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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of SEPIK Report No. AMANAB NO. 2 of 62/63

Patrol Conducted by I.F. READ, C.P.O.

Area Patrolled Part of the Amanab Local and Border Census Divisions.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans A. Dewar, Med. Asst. from 16/8/62.
H. Henning, P.W.D. from 16/8/62.

Natives 3 members R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration—From 10/7/1962 to 15/7/1962
16/8/1962 to 23/8/62

Number of Days Fourteen

Did Medical Assistant accompany? Yes from 16/8/62

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

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

Map Reference Four Mile

Objects of Patrol (1). Census Revision (2). Investigation road survey to
Kamberatoro (3). Routine Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner

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

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

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

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67-8-28


7th March, 1963.

The District Officer,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

PATROL REPORT No.2/1962-63
AMANEH

Receipt of the above mentioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks. The delay in reply is regretted.

2. It is gratifying to note that the people are responding to our efforts in assisting them in their development.
3. What has been the outcome of the stocking of fish ponds?
4. I agree it is necessary to take hygiene to these people because of fear of epidemics.
5. I am gratified to note that a P.W.D. man was involved in the road siting.
6. It will take time and a lot of patience to get these people to assemble in formal villages. Perhaps it would be better to leave them in their garden houses but to develop a community centre where they can assemble for either their own or Administration purposes.
7. It is hard for these people to give up old hunting grounds as it will no doubt interfere with their way of life. The peoples enthusiasm to construct roads should be exploited.
8. I am particularly pleased to note that the patrol was afforded a cordial welcome at Kamberatoro and the people joined in assisting the survey party.
9. Patrol maps should always accompany Patrol Reports. I
10. I suggest that Village Officials should be given some tuition in their duties at a class at Amaneh. They will not only benefit from the course but will benefit from associating with people from other areas.
11. You should encourage the people to attend Schools as the people are apparently prepared to accept the opportunity to attend Mission Schools.


(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

67-8-28 ✓



67-3-11

District Office,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

5th December, 1962

The Assistant District Officer,
AMANAB.

AMANAB PATROL REPORT NO. 2 of 62-63

Receipt of the abovenamed patrol report is acknowledged. Mr. Read has carried out an efficient patrol and has submitted an interesting report.

The matter of pond fish will be taken up with the Agricultural Officer posted to Vanimo, who will also look after the Amanab area.

R. A. Webb
(R. A. WEBB)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

→ c.c. The Director of Native Affairs, Konedobu
The District Commissioner, Wewak

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Sub-District Office,
AMANAB, Sepik District.

19th. November, 1962.

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

Amanab Patrol Report No. 2 of 62/63 - I.F. Read

1. Please find attached copies of the above report.
2. Since this patrol has been completed the first two miles of the road west from Amanab has been cleared and can be used by tractor and motorcycles. The people are responding at last to our exhortation and are developing a keen interest in developing the road.
3. Further to the remarks on livestock, I have been informed by Father Ignatius that the mission teacher at KAMBERATORO keeps Tilapia fish in a pond. The area seems to be suitable for extension of this type of fish culture or even Carp.
4. Mr. Read has carried out an efficient patrol and I know the Amanab people on the whole warmly welcomed his interest and visits after a fairly long period of neglect.

A.M. Bottrill
(A.M. Bottrill)
Assistant District Officer.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

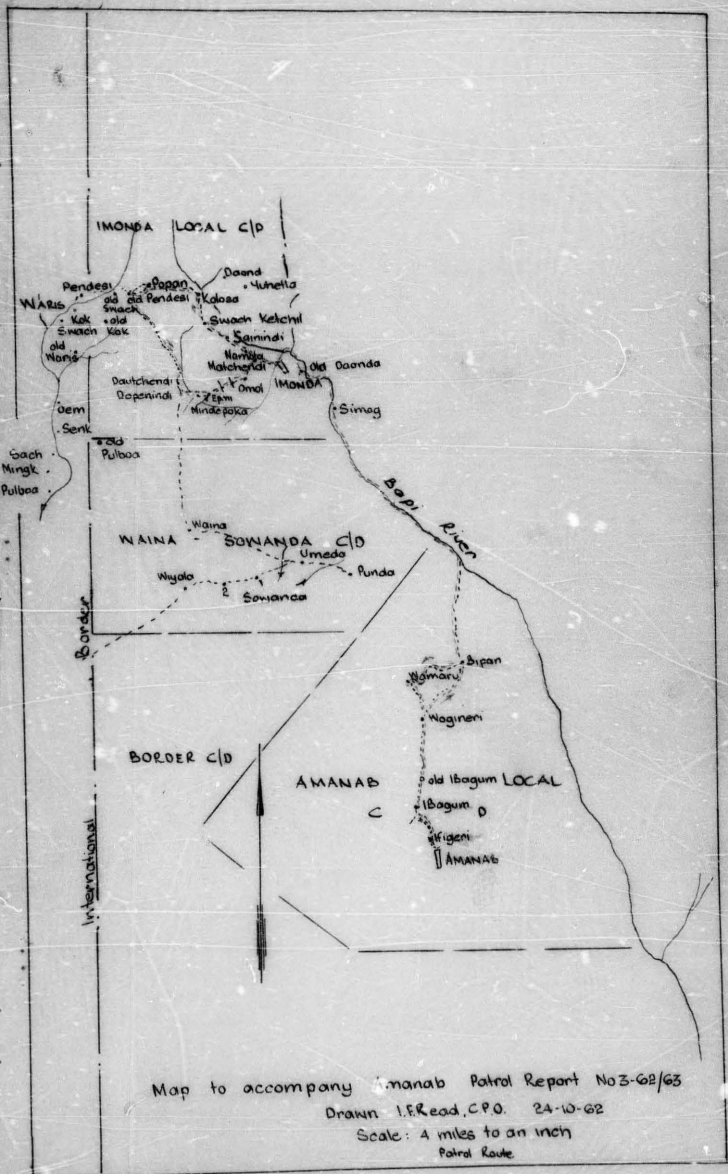
District of SEPIK Report No. AMANAB NO. 3 of 62/63
 Patrol Conducted by I. P. READ, C. P. O.
 Area Patrolled Imonda Local Census Division and part of the Amanab Local Census
DIVISION.
 Patrol Accompanied by Europeans W. JEFFERIES until 14/10/62
3 members R. P. & N. G. C.
 Natives interim visit
 Duration—From 2/10/1962 to 19/10/1962
 Number of Days Eighteen
 Did Medical Assistant Accompany? No.
 Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 6/1962
 Medical -/-/18-
 Map Reference Four Mile
 Objects of Patrol (1) To relieve the O.I.C. Imonda P.P. during at short absence.
(2) accompany Malaria Control team (1). Routine Administration.

Director of Native Affairs,
 PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

/ /19 _____
 District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation ... £.....
 Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....
 Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund



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7th March, 1963.

The District Officer,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

PATROL REPORT No. 1/1962-63
SHANAN

Receipt of the above mentioned Patrol Report is acknowledged with thanks.

Mr. Read appears to have given valuable assistance to the Health officer in his anti malarial activities and has apparently made very satisfactory contact with the people. I am most gratified to know that the people are accepting our Administration and appear quite happy. I am pleased to note that the Popon people have decided to remain in the Australian Territory and that the three men from Swach are now expected to return. The people should feel reassured on being advised that the Australian Catholic Mission was settling at Inonda and that a Priest would be around to see them in the near future.

The fact that the labourers appear to be keen is heartening and augurs well for the future. Action should be taken to ensure that stores facilities are available for people to spend their money.

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

MINUTE TO:

Director of Lands, Surveys & Mines,
KONEDOBU.

I would be grateful if you would provide 10 prints of this map.

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR.

67-8-27
11-3-63.

District Officer,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

Copies of map herewith.

(J.K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR OF NATIVE AFFAIRS.

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District Office,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

5th December, 1962

The Assistant District Officer,
AMANAB.

PATROL REPORT AMANAB NO. 3 of 62-63

The abovenamed patrol report, submitted by Mr. I. Road, Cadet Patrol officer, of his patrol accompanying the Malaria Control team, is to hand.

I believe there is now a trade store operated by the Catholic Mission at Imonda and this, I feel, will assist with the needs and the changing attitude of the Popan people.

The matter contained in your para. 4 I will take up with the District Commissioner and endeavour to ensure that such incidents will not occur in the future.

R. A. Webb
(R. A. WEBB)
ACTING DISTRICT OFFICER

→ c.c. The Director of Native Affairs, Konedobu.
The District Commissioner, Wewak

Sub-District Office,
AMANAB, Sepik District.

19th. November, 1962.

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District Officer,
Sepik District,
WEWAK.

Patrol Report AMANAB No. 3 of 62/63 - I.F.Read, C.P.O.
Imonda Local.

1. Please find attached copies of a report submitted by Mr. Read on his patrol accompanying the Malaria Control team
2. Remarks regarding the need for a trade store at IMONDA and the changed attitude of the POPAN people have significance in our border control thinking.
3. The obtaining of sunglasses for the albino child at EPMI is recommended.
4. I have learned since my return that Mr. Jefferies sent a Constable to Waris to purchase boots for him despite my instructions to police and Patrol Officers that no one should cross the border. This is to be deplored and I feel that field Officers of all Departments operating in border areas need written instructions on border movement limitations.

A.M. Botttrill
(A.M. Botttrill)
Assistant District Officer.

Patrol report-AMANAB No. 3 of 62/63.

DIARY:

Tuesday,
2/10/62.

Self, Mr. Jeffries Malaria Control 3 members R.P.&N.G.C. and fifty carriers departed Amanab at 1100 and moved across Amanab airstrip and along vehicular road for twenty minutes. Then continued over good native pad along crown of prominent ridge to arrive at TRACHM village at 1122. Continued over uncut native track to arrive at old TRACHM village site at 1210. Deserted- Rested and waited for carriers. 1310 departed and moved over native track to arrive at PINIP Ck. at 1330. Followed creek upstream for 15 minutes and then ascended steep ridge along a well cut track to arrive at WOGIDERTI Village at 1450. Small amount of native food purchased for carriers. 1505 departed and moved on to reach BIPAN at 1615. Village deserted. 1630 villagers began returning in small groups. A small amount of native foods purchased. Overnight in rest house.

Wednesday,
3/10/62.

0730 departed BIPAN and continued over muddy native pad, passing through many swampy patches, to arrive at the LOMBU River at 0855. Rested and waited for carriers. 0940 crossed Lombu River and moved over flat but muddy track to reach the BAPI River at 1130. Followed river upstream for 4 hour to arrive at SIMOG. Rested and waited for carriers. 1315 departed and continued upstream. crossing and recrossing the BAPI to arrive at old DAONDA village site on the western bank of the BAPI at 1545. Continued upstream to arrive at IMONDA at 1635 after crossing the USENGLA River. Carriers arrived at 1800. Overnight at IMONDA.

Thursday,
4/10/62.

0700 Roll call of station labourers-83 present. 65 labourers detailed to work on the airstrip the remainder working with the pitsawyers. Accompanied by S/Const ABRAM inspected Imonda station, including strip and pitsaw workings. 1200 station labourers paid up to date. 1230 Amanab carriers and one policeman despatched for Amanab with vouchers for £183-10-0. All afternoon spent on supervision of airstrip construction. 1700 Examined the ration supply. Decided that from tomorrow the labourers would have to feed themselves. Overnight in old rest house.

Friday,
5/10/62.

Roll call of Station labourers at 0700. All advised that as from today they would have to find their own food, but that an airdrop of rations was expected early next week. Mr Jeffries took blood slides of all present. 0800 Mr. Jeffries and party departed for DAONDA village to carry out DDT spraying and collection of blood slides. Small amount of fresh food purchased-mainly sago. Supervised strip construction untill 1200. 1330 prepared all paysheets for current week. 1700 Inspected police rifles. Discussion with Iuluai of Imonda village re the possibility of purchasing more native foods. Overnight.

Saturday,
6/10/62

0700 Roll call of station labourers. 1610 departed IMONDA and moved southerly along

a native pad up a small hill to arrive at TMONDA village site at 0830. Mr. Jefferies and party commenced spraying all buildings and collection of blood slides. Self climbed steep limestone mountain where about thirty houses are precariously perched around its slopes. 1130 work completed and moved back down to Tmonda Station. 1210 Spoke to Amanab per A51 C radio and was advised that a DC3 airdrop of rations could be expected on Monday. Overnight at TMONDA.

Sunday,
7/10/62.
Monday,
8/10/62.

Observed at Tmonda.

0700 Roll call of station labourers. 0800 forest prepared at the four corners of the strip in preparation for the airdrop. Supervised work on the airstrip until 1200. 1230 all labourers moved onto small hill at the S.E. end of the strip in readiness for drop. 1520 DC3 arrived and carried out drop. Eleven runs in all. Checked rations that were dropped until 1830. Overnight at Tmonda.

Tuesday,
9/10/62.

0700 Roll call of station labourers. Supervision of airstrip construction-commenced today's work at the 1000 feet peg.

Wednesday,
10/10/62.

0700 Station roll call. Letter forwarded per runner to the Officer-in-Charge Waris enquiring when the malaria DDT spray round was last carried out in his area and also informing him of our intention to spray the Tmonda area. 0805 Departed Tmonda, intending to meet Mr. Jefferies, who left Monday, at NAMOLA. Crossed the USUNGLA River and continued westerly over muddy native pad to arrive at NAMOLA at 1000. Spoke to Lulual and several villagers. Eight more men agreed to come and work at Tmonda commencing next Monday. 1150 departed and continued along ridge to arrive at SAININDI at 1240-deserted-continued on to reach SWACH at 1315. Spoke to officials and a few men who advised that Mr. Jefferies had moved on to KOLOSA. 1415 departed and descended into large valley to arrive at KOLOSA at 1515. Advised by native school teacher that Mr. Jefferies had just left POBAN. Ascended steep hill to arrive at POBAN at 1600. Only a few people present. Malaria team sprayed all buildings. At 1700 continued up hill to arrive at old PENDESI village site at 1720. 1730 Lulual of POBAN arrived to inform that all his villagers would be assembled in the village tomorrow morning. 1800 Mr. SAMBA a Bouan Patrol Officer from Waris arrived. Mr. Samba advised that he is also in charge of Malaria control for his area and after hearing of our intentions had begun spraying his area also. Discussions in the evening with Mr. SAMBA and Mr. Jefferies. Overnight in rest house.

Thursday,
11/10/62.

0700 Malaria teams working at old PENDESI. Self moved back down to POBAN where people were already assembled. Discussion with people and officials. 1130 Set off back to old PENDESI arriving 1200. Mr. Samba departed for Waris. Self and party moved southerly over uncut native pad to arrive at DAUCHEMDI at 1340. Village deserted. Discussion with native teacher. Overnight in rest house.

Friday,
12/10/62.

0800 People of DAUFCHENDI, TOKENTINDI and DOPENINDI assembled and addressed. 250 persons present in all. Malaria team commenced spraying while Mr. Jefferies collected blood slides of all present. 1225 Departed and moved over native pad to arrive at MINDEPOKA at 1350. Village surveyed, people assembled and addressed and blood slides collected by Mr. Jefferies. 1450 departed and descended into valley to arrive at EMI at 1555. People assembled and addressed and malaria control work carried out. 1720 Departed and ascended steep hill to arrive at OMOT at 1810. Village deserted-continued on to reach NAMOLA at 1910. Few people present. A small quantity of native food purchased. Overnight in resthouse.

Saturday,
13/10/62.

0730 departed NAMOLA and proceeded over native pad toward TMONDA. Captain MORRISON and a Platoon of F.I.R. troops met on track. Continued on to reach TMONDA at 1040. Malaria team sprayed all station buildings. Overnight at TMONDA.

Sunday,
14/10/62.

0700 Mr. Jefferies and party departed to return to Amanab. Observed.

Monday,
15/10/62.

Roll call of station labourers at 0700. 0800 Preparation of report on DCI airdrop. All outstanding pay sheets typed out. Afternoon spent supervising clearing of airstrip and marking out the sections to be next cleared. Overnight at Tmonda.

Tuesday,
16/10/62.

0700 Station roll call. 22 more labourers present. Total over 100. Instructions given for building materials to be collected. The rest of the morning spent supervising airstrip construction. 1330 Preparations made for movement to Amanab tomorrow. One policeman sent ahead to inform the people of BIPAN, WAMARU and MOGINERI that census would be carried out on the way back to Amanab. Overnight.

Wednesday,
17/10/62.

0715 Accompanied by Captain Morrison and his platoon of P.T.R. troops (C Company) followed BAPI River downstream arriving at SIMOG at 1030. P.T.R. set up camp near SIMOG village. 1045 Self and party departed and proceeded down the BAPI for one hour then left the River and moved westerly along very muddy native track to arrive at BIPAN at 1615. Small amount of native food purchased. Overnight in rest house.

Thursday,
18/10/62.

0700 Village inspected, people assembled and addressed and census carried out. Good attendance. 1200 departed BIPAN and proceeded over small uncut track passing through numerous limestone outcrops to reach WAMARU at 1430. Carriers arrived 1545. Villagers already assembled. Village inspected, people addressed and census carried out. Later discussion with officials and other men regarding a possible road direct to TMONDA from WAMARU. Overnight in rest house.

Friday,
19/10/52.

0730 departed WAMARU and moved over well maintained native track to arrive at WOGTNERI village at 0825. Village inspected, people assembled and addressed and census carried out. 1100 Mr. A. Dewar Medical Assistant from Amanab arrived to give Small-Pox vaccinations. This done we departed at 1215 for Amanab arriving at 1530, passing en-route the old and the new TRAGUM village sites.

END OF DIARY.

Native Affairs: While accompanying the Malaria Control team the writer hurried through the Imonda area spending only sometimes an hour in each village. However, from these short visits, the co-operation shown by the villagers and officials indicate the people have accepted our administration and appear quite happy. No complaints or crimes were reported to the patrol.

The patrol was informed by the teacher from KOLOSA that the Lulua of POPAN had recently collected the Commonwealth Ensign left at KOLOSA for his village by Mr. Bottrill. In later discussions with the officials and villagers of POPAN it was found that they have now decided to remain in the existing village. They stated that after previously being informed they were living in Australian Territory, their first thought was to re-settle in West Papua. However, they, after having spoken to men who have been working on the Imonda airstrip are now quite content to stay. Also by moving across the border they would lose all their land. Three men only have migrated to SWACH in West Papua but these are now expected to return in a week or so.

Twenty three people were found to be living at old PENDESI village site. Here the patrol met Mr. Samba at Patrol Officer from Waris who is also in charge of Malaria control for his area. Having received word of our spray round he had decided to do his. Interpretation was somewhat difficult as he spoke only Malay. However, he said that after he had completed his area he came to PENDESI to assist, and advise the villages he had already sprayed. These villages included old PULROA, old KOK and old Swach which are all situated in our Territory. He claims these are in the area his superiors told him to spray. He stated that all these villages are now deserted but the people make frequent trips back from West Papua to gather food from their gardens. Of the 23 people found at old PENDESI eight live more or less permanently there. The others only returning to gather food.

Medical and Health:

A native Hospital Orderly accompanied the patrol and examined all villagers present in every village visited. Numerous small sores and ulcers were treated.

In the Imonda Local Census Division twenty five cases of scabies were treated. These all occurring in young children. *Tinia Ambicatus* (Grilli) is verily prevalent in this area. At EPMI village 100% of the female population seen and most of the children were found to be suffering from this complaint. Also at EPMI a male albino child of about thirteen years was found. His skin is pure white as is his hair. Eyes are blue. He cannot see in sunlight, walking always with his eyes shaded by his hand. It is suggested that a pair of sunglasses be obtained and forwarded to him.

Whilst at Imonda Patrol Post two men cut themselves with axes while working on the airstrip, both requiring stitches. These two cases in such a short period of time indicate the necessity for a Hospital Orderly permanently at Imonda.

Malaria Eradication.

Mr. Jefferies and his team from Malaria Control visited all villages in the Imonda Local Census Division, spraying all buildings with a D.D.T. solution. 4200 blood slides were also collected so as to determine the amount of malaria in the area. Mr. Jefferies stated that his visit was highly successful.

Roads and Bridges.

There are no vehicular road or bridges in this area. All native pads and tracks were found to be reasonably well maintained. The track from old PENDESI to DAUPCHENDI is not the usual route used by Administration officials and was therefore uncut and muddy. When enquiring at WAMARU about a route ~~direct~~ direct from there to Imonda I was informed that the people of WAMARU had allready cut and cleared this new track as far as their land boundary. If this route could be used it would save the strenuous walk along the Sapi River.

Houses and Villages:

The village of Imonda is most unusual in so much as about thirty houses are precariously situated on the slopes of a steep limestone mountain.

The houses are built on stilts which are not embedded in the ground but placed on the rocks only and look anything but secure. Houses are small and have one room only. In the rest of the Imonda Local Census Division housing although not of a particularly high standard is adequate. Most of the villages are fenced to keep out pigs.

All villages except Dautchendi were found to be reasonably clean and tidy. Dautchendi was in a shocking state. However, the people explained that they are in the process of rebuilding their village on the same site.

The villages in the Amanab area were found to be clean. At WAMARU there are three old houses to be replaced.

On the outskirts of all villages was found a rest house. Most of these are old and need replacing.

Education and Mission: The four schools at DAUTCHENDI, EMI, NAMOLA and KOLOSA subsidised by the West Papuan Government are still in operation with attendance the same as before the Australian Government took over the area. Because of the hurried nature of the patrol the writer was unable to enter into discussions with the teachers. However, they were all advised that the Australian Catholic Mission was settling at Imonda and no doubt the priest would be around to see them in the near future.


Progress Imonda Patrol Post. The major task of clearing vegetation and roots from the airstrip site is now completed from the 500 feet peg to the 2400 feet mark. This section now being ready for levelling and forming. At about the 1200 feet mark water was noticed to be seeping up and lying near the surface of the ground. This section will need to be drained. Two small hills are situated at the south eastern approach of the strip and may limit it to one way operations. See appendix 'A'.

Three pit sawyers have commenced work on sawing timber for the Officer-in-Charge's residence, but as yet no great quantity of timber has been cut.

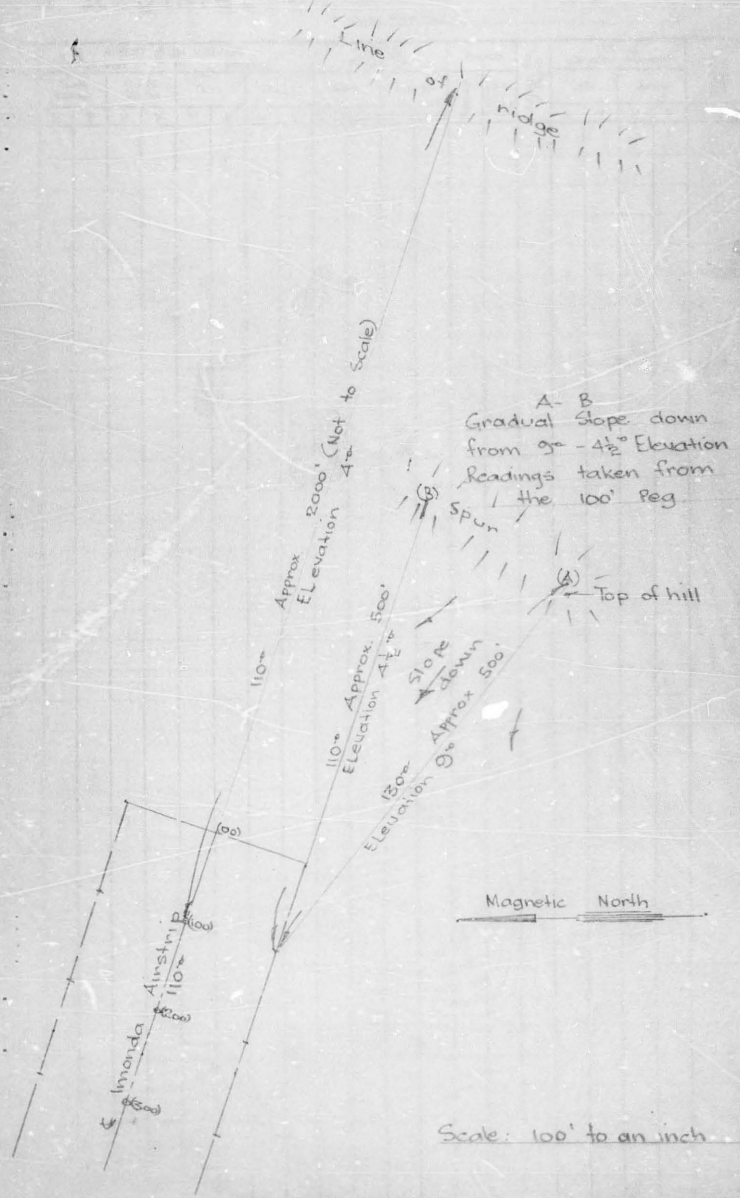
Police barracks are now completed.

The average Station labour force is about 35. However, when food became short and the people had to feed themselves this number dropped to about 35 to 40. The labourers appear keen but are not very skillful and require constant supervision. Two Local men namely, Moses a pidgin speaker from NAMOLA and Amos the Lulua of Imonda, are very helpful in organising and supervising labour.

Conclusion: From the actions and behaviour of the Imonda natives it would appear that the establishment of a Patrol Post by our Administration is supported and accepted. The only complaint from the labour force was that they are earning money but have no place to spend it. If the Catholic Mission settles at Imonda and opens a trade store this should solve this small problem. Otherwise the people will most certainly go to the stores at Waris in West Papua.


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(T.F. Read, S.P.O.)

APPENDIX 'A'





TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of... **SEPIK** Report No. **AMA. 4 of 1962/63.**

Patrol Conducted by **Mr. Rowland. P. Kekedo, Assistant Patrol Officer.**

Area Patrolled... **BEMBI Census Division.**

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans **Mr. M. Lewis. (Medical Student, Adelaide Uni.)**

Natives **4 members R.F. & N.G.C.**
1 Aid Post Orderly.

Duration—From... **7./...1./19.63 to 24./...1./1963.**

Number of Days **Eighteen Days. (18)**

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? **Yes.**

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services... **10./19.61.**

Medical ... **7./18.61.**

Map Reference **See accompanying map of patrol.**

Objects of Patrol **(1) To revise census and to compile information on
Common Roll (11) Routine Administration.**

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

101 5/1963.

[Signature]
District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation ... £.....
Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund £.....
Amount Paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund
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67-8-53.

July 29th, 1963.

The District Officer,
North Sepik District,
WEWAK

PATROL REPORT No. 4 - 62/63 - AMANAB

Receipt of the above mentioned patrol report is acknowledged with thanks.

2. It is regrettable that a patrol carried out in January was not recorded until the end of April. I note you have taken action to ensure this does not recur.
3. It appears that the people are responding very well to medical services. Constant patrolling will tend to stabilise the people.
4. It is gratifying to note that throughout the area the patrol was well received. No doubt the influence of constant patrolling has been felt. The people should be encouraged to plant the large community garden on the land between Watape and Kilifas - it can be regarded as a form of economic development as food will be saleable at the Imonda Patrol Post.
5. A good record of a thorough patrol.


(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

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District Office,
Sepik District,
NEWAK.

17th May, 1963

The Assistant District Officer,
AMANAB.

PATROL REPORT AMANAB NO. 4 -1962/63

I will not accept excuses on the failure to write a patrol report, please inform Mr. Kekedo of this.

This patrol carried out in January and submitted to me for comment in May is useless.

J. F. Wakeford
(J. F. WAKEFORD)
DISTRICT OFFICER - NORTH SEPIK

→ c.c. The Director of Native Affairs, Konedobu

Sub-District Office ,
AMANAB.

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26th. April 1963 .

The District Officer ,
WERNAK.

PATROL REPORT AMA. No. 4 - 1962/63.

Please find attached , original and one copy of a report on a patrol to the BEMBI census division , carried out by Mr. Assistant Patrol Officer R.Kekedo . The patrol was accompanied by Mr.M.Lewis , medical student .

NATIVE AFFAIRS.

The people of KILIPAS are not desirous of moving to a new site closer to IMONDA . As reported , they are only interested in the cultivation of a large communal garden on their own land . As regards the sale of foods to IMONDA , any foodstuffs brought in , will , of course , be purchased . However , due to the walking distance involved , some eight hours , and the number of streams to be crossed on route , requests for supply of foods should not be made .

Vis its to WARIS by SIMOG and WATAPE natives have now ceased . Trade store facilities are available at IMONDA . These will be improved considerably with the opening of the airstrip . Also , an economic survey is currently being undertaken to investigate ways and means of expanding consumer store facilities .

NEBIKI hamlet has now been incorporated in TAMINA No. 1 village . This is a satisfactory arrangement as their hamlet is located only a mile upstream from TAMINA No. 1 . The reasons for the proposed move of TAMINA No. 2 village from its present site , are not clear and I am having the matter further investigated . You will be advised of results in due course .

The report indicates that the patrol was very well received by the BEMBI people and their attitude towards the Administration can be classed as good .

HEALTH.

Sanitation and disposal of rubbish leaves much to be desired . The medical assistant has perused the report and will shortly send an orderly through the area for the express purpose of effecting improvement in this regard . It is pleasing to see the Aid Post at KILIPAS being maintained . I shall arrange to have the medical orderly at IMONDA make regular visits .

EDUCATION.

Facilities are sadly lacking and , due to the long distances between villages and the absence of any central , sizeable group , I can suggest no immediate solution other than to urge the Missions to visit and supervise their catechist schools at more regular intervals . Consideration will be given to the enrolment of several BEMBI men at the AMANAB technical school .

COMMON ROLL.

Sheets have been compiled and are held here pending advice from headquarters .


GENERAL.

Mr. Kekedo has submitted a neat , concise and well presented report , well above average for an officer of his short experience . It is marred only by the length of time that has elapsed between the

completion of the patrol and submission of the report . The officer proceeded on leave during this period . Mr. Kekede has attached a memo to his report which I am forwarding . He has been requested to ensure prompt submission of future reports .

Claim for camping allowance is attached .

Forwarded please .


E. J. Hanrahan
Assistant District Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.

Sub-District Office,
AMANAB,
Sepik District.

22nd April, 1963.

The District Officer,
District Office,
W E W A K.

PATROL REPORT No. AMA. 4 of 1962/63.

PREAMBLE: The above numbered report is hereby submitted.
The area patrolled was the Bambi Census Division
of the Amanab Sub-District.

OBJECTS OF PATROL:

The instructions given were carried out. The main
aims were:

(i) To revise census and to compile information
on the Common Roll.

(ii) Routine Administration.

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL:

Mr. R.P.Kekedo, Assistant Patrol Officer.

PERIOD OF PATROL:

7/1/63 to 24/1/63.

ACCOMPANYING PERSONNEL:

Mr. M. Lewis, European Medical Assistant.

R.P. & N.G.C., MEMBERS:

No. 8236 Const. BARY, 12/1/63 to 24/1/63.

No. 8305 Const. KALYO, 7/1/63 to 24/1/63.

No. 9510 Const. NARA, 7/1/63 to 24/1/63.

No. 11077 Const. GUATOROM, 7/1/63 to 24/1/63.

P.H.D: TWOZIKONE, Aid Post Orderly (IMONDA.P.P.)

LAST NATIVE AFFAIRS PATROL:

October, 1961.

MAP REFERENCE: See accompanying map of patrol.

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PATROL REPORT AMA. No. 4 of 1962/63.

PATROL DIARY.

JANUARY, 1963.

Monday, 7th.

Departed Amanab at 1100 hours en-route BEMBI Patrol via IMONDA Patrol Post. Arrived WAMURU at 1600 hours (rest time included). Track was very poor and not maintained, especially the WOGINERI and IBAGUM sections of the track. Made camp at WAMURU. Food supply very poor but people very co-operative. Walking Time: 4 hours.

Tuesday, 8th.

Left WAMURU at 0830 hours for IMONDA Patrol Post. After walking for one and a half hours patrol arrived at a creek and rested. Followed creek for an hour and arrived at the Rombo River. Self continued on ahead of the carriers, arriving at IMONDA Patrol Post at 1530 hours. Track from Rombo River to IMONDA was very wet and muddy owing to heavy rains the previous night. Met O.I.C., at IMONDA and made camp. E.M.A., Lewis and carriers arrived some two hours later. Walking Time: 6 hours.

Wednesday, 9th.

At IMONDA. Medical Assistant Mr. M. Lewis carried out small-pox vaccinations, while self checked on labour line from the BEMBI area for statistic purposes. Vaccinations were given to both the BEMBI people away from their villages and the IMONDA Locals who weren't vaccinated previously. Slept at IMONDA.

Thursday, 10th.

Early morning showers held up immediate movements of patrol to SIMOG (first village of the BEMBI Census Division). Carriers organised and departed at 1000 hours while E.M.A., and self left two and a half hours later -- at 1230 hours for SIMOG, arrived at 1530 hours. Track mainly following the stony banks of the Bapi River and crossing the river several times. Met village officials and inspected village with Medical Assistant. Village clean and tidy but sanitation very poor. Slept at SIMOG. Walking Time: 3 hours.

Friday, 11th.

a.m. revised census. Medical Assistant Mr. M. Lewis examined inhabitants and gave treatments when necessary. Addressed people and informed people of the new Sub-District organisation. Good attendance and no complaints were received. People very co-operative. Patrol departed at 1015 hours for WATAPE. Road found very muddy and unmaintained. Arrived WATAPE at 1235 hours. Met and talked to village officials and inspected village in company of MR. Lewis, E.M.A., village clean and tidy but sanitation poor. Census revised in the late afternoon, and people were medically examined by Mr. Lewis and those in need of close medical attention were instructed to Amanab hospital. People addressed and no complaints were received.

PATROL DIARY CONT'D.

JANUARY, 1963.

- Friday, 11th. People obliging. Plentiful supply of fresh native vegetables. Conversd with people at night. Slept.
Walking Time: 2 hours 50 minutes.
- Saturday, 12th. Departed WATAPE at 0845 hours for KILIFAS (FAS No.1), arrived at 1450 hours. Walking was mainly up and down streams but the little tracks that existed were found to be cut and well maintained. Met village officials and found that people were still away in their gardens getting food. Inspected village with Medical Assistant. Village fair and sanitation good. Conversd with the people in the evening. Slept.
Walking Time: 6 hours.
- Sunday, 13th. At KILIFAS (FAS No.1). Observed. In the late afternoon discussed rumour heard about people wishing to move the village to a new site closer to IMONDA. All seem to decline. It was advised that the people were making a large community garden at the edge of their land mark and the WATAPE land so as they'll be much closer to IMONDA to carry in fresh native vegetables if required. The people said they did not intend shifting the village. Slept at KILIFAS (FAS No.1).
- Monday, 14th. a.m. revised census and Mr. Lewis Medical Assistant examined the people and treated those who needed it and others referred to Amanab hospital. Talked to people, no complaints were received. Left for FUGUMUI at 1045 hours, arrived at 1145 hours. Village inspected with Medical Assistant and village in very poor condition. Heavy rain in the early afternoon held any work to be carried out. Conversd with village officials in the evening. Slept at FUGUMUI.
Walking Time: 1 hour.
- Tuesday, 15th. Revised census at a.m. People addressed and were medically examined by the Medical Assist. Good attendance and people found very co-operative and helpful. No complaints. Departed for FUGARI at 1015 hours. Once again mainly river walking and tracks that existed were well kept and maintained. Arrived FUGARI at 1300 hours. Met and spoke to village officials and inspected village with Mr. Lewis. Village clean and tidy and sanitation good. Unable revise census due to heavy rain during the afternoon. Plentiful supply of fresh vegetables. Slept at FUGARI.
Walking Time: 2 hours 30 minutes.
- Wednesday, 16th. a.m. revised census and Medical Assistant examined inhabitants and gave small-pox vaccinations as was carried out in the last four villages. Addressed people, no complaints.

PATROL DIARY CONT'D.

JANUARY, 1963.

Wednesday, 16th.

Self departed first at 1000 hours to FAS No. 2 with two members of R.P. & N.G.C., to apprehend a couple of men on previous complaints of alleged assault and adultery cases. No trace of the persons concerned. Village inspected. Village and sanitation very poor. Revised census in the afternoon and addressed people. Inhabitants were medically examined and small-pox vaccinations were given by the Medical Assistant. Further investigations were carried out on the alleged assault and adultery complaints. Village officials instructed to find the persons concerned and to report at TAMINA No. 1. Plentiful supply of fresh food and people found very co-operative. Slept at FAS No. 2.
Walking Time: 30 minutes.

Thursday, 17th.

Departed FAS No.2 at 0845 hours for TAMINA No. 1. Arrived at 1000 hours. Track mainly on the banks of the Fine River. Met village officials and inspected village with the Medical Assistant Mr. H. Lewis. Village fairly clean and tidy - new houses under construction. Proceeded to a new hamlet of TAMINA No. 1 known as NEBIKE, upstream about 15 minutes. Village clean and tidy and new houses also under construction. All assembled at TAMINA No.1 and census was revised. People addressed and medical examinations were carried out by the Medical Assistant. Small-pox vaccinations were also given to the people. No complaints were received. Lulwai and Tutul of FAS No. 2 arrived with the wanted persons. All were instructed to Amanab for court hearing by the A.D.O. People very helpful. Good attendance and fresh food, plentiful. Slept.
Walking Time: FAS No.2 to TAMINA No. 1
1 hour 15 minutes.
TAMINA No.1 to NEBIKE and back
30 minutes.

Friday, 18th.

Departed TAMINA No. 1 at 0835 hours for FAS No. 3/TAMINA No.2. After 20 minutes following the Fikifiki Creek a steep climb was confronted. No track really existed and the track had not been used for some years. Small bush pads were followed and fresh tracks had to be cut as the patrol moved on. Walking became monotonous. After six hours of actual walking (rest of the time cutting a track not included) up and down razor sharp ridges, patrol set up bush camp on the banks of the Semu River. Carriers and self all tired and exhausted. Slept.
Walking Time: 6 hours 25 minutes.

PATROL DIARY CONT'D.

JANUARY, 1963.

Saturday, 19th.

Left bush camp at 0755 hours for FAS No. 3-TAMINA No. 2. The Semu River was followed for almost half of the way over boulders, than it was up steep mountains slopes. This being the fringes of the Bewani Mountains. After cutting our way over old native pads the patrol arrived at 1520 hours in heavy rain. Met village officials from both villages and inspected villages. Villages found very untidy and not well kept. Conversated with people in the evening. Good supply of fresh native vegetables. Slept.
Walking Time: Bush camp to FAS No.3/TAMINA No.2
7 hours 30 minutes.

Sunday, 20th.

At FAS No. 3/TAMINA No. 2. Revised census at 0930 hours and Medical Assistant carried out vaccinations and examined inhabitants. Talked to people and no complaints were received. Compiled census figures and observed. Late in the evening discussed the wishes of the people of TAMINA No.2 wanting to return to their old village and to be on their own land as they do not wish to remain in joint forces with FAS No.3 any longer. The old village being half way between TAMINA No. 1 and FAS No. 3. Most were in favour of returning except the Lulual and his family who are remaining at FAS No. 3. No objections were received from anyone.

Monday, 21st.

Departed FAS No. 3 at 0852 hours, arrived ATAMINA at 1000 hours. Met village officials and patrol split. Mr. M. Lewis E.M.A., was left at ATAMINA to later proceed to WURABAI while self left for UTAI at 1005 hours, arrived at 1130 hours. Waited for people to return from their gardens. At 1300 hours 15 more people were given their small-pox vaccinations who missed out previously and then proceeded to EKAS. Village found deserted. Waited for some two hours but their was no sign of anyone so patrol returned to UTAI. Slept at UTAI.
Walking Time: 3 hours 50 minutes.

Tuesday, 22nd.

Left UTAI at 0805 hours, track well maintained and fairly easy going. Arrived FINAMOI at 1115 hours. Met village officials and inspected village. All well, village clean and tidy. Aid Post Orderly Iwo/Thora gave small-pox vaccinations to 23 more inhabitants. Proceeded to ITOMI and PIEMI at 1230 hours. Track set and well maintained. Arrived ITOMI at 1545 hours and continued on to PIEMI, arriving at 1600 hours. People from ITOMI assembled at PIEMI and all who missed out on their small-pox vaccinations were vaccinated by the Aid Post Orderly. Slept.
Walking Time: 6 hours 25 minutes.

PATROL DIARY CONT'D.

JANUARY, 1963.

Wednesday, 23rd.

Departed PIEMI at 0800 hours for BAIKAI. Arrived at 0930 hours. Small-pox vaccinations were given by Aid Post Orderly. 12 more were vaccinated. Village clean and tidy. Proceeded on to YEEDIBI at 1045 hours, arrived at 1245 hours. Vaccinations were carried out to better the previous results; 22 more persons were vaccinated. Slept at YEEDIBI.
Walking Time: 3 hours 30 minutes.

Thursday, 24th.

Left YEEDIBI at 0800 hours en-route to Amanab via AKRAMINAG, NAMBAINERI and YIMOR. Arrived Amanab Station at 1500 hours. Track only partly maintained. Paid all carriers and typed out the contingencies.
Actual Walking Time: 5 hours 30 minutes.

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INTRODUCTIONS

After being verbally instructed to proceed on the BEMBI Census Division patrol, preparations were made and the patrol departed on Monday the 7th of January, 1963. This patrol was conducted by the writer and approximately two and a half weeks was spent in the area. A total of nine villages were visited and the patrol made it a point of sleeping in every village.

The main objects of the patrol were as follows:

- (1) To revise census and to compile information on the Common Roll.
- (2) To advice people of the newly established Amanab Sub-District and its organisation.
- (3) Small-pox vaccinations to be given.
- (4) Routine Administration.

Throughout the area the patrol was well received. The people were found ready and awaiting the patrol's arrival with ease, as they have seen quite a number of patrols from the Aitape Sub-District and also Army patrols often through the area.

Mr. M. Lewis a Medical Student from the Adelaide University accompanied the patrol. He examined the inhabitants at every village and treated those who were in need of it. All other cases for further medical treatment were referred to the Amanab Hospital.

The census was well attended and those who were found absent were mainly those away at work outside their own Sub-District or on plantations in other Districts.

Rest houses were found in every village and no camps had to be built. There was an adequate supply of fresh foods for the patrol. People throughout the entire BEMBI area were very co-operative and helpful towards the patrol.

NATIVE AFFAIRS:

The inhabitants of the various villages visited in the BEMBI area were found to be quite favourable. It was noticeable that preparations were made long before the patrols visit.

This was the first time the writer visited the area and from the information left in the village books by the previous patrolling officers it was found that the area has been under the administration control for some time and the village officials generally were carrying out the responsibilities they had to fulfil.

The people were found to be well ahead of the Amanab locals, this being due to the fact that patrols passed through the area at least once a year. This being a normal census and administration patrol by the Department of Native Affairs. Army patrols are often seen through the area too and thus the people have a fairly good knowledge of what is expected of them.

Talks were given to the people on general Administration policy and the people also advised of the recent movements in West New Guinea. The people did not appear to be worried or disturbed. There were, however, a couple of marriages between the people of SIMOG and WATAPE with the people of WARIS (West New Guinea). People from both villages were also found to visit WARIS on shopping tours.

NATIVE AFFAIRS CONT'D: Complaints received during the course of the patrol were very few and most of the complaints laid were rather minor in nature so these were settled immediately with the people. One complaint which was made at the station by a native from ALAMINA (Kwomtari West Census Division) was investigated on at FAS No. 2. This was a case in which three men were involved in, two for actually committing adultery and the other for assault. All three were instructed to proceed to Amanab for court hearing by the Assistant District Officer. This being the only major complaint.

It was also realised that the people were starting to neglect their villages since the last patrol was in October, 1961. When the people were asked, all they said was that they use to have an Administration patrol every year but since an year had elapsed they thought that the Administration had forgotten them. Explanations were made on Administration Policy as simply as possible and the people were seen to be quite happy and satisfied.

While at IMONDA Patrol Post en-route to the BEMBI area the Officer-in-Charge advised that the people of KILIFAS (FAS No.1) wished to shift their village to a new site. This was investigated but the people were found to decline to the idea and did not wish to move to a new site. The whole idea was they were planning to make a large community garden on their land half way between WATAPE and KILIFAS (FAS No.1) and a man selected to look after it. This was to cut down the walking distance to IMONDA, carrying in fresh food when required. The whole matter was discussed with the people and all other thoughts settled.

The Village Officials generally had a fair knowledge of what was expected of them and carried out their little responsibilities quite satisfactorily.. The people in turn have a fair knowledge of law and order.

During the talks the people were very attentive and showed great interest to all that was said to them.

AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK: The subsistence agriculture of the area was found to be only fair. Vegetables were not of a very high quality but the people grew enough to supply their own needs and they would be unable to supply the needs of others for any length of times.

Sago is the staple food of the area and next being bananas. Other crops such as taro, yams, tapiok and potatoes are also grown but in very small quantities. At the village of FAS No. 2 good quality ripe bananas were brought but again in very small amounts. No emphasis was made on Economic Development. The main source of income in the area however was through the sale of labour and many of these were working on plantations.

Very few pigs were seen nor fowls either. It seems that people have no interest in breeding any livestock and depend mainly on wild game for their meat. In fact this area has a lot of wild game such as pigs, wild fowls, possums, emus etc.

This area also has a lot to improve on in the field of Agriculture and since an Agricultural Officer has been posted to the Sub-District help could be obtained from him.

MEDICAL AND HEALTH:

The only medical services in the area was found to be at the Aid Post at KILIFAS (FAS No.1) which got its medical supplies from VANIMO when the BEMBI was still under the Aitape Sub-District. This has since been closed owing to staff shortage. However a Medical Tultul advised that he was still manning the Post. People in the area could now obtain medical treatment from the Amanab hospital or from the Aid Post at IMONDA Patrol Post..

It was surprising to find the Aid Post at KILIFAS (FAS No.1) to be well supplied with medicines and the necessary instruments. The instruments have since then been withdrawn by Mr. M. Lewis, Medical Assistant and taken to Amanab as they have not been used for some time.

Health in general was fair and the physique of the people was quite good.

At the village of FUGARI it was reported that not so long ago there was an conjunctivitis epidemic which lasted for at least a couple of weeks and few cases were also found in the area. Their was a wide range of diseases and the figures are quoted in Mr. Lewis' medical report. Those referred to Amanab hospital were:

- 2 with yaws
- 2 with tropical ulcers
- 4 suspected T.B.
- 8 with nutritional diseases

All other cases were treated at the villages.

Sanitation was very poor throughout. Toilets were non-existent and Village Officials strongly instructed to do something about it before the next patrol. The hygiene of the villages was fair but again all refuses are discarded in the back yards rubbish holes were once again put forward to them. This is yet to be seen by the next patrol into the area.

Small-pox vaccinations were also given and there was a 100% coverage. On completion of the patrol into the BEMBI the patrol proceeded into the KWONTARI area en-route to Amanab to better the previous small-pox vaccination results. A further 91 were vaccinated in part of the KWONTARI West Division.

ROADS AND BRIDGES:

During the wet season it would be dangerous for one to patrol the BEMBI without taking any precautions. Roads in the area for most of the way follow rivers and creeks. However, the little tracks that existed were found to be well kept and maintained and due to some heavy rains the tracks were found very muddy and slippery. The track which caused a bit of difficulty was from TAMINA No.1 to FAS No.3. In which case there was no road except for old native hunting pads and the actual track had been left uncut for quite some time.

This being the only unmaintained track while the other short tracks were well maintained throughout.

Bridges do not exist in the area except for a few one man crossings which consists of one or two logs.

En-route to Amanab the track was also found ~~to~~ well kept and maintained.

EDUCATION:

The only means of education was provided by the Catholic Mission at VANIMO and now at IMONDA and also the Christian Mission of Many Lands at Amanab. This however does not cater for the peoples need.

At KILIFAS (FAS No.1), TAMINA No.1 and FAS No.3 there are Catechist schools but these are not run properly and supervision is impossible owing to the distance from either Amanab, Imonda, and Vanimo by foot.

At present only at least six are attending school while the others remain at home to follow the footsteps of their forefathers. The need of education was stressed to the people but again the cry is the schools are too far away for our children to go etc.

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The Catholic Mission has the strongest influence in the BEMBI area and on the the fringes are the C.M.M.L., Mission. The priests from the VANIMO side patrol the area and give religious instructions, now this area will be looked after by the priest at IMONDA which is included as part of his flock. This being the only two missions in the area.

VILLAGES AND HOUSING:

The outlook of the villages was quite satisfactory although some of the villages were easily noticed to be neglected for some time until the word was received of the patrols visit. The villages concerned were EUGUMUI and FAS No.3 and TAMINA No.2. Villages were found to be cleaned at the very last minute.

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Houses were good in FUGARI, KILIFAS (FAS No.1), FAS No.2, and TAMINA No.1. Many new houses were seen under construction, as for FUGUMUI, FAS No.3 and TAMINA No.2 the village officials were instructed to have new houses built by the next patrol. Both villages of SIMOG and WATAPE have large community dwellings in which about six closely related people share the house which has quite a number of rooms.

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PATROL MAP:

See accompanying map of patrol.

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APPENDIX "A"

COMMON ROLL

After carrying out revision of census the Common Roll was then compiled. The total population of the area being 989 and a total of were listed with the necessary information for the Common Roll. At least 72 of these are away at work outside their own home districts or inside their own home district. Many could not be located of whereabouts were they working and this information could not be given by the people themselves.

Quite a few were recorded absent in the bush and these people were not sighted but from the some of village information they seem to still exist so everything was put down.

The people co-operated well in getting all the necessary information.

APPENDIX "B"

CENSUS:

This was the first census carried out from Amanab and this only included nine villages as the other five villages have now been included in the KWMTARI West Census Division. The total figure for the nine villages was 989. During the course of the census five duplicate names were found, this being from the villages of : (i) WATAPE - 3 duplicate names
(ii) KILIFAS(FAS No.1) - 2 duplicate names.

The census was well attended.

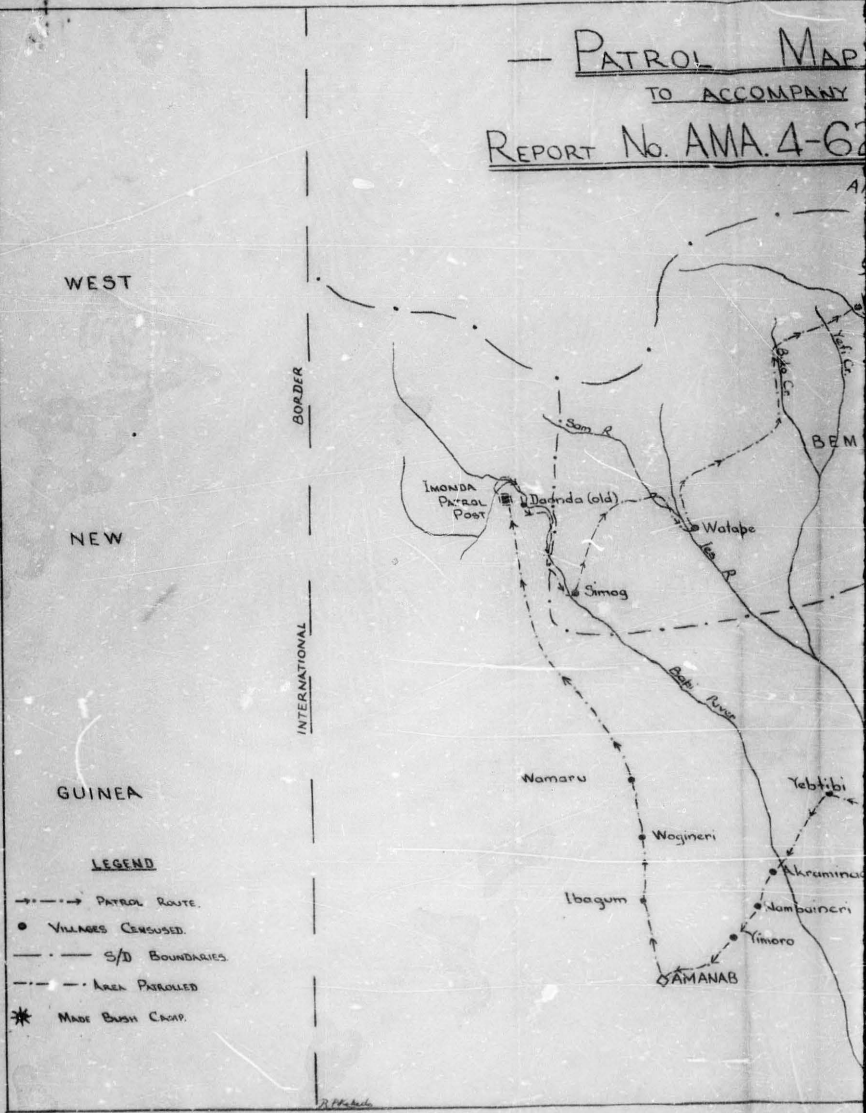
APPENDIX "C"

VILLAGE OFFICIALS: The Village Officials had a fair knowledge of the law but most were found as usual not very influential. Lulua IMO from TAMINA No.1 was a man who had good control of his flock and a man with courage. This could be due to the fact that he was an ex-Coporal from the R.P. & N.G.C.

All others proved quite capable of their tasks and have carried out their bit that was required.

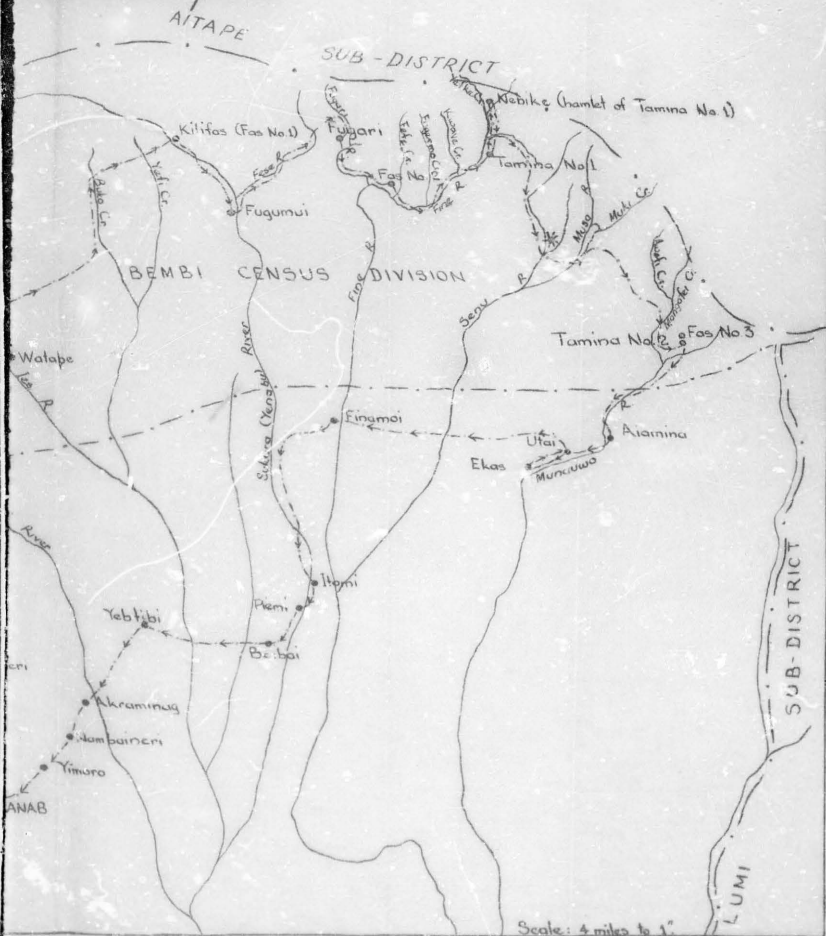
At the villages of KILIFAS(FAS No.1) and FUGUMUI new tultuls had to be appointed on probation to replace old age tultuls. They were: IMATI/ANAPA of KILIFAS(on probation)
KUROI/PAWO of FUGUMUI "

PATROL MAP
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Sub-District Office,
AMANAB, Sepik District.

8th. September, 1962.

Assistant District Officer,
AMANAB.

Patrol Report - Amanab No. 5 of 1962/63.

Officer Conducting : I.F.Read, Cadet Patrol Officer.


Duration of Patrol : From 19/7/62 to 15/7/62
From 16/8/62 to 23/8/62

Area patrolled : Part of the Amanab Local and
Border Census Divisions.

Personnel Accompanying: Europeans; A.Dewar, Medical
Assistant Amanab and H.Henning,
P.W.D. Port Moresby from 16/8/62
Natives; Three Members R.P.&NGC
and an interpreter.

Objects of Patrol : (1). Census Revision.
(2). Investigation road survey
to Kamberatoro.
(3). Routine Administration.

Map Reference : Four mile.


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(I.F.Read, C.P.O.)

Patrol Report-AMANAB patrol no. 5 of 62/63

INTRODUCTION: The seven villages visited by this patrol are all west of AMANAB and are situated on the track that leads to KAMBERATORO village in the Border Census Division, such track being the route for any future road development to the west. KAMBERATORO village was previously administered by the Dutch authorities and has only recently been taken over by our administration.

The terrain of the area consists of sharp ridges, steep gullies and numerous limestone outcrops. A total of 14 days were spent in the area.

DIARY:

Monday,
10/7/62.

This patrol was conducted in two parts. 0830 twenty carriers and two members R.P. & N.C. sent on to set up camp at WAINERI village. 1000 self, one policeman, an interpreter and three men from IFIGERI village commenced survey of existing track to WAINERI. Pegged one and half miles then at 1600 departed for WAINERI arriving 1715.

Overnight under canvas.

Tuesday,
11/7/62.

0800 people assembled and addressed. Information gathered as to best possible vehicular road site. 0930 commenced pegging existing track back towards AHERI. 1630 arrived at point where pegging ceased yesterday thence returned to AHERI village where camp set up.

Overnight under canvas.

WEDNESDAY,
12/7/62

0800 people of AHERI assembled and informed of object of patrol. 0900 self and twelve men moved over native pad to the end of the existing vehicular road near IFIGERI village and commenced the survey of the continuation of the road. Pegged about three quarters of a

Thursday,
13/7/62.

mile then returned to AHERI.
0800 village inspected, people assembled,
addressed and census carried out. 1200 one
policeman detailed to supervise construction of
two deep pit latrines, self continuing with
with road survey. 1745 returned to AHERI.
Overnight under canvas.

Friday,
14/7/62.

0800 continued with survey, pegging as far as a
point ten minutes from AHERI village site. 1330 k.
received a note from the Assistant District
Officer AMANAB requesting me to return to
AMANAB as he is leaving for the Border area
tomorrow. 1730 returned to AHERI.
Overnight under canvas.

Saturday,
15/7/62.

0900 departed and moved over native pad
arriving at AMANAB at 1010. Remained at
AMANAB until the 16th. August.

Wednesday,
16/8/62.

0945 Accompanied by H. Henning (P.W.D. Port
Moresby) and T. Dewar, Medical Assistant
AMANAB, moved over native pad arriving at AHERI
village at 1120. Possible vehicular road route
inspected by Mr. Henning en-route. 1145
departed and continued over good native track
to arrive at WAINERI village. at 1300. Road
site inspected while walking. Village deserted
except for aged Luluai. Self, Mr. Henning and
Luluai walked along ridge on which the village
is situated to find road route around ridge.
Northern side agreed upon.
Overnight under canvas.

Thursday,
17/8/62.

0810 Cargo sent on to WAINERI. Self, and Mr.
Henning moved back along the track toward AHERI
to try and find an alternate route around the
WAINERI ridge. Unsuccessful - re-passed through
WAINERI at 1005. Continued over native pad
along crown of steep ridge to arrive at WAINERI
village at 1200. Camp set up. 1500 people

assembled and census revised. Poor attendance. Runner sent to LIHEN to get an interpreter to be used at KAMBERATORO.

Overnight under canvas.

Friday,
18/8/62.

0830 runner returned from LIHEN-no interpreter available as all men were on patrol with the missionary from AMANAB. 0835 departed and continued over native pad to reach ABOK hamlet at 0845 moved on to arrive at KWOFINAU village at 1100. Road to follow existing track. Villagers assembled and addressed followed by a general discussion re vehicular road prospects. 1200 ten men despatched with Const. NARA to return to AMANAB. 1330 departed and continued along and around northern slopes of ridge passing through limestone outcrops. 1430 FUN CK., followed creek bed for ten minutes then ascended steep ridge. Continued along ridge to arrive at KAMBERATORO at 1700.

Overnight in old rest house.

Saturday,
19/8/62.

At KAMBERATORO. 1000 people assembled and addressed. Interpretation very difficult. Medical Assistant treated several sores. Site for future Aid Post picked. General discussion with Iuluai and several other men re road possibilities. Mr. Henning skirting around village to find best road approach. Overnight in rest house.

Sunday,
20/8/62.

0800 Medical Assistant and three carriers departed to return to AMANAB. Self and Mr. Henning departed for TAMABEK hamlet of AKIMARI. Followed UNGA CK. for ten minutes then ~~traviked~~ travelled through limestone gully. Mr. Henning cut a line for the road around the limestone. Continued over native track to arrive at TAMABEK at 1320. deserted. Ascended high steep ridge to reach old AKIMARI village site at 1510.

Continued over native pad along side of ridge to reach a KWOFINAU garden at 1615. Moved on to arrive at KWOFINAU village at 1810. 1820 departed and moved on to arrive at NAINERI village at 1910.

Overnight under canvas.

Monday,
21/8/62.

0800 five carriers returned to AMANAB to collect more rations. 0915 Mr. Henning and six men departed to endeavour to find new route to KAMBERATORO via AKIMARI. Informed by MASAUIO/YAHI Lulua of NAINERI that the people of ASWAI hamlet are not to be found. 1000 Const. KALYO despatched to find these people and inform them of the census. 1400 received note from Mr. Henning requesting that camp be made at KWOFINAU. 1500 departed for KWOFINAU arriving 1730. 1540. Heavy rain commenced. Mr. Henning and party arrived at 1630. Const. KALYO arrived 1900. Overnight in half completed house.

Tuesday,
22/8/62.

Departure delayed until 1000 by heavy rain. 1040 arrived NAINERI. 1040 Mr. Henning and party departed and moved over native pad on the western side of the ridges in an attempt to find a road route. Two parties despatched to find people of ASWAI hamlet. 1730 returned unsuccessful. 1735 departed and moved over track along crown of a steep ridge to reach NAINERI at 1825. Note received from Mr. Henning that he had continued on to AMANAB. Overnight under canvas.

Wednesday,
23/8/62.

0800 village inspected people assembled and addressed and census revised. One marital complaint heard. 1200 departed and continued on to AMANAB arriving at 1345. Patrol stood down.

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Native Affairs:

The people of those villages in the Amanab Local Census Division visited having had a lot of contact with Administration Officers over the last two years still have no idea of what the Administration is trying to do for them. Difficulty was experienced in assembling the people for census as they do not live permanently in villages but spend several months at a time in garden houses scattered around in the bush. The reason generally given was that the family or group absent were at a distant garden house and word of the census had not reached them. Several police parties and groups of villagers were later sent out in these cases to inform them of the census. This was generally successful. However, it was reported at WAINERI that one man had been informed of the census and refused to attend. A policeman was despatched to find him and bring to him AMANAB. This was done and the man charged in the Court of Native Affairs for failure to attend census.

The patrol was unable to contact the people of ASWAI hamlet of NAINERI village. Several parties were sent out but were unable to make contact. It was rumoured that they were afraid as two of their number had previously absconded while hospitalised at AMANAB.

Several child marriages were noticed. However, the couple do not live as man and wife. The bride to be lives with the ~~bride~~ groom's parents until the marriage is consummated. There is no actual bride price paid. A system of sister exchange is carried out.

One man NAVANIO of WAINERI village reported that a man from NAINERI had taken his wife to live with him in the bush. The patrol was unable to contact the couple as they had fled and were believed to be hiding near LIHEN village. It was pointed out that nothing could be done unless the woman was present to express her own wishes. However, on return to AMANAB it was reported that the woman had returned to her husband of her own free will and was quite happy to live with

him.

In several cases when enquiring into possible routes for a vehicular road vague, negative answers were given. Two of these areas under question proved suitable for road construction. When later questioned it was found that these areas were particularly good hunting grounds and any road construction would ruin this. It was then pointed out that the road would be to their benefit for about the fifth time and from then on better co-operation was received.

In the course of conducting the survey of AMANAB-WAINERI section of road several men from AHERI, WAINERI, IBAGUM and IBIGERI were employed. At first they did not appear very enthusiastic. However, after working for a couple of days they began to appear more interested. At the completion of this section of the survey they were eager for work to commence on the construction of the road.

It was explained that they where the road passes through land belonging to any village these villagers would be called upon to construct that section. This met with all round agreement. However, it was agreed that sections requiring a lot of earth works would be built with the aid of labour imported from other villages..

The patrol was afforded a cordial welcome at KAMBERATORO village which was previously administered by the Dutch authorities. Interpretation was difficult as no Malay speaker accompanied the patrol. However, the people appeared quite happy with our administration and no complaints were received. The men were quite happy to assist the survey party with the road survey but would not agree to go any further towards KWOPINAU than their own land boundary.

These people are more sophisticated than the people of the AMANAB area. It was noticed that the children and women had no fear of the patrol whereas in the AMANAB area they appear shy and children are often frightened.

Roads and Bridges: The only section of native tracks found to be well maintained was the AMANAB - WAINERI section. The rest were found to uncut and

generally unkempt.

Mr. Henning of Public Works Department Port Moresby carried out an investigation survey of a possible vehicular to KAMBERATORO. It was found that such a road would be possible. It would approximately follow the existing native pad. The only major deviation from the existing track is the WAINERI to NAINERI section. The road here would traverse around the southern side of ridge.

During the first part of the patrol the writer conducted a chain, compass and abney level survey of the AMANAB - AHERI section.

The road commences at the northern end of the AMANAB airstrip and continues in a north westerly direction, passing through the Mission Lease, for a distance of half a mile to the foot of the hill on which IFIGERI village is situated. This section has been constructed but has not been surfaced. It needs to be widened.

The surveyed line then continues in a north westerly direction for 1,000 feet. This section runs parallel with and immediately under the crown of a prominent ridge, therefore, requiring side cutting. This section is not heavily timbered.

The line then follows the existing track for 130 feet. This section has a forward slope of two degrees and is cleared.

It then continues NW, W and SW for 1,215 feet in 42 bearings along the western side of the ridge. Again this section would require side cutting. This area is not heavily timbered and is comparatively level. All slopes being within 10 percent.

The line then crosses the ridge and ascends a steep section in crossing. It continues on a bearing of 271. for 75 feet, 302. for 90 feet, 327. for 43 feet with an 11. elevation, 321. for 48 feet with a 3 $\frac{1}{2}$. elevation and 302. for 48 feet with a 7. elevation. This is the worst section of the road surveyed and is the only section with slopes exceeding ten percent. No alternate route could be found. Although on land belonging to IFIGERI village it is suggested that labour be imported from other villages to aid in construction.

It is estimated that it would take thirty men between two and a half to three weeks to construct this section.

The line then continues along the existing track on top of the ridge for 262 feet with a forward slope of 4 degrees. This is partially cleared.

The next 366 feet continues westerly around and underneath the ridge, requiring only slight side cut. The existing track is to the north on top of the ridge.

The line then continues SW for 183 feet with a forward slope of three degrees, thence NW for 374 feet with an elevation of two degrees. This section follows the alignment of a small spur and will require side cutting. It is not heavily timbered.

It then continues for 435 feet around another small spur to a point twenty feet SW from the existing track. This section is comparatively level with all slopes less than four degrees. Again side cutting necessary. Here there are a few large trees to be removed.

It then continues for 373 feet in several bearings with elevations of one or two degrees. The last fifty feet of this crosses a small spur. Only a small amount of side cutting is required.

The line then continues for 779 feet on the southern slope of an extended ridge. All this section would require side cutting none of which is very extensive. It is not thickly timbered but there are a few small trees.

The line then swings SW for 264 feet coring around and under a hill with forward slopes varying from one to six degrees.

For the next 837 the line continues in a general westerly direction with varying slopes up to three degrees. This section would require no side cutting. At this point the line cuts diagonally across the existing native track.

It then continues for 1,300 feet around the northern slope of a ridge. This section would require a small amount of side cutting.

At this point which is only ten minutes walk from AHERI village pegging ceased. Up to this point no suitable surfacing material was found. However, Mr. Henning was able to locate some further on.

Village Officials:

In all villages of the Amanab Local Census Division visited the Luluais are of the old 'big men' type. That is, those men who were the traditional leaders before the coming of the Administration. In all cases they appear to have little or no knowledge of their duties or of the Administration in general. Relevant instruction and guidance was given. However, it was noticed that these officials alone were on hand to greet the patrol as it entered a village. All officials except the Luluai of KAMBERATORO complained that the villagers would not obey their instructions and come in and have their ^{names} recorded for census.

A brief report on these officials:

1. SAIWI/KUWEI Luluai of AHERI village.

About forty years of age and is a non Pidgin speaker. A traditional leader who appears to have some control over the villagers. He has very little knowledge of his duties or of what the Administration is trying to do. Generally not an impressive type.

2. GIFAI/FUAI Luluai of WAINERI village.

About forty years of age and is a non Pidgin speaker. Said to be a traditional leader and appears to have some control over the villagers as is evident by the good condition of the track leading to the village. Knowledge of his duties as a Luluai appears to be limited to work only.

3. MASAUWIO/LAPA Luluai of NAINERI village.

About forty years of age and is a non Pidgin speaker. Once again is said to be a traditional leader. This may be so in limited traditional activities, eg. warefare but does not constitute a general or authoritarian control. He appears to have no realisation of what his duties entail and tends to adopt a 'could not care less' attitude. He was reported to have previously attempted

to conceal sick people from a medical patrol.

However, since the visit of the patrol he has visited Amanab and shown more interest in Administration activities.

KEM Lulual of KWOFINAU:

About thirty five years of age. Speaks a little Pidgin. Seems a reasonable type though lacking in knowledge of his duties.

BERNADUS Lulual of KAMBERATORO:

Previously a 'Korano' under the Dutch Administration. He is a fluent Malay speaker but speaks or understands no Pidgin. He has a favourable impression of Australian Administration. Appears to be a good official. Proved very co-operative and helpful while obtaining road information.

Potential Leader:

One young man, about 22 years of age, 'SAI' of KWOFINAU village came under notice as a potential leader. He is a 'finished time' indentured labourer and therefore has seen more advanced areas. He has a great deal of influence over the younger men of the village, including other repatriated labourers, and was most helpful in road investigation. He is able to, and willing to express individual thought.

Medical and Health:

The health of the people seen in this area appears

generally good. There are two women from WAINERI, who recently absconded while hospitalised at AMANAB, still hiding in their garden houses. They were not sighted by the patrol.

At WAINERI one case of scabies and one child suffering from a tropical ulcer were referred to the Aid Post at AMANAB.

A Native Hospital Orderly accompanied the first part of the patrol and a European Medical Assistant the latter. Treatment was given for numerous small cuts and abrasions. The absence of the usual tropical ulcers and other large sores is no doubt due to the frequent visits made to these villages by the Aid Post Orderly at AMANAB.

Hygiene and Sanitation:

Generally poor. In the villages in the Amanab area

visited a hurried attempt had been made to clean up the village prior to the arrival of the patrol. However, rubbish was still to be found in and around all villages. No latrines were seen. On returning to Amanab it was noticed that two had been built at AHERI village.

Relevant instruction was given for the cleaning and draining of all villages.

Villages and Housing: All villages visited are sited on the top of a hill or ridge. Houses are usually built in a circle or in rows on the top of the hill with the entrance facing away from the centre of the village. Villages are small having an average of six houses. KAMBERATORO is the largest, consisting of about twelve. Houses are built on posts about three feet high. However, the walls extend down to the ground. Traditionally this was done to prevent enemies entering underneath and firing arrows up through the floor at the occupants. This is not so at KAMBERATORO, the walls extend only as far as the floor. The houses have no ventilation other than the door. Consequently the interior is dank, dark and sooty. Although the standard of housing is not high it is sufficient to ~~house~~ satisfactorily house the population.

KAMBERATORO is the only village with a rest house, but this is in a bad state of repair.

Water supply for these villages is from small streams and drains. All of this is 'hard' water.

Agriculture and Livestock. Traditional subsistence agriculture is carried on through out the area. The staple diet of the people is sago. Other foods include, bananas, greens, yams, pit pit, sugar cane, and a small amount of taro and kau kau. Although the people rely on their gardens to provide the bulk of their food they are poor agriculturalists. There is no particular season for planting, gardens being planted at any convenient time. Those gardens inspected were found to be unkempt. It was learned that they are never worked or cleaned. Coconuts are very few.

AHERI has two bearing palms and several others not yet bearing. KWOFINAU and KAMBERATORO also have a few.


The only livestock noticed were three fowls at AHERI. There is not very much game to be found in the bush. However, hunting with a bow and arrow results in an occasional pig, pigeons and other small birds.

Missions and Education:

The Christian Mission in Many Lands operate from Amanab and the Missionary makes periodic trips to this area. However, these trips have made no noticeable affect on the people. They also conduct a school, in the charge of a European teacher, at Amanab. There is only three children from this area attending the school. The Mission also operate a small trade store at Amanab.

The Dutch Catholic Mission (Order of thr Friars Minor) previously operated in the KAMBERATORO area, making frequent visits. Their headquarters for the are being at AMGOTRO in Netherlands New Guinea. A mission teacher lives in the village and conducts a school. All teaching is done in Malay. At the time of the patrol's visit the teacher was absent at AMGOTRO and the school was not in operation. It was noticed that these Missionaries have had a lot of affect on these people. They all appear to be staunch supporters of these Missionaries.

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(I.F. Read, C.P.O.)

APPENDIX III

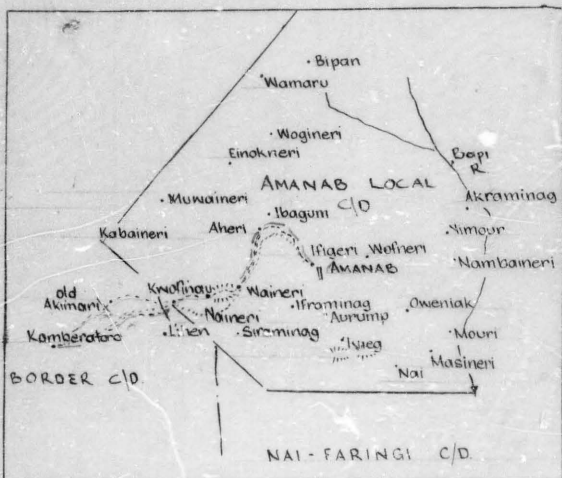
Patrol Report - Squad No. 5 of 62/63.

Report on members of the Squad detachment - S.S.B. No. 10,
accompanying patrol.

<u>Number:</u>	<u>Name:</u>	<u>Rank:</u>	<u>Remarks:</u>
7126	Pagl	Const. 1/2	Not a good N.C.O. Poor command. Is middle aged and not physically fit enough for patroling.
8824	Iatvaring	Const.	Industrious and efficient.
8305	Kalvo	Const.	A good Constable. Performs well. Gets on well with the local people.

T. F. Head

T. F. Head
Cadet Commissioned Officer
Field Constabulary.



Map to accompany Amanab Patrol no 5/62-63
 Scale 4 miles to an inch
 Patrol Route
 Road Route



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of.....**SEPIK**..... Report No. **AMANAB NO. 9 of 62/63**.....

Patrol Conducted by.....**I. F. Read, Cadet Patrol Officer**.....

Area Patrolled.....**At Imonda Patrol Post**.....

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans.....**--**.....

Natives.....**--**.....

Duration—From.....**3/12/1962**..... to.....**24/1/1963**.....

Number of Days.....**Forty eight**.....

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

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

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol.....**Establishment Imonda Patrol Post**.....

Director of Native Affairs,

PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

4/1/1963

[Signature]
District Commissioner

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

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

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

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District Office,
Sepik District,
WEW.K.

5th April, 1963

The Assistant District Officer,
AMANAB.

PATROL REPORT AMANAB NO. 9 - 62/63

Please thank Mr. Read for his patrol report.

I fully realise how essential it is to get this station going and the strip operative, but I do feel that time should be taken to visit people in their villages, if it is at all possible.

When the next patrol visits the Kilifas people, make sure that the land on which it is proposed to build the new village is their land. We do not want to cause any friction over land matters at this stage.

I do agree with you that Mr. Read has done a fine job of work during his term in this district.

J. B. Wakeford
(J. B. WAKEFORD)
DISTRICT OFFICER

→ c.c. The Director, Department of Native Affairs, Konedobu.

Read
J. K. M.
11/4/63.

Territory of Papua and New Guinea

File No. 67/1 .

Sub - District Office ,
AMANAB.

26th. March 1963 .

The District Officer ,
MEWAK.

Patrol Report AMANAB No. 9 62/63.

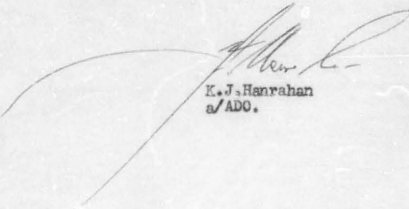
Please find attached original and copy of the above report , together with claim for camping allowance .

The report covers the period during which Mr. Read was relieving at IMONDA . During this time , he was principally concerned with airstrip construction and establishment of the Patrol Post . The present officer in charge currently advises that he expects to have the airstrip open for limited Cessna operation before the end of April .

Diary entries of Friday 4th. January 1963 are reported on in detail in IMONDA confidential memo of 5th. January 1963 to the District Commissioner . Otherwise , the report calls for little comment .

This will be the last report submitted by Mr. Read before he proceeds on leave . During his stay in the Sub-District , he has proved to be a most useful officer of the Administration .

Forwarded please .


K. J. Hanrahan
a/ADC.

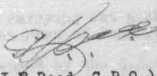
Sub-District Office,
AMANAB, Senik District.

23rd. March, 1963.

Assistant District Officer,
A M A N A B.

Patrol Report - Amanab No. 9 of 62/63

Officer conducting.	I.F.Read Cadet Patrol Officer.
Duration of patrol.	3.12.62 to 29.12.62 2. 1.63 to 24. 1.63
Objects	Establishment of Imonda Patrol Post.


(I.F.Read, C.P.O.)

Monday,
3.12.62

Self, two members R.P.&N.G.C. and 27 carriers departed Amanab at 1000 and moved westerly over jeep road for 25 minutes. Continued on over good native track to arrive at IBAGUM village 1030. 1045 departed and continued on along crown of prominent ridge arriving at old IBAGUM village at 1100. Continued on over muddy native track reaching WOGINERI at 1235. Village deserted. Continued on for a further one hour walking to arrive at WAMARU village at 1335. Small amount of native food purchased.
Overnight in rest house.

Tuesday,
4.12.62

0700 departed WAMARU and followed small creek for 20 minutes then ascended steep ridge. Followed along ridge for two hours then descended to small stream. Followed along creek bed for one hour to arrive at the junction of this creek and the LOMBO creek at 1020. 1100 departed and continued on over very muddy track for one hour twenty minutes then ascended steep hill to arrive at 'IMONDA on the rocks' village site at 1400. Descended hill to arrive at IMONDA Patrol Post at 1430. Met by Patrol Officer MR. W. Muskens.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Wednesday,
5.12.62.

am. Shown over IMONDA station, including airstrip and possible building sites, by Mr. Muskens.
pm. Assisted O.I.C. in carrying out a chain and compass survey of an area of land required by P.H.D.
In the evening, accompanied by the O.I.C., checked all station stores, cash and equipment and a handover takeover certificate prepared. This followed by general discussion with Mr. Muskens on station works and problems involved.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Thursday,
6.12.62.

0645 Roll call of station labourers. 0715 Mr. Muskens making final preparation for his departure to Amanab. 1000 Mr. Muskens and party departed. Remainder of morning spent in preparation of all outstanding paysheets.
pm. Supervising airstrip construction.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Friday,
7.12.62.

Whole day spent supervising final clearing of southern end of the airstrip.
1745 Inspection of Police.
1800 Flag ceremony.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Saturday,
8.12.62

0645 Station roll call.
Whole morning spent examining possibilities of draining the swamp on the southern side of the airstrip.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Sunday,
9.12.62

Observed at IMONDA.

Monday,
10.12.62

0645 Roll call of station labourers.
Whole day spent supervising airstrip clearing.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Tuesday,
11.12.62

0645 Roll call of station labourers.

Whole day spent supervising clearing of airstrip.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Wednesday,
12.12.62

0645 Roll call of station labourers.
0730 supervising levelling of airstrip. 0900 till lunch spent examining the possibilities of drainage on the southern side of the airstrip.
pm. Marked two roads from the airstrip to the 'USENGLA' river for cartage of surfacing material.
1700 Luluai and few villagers from NAMOLA visited station with a small amount of fresh food for sale.
1745 Police inspection followed by flag ceremony.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Thursday,
13.12.62.

0645 Station roll call.
0700 Inspected pit sawyer workings to discover almost enough timber to commence building a house.
Rest of morning spent in supervision of airstrip construction.
pm. Examined all possible building sites on the station with the view of commencing construction of the O.I.C.'s residence.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Friday,
14.12.62.

Whole day spent marking the section of the airstrip between the 1900' and the 1700' marks with boning rods ready for levelling.
1330 Meeting of local village officials to discuss labour and other problems.
about 30 people from WATEPE and SIMOG to station with a large quantity of fresh food for sale.
1745 Inspection of police rifles followed by flag ceremony.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Saturday,
15.12.62

Whole day spent marking airstrip with boning rods and supervising areas under construction.
pm. Discussion with Fr. Cletus of the Catholic Mission re mutual problems of labour shortage and food supply.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Sunday,
16.12.62.
Monday,
17.12.62.

Observed at IMONDA.

0700 Roll call of station labour line, only 54 present. Commenced cutting lines for proposed drains on the southern side of the airstrip.
Attempted to measure slope with an abney level Unsuccessful as level faulty.
1200 Spoke to A.D.O. at AMANAB per radio.
pm. Heavy rain. Airstrip construction abandoned for the day. Prepared all outstanding paysheets and completed pile covers.
1745 Inspection of police rifles.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Tuesday,
18.12.62.

0645 Roll call of station labourers.
Whole day spent working on the airstrip. Marked a further 200' with boning rods ready for final surfacing. Supervised area under construction.
100' of final surfacing completed.
1800 Flag ceremony.
1830 Luluai of EPMI to Aid Post to receive medical attention.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Wednesday,
19.12.62.

0645 Roll call of station labour line.
Morning spent supervising levelling of airstrip. Catholic Mission Cessna carried out two airdrops for the Mission at IMONDA.
1200 Spoke to the A.D.O. at AMANAB per radio.
1500 Heavy rain.
1530 The Dutch Catholic Mission native teachers

from KOLOSA and NAMOLA in to station to pay their respects and say goodbye. Both stayed overnight.
Overnight IMONDA.

Thursday,
20.12.62. 0645 Roll call of station labourers. Discussions with the two teachers who arrived yesterday until 1030 when they departed. Rest of the spent in marking the airstrip for cambering and surfacing.
1700 Luluais from DOPENINDI and TOMGENINDI in with fresh food for sale.
1745 Inspection of police rifles.
1800 Flag ceremony.
Prepared all outstanding paysheets and S.I.V.'s
Overnight at IMONDA.

Friday,
21.12.62. Whole day spent marking and supervising airstrip construction.
1640 Luluai and several villagers in from S'HOOG with fresh food for sale.
1740 Fr. Clitus, Catholic Mission, arrived back from LUMI.
Inspection of police rifles. Paid all labourers.
Overnight IMONDA.

Saturday,
22.12.62. No labour turned up for work, all having returned to their villages for the Xmas break. Self and Const. 1/C ABRAM marked site for the O.I.C.'s residence.
1745 Inspection of police rifles.
1800 Flag ceremony.
Overnight IMONDA.

Sunday,
23.12.62. Observed at IMONDA.

Monday,
24.12.62. Whole day spent marking airstrip with boning rods ready for levelling.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Tuesday,
25.12.62. Xmas day observed at IMONDA.

Wednesday,
26.12.62. Public holiday observed at IMONDA.

Thursday,
27.12.62. Whole day spent in office preparing S.I.V.'s and answering official correspondence.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Friday,
28.12.62. 0900 Radio conversation with the A.D.O. Amanab. 1000 Self and two carriers departed for Amanab. 1030 Arrived at IMONDA on the rocks' village site, continued on to reach the junction of the LOMBO River and a small stream at 1215. 1300 Departed and followed small stream upstream for one hour then ascended steep ridge, followed along ridge to arrive at WAMARU village at 1650.
Overnight in rest house.

Saturday,
29.12.62. 0800 Departed WAMARU and moved over good native track to arrive at WOGINERI village at 0900. Village deserted. Continued on over muddy native pad to arrive at IBAGUM village at 1030. Then moved over jeep road to arrive at AMANAB at 1045.
Overnight at AMANAB.

Sunday,
30.12.62. Observed at AMANAB.

Monday,
31.12.62. At AMANAB.

Tuesday,
1.3.63. New Year's day observed at AMANAB.

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Wednesday,
2.2.63. am. In office at AMANAB.
1200 Departed AMANAB and moved over jeep road to reach IBAGUM village at 1345. Continued on over muddy native pad to arrive at WOGINERI village at 1630. Walking very slow and difficult as the writer suffering from an infected heel.
Overnight in rest house.

Thursday,
3.2.63. 0830 Departed WOGINERI and move over good native track to arrive at WAMARU village at 1000. 1030 departed and ascended steep ridge for one hour, followed along ridge for a further hour then descended in to a gully. Followed a small stream for one hour to arrive at the junction of the LOMBO River with another small stream.
Overnight in old campsite of a previous patrol.

Friday,
4.2.63. 0900 Departed and moved over swampy track for two hours then ascended steep hill to arrive at IMONDA village at 1145. Descended down the other side of the hill to arrive at IMONDA Patrol Post at 1220. On arrival was informed that Fr. ROMBUTS, Catholic Missionary from WARIS W.N.G., was at IMONDA. 1500 Discussions with Fr. ROMBUTS and Fr. CLETUS. Coded radiogram sent to A.D.O. Amanab. Overnight IMONDA.

Saturday,
5.1.63. 0645 Roll call of station labourers. 30 only present.
Further discussions with two priests. 1000 One policeman despatched to AMANAB with mail.
1130 Fr. ROMBUTS departed for WARIS staying overnight at KOLGSA.
Overnight at IMONDA.

Sunday,
6.1.63. Observed at IMONDA.

Monday,
7.1.63. 0645 Roll call of station labourers, only 41 present.
Whole day spent supervising of airstrip, surfacing and marking of further areas to be levelled.
1810 Inspected police and equipment.
Overnight IMONDA.

Tuesday,
8.1.63. 0645 Roll call of station labourers. Whole day spent marking and supervising on the airstrip.
Word sent to IMONDA village of coming vaccination patrol.
Overnight IMONDA.
1530 Assistant Patrol Officer, R. KEKEDO arrived from AMANAB.
1800 M. LEWIS and carriers arrived from both stayed overnight.

Wednesday,
9.1.63. 0630 Station roll call.
0715 to 1200 Supervising airstrip levelling and marking with boning rods of further areas to be cambered.
1300 Accompanied by R. Kekedo, A.P.O. and M. LEWIS, Medical Assistant, proceeded to IMONDA village to complete small pox vaccinations. 53 people

	received vaccinations. 1620 Returned to IMONDA Patrol Post. Overnight.
Thursday, 10.1.63.	0645 Roll call of station labourers. Med. Assistant gave small pox vaccinations to all labourers. Discussions with A.P.O. Kekedo, who today is leaving for the BEMBI Census division, re recruitment of labourers. 1130. Assistant Patrol Officer, Medical Assistant and party departed for SIMOG. 1430 D.C.3 airdrop of rations. Overnight in rest house IMONDA.
Friday, 11.1.63.	0630 Roll call of station Labourers. am. Working on the airstrip. 1215 D.C.3 airdrop of rations. Resumed work on airstrip until 1700. 1745 Inspected police rifles. 1800 Flag ceremony. Overnight IMONDA.
Saturday, 12.1.63.	Whole day spent working on the airstrip. 1700 Mail arrived from AMANAB. Overnight IMONDA.
Sunday, 13.1.63.	Observed at IMONDA.
Monday, 14.1.63.	0700 Roll call of labourers. am. Commenced gathering bush timbers for O.I.C.'s residence. pm. Marked site for new house. Inspected police rifles. Overnight at IMONDA.
Tuesday, 15.1.63.	Whole day spent working on the airstrip. In the evening prepared all outstanding pay sheets and requisitions. Overnight at IMONDA.
Wednesday, 16.1.63.	Set out proposed house and commenced work on actual building. pm. Spent working on the airstrip until 1430 when work abandoned because of heavy rain.
Thursday, 17.1.63.	Whole day spent on airstrip marking and supervision of areas under construction. Work abandoned at 1500 because of heavy rain.
Friday, 18.1.63.	Heavy rain all day. Unable to work on the airstrip but labourers employed sewing up 'morita' under shelter. Writer suffering from a slight fever. Overnight at IMONDA.
Saturday, 19.1.63.	0650 Roll call of station labourers. Compiled all outstanding paysheets. Supervising work on airstrip. 1200 paid all labourers. pm. Writer in bed with a fever. Overnight at IMONDA.
Sunday, 20.1.63.	Observed at IMONDA.
Monday, 21.1.63.	Writer suffering from a high fever, Stayed all day in bed. 1600 Contacted A.D.O. and Medical Assistant Amanab. Advised by Med. Asst. to take anti malarials and 3 cc penicillin. Overnight at IMONDA.
Tuesday, 22.1.63	Self still suffering from fever.

Advised by A.D.O. Amanab that I may have to evacuated to Wewak.
Overnight IMONDA,

Wednesday,
23.1.63.

Writer still suffering from high fever.
0900 Spoke to Dr. Enders at Wewak and
A.D.O. Amanab per radio and advised to
proceed to Waris for evacuation Wewak.
1000 departed for Waris. Self unable to
walk and so carried as far as old GRENDESI.
arriving at 1800.
Overnight in rest house.

Thursday,
24.1.63

0800 Departed PENDESI and proceeded to
WARIS arriving at 1200. Boarded C.M. Cessna
aircraft and continued on to WEWAK.

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Native Affairs:

During the period covered by this report the writer was unable to visit the people in their villages because of station commitments.

Men from each of the villages in the Imonda Local Census Division and several from some of the villages of the Bembi area were employed on station projects. The general attitude of the Imonda people, particularly those from Imonda village itself, differs greatly from that of the people to the south and east. They are at this stage vitally interested of the Imonda Post which is evident by the numbers that enroll for work or visit the station. They are 'spurt' workers only, working for a short period only then disappearing to return at a later date. While working they tend to adopt a frivolous almost childish attitude to their work. To them work appears a joke. They appear to be a happy and carefree people in all their activities. They are very independent and will not surrender to any form of discipline. They are keen and willing to work but it must be done at their own leisure.

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AMANAAB No 29
of 6/2/63*

These people are comparatively politically minded. In conversation with village officials such phrases as 'self determination' and 'legislative council' are used. However, I do not believe they fully understand the meaning of such phrases more likely they are stock phrases introduced earlier under the former Dutch Administration. They are aware of the forthcoming handover in West New Guinea but they do not seem at all perturbed or particularly interested in it.

Interpretation is still very poor. We are still completely dependent on a pidgin speaking native of Namola. The local men working on the station are picking up a few words only of pidgin.

As well as Imonda people there are a large number of people from the Bembi area working at Imonda. These people have had several years of contact with Australian patrols previously mounted from Vanimo. They are all pidgin speakers and have proved to be willing and capable labourers. The people of Kilifas village have expressed their desire to build a new village on the western extremity of their land so as to be as close to the Patrol Post as possible. They were advised that the next patrol to the area would examine this proposed village site.

Progress Imonda Airstrip:

2100 feet by 200 feet has now been completely cleared. All now that remains to be done is the cambering and surfacing. This work has commenced by so far about 400 feet only has been completed. It is anticipated with good weather and a continuous labour force that the strip should be open in April. A Public Works supervisor who has since gone to Imonda confirms this.

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[Signature]
(I.F. Read, C.P.O.)



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

PATROL REPORT

District of... SEPIK Report No. AMA. 11. of 1962/63.

Patrol Conducted by Rowland P. Kekedo, Assist. P.O., with Mr. E. Pyne a/R of Co-Op.

Area Patrolled... IMONDA Area.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans... -

Native... 2 members of R.P. & N.G.C.

Duration—From 22. / 4. / 1963. to 30. / 4. / 1963.

Number of Days... 9

Did Medical Assistant Accompany?..... -

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

Medical / / 18.....

Map Reference. See accompanying map of patrol.

Objects of Patrol... To act as escort and guide to Mr. E. Pyne on economic survey.

Director of Native Affairs,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded please.

28/5/1963

Rowland P. Kekedo
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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
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The District Officer,
North Sepik District,
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PATROL REPORT No. 11 of 62/63 - AMANAB

Receipt of the abovesentioned patrol report is
acknowledged with thanks.

2. The Patrol was made for the purposes of making Mr.
Eyes familiar with the area and calls for no further comment
other than Mr. Kekedo has again acquitted himself well.


(J. K. McCarthy)
DIRECTOR

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



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Our Reference
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Sub-District Office ,
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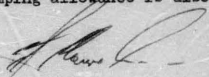
PATROL REPORT AMANAB NO. 11 - 1962/63.

Please find attached original and one copy of a report on a patrol to the IMONDA area carried out by Mr. R.P. Kekedo , assistant patrol Officer .

Mr. Kekedo acted as escort to Mr. Pyne during his visit to the area .

The patrol was of a routine nature and calls for no special comment .

Claim for camping allowance is also attached .


K.J. Hanrahan
a/Assistant District Officer

Territory of Papua and New Guinea.

File No. 67/1 .

Sub-District Office ;

AMANAB .

20th. April 1963 .

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Mr. R. Kekedo ,
Assistant Patrol Officer ,
AMANAB.

PATROL - AMA, 11 - 1962/63.

As discussed , please make arrangements to depart AMANAB on Monday 22nd. April 1963 on a short patrol to the IMONDA area .

You are to act as escort and guide to Mr. E. Pyne , a/Registrar of Co-Operatives , who is making an economic survey of the area . Mr. Pyne wishes to visit IMONDA in the first instant , thence some villages in the IMONDA Local census Division and then to return to AMANAB via UMEDA village in the WAINA/SOWANDA area .

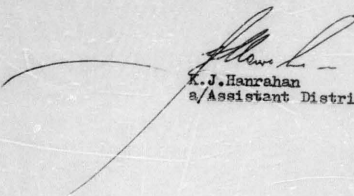
When you are ready to return from IMONDA , please let me know by radio . as Mr. Dewar , medical assistant , wishes to rendezvous with your patrol at UMEDA to open the new aid post in that village .

Take a permanent carrier line and sufficient rations to feed your party for 10 days . Draw a patrol advance from Treasury . Also take a tent and fly as rest houses are scarce .

You should exercise caution whilst in the WAINA/SOWANDA area as the people there are still rather primitive . A patient , friendly approach should be adopted .

Please see me if there is anything you require before departure .

Wishing you a good trip


K. J. Hanrahan
a/Assistant District Officer

TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

Sub-District Office,
AMANAB,
Sepik District.

16th May, 1963.

The District Officer,
District Office,
W E W A K.

PATROL REPORT No. AMA.11 of 1962/1963.

PREAMBLE: The above numbered report is here by submitted. The area visited were IMONDA Patrol Post and UMEDA Village in the WADNA/SOWANDA. This was mainly to act as escort and guide to Mr. E. Pyne, a/Registrar of Co-Operatives, who was making an Economic Survey of the area.

OBJECTS OF PATROL:

Instructions of patrol attached herewith and these were carried out. The main object was:

- (1) To act as escort and guide to Mr. E. Pyne, a/Registrar of Co-Operatives.

OFFICER CONDUCTING PATROL:

Mr. R. P. Kekedo, Assistant Patrol Officer,
with Mr. E. Pyne a/Registrar of Co-Operatives.

PERIOD OF PATROL:

22/4/63 to 30/4/63.

ACCOMPANYING PERSONNEL:

Mr. J. Quinn, P.O.I.C., Imonda. Accompanied to UMEDA for opening of new Aid Post.

R.P. & N.G.C. MEMBERS:

No. 9636 Const. GWEMGEB, 22/4/63 to 30/4/63.
No. 8564 Const. MORRIS, 22/4/63 to 30/4/63.

(Mr Quinn had police from his detachment accompany)

MAP REFERENCE: See accompanying map showing patrol route.

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PATROL REPORT AMA. No. 11 of 1962/63.

PATROL DIARY:

APRIL, 1963.

- Monday, 22nd. Departed Amanab station at 1010 hours en-route to Imonda Patrol Post via WAMURU, accompanying Mr. E. Pyne a/Registrar of Co-operatives (New Guinea Mainland) to do an Economic Survey of the Imonda Area. Track found fair and grass cut in parts. Arrived WAMURU at 1530 hours. Slept. Walking Time: 4 hours 30 minutes. ✓
- Tuesday, 23rd. Left WAMURU at 0800 hours for Imonda. Track found very wet and muddy due to overnight rains. Arrived Imonda with MR. E. Pyne at 1730 hours, met Mr. R. Koppi, Assistant Patrol Officer and Mr. D. Girvan of P.W.D. Made camp at Imonda. Walking Time: 9 hours 30 minutes. ✓
- Wednesday, 24th. At Imonda Patrol Post. Patrol rested. Self helped supervise work on airstrip.
- Thursday, 25th. Anzac Day at Imonda. D.C.3 airdrops at 1000 hours, checked all cargo dropped.
- Friday, 26th. At Imonda waiting return of O.I.C., Imonda from Amanab, Mr. J. Quinn, O.I.C., arrived at 1545 hours. Mr. E. Pyne obtained all necessary details from the Catholic Mission priest on the running of his trade store. More details obtained from Mr. Quinn on expenditure during the last ten months of this financial year. Slept at Imonda.
- Saturday, 27th. Rain held up early movement of patrol en-route to Amanab via EPMI, UMEDA, PUNDA and WAMURU. Departed Imonda at 1300 hours for EPMI, arrived EPMI at 1645 hours after being misled on wrong track, walking for some 45 minutes. Slept. Walking Time: 3 hours 45 minutes. ✓
- Sunday, 28th. Departed EPMI at 0730 hours for UMEDA. Bush track found very wet and muddy, also not cut. Mr. E. Pyne, Mr. J. Quinn and self arrived at 1530 hours. Met village officials. Two police and two Aid Post Orderlies were met at UMEDA with supplies to open the UMEDA Aid Post. Slept. Walking Time: 7 hours 55 minutes (rest times ✓ included)
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PATROL DIARY (CONT'D):

APRIL, 1963:

Monday, 29th.

Departed UMEDA at 0900 hours, arrived PUNDA at 1000 hours. Track very muddy and not cut. Continued on to WAMURU at 1015 hours, arrived WAMURU at 1430 hours. Made camp at WAMURU.
Walking Time: 5 hours 15 minutes.

Tuesday, 30th.

Left WAMURU at 0700 hours en-route to Amanab, via WOGINERI, and IBAGUM. Track fair but very wet and muddy. Arrived Amanab at 1130 hours. At Amanab paid carriers and on general office duties.
Walking Time: 4 hours 30 minutes.

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INTRODUCTION:

As instructed, preparations were made and the patrol departed on Monday the 22nd of April 1963. This was a short patrol to the Imonda area and the writer of this report acted as escort and guide to Mr. E. Pyne, a Registrar of Co-Operatives.

The patrol lasted approximately nine days and most of the time was spent at Imonda Patrol Post where Mr. E. Pyne obtained all information required from the Patrol Officer in Charge and the Catholic Mission priest.

On return to Amanab the patrol visited UMEDA Village in the WAINA/SOWANDA. Mr. Quinn accompanied the patrol to UMEDA to officially open the new Aid Post.

GENERAL:

While at Imonda Mr. E. Pyne discussed with the Patrol Officer in-Charge and the Catholic Mission priest the reason of his visit and obtained figures on the amount of money spent in the area during the current financial year. Mr. E. Pyne also checked on the trade store run by the Catholic Mission and discussed with the priest the prices on various goods, airfreight and the general management of the store.

In the Amanab Sub-District there is a store run by the C.M.M.L. mission at Amanab, one at Imonda run by the Catholic Mission and a Police Canteen at Amanab. It would be unnecessary now for the Administration to consider establishing Government run trade stores as the various missions have already established trade stores in this area. However airfreight is the main problem and the Administration should at least subsidise the missions in having the trade stores.

At UMEDA the people are still very primitive and most conservative. The people themselves don't travel much and are still very curious of the present movements into the area.

When the patrol arrived at UMEDA, village officials were met and they were advised of the official opening of the Aid Post the next day. The few people who gathered at the Aid Post in the late afternoon were told of its use and that the Aid Post would be staffed and its up to them to go to the Aid Post for the treatment they require. Again the people were reminded about the official opening the next day.

The next morning it was discovered that all the people have left the village and the Lulua was the only one left with about a half a dozen men. The patrol waited but no one turned up. However the Aid Post at present is staffed and supplied with medicines from the Hospital at Amanab. It could be seen that the people are still not too sure of what to expect and by establishing a Aid Post in their own village they'll be much closer contact with the people and this could bring about the confidence of the people on the Administration and what good its trying to do for them. The few people seen, however were found to be very friendly but most curious.

The building itself was found to well constructed and materials were freely brought by the people thus enabling the early completion of the Aid Post.

From UMEDA the patrol returned to Amanab thus completing the short patrol with Mr. E. Pyne on an Economic Survey of the area. The writer acted as escort and guide and all other instructions were carried out.

— PATROL ROUTE MAP —
REPORT No AMA 11 of 1962/63

