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STATION: PAGWI, 1972- 1973

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5-72-73	L. W. BRAGGE	Upper SEPIK C/D
6-72-73	D. B. ROBERTSON	WARIO GIO C/D
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11-72-73	D. B. ROBERTSON	WARIO GIO C/D
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15A-72-73	J. GIGMAI	NUMAU ABLATAK Census Divison
15B-72-73	D. B. ROBERTSON	Upper SEPIK, Main River (part)
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17-72-73	I. C. WALKER	WARIO GIO - jacket
18-72-73	L. W. BRAGGE	SAMSAI & Part Upper SEPIK
19-72-73	D. B. ROBERTSON	SAMSAI & WOGAMUS (part)
20-72-73	D. B. ROBERTSON	NIKSEK Census Divison

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20A-72-73	D. B. ROBERTSON	NIKSEK Census Divison
21-72-73	P. J. MOORE & F. WAFIGIAN	South WAPEI Census Divison
	<u>PAGWI</u>	
1-72-73	J. A. MAMO	BURUI-KUNAI Census Divison - jacket
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3-72-73	Missing	
4-72-73	G. F. PAYNE	
5-72-73	G. F. PAYNE	SEPIK/MAY/WANIAP/MAY C/D.
6-72-73	G. F. PAYNE	WANIAP-MAY Census Divison
6A-72-73	G. F. PAYNE	ARAI & SEPIK/MAY Census Div.
7-72-73	G. F. PAYNE	WANIAP/MAY census divison
8-72-73	D. L. STEVENS	SEPIK MAY census divison
9-72-73	D. L. STEVENS	Central MAY Census Divison
10-72-73	P. J. WALSH	SEPIK MAY
11-72-73	P. J. WALSH	ABEI MAY (part)
12-72-73	P. J. WALSH	WANIAP MAY C.D. (part)
13-72-73	D. L. STEVENS	Pt. SEPIK MAY Census Divison - jacket
	P. J. WALSH	ABEI MAY & ARAI MAY C/D



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31 AUG 1972

## PATROL REPORT

Report number: 1-122/72  
District: EAST SEPIK  
Patrol conducted by: J.A. MAHO  
Area patrolled: Burui-Gawi, G.D.  
Duration of patrol: 10/7/72 - 14/7/72  
Last D.D.A. patrol: Feb. 1972.  
Last O.L.G. patrol: Feb. 1972  
Map reference: Ambunti Fournal.


Objects of patrol: Land Investigation Torembi/  
Catholic Mission.  
Station: PAGWI.  
Subdistrict: AMBUNTI.  
Designation: Assistant Patrol Officer.  
Personnel accompanying: TPO. - J. Signai.  
Number of days: 5.  
Total population of area: 4950.  
Council area: Gawi.  
House of Assembly Electorate: Wosera-Gawi.

The District Commissioner,  
East Sepik District,

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To 3,	( x )
Patrol Instructions,	( x )
The Report and my comments,	( )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports No's 1-4,	( x )
Patrol map,	( )

DATE: / 1972 .

  
L.W. Bragge.  
Assistant District Commissioner

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Report No's. 1-4	( )
<i>NOT RELEVANT.</i>	( )

District Headquarters assessment of  
Patrol & Report.....

Above average	
Average	
Below average	✓

Date: 28/8/1972

  
District Commissioner

JAW/JK

P.O. Box 2396 - KONE DOBU

67-8-4

12th September, 1972

The District Commissioner  
East Sepik District  
WEWAK.

PAGWI PATROL NO. 1 - 1972/73

Reference your minute of 28th August, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Patrol Report Jacket arising out of the above patrol of the BURUI-KUNAI Census Division as undertaken by Mr. J.A. MAMO, Assistant Patrol Officer.

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



## PATROL REPORT

Report number: _____	Objects of patrol: _____
District: _____	Station: _____
Patrol conducted by: _____	Subdistrict: _____
Area patrolled: _____	Designation: _____
Duration of patrol: 21/11-21/1/73	Personnel accompanying: _____
Last D.D.A. patrol: 19/1/73	Number of days: _____
Last O.L.G. patrol: 1972	Total population of area: _____
Map reference: _____	Council area: _____
	House of Assembly Electorate: _____

The District Commissioner,  
District,

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To _____,	( ✓ )
Patrol Instructions,	( )
The Report and my comments,	( )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports No's 1-4,	( ✓ )
Patrol map,	( )

DATE: / 19 .

*[Signature]*  
Assistant District Commissioner

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

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Report No's. 1-4	( ✓ )
.....	( )
.....	( )
District Headquarters assessment	Above-average
Patrol & Report.....	Average
	Below average

Date: 11 / 19 73

*[Signature]*  
District Commissioner



JJT:JB

P.O. Box 2396, KONEBOBU

67-8-41

17th January, 1973

The District Commissioner  
East Sepik District  
P.O. Box 72  
WEWAK

PAGWI PATROL NO. 2 OF 1972/73

Reference your 67-1-9 of 9th January.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Reports 1 to 4 arising out of the above patrol of Burui-Kunai, Main River and Chambri Lakes area, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. J. Mano, Assistant Patrol Officer.

... Copies of Patrol Report No. 1 are returned for your records.

Mr. Cigmai, Trainee Patrol Officer who accompanied the patrol has made some useful observations, however, needs to be assured on the difference between Situation Reports and reports of routine nature. I refer you to Circular 67-1-0 of 25th November, 1971 for his attention.

*SJP*  
S.J. PEARSALL  
a/Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

District Office, P.O. Box 72,

WEWAK.

Telegrams  
Telephone  
Our Reference.....  
If calling ask for  
Mr.....

In Reply  
Please Quote

No. 67-1-9

9th January 1973.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

REPORT OF PAGWI PATROL NO. 2/72-73

... Two copies of the report of the above patrol are forwarded herewith.

T.P.O. Mr. Gigmai accompanied A.P.O. Mr. Mamo on this short council election patrol. This report is supplementary to Mr. Mamo's report and is submitted as an exercise. There are no matters of interest to your Headquarters and the report is forwarded for records only.

*B.K. Leen*  
B.K. LEEN  
A/District Commissioner



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Pagwi Patrol No. 2/1972-73 - PATROL REPORT NO. 3

Area Patrolled - Burui-Kunai, Main River and Chambri Lakes.

Patrolling Officer - J. A. Mamo - A.P.O.

ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Gaul Council By-Elections - Wards 9; 23 and 36.

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_  
 District Office: \_\_\_\_\_  
 No comment required.

A copy of this report has been forwarded to the D.L.B.O. for information.



L. W. BRAGGE,

Assistant District Commissioner

H.E. JACK ANDERSON, Commissioner



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PATROL REPORT No.2

Station..... Patrol Post Pagwi..... Officer Compiling..... J.A.Mamo  
 District..... East Sepik..... Subdistrict..... Ambunti  
 Census Division..... Chambri Lakes..... L.G. Council..... Gawi

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PRODUCTION OF COCOA AT TIMBUNMERI.

While conducting a bi-election at Timbunmeri the people asked questions and requested information concerning the profitability of concentrating their efforts on producing cocoa.

Could the D.S.A.F please forward information to Pagwi concerning the production of cocoa and provide a comparison with coffee in such aspects as yeild, prices, marketing etc, and this information could be onforwarded to the people.

The people have coffeese gardens, but they have got the idea into their heads that they would be better off concentrating on producing cocoa instead of improving and extending existing coffee gardens.

  
 .....  
 J. Mamo.

PATROL REPORT No. 3

Station..... Patrol Post Pagwi..... Officer Compiling J.A. MAMO  
 District..... EAST SEPIK..... Subdistrict..... AMBUNTI.  
 Census Division..... Burui-Kunai, Main River, ..... L.G. Council..... GAUI.  
 Chambri Lakes.

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GAUI COUNCIL BI-ELECTIONS..WARDS 9,23.and 36.

1. Polling was conducted at Wards 9 and 23 where Sangua'a/Maranyo of Yanget and Yabandimi/Winget of Korogo were elected as the new Councillors for their respective Wards. At Ward 36 Wangi/Mebau of Timbunmeri, who was the previous Councillor, was the only candidate for this ward and was re-elected unopposed.
2. Of the 339 votes recorded 60% were lodged by women and this gives a good indication of female interest in the proceedings. It must be noted that if the patrol had conducted polling on market days female interest would not have been so prominent. It would thus be in the Councils interest to note market days in the area and make allowances for them in election programmes to enable women every opportunity to exercise their constitutional right.
3. Of the 469 persons enrolled to vote at Wards 9 and 23, 339 exercised their voting right. This represents 72% of those enrolled. This can be considered to be an excellent response to the bi-elections especially when taking into consideration the fact that 7.6% of those enrolled were found to have passed away and that 5.1% were absent from the villages visiting in towns in and outside the district and were thus unable to record their vote.
4. All of the votes recorded, but one were whispered votes. At Korogo the candidates requested that the people be not allowed to fill out their ballot paper and that they use the services of the poll clerk. This request was based on the fear that the people would lose their voting power by incorrectly filling in their ballot paper and thus defeating the purpose of the election. Only one voter requested to fill in his own ballot paper and this he did correctly.
5. Of the votes lodged only 22% recorded a single preference. It must be noted that at Korogo where 178 votes were recorded, 40% gave only one preference; this was due to the strong feeling between and towards the candidates.
6. No incidents occurred during the conducting of the bi-elections and that the election personnel conducted their duties most ably.

.....  
 24/9/72.



Pagwi Patrol No. 2/1972-73 - PATROL REPORT NO. 2 Page 7  
Area Patrolled - Chambri Lakes : Patrolling Officer - J.A.Mano -AFC  
ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS  
Production of Cocoa At Timbunmeri.

This report seeks to initiate action, and thus should have been the subject of separate correspondence.

Pagwi Patrol Post,  
East Sepik District.

Prepared By - Assistant  
District Commissioner

For the purpose of this report, the regulations 7(1) and 7(1) of the Local Government (Districts) Regulations 1972, respectively, in paragraphs 9, 11, and 16 of the Local Government (Districts) Regulations 1972, and 9th regulation of the Regulations of the District of East Sepik, which are conducted in accordance with the schedule which is attached to the Regulations of the District of East Sepik, were taken into my province during the visit to the District of East Sepik, and the results of the visit are reported in this report.

L. W. BRAGGE,  
Assistant District Commissioner.

District Rural Development Officer,  
Dept. Agriculture, Stocks & Fisheries,  
WEWAK.

A copy of the above mentioned report is forwarded herewith. For your advice, please.

B.K. LEEN  
A/District Commissioner



# Gaui Local Government Council; Pagwi (6)

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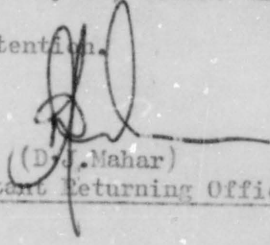
Pagwi,  
Sepik District, N.G.,  
Free Bag, Wewak.

30th Aug. '72

Mr. J. Mamo  
Pagwi Patrol Post,  
East Sepik District.

## Gaui Council By - Elections Wards 9, 23, and 36

1. You are appointed Assistant Returning Officer under regulations 7(1) and 8(1) of the Local Government (Electoral Provisions) Regulations 1970 in respect of By-elections to be held in Wards 9, 23, and 36 of the Gaui Local Government Council between 4th and 9th September.
2. The by-elections should follow the advertised polling schedule which is listed below, also ensure that the by-elections are conducted in accordance with the Regulations, should you run into any problems during the elections I suggest you contact the Returning Officer immediately and seek his advise.
3. Polling Schedule ;  
Ward 9 - 4th Sept. 1972  
Ward 23 - 5th Sept. 1972  
Ward 36 - 7th Sept. 1972
4. I have appointed Mr. J. Sambamari as Presiding Officer, and Mr. J. Gigmai as Poll Clerk, I consider this should be sufficient staff to conduct the By-Elections.
5. Please ensure that a formal report accompanied by the relevant statistics are properly prepared and ~~in~~ forwarded to the returning officer (D.L.G.O. Mr. F.J.L. Haynes) before the 21st September 1972.
6. For your information and attention.

  
(D.J. Mahar)  
Assistant Returning Officer

c.c. D.L.G.O.  
Wewak

A.D.C.  
Ambunti.

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Pagwi Patrol No. 2/1972-73 - PATROL REPORT No. 1  
 Area Patrolled - Main River C.D. : Patrolling Officer - J.A.Mamo - APO  
 ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS  
 Peli Association Activities - Korogo Village

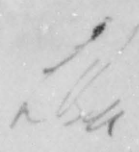
Amburti Patrol No. 8/1972-73 also refers to this. No money  
 House was seen by Patrol 8/1972-73 but reports stated the building  
 materials were being prepared for it.

Assistant District Commissioner  
 District Office

Enclosed:-

1. P.C.D. Report
2. Supplemental Report
3. Patrol Report
4. Situation Report

For your information and comments



L. W. BRAGGE,  
 Assistant District Commissioner



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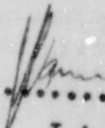
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25/9/72.

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Sub District Office.  
Ambunti.  
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Find attached:-

1. F.O.J Folios 10 and 11.
2. Bi-election instructions.
3. Patrol Reports 1,2,3.
4. Situation Report ONE.

For your information and Comments.

  
.....  
J.A.MANO.

PATROL REPORT No. 1

Station..... PATROL POST PAGWI...... Officer Compiling..... J.A. MAMO APO.  
 District..... EAST SEPIK..... Subdistrict..... AMBUNTI  
 Census Division..... MAIN RIVER..... L.G. Council..... GAVI

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PELI ASSOCIATION ACTIVITIES -- KOROGO VILLAGE.


Korogo's Peli members are at the moment applying the finishing touches on their newly constructed 'HOUSE POWER'; which is situated adjacent to the Police rest house at Korogo.

From information obtained from the newly elected Councillor at Korogo, Yabandimi/Winget, who also freely admits that he is a twelve dollar member, and from various other gentlemen from the village, Korogo now has 51 male and 71 female members of the Peli Association.

Two men who play a prominent role in Peli Activities at Korogo are an old man named NUMBUK, who has sent to Mount Turu one of his daughters to be a 'flower girl'; the other leading figure is the recently deposed councillor KONGKONG/S'MARANI. Kongkong has taken/sent a suitcase to Turu so as to obtain the 'so called Power', he has yet to admit that he is a member of this cult and I feel that he may attempt to hinder the efforts of the newly elected Councillor.

Yabandimi, who although a Peli member, will be more effective in the carrying out of his duties in his Ward than Kongkong was, and be more open and 'honest' in his dealings with the Council and Administration officers.

When you ask the men why they join the Association, they answer "luk tasol", some of those lukes are pretty expensive.

  
 .....  
 J.A. MAMO. APO. 21/9/72.



## PATROL REPORT

Station:	Ama No. 2/1972-73	Population:	<del>552</del> 564
Subdistrict:	Ambunti	Council Area:	Non Council
District:	East Sepik	House of Assembly Electorate:	Upper Sepik
Report No:	Ama No. 2/1972-73	Map Reference:	Ambunti Formil
Conducted by:	G.F.PAYNE	Last Patrol:	November 1971
Designation:	Patrol Officer	Objects of Patrol:	Census, Area Study
Duration:	15th to 26 August 1972	Personnel accompanying:	T.G.McNickle, APO 3 RP & NGC Members 1 Hospital Orderly
No. of Days:	Eleven (11)		
Census Division:	Rocky Peak		

The District Commissioner,  
East Sepik District,  
WEWAK

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Field Officers Journal Folios 39 To 44,	( X )
Patrol Instructions,	( - )
The Report and my comments,	( X )
Area study,	( X )
Updating of area study,	( - )
Situation Reports Nos 1— 4,	( X )
Patrol map,	( X )

DATE: 23 / 11 19 73.

(signed) L.W.BRAGGE  
Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

*Mrs. Sherry J. Lee*

In respect of this patrol, I attach	
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1— ,	( )
.....	( )
.....	( )
District Headquarters assessment of	Above average
Patrol & Report.....	Average
	Below average

Date: / / 19

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District Commissioner

POPULATION

Date of Census	Village	TOTALS (Excluding Absentees)				ABSENTEES (Resident outside Electorate)				Grand Total
		Under 18 years		18 years and over		Under 18 years		18 years and over		
		M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	
August 1972	Rocky Peak Census Div.									
21st	AMBREIMAKI	10	19	14	16	-	-	7	-	66
24th	BEIMAP	18	5	3	22	-	-	21	-	69
23rd	SIAUI	20	22	39	39	-	-	10	-	130
20th	WAGU	43	36	44	42	-	-	14	-	<del>179</del> 179
22nd	WEILO	17	8	14	13	-	-	1	-	53
25th	IWAU	15	3	19	15	-	-	15	-	67
		123	93	133	147	-	-	68	-	564



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CHIEF MINISTER & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION,  
Sub District Office,  
AMBUNTI, ESD

67-1-13

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16th April 1973

The District Commissioner,  
East Sepik District,  
WEWAK.

AMA PATROL No. 2/1972-73

Your minute 67-1-5 of the 16th March 1973, on the Secretary's  
67-8-32 of 9th March 1973 and my 67-1-13 of 23rd March 1973  
refers.

\*\*\* Attached, as requested please find two Patrol Report jackets  
in respect of the above patrol.

*L. W. Bragge*  
L. W. BRAGGE,  
Assistant District Commissioner.

District Office,  
WEWAK.  
23rd May 1973.

→ The Secretary,  
Dept. of the Chief Minister &  
Development Administration,  
KONEDOBU.

... Herewith please.

*E. G. Hicks*  
E. G. HICKS  
District Commissioner. *hs*

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P.O. Box 2396  
KONEDOBU

67-8-32

J.W. Kent

9th March, 1973

The District Commissioner  
District Office  
P.O. Box 72  
WEWAK

AMA PATROL NO. 2 of 1972/73.

Reference your 67-1-15 of 2nd January, 1973.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of the Area Study arising out of the above patrol of the ROCKY PEAKS Census Division, as submitted by Mr. G.F. Payne, Patrol Officer.

A well compiled and interesting Area Study.

At your earliest convenience please forward two copies of the Patrol Report Jacket which should contain the village population figures mentioned in paragraph 1: Section B POPULATION DISTRIBUTION AND TRENDS of the study. In addition one copy of the patrol map is required, if it is available. Population figures and the map which were not received are required to complete our records.

C.G. LITTLER  
a/Secretary





67-1-8-32 (A)

DEPARTMENT OF THE ADMINISTRATOR

Division of District Administration,  
Sub District Office,  
KONEDOBU.

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If calling ask for  
Mr.

In Reply  
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No. 67-1-13

18th December 1972



The District Commissioner,  
East Sepik District,  
Wewak.

AREA STUDY - ROCKY PEAK CENSUS DIVISION

... The long awaited Area Study of the Rocky Peak C.D. is attached.  
(Area Patrol No. 2/1972-73)

The Study is well compiled and describes a lightly populated,  
economically poor area.

Each heading is adequately covered and no additional comment  
is required.

Mr. Payne,  
Assistant District Commissioner.

District Office,  
WEWAK

2/1/73 67-1-15

→ The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
KONEDOBU

Two copies of the area study of this remote and sparsely  
populated census division are forwarded herewith. Although well  
compiled by Mr. Payne, the study is rather late in reaching this  
H.Q.

B.K. LEEN  
A/District Commissioner

AMA PATROL REPORT No. 2 of 72/73.

AREA STUDY.

Station:	AMA	Compiling Officer	G.F. PAYNE
District:	EAST SEPIK	Subdistrict:	AMBUNTI
Census Division:	ROCKY PEAKS	L.G. Council:	Non

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A INTRODUCTION

1. The Rocky Peaks Census Division covers an area estimated at 96 square miles, occupying an area in the N-W section of the Ama administrative area. It is bordered by the Sepik River in the north, the August River C/D boundary in the West and the Weniap/May C/D boundary running NE-SW.

2. The topography or lie of the land is not as severe as the name of the C/D would imply, much of the area bordering the Sepik River is typical type sago swamp. A good portion of the land is well drained and slightly elevated and would appear suitable for agriculture.

3. Those sections which are not subjected to prolonged flooding are cover with tall dense typical tropical rain forest. The high rainfall (estimated over 150 inches per annum) with no distinct dry season prevents the formation of grasslands, due to the rapid regrowth of the forest should it have been cleared for subsistence agriculture and then left to regenerate.

4. The C/D is easily accessible to river craft through the Sepik River. During periods of high water 12' draft boats would have no difficulty in navigating the Sepik above this point. Low water however presents a problem as the river is capable of dropping its water level 18 feet. At such times only shallow draft vessels ( Less than three feet) such as out board motors can utilise the water way.

5. The area is centrally situated between the Edwaki (Yellow River) Base Camp, W.S.D. and the Ama Patrol Post. The nearest villages can be reached within half a days walk from either Administration Post.

6. There are no roads, aerodromes, shipping points developed but the area lends itself to such development should it become an economical proposition in years to come.

7. Those villages now established on the banks of the Sepik River have been contacted and visited annually, regularly

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A. Introduction Cont.

since the late 1950's. Iwau and Siaui villages were contacted in the mid 1960's when the initial census was conducted, it is apparent that some Siaui men found their way to coastal plantations before this time. The patrol was well received at all villages with the exception of Beimap who could possibly be excused as there are only three adult men remaining in the village after heavy recruiting. It was evident that the more progressive villages of Wagu were becoming somewhat dissatisfied by the lack of progress being made and frustrated over the lack of opportunity to develop a cash economy. It would seem pointless to strive year after year to try and get these villagers to wish to initiate change, forget the old way of life, and feel part of the national identity and then stop them taking part in the country's development and progress towards nationhood.

Very strong ties can be seen between their households with guidance.

1. No accurate population data could be established in previous reports held in the West Mekele District were unreliable. Data collected was in some cases the rate is very high in some instances, but it was in fact in some cases the data had not been collected successfully, other cases being unreported were also cited.

2. The river villages are usually linked together by canoes. There is a system of walking tracks later linking all villages in the area. Since the establishment of the U.P. a track has been opened up between the station, Wagu and Beimap. Some villages are still developing a track system to get to the station the way in the day.

3. The population data collected was reported as incorrect in some cases. The village of Beimap and in some cases the rate of 57.2% indicated that the population was very low. They have no access to the market and are dependent on the government for their needs. It is suggested that the population data be checked and that the population be increased to a more realistic figure.

AREA STUDY - ROCKY PEAKS Census Division, 8th November, 1972.

B. POPULATION DISTRIBUTION AND TRENDS.

4. Recorded on the inside of the Patrol Report jacket for patrol No. 2 of 1972/73 are the village population census statistics.

2. Now that law enforcement is guaranteed, it has made it possible for all those persons who previously had to live in the forest, partly because of fear of attack from neighbouring groups, to move to the river side. This has assisted the ease with which contact is now made with these groups and aided in their administration. There are only two inland villages in this C/D, Iwau and Siaui. Due to their location they have had less contact with the administration, missions and private entrepreneurs and have progressed to a lesser extent than their river side dwelling counterparts. Siaui people are very energetic and could easily overcome their handicaps with guidance.

3. No accurate <sup>natal</sup> Neo-Mortality rates could be established as previous records held in the West Sepik District were unobtainable. From enquiries made it would appear the rate is very high in some instances, e.g. a woman at Iwau in her sixth pregnancy had yet to rear a child successfully, other cases nearly as pitiful were also cited.

4. The river villages are usually plied between by canoes. There is a system of hunting tracks inter linking all villages in the area. Since the establishment of Ama P.P. a track has been opened up between the station, Iwau and Ambreimaki. Wagu villagers are also developing a track direct to Ama P.P. to make the trip in one day.

5. 34% of the adult male population was recorded as absent at work on coastal plantations. One village, Beimap, had an adult male absentee rate of 87.5%. Economically it is to the Country's advantage that these otherwise non productive units are away engaged in economic ventures. Socially it must be to the villagers detriment that so many men are absent, but this will have to be borne with until a decision is made that the people could possibly develop their own area.



C. SOCIAL GROUPINGS.

1. There are three distinct language groups in the C/D;

(i) The river people all belong within the same group, known by them as the 'Aga' language. This language originates within proximity of the Green River Patrol Post and extends as far down river as Wagu village.

(ii) The Waiar group at Siaui village claim to have a language to themselves, but have not thought to give it a name. They have little communication difficulties with the other river group particularly now that they are intermarrying.

(iii) The Iwau people also claim to have their own language but it is in the same family group as the Agrame group with who they associate for social functions.

2. No friction between the groups came to the attention of the patrol, the groups in the main, do not intermingle unnecessarily and respect each others land boundaries. The groups have not developed a noticeable trade as could be expected between river people and bush dwellers as is apparent in the lower reaches of the Sepik River in the reciprocal exchange of sago and fish.

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SIAUI village.

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active in village.

SIAUI village.

Talual - NIKLIK BOWEN, aged 30, wife and two children, a  
good worker and active in village.

Talual - ALFA BAWKI, aged 26, two wives and two children, a  
good worker with influence in his village.

WAGU village.

Talual - NIKLIK BOWEN, aged 30, wife and two children, a  
average worker.

3. There are no village officials or headmen in the area other than the traditional labourers. The people are in favour of progress and would like to see the area developed by all the government sponsored projects. The people are responsive to the area.

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D. LEADERSHIP.

1. There are no persons who have influence outside their immediate area. There are to be found in this C/D the best examples of village officials in the Ama administrative area. Wagu and Siaui, both progressively minded villages have well respected village officials.

2. Listed are the names of village officials of this c/d and limited personal particulars.

AMBREIMAKI Village.

Tultul - NARUDO YIMIA, aged 36, wife and one child, helpful to patrol.

BEIMAP Village.

Luluai - INYANO OBAUWI, aged 39, two wives and three children ability damped by superstition.

IWAU Village.

Luluai - SABUAWA IMAMO, aged 37, wife and one child. Does not speak pidgin english, but is influential in his role as leader.

Tultul - NIGIAM NOBOME, AGED 35, wife and two children, fair

SIAUI Village.

Luluai - FALAI WAGUNAU, aged 44, two wives and two children.

WAI'INO YAUWI, Tultul, aged 36, two wives and three children. active in village .

WAGU Village.

Luluai - SENYAI MORNABI aged 38, wife and one child. A progressive worker pro economic development.

Tultul - AIYA SAMEI, aged 36, two wives and four children. A good worker with influence in his village.

WEILO Village.

Tultul - Forfwai DAPANGU, aged 36, wife and two children. Average ability.

3. There are no village officials who have had regular work other than as plantation labourers. They are generally in favour of progress and would offer reasonable assistance to mission or government sponsored projects to develop their respective areas.



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E.

LAND TENURE AND USE.

1. Traditional inheritance follows a patrilineal claim. The river people have definite ideas as to the location of clan boundaries and are restricted to hunting and fishing with in these boundaries. Possible the crocodile boom in bygone years made these villages more aware of their land boundaries as more men exercised their rights to dominate his own ground to protect any crocodiles he hoped to market himself.

2. The villages in the bush have a more confused system of tenure which may clarify as they settle down into more permanent villages and cease their incessant wanderings.

3. There are no cash crops in the area, but it is believed all initial efforts at cash cropping would be on a communal basis.

4. There is no alienated land in the C/D.

There are radio in some villages with the exception of one village interest in the area. Some of the local administration are broadcasting station, 'Radio Newch'. Due to lack of money and wires there is a problem in radio which obtaining batteries.

Some villages expressed their desire to send their children to a primary school at Ana. Should one be established. They are prepared to build dormitories.

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F. LITERACY.

1. There are no recognised Primary schools in the area. A Bibel school is operated at Wagu village by the Christian Missions of Many Lands. It is staffed by a villager who had previously attended the mission school in the Green River area. At Wagu many of the elder menfolk attend school together with their sons. They are learning literacy in Pidgin English. The school is opened to outsiders but only two boys from Ambreimaki village attend with the Wagu's.

2. Because of the mission efforts there are several adult males at Wagu who are literate in Pidgin. Some of the children have been selected to go to school at Green River but considerable time is lost in going and coming and it is difficult to provide food over the distance involved.

3. No persons have received any higher education.

4. There are radios in every village with the exception of Iwau village, interest is high in the transmissions of the local administration radio broadcasting station, 'Radio Wewak'. Due to lack of money and stores there is a problem in radio owners obtaining batteries.

4. Wagu villagers expressed their desire to send their children to a primary school at Ama, should one be established. They are prepared to build dormitories.

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G. STANDARD OF LIVING.

The condition of housing ranges from very good at Wagu village to primitive at Iwau village. The housing in this C/D is open to less criticism than in other C/D's within this administrative area. Sanitation in the form of pit latrines were encouraged at Iwau and Siau villages. At the other villages a fairly good concept of village hygiene was held and practised.

2. The majority of men had European type clothing. The condition of it in direct proportion to the time since they had returned from the coast. Many of the women retain their traditional grass skirts due to lack of finance and opportunity to purchase trade store clothes.

3. Metallic cooking utensils are popular items and most families have accumulated sufficient for their immediate needs. Some of the less fortunate families are still following the traditional method of boiling water by immersing red hot stones in water contained in 'limbom' vessels. Kitchen knives, spoons, bowls and odd cups are also in use.

4. The diet consists of a high percentage of sago but is adequately supplemented by other cultivated local foods such as bananas, sweet potato, yams, pandanus, breadfruit etc. Wild game is plentiful and hunters seldom return home after a day unrewarded. There was little evidence of domestic fowls being kept and no evidence of ducks being kept. Several introduced food crops have offered welcome respite from the monotonous traditional diet. These include corn, melons, pumpkins and leaf onions in the main. The degree to which introduced foods are consumed has a relationship to the degree of sophistication and energy of the family head. Some families appear content to remain reliant on their traditional diet.

5. There are no clubs, sporting bodies or other social/welfare activities which involve this C/D.

H. MISSIONS.

1. Mission activity has involved all villages in this C/D. The Christian Missions of Many Lands and the Gospel Recording mission have had the biggest impact on these people. Wagu village has a C.M.M.L. mission school. This is not an approved school and the lessons are held in Neomelanesian.

2. The Gospel Recording Mission operates in the area and has been recording Bible messages in the local village language. They do this by working with several fluent pidgin speakers, who are told the message in pidgin then asked to discuss how it should be translated into their own language. When they have decided it is taped phrase by phrase. It is later played back to the villagers who are then asked to translate the story in pidgin as a cross check. These operations do not necessitate that the recorder have a knowledge of the language, so many language groups can be recorded in a relatively short time. Tapes and players are later distributed to village groups.

3. Siaui villagers expressed hope that a mission, or private enterprise for that matter would come and establish themselves near their village to give incentive and encourage development.

4. There was no obvious agitation between any of the village groups and the missions. The people tend to look to the missions as their last hope for economic salvation. The C.M.M.L. attempts to find markets for smoked and dreid cassowary and pig meats, and will also buy corcodile skins when no other buyers are available. The C.M.M.L. is particularly active around Edwaki in attempting to promote economical development.



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I. NON INDIGENES.

1. There is no enterprise or person to report of under this heading.

2. Water Transport: This is a distinct possibility and would take precedence over road building. The Sepik River is a natural canal and only needs the draft and produce for shipping to become an important transport system. The construction of locks in the Sepik river would assist in flood control and hold the water level for larger vessels at times of 'dry water'. The river transport system has potential far beyond the capacity of these people to develop it. At the present time there are no shipping points or wharf sites.

3. There are no airstrips in the area. There is a partly completed strip at the P.P. limited to category 'B' aircraft and restricted in loading due to the short length. 4450 ft. take off and 1200 feet landing. There is another strip at Bwakia, owned and used by the mission.

4. The villagers of Baku after acquiring the obvious advantages of having an airstrip from their experiences while working on plantations, returned home and commenced the construction of their own strip. The effort was somewhat half hearted since the strip has since been let revert back to bush. The strip was built with 'Gage' specifications based on experience of the origin of aircraft with a belief that a strip existed between Baku and Bwakia. It was a mistake to do all that aircraft operators do not do and the all operators looked for profit when considering flights. The villagers appeared to understand and acted the part of the list of features, including their own individual proposals.

AREA STUDY = ROCKY PEAKS Census Division, 8th November, 1972.

J. COMMUNICATIONS.

1. Roads in the area are non-existent. All communications over land are conducted on walking tracks which interconnect the villages. If there ever proved an occasion to construct a road in the area (i.e. between the Ama P.P. and the Sepik River at Tipas or Wagu to link up with the road under construction to Edwaki) there would be no major engineering problems. Present indications are that a road in the area is an unlikely achievement for many years to come.

2. Water Transport; this is a distinct possibility and would take precedence over road building. The Sepik River is a natural canal and only needs the craft and produce for shipping to become an important transport system. The construction of locks in the Sepik River would assist in flood control and hold the water level for larger vessels at times of 'dry water'. The river transport system has potential far beyond the capacity of these people to develop it. At the present time there are no shipping points or warf sites

3. There are no airstrips in the area. There is a partly completed strip at Ama P.P. limited to Category 'D' aircraft and restricted in loadings due to the short length, 1450 ft take off and 1200 feet landing. There is another strip at Edwaki serviced and owned by the mission.

4. The villagers of Siaui after seeing the obvious advantages of having an airstrip from their experiences while working on plantations, returned home and commenced the construction of their own strip. The effort was commendable but the strip has since been let revert back to bush. The strip was built with 'Cargo' motivations based on ignorance of the origin of material wealth and a belief that if a strip existed naturally aircraft would land. It was explained in detail that aircraft operations costed money and that all operators looked for profit when considering flights. The villagers appeared to understand and added the problem to the list of factors already hindering their efforts at economical progress.



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K. TECHNICAL AND CLERICAL SKILLS.

1. There are no persons who could be categorised under this heading. There are no person currently receiving any training.

2. Bai's village, geographically positioned within this C/D is actually incorporated in the Green River C/D. This situation arose when the C/D was included in the Green River Administrative area and the village elected to join the council. Bai's village has not been included within the census figures for the Rocky Peaks C/D.

3. The other river villages are comparable in their state of political development to Bai's village and could equally well have joined the council but declined to do so because of the travail involved and their insecure financial position.

4. These villages situated on the river bank are aware that they have a P.M.A. who attends the House of Assembly. They also have vague ideas that change and a better way of life can come through his efforts, but that need speed, and they are not likely to act it. In time the House of Assembly will become a meaningful institution of significance to these people because of its failure to provide even their most basic demands.

5. From observations I consider these villages of this C/D the most progressive in the area administered. They are willing to co-operate and participate in any schemes put forward to them which aim at improving their present economic position.

6. The idea of national unity has not registered in any marked degree. This theme will need a national verbal teaching far of the time there are no indications that any one else is interested in them or they in any other group.

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AREA STUDY - ROCKY PEAKS Census Division, 9th November, 1972.

L.  
The STAGE OF POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT.

1. The degree of political awareness varies within each village. Overall the villages in this C/D are more advanced in this field than those villages in other areas of the Ama administrative area.
2. BAI'O village, geographically positioned within this C/D is actually incorporated in the Green River L.G.C. This situation arose when the C/D was included in the Green River Administrative area and the village elected to join the council. Bai'o village has not been included within the census figures for the Rocky Peaks C/D.
3. The other river villages are comparable in their state of political development to Bai'o village and could equally as well have joined the council but declined to do so because of the travel involved and their insecure financial position.
4. Those villages situated on the river bank are aware that they have a M.H.A. who attends the House of Assembly. They also have vague ideas that change and a better way of life can come through his efforts, but they need proof, and they are not likely to get it. In time the House of Assembly will become a meaningless institution of no significance to these people because of its failure to provide even their most basic demands.
5. From observations I consider these villages of this C/D the most progressive in the Ama Administrative area. They are willing to co-operate and participate in any scheme put forward to them which aims at improving their present unenviable position.
6. The idea of national unity has not registered to any marked degree. This theme will need a continued verbal bashing for at the time there are no indications that any one else is interested in them or they in any other group.



AREA STUDY - ROCKY PEAKS Census Division, 9th November, 1972.

M. THE ECONOMY OF THE AREA

1. There are no economic cash crops in the area, and no income is obtained from any cultivated crops, with the exception of very limited amounts of fresh foods being purchased by patrols.
2. No persons have received any formal agricultural training, but many have a general idea of agriculture from their experiences on coastal plantations.
3. Coconut plantings do not yet satisfy village consumption levels.
4. The main source of revenue into the C/D is brought back with workers after the completion of their labour contracts as plantation labourers. This money is usually distributed amongst other villagers to cancel obligations incurred while the labourer was away at work. It is estimated that the labourers receive about \$80.00 on completion of their contracts. Much of this is spent buying little red cases, clothes for himself and family, plates and saucepans and maybe a radio. The workers may arrive back with \$20 to \$30 depending how well fleeced they were at transit points along the routes, particularly at Pagwi, where local entrepreneurs often keep them waiting long periods for canoes and then extort extra money from them for extra 'services'
5. There are no local entrepreneurs, and because of their lack of business acumen they are at a disadvantage in competing with other local entrepreneurs who operate in the area from time to time.
6. No tax is levied in the C/D. It is estimated that a regular annual tax rate greater than two dollars would be difficult to acquit under present circumstances.
7. It is estimated that the per capita income figure would be in the vicinity of \$4 or \$5.

AREA STUDY - ROCKY PEAKS Census Division, 9th November, 1972.

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N) POSSIBILITIES OF EXPANDING THE ECONOMY.

1. GREATLY but present government policy dicatates it shall not be done.

2. There is sufficient arable land once cleared to support ten fold the population on a cash economy, than those now eeking out an existance at subsistence level. The possibil- ities of cash crop plantings are unlimited in regard to land resources. The limitations are an active efficient labour force and markets for the produce. Transportation would be an intial difficulty but this would soon be overcome with demand.

3. Combining present policy with the labour shortage a very slow growth rate in the future can be expected.

4. The soils support large timbered rainforest indicating it is relatively fertile and would support many of the low- land tropical crops, including coconuts, coffee, rubber, spices etc.

5. The villager's plea to the patrol could be interpreted as 'Can't sombbcdy pull their finger out!?.We're ready.'

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AREA STUDY - ROCKY PEAKS Census Division, 9th November, 1972.

O. ATTITUDE TOWARDS LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

1. There would be positive enthusiastic support if a Council was formed with the aim of promoting economic development. The formation of a council because of political reasons or as a training exercise for the people would be a dismal failure after a period limited co-operation.

2. As mentioned under heading L. para, 2 Bai'o village is in the Green River L.G.C. The patrol was informed that generally the villagers were not happy ~~made~~ under the progress made by the Council. It is noted that this council area has the added disadvantage of being in a quarantine border restriction area. Bai'o village would voluntarily join a new council area proclaimed to take in their C/D, should it eventuate one day.

3. The people have only limited understanding of council operations but from publicity given to council projects in other locations over the local radio station the people feel they would be better off under a council. Little do they realise the finance and behind the scenes action that goes into making some councils a success.

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AREA STUDY - ROCKY PEAKS Census Division, (th November, 1972.

P. ATTITUDE TOWARDS CENTRAL GOVERNMENT.

1. The patrol was well received and village co-operation was good. The villagers had a good understanding of the governments views on law and order and no cases of disorder were reported to the patrol.
2. The people showed interest in becoming part of the Ama administrative area. This is possible because of wrongly conceived premonitions that the increased activity by the government in the area is a build up to new concepts of village progress.
3. I was given the impression that the people would continue to show interest in the House of Assembly and view their activity with patience and await the results of any actions initiated by the House of Assembly, to see if it was worthy of their continued support.
4. Attitudes to the government may in the future become more tense and strained as the villagers of this C/D fail to see why they should be left out of their country's progress. Further political education will accentuate this movement.

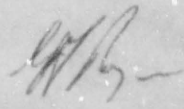


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Q. SERVICES FACILITIES AND ACCOMMODATION.

1. There are no services and facilities for tourists etc. The village rest houses of native material are in fair repair and are the only places where accommodation can be provided.
2. No medical facilities are available in the C/D.
3. No stores operate in the area.
4. There are no outboard motors available for hire.

  
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