post Office Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

NUKU PATROL REPORT NO. 8/1971-72

I attach two copies of an amending Area Study which was attached to the above Report. Situation Reports were not included with the Report. The Report has been delayed due to the pressure of other work and staffing difficulties.

As the last Area Study was done in March, 1969, this Study should have been a re-compilation and not simply an amendment.

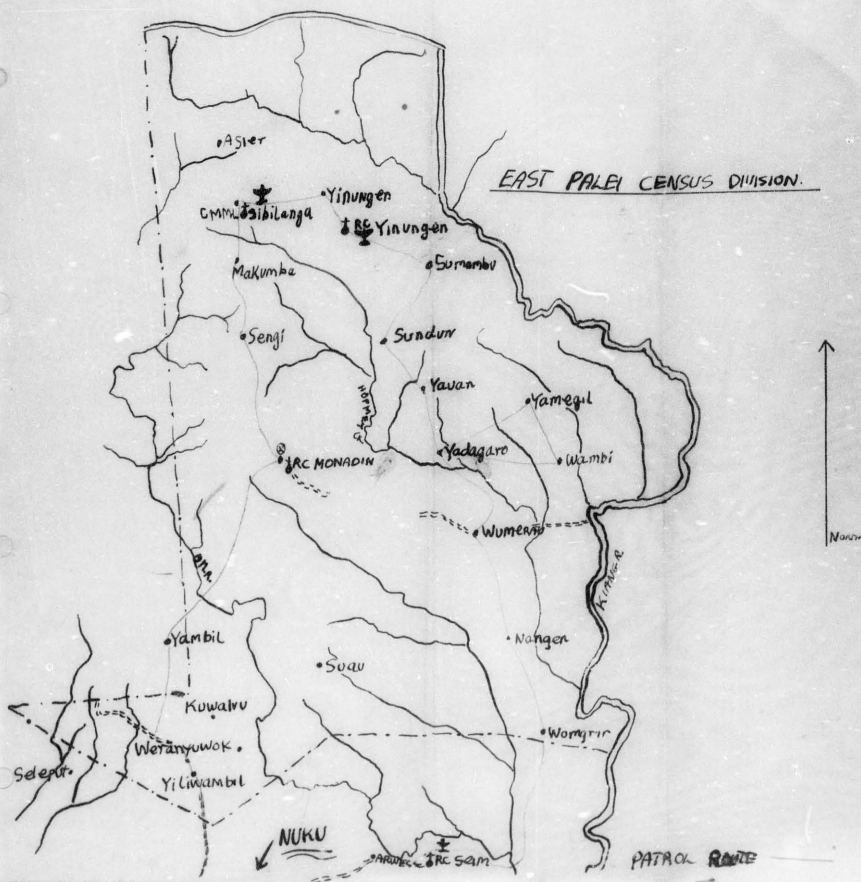
This Study is fairly sketchy and does not give a good coverage of the present situation.

It is disturbing to note the comments under Political Development and Missions. More intensive political education might overcome the former, without appearing to contradict such statements.

*A.D. Steven*  
(A.D. STEVEN)  
A/District Commissioner.

c.c. Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
LUMI.

Area Study filed  
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AREA STUDY AMENDMENTS

MAI MAI - NAMBO CENSUS DIVISION

To accompany NUKU Patrol No. 8 of 1971/1972

Duration 22/3/72- 1/4/72  
6/4/72- 12/4/72

(B) POPULATION DISTRIBUTION AND TRENDS.

- c. Updated village population register is attached Appendix B: NUKU Patrol NO.8 1971/1972.

(7) LITERACY

(a) MUKILI now offers a mission school that teaches to standard 5. Enrolment is now 140.

(b) The NAMBLO villages with their close connection to the Catholic Mission schools at WATI and NUKU have over twenty children attending the catholic high school at AITEPE. Simon Kull from WOMBIO in the NAMBLO group is now working as the assistant clerk at D.D.A NUKU, having passed fourth form high school he is one of the highest standard school leavers from NUKU.

(H) MISSIONS

a. YEMEREBE village, which is close to MUKILI C.M. NOW has a C.M.M.L pastor/teacher living in the village. There are now two small schools in the village the other being a small school sponsored by the C.M. This year has also seen the erection of a house and trade store by the C.M.M.L the trade store for the teacher WAIBE and the house for visits from the european missionaries.

There appears no conflict in the village as the traditional leaders are still in control and do not show much interest in the missions. When the MUKILI-NUKU road was finished the C.M erected a sign barring C.M.M.L missionaries from using the road, as the C.M.M.L adherents did not work on the road. They are allowed to walk along the road though and this resulted in one meeting a missionary getting his motorbike carried from NUKU to MUKILI, then proceeding.

(h) 5  
(J) COMMUNICATIONS.

a. The NUKU - MUKILI road has now been completed. It is twenty two miles long and has two villages alongside it. These villages are MAKAFU AND MAKAFIM, the road ends at MUKILIVILLAGE. These three villages are mainly responsible for working the road with some small help from MAI MAI AND YULEM villages.

Other road projects 1. LIEJAT - LAEKO- WEMIL to SABIG. 2. YEMERESA-wemil- to SABIG. Have not progressed. This is understandable when one considers the attitude of the people, which is poor towards work, together with the fact that the roads will be very long. And also will have to cross the large WAGESU river. Though opportunity would exist for C.M. purchases of rice by tractor from these villages.

(L) THE STAGE OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

Politically the area is underdeveloped. With very little outside contact and the advent of cash cropping still to reach most villages this is understandable. Councillors are usually elected totally unopposed except where they make themselves a nuisance by wanting to enforce Council work days. A small group of returned plantation labourers has experienced some political discussion before their returning home.

What I found a little disturbing was attending a meeting that Mr Jacob Talis gave at NINGAL. People from the villages LIBUAT, LAEKO, WEMILL WERE in attendance. Here the differences between the United party and the coalition were presented as "The United party means " The white man will be asked to stay and therefore the money will keep coming" The coalition conversely means "Raising the white man and the money will stop" But with this choice I declared the money, via the United party.



(M) THE ECONOMY OF THE AREA

(c) "2. BEGE RICE

Rice production for 1969/70 was 67,523 lbs.  
" " " 1970/71 was 44,917 lbs.

Figures at hand for 1971/72 are complete for eleven months total D.A.S.F purchases from the NAMBL0 group of villages is 14,000 lbs. to this is added purchases by the C.M at MUKILI of 6,000 lbs.

Together these figures show a drop in production considering that the C.M purchases are not included in previous totals. D.A.S.F are informed that there was a consensus in the area this season to plant food gardens before rice, this does not make the years comparative.

COFFEE

Coffee gardens are not expanding in the area and D.A.S.F are not promoting it in view of world prices. Production is steady at half a ton.





DATE OF CENSUS	VILLAGE	TOTALS (Excluding Americans)				AGE GROUPS (Excluding Chinese Filipinos)				GRAND TOTAL
		CHILD (Under 15 years)		ADULT		CHILD (Under 15 years)		ADULT		
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
22/3/72 12/4/72	ADUNGILI	13	15	18	20			1		68
	ENGLEP	21	21	36	34	2	1	6	1	124
	IBELIUP	43	43	59	51			4	1	213
	KALEI	44	44	36	24			1		98
	LA KO	38	52	73	66			15		265
	LISUAE	38	38	65	64			11		251
	MAI MAI	33	33	51	51			19	1	188
	MAKLEPI	53	53	36	37			16		251
	MAKLEPI	49	56	40	44			11		173
	MUKILI	49	47	48	37			10		204
	TERENES	33	31	37	38					119
	WANTOMANA	43	47	62	63			16		231
	WENIL	36	42	53	57			12		200
	WUMBIU	38	55	65	60			1		237
YAMERBA	30	36	57	47			14		194	
YULAN	26	27	32	38			2		125	
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### PATROL REPORT

Report number: NUKU No. 9 - 71/72.

Objects of patrol: Escort Bulldozer and Grader.

District: WEST SEPIK

Station: NUKU

Patrol conducted by: M. KAALUND

Subdistrict: LUMI

Area patrolled: WEST PALEI & AU EAST

Designation: Assistant Patrol Officer.

Duration of patrol: 9 days - 5/5/72-13/5/72.

Personnel accompanying: Two drivers

Last D.D.A. patrol: West Palei in progress

Number of days: 9 days

Last O.L.G. patrol: -

Total population of area:

Map reference: AITAPE FOURGILL

Council area: WAPEI - NUKU.

House of Assembly Electorate: WAPEI NUKU.

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Field Officers Journal Folios 17 To 18 , ( X )
- Patrol Instructions, Verbal. ( )
- The Report and my comments, ( X )
- Area study, ( )
- Updating of area study, ( )
- Situation Reports No's 1- , ( X )
- Patrol map, ( )
- Camping Allowance Claim ( )

DATE: 2 / 7 1972 .

*[Signature]*  
Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBUI, Papua New Guinea.



- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- Area study, ( )
- Updating of area study, ( )
- Situation Report No's. 1- ( 2 )
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District Headquarters assessment of  
Patrol & Report..... Above average

Average

Below average

Date: 22, 8 / 1972

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner

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SITUATION REPORT No. 1

P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

67-16-47

14th November, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,  
VANIMO.

NUKU PATROL NO. 9 OF 71/72.

Reference your Minute of 22nd September, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report 1 arising out of the above patrol of the West Palei and Au East Census Divisions, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. M. Kaalund, Assistant Patrol Officer.

No comments are necessary.

S.J.P.  
S.J. PEARSALL  
a/Secretary J

Sgd:.....

Date:.....

## SITUATION REPORT No. 1-

Station NUKU Officer Compiling M. KAALUND  
 District WEST SEPIK Subdistrict LUMI  
 Census Division WEST PALET & AU EAST L.G. Council WAPEI - NUKU Councils.

(For the reporting of information specifically of Headquarters value and requiring Headquarters knowledge or actions. Information is required on matters of political significance, important trends in the economic and social structure, cult and unrest situations, law and order problems, and miscellaneous matters that Headquarters needs to know. One report will be compiled for each specific topic. Each to be submitted to Headquarters in duplicate.)

(Use Reverse side if necessary)

Govt. Print.—1792/40,000.—572.

Subject: ECONOMIC, ROADS.

The L.A.R.D.A. bulldozer and grader unfortunately were moving in a period of heavy rain. With the bulldozer moving in the wet and removing the surface in the process this made the NUKU - WASSISSI road impassable. Work is proceeding to repair the damage as the widening made cuts into banks which are breaking till stabilised in the future.

Sgd: .....

Date: .....

District Office

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

6/7/72

This equipment was being moved overland from Wewak to Lumi for construction of the Lumi-Aitape road, by the Lumi Aitape Road Development Association (L.A.R.D.A.). The patrol was of a routine nature to assist in the movement of the equipment.

Action Taken:

Sgd. A. D. StewartDate 22/9/72

Headquarters

Date Received

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Project Officer.....

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 District..... WEST SEPIK ..... Subdistrict LUMI  
 Census Division..... WEST PALEI & AU EAST ..... L.G. Council..... WAPEI - NUKU Councils.  
 Subject:..... ECONOMIC, ROADS.

Subdistrict Office  
LUMI

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

13/6/72

It was unfortunate that the heavy equipment moving through in wet weather caused landslips and damage to the surface of the road.

Action Taken:

Sgd. A.S. Wright  
 (A.S. WRIGHT)

Date 2nd July, 1972.



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REPORT NUMBER: **10** OBJECTS OF PATROL: **as per Instructions**

DISTRICT: **WEST SEPIK** STATION: **NUKU**

PATROL CONDUCTED BY: **M. KAALUND** SUB-DISTRICT: **LUMI**

AREA CONTROLLED: **YIDMIN VILLAGE SOUTH WAPEI C.D.** DESIGNATION: **A ASSISTANT PATROL OFFICER**

DURATION OF PATROL: **9/6/72-14/6/72 6 days** PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: **1 R.P.N.G.C**

LAST D.D.A. PATROL: ..... NUMBER OF DAYS: **SIX**

LAST O.L.C. PATROL: ..... TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: .....

MAP REFERENCE: **ATEPE Four Mile** COUNCIL AREA: **Proposed NUKU L.G.C**

**Lat 142 deg. 16 min** HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE: **WAPEI NUKU**

**Long 3 deg 58 min**

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District,

*Vanimo*

In respect of this patrol, I attach  
FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, folios 2 to 3, (✓)

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS, (✓)

THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS, (✓)

AREA STUDY, ( )

UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )

SITUATION REPORTS NO'S. 1 - 3 (✓)

FIELD MAP, *Copy of House plan* (✓)

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DATE *2/7/74*

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Assistant District Commissioner

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administration,  
Division of District Administration,  
KORORUA, Papua.

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In respect of this patrol, I attach  
AREA STUDY, ( )

UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )

SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1-3 ..... ( )

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DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESSMENT OF  
PATROL & REPORT .....

ANNUAL AVERAGE  
AVERAGE  
AVERAGE

DATE *25/9/74*

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District Commissioner

POPULATION.

DATE OF CENSUS	VILLAGE	TOTALS (Excluding) Absentees				ABSENTEES (Resident outside Electorate)				GRAND Total
		CHILD (under 15 yrs)		ADULT		CHILD (under 15 yrs)		ADULT		
		M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
12/16/72	YIPIN	26	26	32	30					114
12/16/72	BEH	12	11	18	18					59



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P.O. Box 2396,  
KORNEGODU.

67-16-45

24th November, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
West Sepik District  
VANUATU.

There are 11 land boundaries existing for the TAVITVI ward.  
NURU PATROL NO. 10-71/72

Reference your minute of 25th September 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report 1 to 3  
arising out of the above patrol of part of the South West  
Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments,  
as submitted by Mr. M. Kaalima, Assistant Patrol Officer.

I presume the comments touching local Government have been  
raised with the District Local Government Officer. No other  
comments are necessary.

S.J. FRASER  
a/Secretary

STATION NUKU ..... OFFICERS COMMISSIONED M. KAALUND  
 DISTRICT WEST SEPIK ..... SUB DISTRICT LUMI  
 OFFICE DIVISION SOUTH WAPEI ..... LEO STANLEY NUKU

(Use Reverse side if necessary)

SUBJECT : WARD BOUNDARIES

There are no ward boundaries existing for the YIMAUWI ward. On compilation of a ward plan the boundaries would be extensive. The YIMIN people occupy a sparsely populated area. The Sepik peoples are inhibited by large sago swamps from northward movement. The rivers that rise in the NUKU area, Assanine and Wagesu together with the Nopan river finish in large swamps with no navigable link to the Sepik. The area is a flood plain alternating with sago swamps the YIMIN peoples lands finishing with the first kunai rises to the north.

To the west their lands meet those of the YILUI peoples with a southern extension finishing in sago swamps. To the north their lands occupy a lowland forest that runs to meet the alternating kunai areas of YAUWA and WASOPOM. To the east the YIMIN land finishes in forest and kunai in a line drawn southwards from YIMAUWI this is where the YIMIN's land meets that of NABADUA (hamlet TEGRA).

For BEL the ward boundaries would be extended from MAUWALU to the TEGRA lands. Some members of BEL hold land through inter marriage in the YIMIN area. Though they originally moved up from their lands to join with the YIMIN people at the old village.

Neither village has enough members to constitute a Council ward on its own.

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District..... WEST SEPIK ..... Subdistrict..... LUMI .....

Census Division..... SOUTH WAPEI ..... L.G. Council..... NUKU .....

Subject: WARD BOUNDARIES.

Subdistrict Office

LUMI

Date Received

20/6/72Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

The YIMIN people will be absorbed into an existing Ward of the NUKU  
Local Government Council.

Action Taken: Information contained in this Report has been passed onto the Office  
of Local Government, LUMI.

Sgd.....

(A.S. Wright)

Date.....

2nd July, 1972.

District Office

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

6/7/72

This situation Report was not necessary. Ward boundaries will be determined by liaison with the District Local Government Officer, Vanimo, and the Assistant District Commissioner, Lumi and Ambunti.

Action Taken:

Sgd. *A. D. Steward*

Date 25/6/72

Headquarters

Date Received

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SITUATION REPORT NO 2

STATION NUKU ..... OFFICER COMPTROLLER M. KAALUND A.P.O .....  
 DISTRICT WEST SEPIK ..... SUB DISTRICT LUMI .....  
 CHEQUE DIVISION SOUTH WAPEI ..... D.O. OFFICE NUKU .....

(Use Reverse side if necessary)

SUBJECT: ECONOMIC (Ability to pay tax)

Game still exists in good quantity in this area, the selling of meat is the only income the people have. Agriculturally the area is extremely productive. Gardens planted in the salt plains of the Nopma P. are among the best I have seen. Large areas of kumai would be prized for cattle projects if they were closer to NUKU, large areas of loam would be ideal for mechanised rice production. Land is not short in this area.

Economic exploitation of the area will not be easy though. With no roads and long distances, small population and in an administrative no-mans land little can be seen to change the position.

I would advise a years grace in the payment of tax and then commence with a male head tax the same as applicable to the WAN WAN c.d which is \$3. Though it is hard to see how any council project could be shown as directly helping them.

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## SITUATION REPORT No. 2.

Station..... NUKU ..... Officer Compiling..... M. KAALUND .....  
 District..... WEST SEPIK ..... Subdistrict..... LUMI .....  
 Census Division..... SOUTH WAPET ..... L.G. Council..... NUKU .....  
 Subject..... ECONOMIC (Ability to pay Tax) .....

Subdistrict Office  
LUMI

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

20/6/72 .....

It is considered that the people of YIMIN will be able to meet \$3-00 tax per year from the limited economic avenues available to them .

Action Taken:

Sgd..... *a. s. Wright* .....  
 (A.S. Wright)  
 Date..... 2nd July, 1972 .....

District Office

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

6/7/72.....

No further comment.

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

*A. D. [Signature]*

Date.....

25/9/72

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SITUATION REPORT NO 3

STATION	NUKU	OFFICER COMMANDING	M. KAALUND A.P.O
DISTRICT	WEST SEPIK	HEAD DISTRICT	LUMI
CENSUS DIVISION	SOUTH WAPEI	L.D. COMMAND	NUKU

(Use Reverse side if necessary)

SUBJECT : HEALTH

The NUKU C.M supplies a once a month medical service to WARASE( WASEI ). This serves the NAUWALU area and other fringe communities of the AMBUNTI area. AS the only medical service in the area some disturbing cases are now being flown into the NUKU hospital.

Sister Pamela who visits this area says it is the only area she knows where yaws are still widespread.

While the YIMIN people are relatively healthy apart from prevalent scabbies and grille, the people in the southern border from NUKU into that area of the AMBUNTI where contact and economic development are minimal are reported to be of poor health. This is now the location of the new village of BEL.

SGD .....

DATE: .....



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### SITUATION REPORT No. 3

Station NUKU Officer Compiling M. KAALUND  
 District WEST SEFIK Subdistrict LUMI  
 Census Division SOUTH WAPEI L.G. Council NUKU  
 Subject: HEALTH

Subdistrict Office  
LUMI

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

20/6/72

The health situation is satisfactory.

Action Taken:

Sgd. [Signature]  
(A.S. Wright)

Date 2nd July, 1972.

M.D.C.

District Office

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

6/7/72

This is a fringe area of small population between Nuku and Ambunti and as such the people have derived little from Administration and Mission contact. The Nuku Council could give consideration to the establishment of an Aid Post in this area.

Action Taken:

Sgd. A. D. Stevens  
Date 25/8/72

Headquarters

Date Received

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Project Officer.....

Date.....

