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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. 1 of 1970/71.

Patrol Conducted by MOPEA K.K. VERI Trainee Patrol Officer.

Area Patrolled FASU and FOI'I CENSUS DIVISIONS.

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL.

Native 1 MEMBER of R.P.&N. GUINEA CONSTABULARY.  
1 INTERPRETER, 1 INTERVIEWER.

Duration—From 5./7./1971 to 15./7./1971.

Number of Days ELEVEN DAYS.

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NIL.

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 7./5./1971.

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

Map Reference KUTUBU FOURMIL.

Objects of Patrol 1971 CENSUS, ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION DUTIES.

Director of District Administration,  
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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P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOBU.

67-15-15

14th January, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEKIDI.

POROMA PATROL NO. 1 OF 1971/72.

Your reference 67-3-12 of 23rd December, 1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report by Mr. K. Vasi, F.P.O. of the PASU and FCI'I Census Divisions.

I am at a loss to visualise what circumstances could intervene to cause a delay of five months between the completion of the patrol and receipt of the documentation at this headquarters. Please expedite future reports requiring enforwarding.

(S.J. PEARSALL)  
s/Secretary.



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MENDI  
Southern Highlands District

23rd December, 1971.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
KONEDOBU

POROMA PATROL NO. 1 OF 1971/72

Please find attached the original and one copy of the above report submitted by Mr. M. Veri T.P.O.

The comments of the O.I.C. Poroma and A.D.C. Nipa adequately cover the narrative of the report.

Mr. Veri should take a little more care with the typing of his report which is marred by the numerous alterations to his otherwise neat typing.

*M.R. Haywood*  
M.R. HAYWOOD *M.R.*

a/- District Commissioner

c.c.: The Assistant District Commissioner,  
NIPA

The Officer in Charge,  
POROMA

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Southern Highlands District.

28th August, 1971

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

Poroma Patrol Number 1 of 1971/72

Attached please find one original and three copies of the above Report. One copy is for the District Local Government Officer at Mendi. Also one map and a claim for Camping Allowance.

Further to the comments of the Officer in Charge, Poroma I would like to add the following:

Political

Local Government Councils I will ask the Officer in Charge, Poroma to advise me the outcome of his enquiries re Mr Mesanahabo's visit to Australia, when next he visits the Lake Kutubu area.

Census It is good to see Mr Veri appreciating the value of Mrs Rule's assistance and placing these sentiments on record.

Economic

General Rural Development With the allocation of \$4,000 -1st quarter \$1,000- from Rural Development Funds, for this financial year 1971/72, it is to be hoped that work on the Pimaga Airstrip may be speeded up somewhat.

Social

Education and Missions Judging from previous reports criticisms of the vernacular schools by and from the local people are not something new. The fact that the Missions have commenced Bible classes in Pidgin is most welcome. It may alleviate in some way the criticism levelled at the vernacular schools.

Main object of this patrol was the Territory Census. No patrol instructions were issued by Mr N. Wright, former Asst. District Commr.

I would like to point out to you that at the present moment Mr Veri is conducting General Elections to the Lake Kutubu Local Government Council. It will be interesting to see the outcome of the voting in the Ward where Mr Mesanahabo will presumably stand again.

Mr Veri appears to have made a slip up when typing out B Economic 1 General Rural Development 'Activities of Development Departments' the sentence beginning with 'The Department of District Administration....'

Mr Veri has submitted a good and satisfactory report.

*M. Davies*  
(M.P.D. Davies)  
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c Mr M. Veri, Poroma  
Officer in Charge, Poroma.

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Southern Highlands District.

19th August 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
NIPA,  
Southern Highlands District.

FOROMA PATROL REPORT No. 1 of 1971/72.

Please find attached one original and four copies of the above patrol Report. The District Local Government Officer has requested an additional copy. Amended claim for camping allowance is attached and map included with patrol report.

Mr. Veri is on patrol and I have therefore only changed 1970/71 to read 1971/72.

My comments on the patrol report are;

POLITICAL.

Local Government Councils.

I shall enquire when in the area what Mr. Mesanahabo hoped to achieve by his discussions on the Australian women instead of economic development, if this is what he did.

House of Assembly.

It is difficult to determine a prospective candidates chances in elections, but this type of propaganda would be viewed as most out of place by the very conservative Kutubu people.

ECONOMIC.

General Rural Development.

Work only continues slowly on the Orokana to Lake Kutubu road because of the heavy demand for labour on the Pimaga Airstrip.

Activities of Development Departments.

The sericulturist has produced his first spun silk which will be sent to Mt. Hagen for evaluation and comment on any ways in which to improve the finished product.

SOCIAL.

Health.

Aid post Orderlies treat out patient leprosy patients at their Aid Posts.

The Patrol was of a limited duration, with a specific task to perform. Mr. Veri has reported well on his observations.

c.c. Mr. Veri

*J. Kabisch*  
J. Kabisch.



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Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
POROMA.  
Southern Highlands District.

29th July, 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
NIPA.

POROMA PATROL REPORT No.1 1971/72.  
SITUATION REPORT.

REPORT NO. Poroma Patrol Report No.1 1971/72.

SUB-DISTRICT. Nipa.

DISTRICT. Southern Highlands.

TYPE OF PATROL. Situation Report.

COUNCIL AREA. Lake Kutubu.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY. Morea K.K.Veri.

DESIGNATION. Trainee Patrol Officer.

AREA PATROLLED. Foi'i Census Division.  
Fasu Census Division.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING. 1 Member of R.P. & N. Guinea Constabulary,  
1 Interpreter Konofabu,  
1 Interviewer Mr. Mapikon.

OBJECTS OF THE PATROL. 1971 Census Compilation,  
Routine Administration Duties.

LAST PATROL IN THE AREA. May, 1971.

MAP REFERENCE. Kutubu Area Fournal Map Attached.

DURATION OF THE PATROL. 5/7/71 to 15/7/71.  
(11 Days.)

*M. K. K. Veri*  
MOREA K. K. VERI.  
Trainee Patrol Officer.

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POROMA PATROL REPORT NO.1 1971/72.

SITUATION REPORT.

PATROL DIARY.

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MONDAY 5th JULY, 1971. 0900 hrs. departed Poroma arrived Pimaga at 1100 hrs. Proceed to Council Chambers checked the progress of the work on the airstrip and prepared census sheets for Orokana. Slept Council Chambers.

TUESDAY 6th JULY, 1971. 0800 hrs. left Pimaga arrived Orokana at 0830 hrs. Commenced taking census immediately as the crowd was already on the spot. 1500 hrs. completed work and then returned to Chambers. Slept Council Chambers.

WEDNESDAY 7th JULY, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Pimaga arrived Geseke at 1200 hrs. They got a canoe for Wasami arrived at 1700 hrs. Discussed with some villagers about shifting the village to the land adjacent to Inu Mission station. Slept Wasami.

THURSDAY 8th JULY, 1971. 0800 hrs. left for Inu to take census. Commenced taking census until 1700 hrs. Discussed with the Station Manager about a theft on the station ground. Returned to Wasami. Slept Wasami.

FRIDAY 9th JULY, 1971. Checked our work while awaiting helicopter for uplift to Waro Mission Station. 1430 hrs. got a helicopter to Waro. Took census until 1625 hrs. then returned to Wasami. Slept Wasami.

SATURDAY 10th JULY, 1971. 0805 hrs. departed Wasami arrived Geseke at 1105 hrs. Patrol stood down. Discussed with some men about the census and the tax patrol for this year. Slept Geseke.

SUNDAY 11th JULY, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Geseke for Pimaga arrived at 1205 hrs. Checked the airstrip which unfortunately had some water on the surface. Checked over our work. Slept Council Chambers.

MONDAY 12th JULY, 1971. Waited for the plane at Orokana airstrip. Checked our work and then talked with some men from Irikai about the census and tax patrol. Slept Irikai.

TUESDAY 13th JULY, 1971. Checked road work near Irikai village. Told the people to work on Poroma-Orokana road. Slept Irikai.

WEDNESDAY 14th JULY, 1971. Waited for the plane at Orokana airstrip. 1605 hrs. checked Pimaga airstrip which turned out was very dry. Slept Irikai.

THURSDAY 15th JULY, 1971. 1100 hrs. departed for Nipa arrived at 1120 hrs. Reported to the Assistant District Commissioner at Nipa. Slept Nipa.

THE END OF THE PATROL.

*M. K. K. Veri*  
MOREA K.K. VERI  
Trainee Patrol Officer.

SITUATION REPORT.

INTRODUCTION.

The patrol was aduration of eleven days commencing from 5th. July to 15th. July 1971. The team was comprised of an Interpreter, an Interviewer from Dauli Teachers College, a member of Papua - New Guinea Constabulary and I. The main purpose of the patrol wasto compile census in the Mission Stations in the Fasu, Foi'i census area and ~~the~~ routine Administration duties.

A. POLITICAL.

1. Local Government Councillors.

The Councillors from Fasu and Foi'i area were on the Mission stations thinking that this was a routine yearly census taking. A large number of people from Manu, Hidinihia, and Hebaya gathered at Waro for our arrival but I told them that this census was for the missicn stations only.

The Councillors have asked me of when I may be out for census and tax collecting but I couldn't give them a definite time as I myself do not know the time ~~too~~.

Much criticism was raised about President Haukos recent patrol in the area. The people complained that he had been telling them about all those wonderful ladies that he saw in Australia and not about those business ventures in Australia. My comment on this is that Mr. Mesahanabo is establishing a great distrust on his own behalf and that this will, in future lead to his downfall if he ran for re-election to the council.

2. House of Assembly.

A little rumour from the people too that Mr. Mesahanabo is campaigning for the nextyears House of Assembly election but I doubt it very much whether he would be successful enough if he continued on telling the people about the ladies. His chances are very little.

3. Census.

The people on the mission stations were quite ready for the census when we arrived so we went through the job easily. At Inu work started a bit late due to heavy showers in the morning. However, the work went well and I must thank Mrs. Rule for her effort on writing up the birth dates for those young ones that she had recorded in the Clinic.

The census at Waro commenced at 1540 hours because of the late arrival of the helicopter and the bad weather that had given us some trouble in locating the area. However, everything went well and we completed the census in no time.

B. ECONOMIC.

1. General Rural Development.

There is good net work of roads from Orokana to Geseke capable of being used by motor vehicle but unfortunately there is now in the area. The people in the area are working on the road on their own initiative.

The work on the ~~Pisaga~~ <sup>Pimaga</sup> airstrip is progressing quite well but slow. The workers have already completed the parking bay and at present their effort is concentrated heavily on removing the top soil from the incompleted section of the strip.

General Rural Development con'td.

There are about a hundred and four casual laboureres employed on the airstrip and each of them are paid 20¢ per day which means that they receive \$4.00 each a month.

The airstrip in the past few days had water covering some 400 feet, especially on the eastern end of the strip. However, this does not mean that it is not capable for use because we still got a fair bit of the length remaining which is firm and dry all round.

3. Village Cash Crop Extension.

Not a single village in the area has taken up cocoa or coffeegrowing as yet but there is a tendency towards cattle grazing by village and individual groups. The intrested people are still employed on building fences and putting up the barbed wires and once these are completed they would be able to buy cattle from the mission.

*Pinsaga  
Pinsaga  
Pinsaga*

Some intrested people have grown broad leaf tree in their own land to start silk worm business and they receive aid and instruction from a council employed silkworm manager stationed at Pinsaga. The people also sell Tigasso oil to the people at Mendi, Nipa and Poroma for money. One comment I would like to make on this particular oil is that we should stop this because it attracts blow flies once applied on the skin.

3. Activities of Development Departments.

The Department of District Administration has experimented with castor-beans, chellies and the coconuts on the council owned ground and the result have been succesful except for coconuts due to high altitude. There are also citrus on the same plot of ground but it would be a long time before any profitable result would be obtained.

There are some broad leaf plants on the council ground for silkworm project which now is operating quite successfully All these are now left entirely on the hands of the council to manage and look after. An officer from D.A.S.F. has in the past month distributed some new plants to the souncillors to plant in their villages, and has planted some chellies and passion-fruit seeds in the seed-bed.

4. Non-Indigenous Development.

The Missions have got mandarin and <sup>CITRUS</sup> mullain trees in the stations as well as cows and goats. The cows and the goats supply milk to the station workers as well as to the local people in the closeby villages. The cows also provide meat.

SOCIAL.

1. Education.

There are two Mission Primary 'P'. Schools mainly at Inu and Orokana, with some vernacular schools in the outsketch villages. In Orokana classes range from standards 1 - 4 with four indigenous teachers. There are about a hundred and forty odd students in the school. At Inu the classes range from standards 1 - 3 with three indigenous teachers. There are only ninety-four pupils in the school.

The attendance in both schools is a 100%. The teaching media is English and they follow the same syllabus as the Administration schools. The schools also get their equipment from the Education Department. The yearly intake of students for both schools is about thirty-five.

So much criticisms has been lodged by the village people on those vernacular schools operating in the villages. They feel that English should be taught in these schools instead of local language because they feel that this will only accentuate problems on their entry into Primary schools in future. However, I have told them that there aren't enough teachers in the

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Education. con'td.

whole Territory to be fitted into every school. I also told them that they are lucky enough to have two Primary schools in their area which is sparsely populated.

2. Health.

The Kutubu area has got two clinics and four aid-posts. The missions operate the clinics and employ their own sisters and the nurses. The aid-post orderlies are all P.H.D. personnel.

The medical supplies for both the clinics and the aid-posts come from Public Health in Mendi. The main diseases treated here in these institutions are, tropical ulcers, leprosy, malaria and many others. However, as far as I am concerned those people with leprosy are sent to Tari for medical treatment. The clinics and the aid-posts also serve as a delivery centres for infants.

Both the clinics and the aid-posts have got wards available for the patients who need regular medical treatment. At present there is a bit of staff shortage at Oroana and the nurses there work on their own. Inu is very lucky in that it has got a qualified sister who gives the nurses training besides her own duty. However it will not be long when she will leave the area. On the whole the general outlook of health in the area is fine.

3. Law and Order.

The people in the Kutubu area are appreciative of the presence of law and order in their area. This to them means peace in the area, and that any dispute or complaint can be settled through it. Due to the remoteness of the area from the main administering patrol post most of the complaints get solved every month whenever there is a patrolling officer available in the area.

4. Missions.

The relationship between the missions and the people is fine except that there is a bit of dissatisfaction on these vernacular schools operated by the missions in the villages. The missions have also done a better job in converting so many of the people to christianity in the area which in actual fact means minimising ill feelings and hatred among the people.

They have also started Bible classes in Pidgin to teach the local people some Pidgin.

D. MISCELLANEOUS.

The people in Wasami Island have approached me and told me that they wish to move the village site to their land adjacent to the Inu mission station. Some of the villagers have already moved into the new area. As far as I am concerned this is essential because the island itself is too narrow for future population expansion and that there is no arable land available for gardening on the island.

*M. K. K. Veri*  
MOREA K.K. VERI.  
Trainee Patrol Officer.





LAKE KUTUBU LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL.

SCALE : FOURMIL.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT

District of SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS Report No. 02 of 1971/72

Patrol Conducted by J. KABISCH ASSISTANT DISTRICT OFFICER

Area Patrolled PART NEMBI VALLEY

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NO

Natives 4 INTERPRETERS 4 TEACHERS COLLEGE STUDENTS

Duration—From 5/7/1971 to 14/7/1971

Number of Days 10

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? NO

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services MARCH/1971

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

Map Reference.....

Objects of Patrol CONDUCT THE TERRITORY CENSUS.

Director of District Administration,  
PORT MORESBY.

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District Commissioner

Amount Paid for War Damage Compensation .... \$.....

Amount Paid from D.N.E. Trust Fund .... \$.....

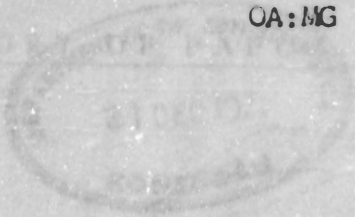
Amount paid from P.E.D.P. Trust Fund.....

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P.O. Box 2396,  
KONEDOPU.

67-15-17

19th January, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

POROMA PATROL NO. 2 OF 1971-72.

Your reference 67-3-12 of 23/12/71.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special, Annual Census, Area Study and Situation Report by Mr. J. Kabisch, P.O. of the NEMBI VALLEY Census Division.

Such a report does not reflect favourably on Mr. Kabisch's perceptiveness and industry.

(S.J. PEARSALL)  
a/Secretary.

The Officer in Charge,  
POROMA



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POROMA PATROL NO. 2 OF 1971/72

Please find attached the original and one copy of the above report submitted by Mr. J. Kabisch, Patrol Officer.

Although covered by a very brief report, the patrol did achieve its objectives, namely the conduct of the Territory Census.

*M R Haywood*

M.R. HAYWOOD

a/- District Commissioner

c.c.: The Assistant District Commissioner,  
NIPA

The Officer in Charge,  
POROMA



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Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

Poroma Patrol Number 2 of 1971/72  
Mr J. Kabisch, Assistant District Officer

Attached please find one original and three copies of the above mentioned patrol report, together with one map.

My only comment is that though this patrol was of a routine nature and the conclusion to it notwithstanding the report is somewhat sparse for a patrol of ten days duration. Mr Kabisch may have possibly mentioned any discussions he might have had with the Teachers' College students e.g. their thoughts on the Territory Census -this being the main object of the patrol-political education activity, progress of the Territory towards self government and eventual independence etc.

It appears that a satisfactory patrol was carried out by Mr Kabisch.

No patrol instructions were issued by Mr N. Wright the Assistant District Commissioner at the time the patrol was mounted.

*M. Davies*

(M.P.D. Davies)  
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. The Officer in Charge,  
POROMA.

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POROMA PATROL REPORT No. 2 of 1971/72.

Sub District	Nipa
Council Area	Poroma
Patrol Conducted By	J.Kabisch
Designation	Assistant District Officer.
Area Patrolled	Part Nembi Valley
Personnel Accompanying	4 teachers 5 interpreters.
Object of the Patrol	Conduct Territory Census
Duration of Patrol	5th July 1971 to 14th July 1971. Ten Days.

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POPOMA PATROL REPORT No. 2 of 1971/72.

Diary.

5th July 1971. Arrived at Kongu Village and censused from 1030 hrs till 1300 hours when rain stopped work.

Slept Kongu.

6th July 1971. Continued with census till early afternoon when rain stopped work.

Slept Kongu.

7th July 1971. Completed census Kongu village in afternoon and moved onto Tindom village.

Slept Tindom village.

8th July 1971. Census for Tindom village carried out.

Slept Tindom.

9th July 1971. Moved onto Udjabia village and census figures for other villages brought up to date.

Slept Udjabia.

10th July 1971. Conducted census for Ka Mission.

Slept Udjabia.

11th July 1971. Observed.

Slept Udjabia.

12th July 1971. Worked on census for Udjabia village.

Slept Udjabia.

13th July 1971. Completed census for Udjabia village by lunch time and moved onto Del rest house.

14th July 1971. Conducted census for Uberil village in morning and went to Nipa in afternoon by car.

End of Patrol.

Introduction.

This patrol moved into the field on the 4th July to position itself to start conducting the Territory Census on the 5th July. The patrol remained in the field until Wednesday the 14th July when it returned to Nipa Sub District Office. In this time four villages and one mission station were censused. Four teachers college students accompanied the patrol as interviewers and were assisted by four locally recruited interpreters.

No incidents occurred and the census was carried out smoothly. The patrol finished three days ahead of schedule.

Law and Order.

Several court cases were heard during the patrol's stay in the field. These comprised both civil and criminal actions, but were in no way related to the census.

Health.

General health was noted to be good and this can be expected as all villages were in close proximity to mission health services.

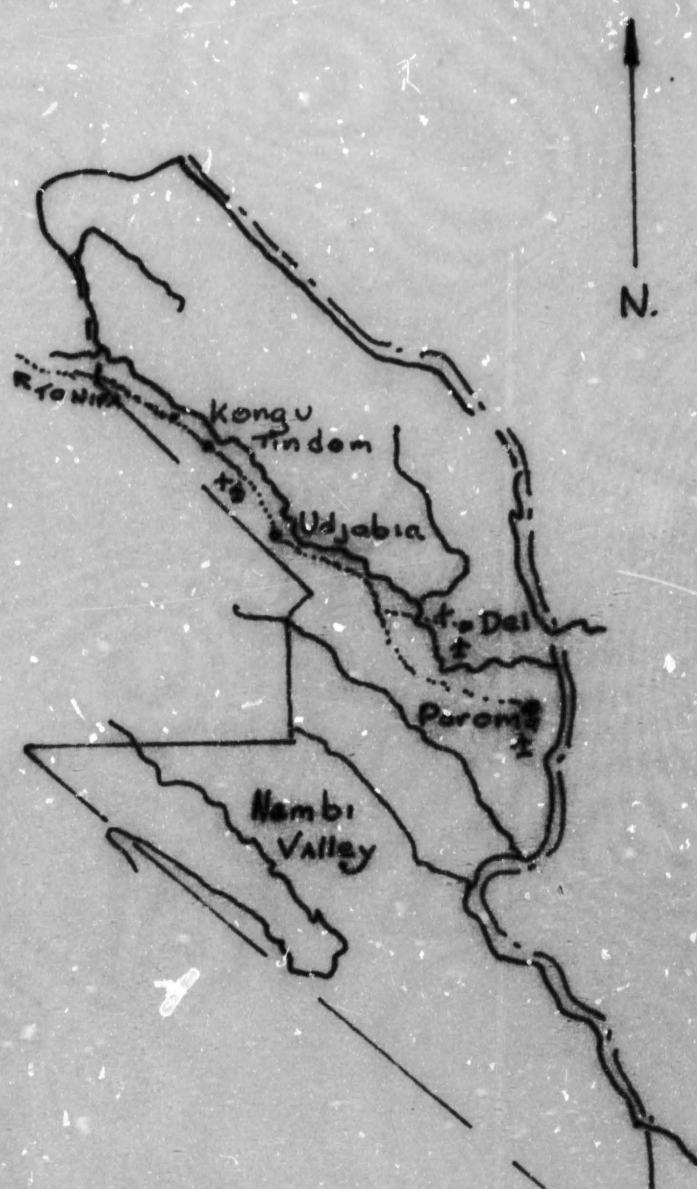
Missions.

The patrol was allowed unhindered access to Ka Mission station and personnel thereon. The Mission assisted the patrol by publicizing the fact that the patrol was ahead of schedule and the census would be conducted earlier than had been anticipated.

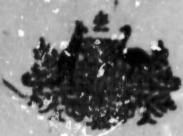
Conclusion,

The patrol, apart from one rest day was fully occupied on conducting the census and no other work was attempted.

*John C*



Sub District Boundaries.	— — — — —
Census Division Boundaries	· · · · ·
Patrols Route	— · — · — ·
Airstrip	✈
Mission.	+



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Southern Highlands District.

18th November, 1971.

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MEMBI.

FOROMA PATROL NO. 3 OF 1971/72

Sub-District:	Nipa
District:	Southern Highlands
Council Area:	Foroma Local Government Council
Patrol Conducted by:	Arthur G. Smedley
Designation:	Assistant Patrol Officer
Area Patrolled:	Part Council Area Part Membi Valley Census Division
Personnel Accompanying Patrol:	4 Teachers College Students 5 Interpreters.
Duration of Patrol:	3.7.1971 to 14.7.1971 12 man days
Date and Duration of last D.D.A. Patrol to area:	January/February, 1971. 28 days.
Objects of Patrol:	Conduct Territory Census
Total Population of area patrolled:	1,400 approximately
Map Reference:	Kutubu Summit
Village Population Register:	Not Enclosed.

*Arthur G. Smedley*  
Arthur G. Smedley  
Assistant Patrol Officer



SPECIAL REPORT

This patrol was mounted to conduct the Territory Census in Villages of the Nambi Valley Census Division.

Census was conducted in the Pombadi and Det Villages, the Christian Union Mission Station at Parita, the Catholic Mission Station at Det and the Foroma Patrol Post.

The only Political Education carried out on this patrol was that concerned with the Territory Census.

Under instructions from the Assistant District Commissioner at Nipa no disputes were heard during this patrol. All cases were referred to the Officer in Charge of Foroma Patrol Post.

As was to be expected, general health in the area was good - as all places visited had reasonable access to medical facilities.

The patrol was well received in all villages visited and the Missions visited assisted wherever possible.

*Arthur G. Smedley*  
Arthur G. Smedley  
Assistant Patrol Officer.

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POROMA PATROL REPORT NO. 3 OF 1971/72

PATROL DIARY

SATURDAY, 3rd July, 1971.

1330 Departed Nipa for Poroma  
1500 Arrived Poroma.

SLEPT POROMA.

SUNDAY, 4th July, 1971.

Observed Poroma.

SLEPT POROMA.

MONDAY, 5th JULY, 1971.

Carried out Census of Poroma Station.  
Compiling of Census Statistics during evening.

SLEPT POROMA.

TUESDAY, 6th July, 1971.

To Parita Mission Station - carried out Census.  
To Pombadl village and set up camp.  
Commenced Census of Pombadl Village.

SLEPT POMBADL.

WEDNESDAY, 7th July, 1971.

Continued with census of Pombadl Village.

SLEPT POMBADL.

THURSDAY, 8th July, 1971.

Completed Census at Pombadl Village.  
Compiling of Census statistics during afternoon.

SLEPT POMBADL.

FRIDAY, 9th July, 1971.

Walked from Pombadl to Det  
Arrived Det and set up camp.  
Commenced Census of Det Village in afternoon.

SLEPT DET.

SATURDAY, 10th July, 1971.

Continued with census of Det Village.  
Compiling of Census statistics during evening.

SLEPT DET.

SUNDAY, 11th July, 1971.

Observed Det.

SLEPT DET.

MONDAY, 12th July, 1971.

Completed Census of Det Village.  
Compilation of Census statistics during afternoon.

SLEPT DET.

TUESDAY, 13th July, 1971.

Carried out Census of Catholic Mission.  
Station at Det.  
Compiled Census Statistics during afternoon.

SLEPT DET.

WEDNESDAY, 14th July, 1971.

Departed Det for Nipa.  
Arrived Nipa 1145.

PATROL STOOD DOWN.

*Arthur G. Smedley*  
Arthur G. Smedley  
Assistant Patrol Officer.

WESTERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT.

TARI  
SUB DISTRICT

DOMA PEARLS  
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MARGARIMA 12

TARI

WAGE 18

NIPA BASIN 19

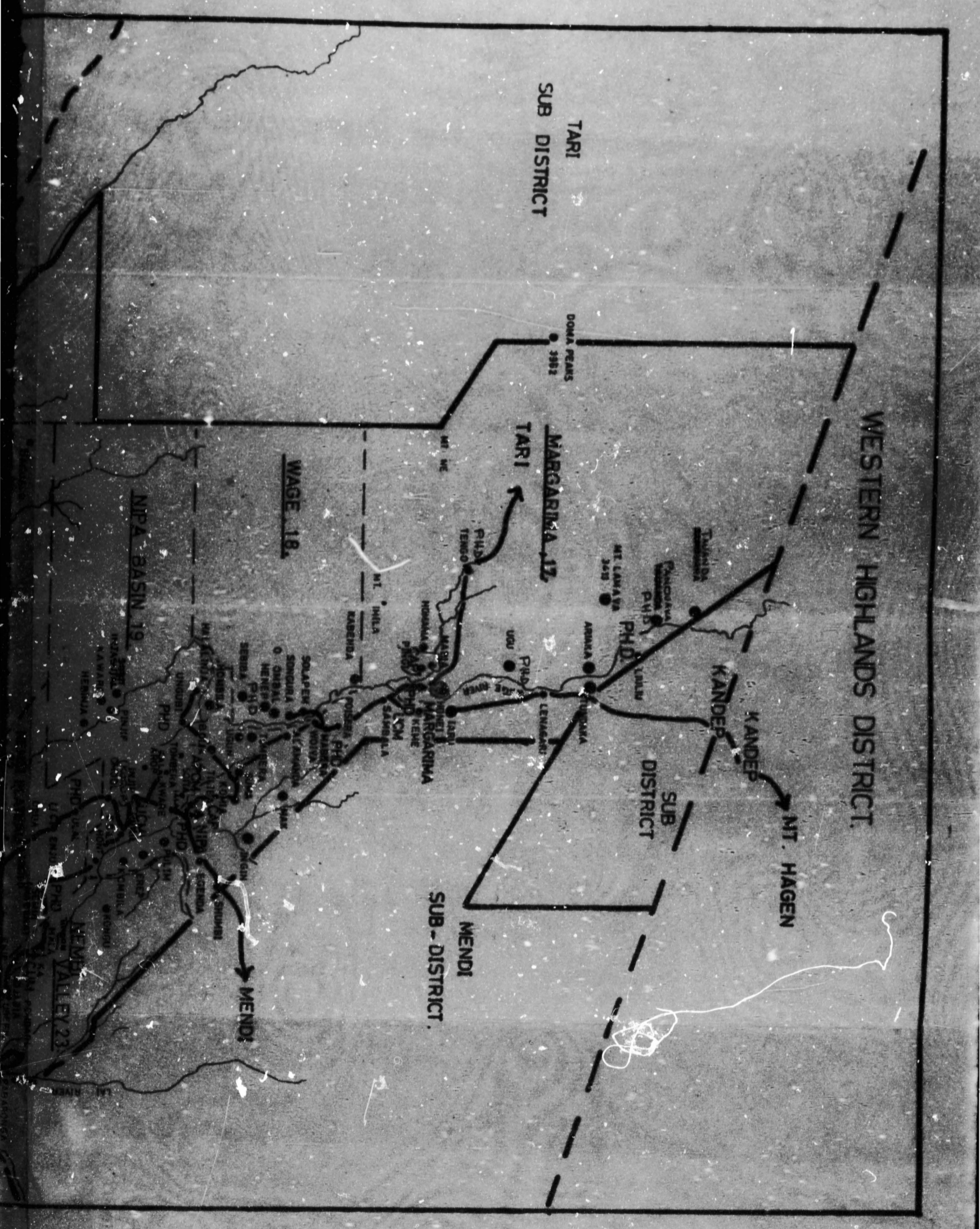
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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



# PATROL REPORT

Report Number... FOROMA PATROL REPORT NO. 4 1971/72.

Subdistrict... NIPA SUB DISTRICT.

District... SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS DISTRICT.

Type of Patrol... SITUATION REPORT.

Patrol Conducted by... MOREA K.I. VERI.

Area Patrolled	}	LAKE KUTUBU LOCAL GOVERNMENT
(Council and/or		COUNCIL AREA.
Census Division/s.)		FASU & FOI'I CENSUS DIVISIONS.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol

1 RPNG CONSTABULARY MEMBER CONST NO. 2057 MALOMPI

1 POLICE CLERK BAY KAIFA.

2 INTERPRETERS KONEFABU & HANAMAI.

Duration of Patrol—from 19 / 8 to 15 / 9 / 71

No. of Days 28 DAYS.

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area: 5/7 to 15/7/71

Date 5/7 to 15/7/71 Duration 10 DAYS.

Objects of Patrol (Briefly) 4TH COUNCIL ELECTIONS FOR LAKE KUTUBU COUNCIL,  
ROUTINE ADMINISTRATION DUTIES.

Total Population of Area Patrolled FOUR THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
KONEDOBU

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner.

P.O. Box 2396,  
KORORUA.

67-15-25

23th January, 1972.

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MINDI.

PERCUA PATROL NO. 4 OF 1971-72.

Your reference 67-15-25 of 20/1/72.

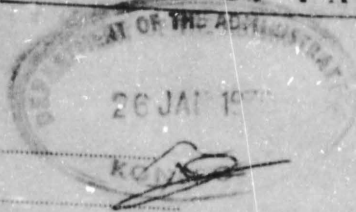
I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report  
by Mr. M. Veri of the Fasu and Foi'i Census Divisions.

Quite a good report marred by the delay in receipt.

(S.J. PEARSALL)  
a/Secretary.

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Department of the Administrator,  
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District Office,  
MENDI S.H.D.

20th January, 1972.

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
KCNEDC3U

POROMA PATROL NO. 4 OF 1971/72

Attached please find two copies of the above report, together with covering comments by the A.D.C. Nipa and the District Local Government Officer, Mendi.

Mr. Veri has submitted a good report.

*M.R. Haywood*  
M.R. HAYWOOD  
a/ District Commissioner





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Department of the Administrator,  
Office of Local Government  
P.O. Box 101

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5th January, 1972.

District Commissioner

MENDI.

POROMA PATROL NO.4 OF 1971/72

I attach three copies of the report for your information, comment and forwarding to the secretary.

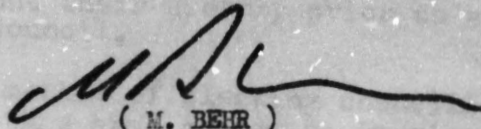
As usual the Assistant District Commissioner Nipa has commented fully on Mr. Veri's report. For his information and that of the Officer in Charge Poroma, the election period for The Lake Kutubu Local Government Council is 33 days. I gather from Mr. Kabisch's patrol instructions that it was thought the period was only 21 days.

In his report Mr. Veri writes that he had discussions with people from AUGU and BAGUALU, concerning their desire to join the Lake Kutubu Council. I presume that the matter is being handled by the Assistant District Commissioner and the Adviser and that I will be able to issue instructions for an amendment to the Lake Kutubu Council Constitution. I will take this matter up with the Assistant District Commissioner under separate cover.

I note that in section(ii) of the report, a pre election talk was given in each ward, and "... The people gathered in the men's houses and discussed who should be elected...." I wonder what part the women played in these discussions, and the subsequent elections?

What connection was there between the patrol and "ex- constable Hanabo"? I presume that he was not campaigning at the time he was accompanying Mr. Veri?

A good report from Mr. Veri.

  
( M. BEHR )

DISTRICT LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER

c.c.  
Assistant District Commissioner  
NIPA.

Officer in Charge  
POROMA.

Mr. Veri  
c/- Patrol Post  
POROMA.





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NIPA,  
Southern Highlands District.

21st December, 1971

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

Poroma Patrol Number 4 of 1971/1972

Attached please find original and ~~two~~<sup>3</sup> copies of the above Report, together with patrol map and patrol instructions. The latter were issued by Mr J. Kabisch who proceeded on Recreation Leave prior to the completion of the patrol, therefore there are no comments forthcoming from that direction.

My comments are:

Introduction Should read 'a duration of 28 days'.

A. Political i. Local Government. The report on the fourth General Elections to the Lake Kutubu Council was forwarded under separate cover, initially to the District Local Government Officer, with a copy to you. It was a satisfactory ~~one~~ with nothing untoward mentioned.

The Augu people to my knowledge have not brought their wishes to the attention to the notice of the Nipa Council. I will contact its President on the matter. As for the Baguale people I believe they originate from the Tari area and therefore it would be in order for the Assistant District Commissioner at Tari to be contacted on the background of these people.

Likewise with the Tamadigi people who have just returned to the Kutubu area from living in the Kikori area. I will contact the Officer in Charge at Pimaga to find out their history prior to any moves being made by the Lake Kutubu Council.

ii. Local Government Councillors: The method of electing councillors stated by Mr Veri is not confined to this area as may be imagined.

iii. House of Assembly It would be interesting to know the background of the spokesman from Wasami, mentioned in the second paragraph.

iv. House of Assembly Members There appears to be a misuse of words in the final and third paragraph. Poroma and Kutubu are known as the 'Poroma-Kutubu Open Electorate'. The former constable Hamabo has nominated for this Seat and apparently is still campaigning strenuously, mainly in the Kutubu area.

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v. Political Education In the first paragraph I would think that Mr Veri meant to write 'taxation'. In the second paragraph he has made a mistake by stating that workers whose wages exceed eighteen dollars per? pay tax. It should read sixteen dollars ~~sixty~~ per fortnight. Presumably Mr Veri meant this period of time nevertheless he should have written so. His play on words with the phrase 'Public Service' is good.

vi. Preferential Voting No comment although the word 'simple' is not required.

Since I am not familiar with/area I am unable to comment on the 'B. Economic' and 'C. Social' except for 'ii. Health' With the latter I have received a copy of the report from Mr A. Packett who conducted the Leprosy Patrol. His report bears out what Mr Veri's states.

Summary: Mr Veri has submitted a good Report on an area which obviously he has come to know very well. There are some grammatical errors etc but it must be remembered that English is not the native tongue of Mr Veri.



(M.P.D. Davies)  
Assistant District Commissioner

*[Faint, mostly illegible text follows, appearing to be a draft or a second copy of the letter. It contains several paragraphs of text, some of which are partially legible, such as 'If this permits visit the Council...', 'You should discuss with political education...', and 'Remember, your people and you to help...']*



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FOROMA,  
Southern Highlands District.

17th August 1971.

Mr. M. Veri,  
Trainee Patrol Officer,  
FOROMA.

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS FOROMA PATROL No. 4-1971/72.

Please prepare to depart on patrol to the Lake Kutubu area. You will be required to conduct the General Elections for the Lake Kutubu Local Government Council, these elections commencing on the 20th August.

You will be departing from Foroma per aircraft for Pimaga on the 18th August in company with Mr. Towa who will attend the next meeting of the Lake Kutubu Council to be held on the 19th August. Mr. Towa will be returning to Foroma on the 20th when you start your patrol. Inform all councillors at the meeting of your patrol route so that they will be prepared for your visit. Discuss with me before your departure your route and estimated times as the patrol (elections) must be completed within three weeks.

While at Wasami Island discuss with the people from Baguale and Angu their wishes in relation to joining the Lake Kutubu council. Find out if they previously belonged to another council. Before they can join the Lake Kutubu Council, the council must change its constitution.

If time permits visit the Council Aid post at the lake and report on its progress. Visit each of the other Aid Posts and see if they have sufficient drugs and dressings. Check to see if they are doing their medical returns.

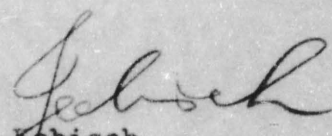
You should continue with political education, again mentioning the nine points contained in the District Commissioners Circular and reporting on the peoples reactions to the discussions on these topics.

Remember, when people ask you to hear courts, you can only suggest ways in which they may solve their problems. If they disagree with your suggestions, they should then bring their problems before a magistrate.

If you are uncertain with any of the procedures relating to the conduct of the election see me before you depart.

You will be accompanied by Hanamai and Constable Malompi.

I hope you have a successful patrol.

  
J. Kabisch  
Officer in Charge.

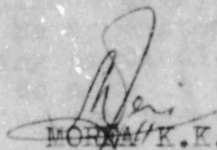
Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
FOROMA.  
Southern Highlands District.

23rd September, 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub-District Office,  
NIPA.

FOROMA PATROL REPORT NO. 4 1971/72.  
SITUATION REPORT.

<u>REPORT NO.</u>	Foroma Patrol Report No. 4 1971/72.
<u>SUB-DISTRICT.</u>	Nipa.
<u>DISTRICT.</u>	Southern Highlands.
<u>TYPE OF PATROL.</u>	Situation Report.
<u>COUNCIL AREA.</u>	Lake Kutubu.
<u>PATROL CONDUCTED BY.</u>	Morea K.K. Veri.
<u>DESIGNATION.</u>	Patrol Officer.
<u>AREA PATROLLED.</u>	Foi'i Census Division, Fasu Census Division.
<u>PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING.</u>	1 Member of RPN Guinea Constabulary, 2 Interpreters: Konefabu Iorei, Hanamai Weiono. 1 Fool Clerk: Bai Kaipu.
<u>OBJECTS OF THE PATROL.</u>	4TH. General Elections for Lake Kutubu Council, Routine Administration Duties.
<u>LAST PATROL IN THE AREA.</u>	5th to 15th July, 1971.
<u>MAP REFERENCE.</u>	Kutubu Area Fourmil Map Attached.
<u>DURATION OF THE PATROL.</u>	19th August to 15th September, 1971. (28 Days.)

  
MOREA K.K. VERI.  
PATROL OFFICER.

FOROMA PATROL REPORT NO. 4 1971/72.  
SITUATION REPORT.

The patrol was a duration of 27 days commencing from 19th August to 17th September, 1971. The patrol was comprised of one RPN. Guinea Constabulary member, a pool clerk, two Interpreters and me. The main purpose of the patrol was to conduct 4TH General Elections for the Lake Kutubu Council, political education talks and the routine Administration duties.

A. Political.

i. Local Government.

The Lake Kutubu Council was established in the year 1966 and the results up until this present election showed that two people have quite successfully regained their seats. The manner in which the monthly meetings are held are primitive in some respect but we hope to improve the conditions once the new councillors become familiar with the procedures of the meetings.

The operation of the council in the past few years had been very critical due to the fact that local people want to see some concrete result in their area. However this criticism I hope will be lessened because we have a tractor in the area.

While at Wasami I had talks with Augu and the Baguale people about their wishes to join the Kutubu Council. The discussions showed that they really want to join the Council. However, there is a little doubt on inclusion of the Augu people because they were in the Nipa Council at one stage. I hope further discussions with the Nipa Council will eventually bridge the gap.

Another group of people from Tamadigi who in the previous years have moved down to Kikori, have now come back to their village. This group also would like to be included in the Kutubu Council after a long discussion. I would therefore strongly recommend changes in the Kutubu Council constitutions so that these people can be included.

ii. Local Government Councillors.

The council elections went on fairly well without any incidents. In this 4TH General Elections all except four former Councillors failed to gain their seats.

Before the actual pool commenced in each ward the people gathered in the men's houses and discussed who should be elected Councillor for their ward. Thus everyone knew exactly who was going to win the elections and to be appointed a new councillor. As far as I was concerned there was nothing particularly secret. However the people tried to make it a more competitive by having two or more candidates standing for the elections.

iii. House of Assembly.

In every ward I had discussions with the village people telling them that House of Assembly is the central government for Papua New Guinea. I told the people how the House functions and helps the whole Territory, how many members it has and why we should be united as one people.

I told the people that House works towards nationhood and that we should work towards this goal in order to achieve it. I told them that one flag and name for the country will be the unifying factors but much remains on how the people of the two <sup>country</sup> react to each other. One spokesman from Wasami stood up and said that Papuans will be dominated by the New Guineans if Independence comes. Therefore he feels that Papua should be separate from New Guinea.

iv. House of Assembly Members.

I told the people that the members discuss matters for the whole country such as laws, land bills, and money. The House governs the country as a whole and the local government councils only look after the people belonging to one particular council. I also mentioned to them the ministerial and assistant ministerial members.

I was pleased because people knew their members in the House. Their complaint was that these members should at least visit them ~~once~~ a month to tell them more about the meetings. I told them that this may or may not be necessary because some members like the ministerial members have got work to do. Besides this if a member goes around collecting suggestions from the people then he would eventually end up with a thousand which the House won't have time to discuss.

I also told them that Poroma and Kutubu will have one Open candidate for 1972 House of Assembly Election. They were very pleased with this because they think they have got some chances now to get one candidate from their group. An ex-constable Hamabo was with me during the patrol and he had been campaigning in every ward for next years elections to the House of Assembly. I can predict that he has fair chance of winning next years election.

v. Political Education.

Other items that I have discussed with the people during the course of political education were Tatation, Electoral Processes, Public Service, Independence, National Unity and Local Government.

I told them that people in the councils pay certain amount of money to the councils as tax. The same principle applies to the wage earners whose earnings exceed eighteen dollars or more. I told them that the money is then used for building airstrips, hospitals, schools and many other things.

The Electoral Processes were spoken about before the elections took place and the people adhered to these rules very well.

They were told that every department in the Administration are Public Service and the people working in the Public Service are called Public Servants. I told them that a country with good and stable Public Service will run smoothly and the country will remain firm. I told them that Public means all the people and the Service means work. Therefore any Public Servant in anyone department is working for the welfare of the whole community.

In Local Government part I said to the people that this is ~~the~~ necessary because people are scattered everywhere and that it is hard for the central government to look after them. Thus this councils were set up. I told the people that council makes rules like tax rule and that it looks after people in the area. I then told them that this is a wonderful example of Independence, Self Government, National Unity because people feel that they are one people and that they work together as a nation.

vi. Preferential Voting.

The simple preferential voting system was used during this 4TH council elections. Each ward had had two to four candidates running and nearly everyone, except few literate groups, had to be guided in casting a vote. The elections were done through secret ballot and the patrol used this system to avoid other persons from hearing each others vote.

## B. Economic.

### i. General Rural Development.

The road work in the area is very poor but except from Orokana to Gesege and Orokana to Du'ubari where a vehicle size roads have been built. About 2,600 feet on Pimaga airstrip is now in operation but still there is a lot more work needed to be done on the other end. At present men have been employed from each village to work on the strip and we hope to complete this in the next three months.

### ii. Activities of Development Departments.

The officers from D.D. Administration have helped in establishing silkworm project and the citrus. The former has proved to be a successful one and thus many local people have started their own. There are nine of these projects operating mainly at Wasami, Gesege, Sorotage, Fiwaga, Herebo and Damayu.

A local officer was in the area giving some help on silkworm. He was from Trade and Industry.

An officer from the Agriculture Department was also in the area and has introduced passionfruit and the plants are doing very well. However, the seeds are on the nursery and once they become ready they can then be distributed to the people.

The road work I mentioned earlier was encouraged by the D.D.A. officers, mainly for the patrol routes.

### iii. Village Cash Crop Extension.

Some villagers as I said have taken up active roll on silkworm but others prefer cattle raising.

There are 15 cattle projects still undergoing construction and once they are completed the owners will buy cows from the missions. The missions will be charging the locals \$10.00 for a month old calf and \$20.00 for two months old calves.

### iv. Non Indigenous Development.

There are two mission cow paddocks in the area which hold twelve cattle. They also have few nunny goats at Inu which provide milk for the mission station people. In Orokana the cows provide milk and meat for the local people and the mission workers, though the latter is not consumed daily.

The missions also have some citrus and oranges and some coconut trees which are bearing nuts.

## C. Social.

### i. Education.

There are two Primary schools in the area namely Orokana and Inu. Several other mission schools also operate and this is where most of the criticism come from.

The Orokana Primary school with three indigenous teachers has a total of 147 pupils. The classes range from standards 1 - 4 but they hope to have standard 5 pupils next year.

The Inu Primary school has two local teachers with a total of 94 pupils. It has got standards 1 - 3 and hope to have standard 4 the following year.

Both schools follow the Administration Syllabus and do get their teaching materials from the administration. The teaching medium is English.

### ii. Health.

The Kutubu area has got four aid posts and two mission clinics. The ~~one~~ aid post at Fasu area ~~is~~ at Hebayu and the three remaining ones are in Foi'i area situated at Herebo, Tugiri and Sorotage. All of them have wards in which sick patients sleep. Main diseases in the area are malaria, leprosy, sores, dysentery and pneumonia.



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The two clinics in the Kutubu area are operated by A.P.C. Missions. They also provide their own staffs but get medical supplies from Public Health. These clinics have wards and they treat the same kinds of diseases but do much work on child care and delivery.

There was a health team in the area mainly checking those patients with Tuberculosis and Leprosy. The T.B. examinations showed that there are 2 patients on review cases, and have been given pas, inah and streptomycin treatments. The other patients have got well.

On leprosy there were 27 patients registered since 1951 but this figure has risen to 29. The examinations showed that 11 of them no longer require treatment, 10 active patients who are to be treated, 6 patients have died and 2 been sent to Togoba hospital for medical treatment.

Generally speaking the people are healthy.

iii. Law and Order.

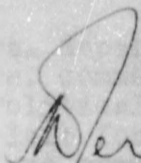
The people in this area are abiding law and order fairly well although there may be some law breakers. Law and order has helped a lot in settling disputes and hatred.

iv. Missions.

The only mission operating in the area is the A.P.C. Mission and the people welcome the mission as well because it has helped in establishing better relationship among the people. They also help with the health services and few village schools.

The relationship between the mission and the people is pretty good on the whole. The mission provide milk to the locals which I think is a very good help.

The mission also holds sewing classes in the villages to help the local women. They conduct series of Bible classes especially at Orokana in pidgin to help them understand the language.

  
MOREA K.K. VERI.  
PATROL OFFICER.

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POROMA PATROL REPORT NO. 4 1971/72.  
SITUATION REPORT.  
PATROL DIARY.

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THURSDAY 19TH, AUGUST, 1971. 1245 hrs. departed Poroma arrived Pimaga at 1255 hrs. Proceed to Council Chambers, attended meeting and then set up the radio for testing. Registered shortguns and examined trade store licenses. Slept Council Chambers.

FRIDAY 20TH AUGUST, 1971. 0800 hrs. Conducted Council Elections at Pimaga. Gave talks on Political Education. More shortguns and trade store licenses renewed. Checked the citrus and sericulture projects as well as the passionfruit. Slept Council Chambers.

SATURDAY 21ST, AUGUST, 1971. 0800 hrs. Conducted Council Elections at Damayu village. Talks given on Political Education. Inspected village owned cow paddocks and sericulture projects. Shortgun licenses examined. Slept Council Chambers.

SUNDAY 22ND AUGUST, 1971. Discussed with some Councillors and the village men about Papua New Guinea National Day. Rest of the day worked on Election figures. Slept Council Chambers.

MONDAY 23RD AUGUST, 1971. 0800 hrs. Conducted Council Elections at Irikai for Wards 4 and 6. Political Education and National Day talks given to people. More shortgun licenses checked. Returned to Council Chambers. Slept Council Chambers.

TUESDAY 24TH AUGUST, 1971. 0700 hrs. departed for Harabuya arrived at 0900 hrs. approximately. 1000 hrs. commenced conducting the Council Elections. Talks given on Political Education and the Papua New Guinea National Day. 1500 hrs. left for Pimaga and arrived at 1725 hrs. Worked on the statistics and summary. Slept Council Chambers.

WEDNESDAY 25TH AUGUST, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed for Herebo arrived at 0925 hrs. Conducted Council Elections until 1205 hrs. Talks given on Political Education and Papua New Guinea National Day. Inspected the Aid Post and the trade stores. Returned to Pimaga at 1500 hrs. Slept Council Chambers.

THURSDAY 26TH AUGUST, 1971. 0830 hrs. departed Pimaga for Kafa arrived at 1230 hrs. Inspected trade stores in the village. Told the villagers to maintain the road. Slept Kafa.

FRIDAY 27TH AUGUST, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Kafa arrived Sorotage at 1300 hrs. Checked the Aid Post, trade store and examined more shortgun licenses. Discussed with some men about National Day celebration. Slept Sorotage.

SATURDAY 28TH AUGUST, 1971. 0800 hrs. Conducted Council Elections until 1015 hrs. Gave talks on Political Education and the National Day. Discussed with Tamadigi people in joining the Kutubu Council. Worked with the Election statistics, summary and sheets on declaration of podl. Slept Sorotage.

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SUNDAY 29TH AUGUST, 1971. 0900 hrs. departed Sorotage arrived Tamadigi at 1400 hrs. Worked on the statistics and summary. Slept Tamadigi.

MONDAY 30TH AUGUST, 1971. 0730 hrs. departed Tamadigi arrived Manu at 1530 hrs. Inspected shotgun licenses. Arbitrated on a case concerning re-payment of bride payment. Prepared papers for the Elections. Slept Manu.

TUESDAY 31ST AUGUST, 1971. 0800 hrs. Conducted Council Elections at Manu. Talks given on Political Education and the National Day. Told the villagers to maintain Maru-Tamadigi road, as well as building a new shower block. 1500 hrs. departed Manu and arrived Hidinihia at 1630 hrs. Slept Hidinihia.

WEDNESDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Hidinihia for Hebayu arrived at 0900 hrs. Conducted Council Elections until 1300 hrs. Gave talks on Political Education and the National Day. Proceed to Aid Post to check. 1500 hrs. departed Hebayu arrived Hidinihia at 1720 hrs. Worked on election sheets. Slept Hidinihia.

THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Hidinihia arrived Iegifu at 1315 hrs. Worked on Election statistics and summary sheets. Slept Iegifu.

FRIDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Iogifu 1325 hrs. arrived at Moro. Election stood down due heavy showers all through the night. Worked on the Election statistics and summary sheets. Slept Moro.

SATURDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. Conducted Council Elections at Moro. Talks given on Political Education and Papua New Guinea National Day. Discussed with Sisibia people about their stay in Moro. Worked on Election statistics and summary. Slept Moro.

SUNDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. Worked on the Election statistics and summary sheets. Checked shotgun and trade store licenses. Rest of the day observed at Moro. Slept Moro.

MONDAY 6TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0825 hrs. departed Moro for Wasami arrived at 1300 hrs. due to rain in the morning. Discussed with Baguale and Agu people that they are willing to join Kutubu Council. Checked trade store and shotgun licenses. Slept Wasami.

TUESDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. Conducted Council Elections until 1100 hrs. Gave talks on Political Education and National Day. Worked on Election statistics and summary sheets. Slept Wasami.

WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Wasami arrived Tugiri to check the Aid Post. 0925 hrs. departed Tugiri arrived Gesege at 1200 hrs. Checked more shotgun licenses. Checked over election statistics and summary sheets. Slept Gesege.

THURSDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. Conducted Council Elections at Gesege. Talks given on Political Education and National Day, until 1415 hrs. 1420 hrs. departed Gesege arrived Pimaga at 1705 hrs. Slept Council Chambers.

FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. Checked my work over. More shortgun licenses examined. Inspected the airstrip and the workers on the strip. Worked with some men on the tractor shed. Slept Council Chambers.

SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. gathered all the people at Wards 2 and 3 for T.B. and leprosy examination by Health team. Checked shortgun licenses and then worked on the statistics and summary sheets. Slept Council Chambers.


SUNDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. Observed at Pimaga. Slept Council Chambers.

MONDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. attended sports competition at Orokana for National Day celebration. Nearby villages gathered for the sports too. Returned to the Chambers. Slept Council Chambers.

TUESDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. checked workmen on the roads, airstrip and on the tractor shed. Rest of the day helped men in building the shed. Slept Council Chambers.

WEDNESDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. worked on the tractor shed until 1500 hrs. took a plane for Poroma. Slept Poroma.

THE END OF THE PATROL.

  
MORÉS K.K. VEPI.  
PATROL OFFICER.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

# PATROL REPORT



Report Number..... Poroma Patrol Report No. 5 of 1971/72.

Subdistrict..... NIPA.

District..... Southern Highlands.

Type of Patrol..... Situation Report.

Patrol Conducted by..... Morea K.K. Veri.

Area Patrolled (Council and/or Census Division/s.)	}	Police Census Division.
		Fasu Census Division.
		of Lake Kutubu Council.

Personnel Accompanying Patrol  
2 Members of RPNG. Constabulary.

Duration of Patrol—from 28/10/71 to 29/11/71

No. of Days..... THIRTY THREE DAYS. (33 Days)

Last D.D.A. Patrol to Area:..... SEPTEMBER, 1971.

Date..... Duration..... TWENTY EIGHT DAYS.

Objects of Patrol (Briefly): Tax Collection for Kutubu Council, Clearing  
Helicopter Sites and Routine Administration Duties.

Total Population of Area Patrolled.....

The Secretary,  
Department of the Administrator,  
KONEDOBU.

Forwarded, please.

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District Commissioner.

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P.O. Box 2396 - KONEDCBU

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7th February, 1972

The District Commissioner  
Southern Highlands District  
MENDI.

POBOMA PATROL NO. 5 of 1971/72.

Your reference 67-3-12 of 26th January, 1972.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation  
Report by MR. M. VERI, P.O. of the FCI'I and FASU Census  
Divisions.

A good final report.

(T.W. ELLIS)  
Secretary

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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

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The Secretary,  
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KONEDGBU.

Department of the Administrator,  
District Office, MENDI,  
Southern Highlands District.  
26th January, 1972.

RE: POROMA PATROL No. 5  
of 1971/1972

Please find enclosed the original and one copy of the above report submitted by Mr. K.K. Veri, P.O. together with covering memoranda from the A.D.C., Nipa, O.I.C., Poroma and the District Local Government Officer, Mendi.

M.R. HAYWOOD  
a/- District Commissioner

c.c. A.D.C., Nipa  
O.I.C., Poroma

POROMA.

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Office of Local Government  
P.O. Box 101  
MENDI.  
6th January, 1972.

District Commissioner  
MENDI.

POROMA PATROL NO. 5 OF 1971/72  
LAKE KUTUBU LOCAL GOVERNMENT COUNCIL

I attach three copies of the report for your information, comment and forwarding to the secretary.

As the Lake Kutubu Council does not employ a clerk, it has fallen on the Advisor to collect Council tax. I wonder whether Mr. Veri was accompanied by one or two Councillors as a tax collecting team. He makes no mention of this fact nor that there may have been a tax review committee? Even if the Councillors were illiterate, they would have gained some idea by Mr. Veri's example.

Mr. Bullock states that the council is to establish a store, whether it is a bulk store to supply the local storeowners, or a trade store is not stated. Although it is not uncommon for councils to operate stores, my personal feelings are that as a general rule, councils should not enter into competition if a service is already being provided.

I too must agree with Mr. Davies summary. Although inexperienced in local Government, Mr. Veri has indicated that he is capable of learning and in his time at Lake Kutubu has done a good piece of work.



( M. BEHR )

DISTRICT LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICER

c.c.  
Assistant District Commissioner  
NIPA.  
Officer in Charge  
POROMA.  
Mr. M. Veri  
c/- Patrol Post  
POROMA.





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Southern Highlands District.

22nd December, 1971

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,  
MENDI.

Poroma Patrol Number 5 of 1971/1972

Attached please find original and two copies of the above Report, together with patrol map, patrol instructions, and comments on the Patrol by the Officer in Charge at Poroma.

My comments are:

Introduction Mr Veri states this is the 4th patrol however it is the fifth patrol emanating from Patrol Post, Poroma. This is no mistake of Mr Veri's.

A. POLITICAL

(1) Local Government Council No comment.

(2) Local Government Councillors No comment.

(3) House of Assembly As you know the General Elections to the House of Assembly commence on Saturday the 19th February, 1971. No doubt the people of the Kutubu area will be informed of the amended date by Mr Ryan.

The Poroma-Kutubu Open Electorate includes in its area part of the Komo (Tari Sub District) administrative region. There may be a candidate from this part of the Electorate. If there is no doubt this person will contact the Officer in Charge at Komo.

B. ECONOMIC

(1) General Rural Development I would think that Mr Veri considers both the Orokana/Gesege road and the Orokana/Arabuyu road are in a good state of repair. The former is most invaluable in that it would give access, in the future, to Lake Kutubu, thereby opening up these waters to tourist ventures. I believe a businessman at Mendi is interested in getting something going at Tugiri on the western side of Lake Kutubu. The latter road may possibly lead to an outlet for the Kutubu people with Poroma.

(2) Village Cash Crop Extension I do not know as yet whether Mr Ryan has investigated the statement 'cheated by the Missions' made by certain of the local people.

I have no comments to make until the following section:

C. SOCIAL

(4) Missions This is the first patrol report from Mr Veri that mentions the local people expressing dissatisfaction with the Missions wishing to ban 'traditional singsings and dances'; although it is not the case re teaching in the vernacular. The former, I think, will have to be thoroughly investigated, discreetly of course, by Mr Ryan, as it appears that it may strike at the social make-up of the Kutubu people.

D. MISCELLANEOUS

In his last Report which also covered the Foi'i and Fasu Census Divisions Mr Veri mentioned the fact that the Augu and Baguale peoples are interested in coming into the old of the Kutubu Council. These peoples live to the north west of Lake Kutubu. Now we have mentioned these living in the lower reaches of the area now under scrutiny. Reading between the lines, I would think that these people in the more remote areas of the region would like to benefit from the upsurge of interest etc. coming from the Administration and Council etc. The permanent posting of an officer to Pimaga will undoubtedly influence thinking on this matter.

Summary

Mr Veri has now proceeded on Recreation Leave and transfer out of the Nipa Sub District. In the short time that he has been patrolling the Kutubu area he has built up, in my opinion, a reservoir of good will and feeling, not only for himself and his efforts, but also for the Administration as a whole. I believe Mr Ryan will keep up the good work of Mr Veri.

Some spelling errors etc in the body of the Report but overall a good report. (The date of writing the Report should read the 6th December, 1971 not the 6th November, 1971 as shown.)

*M. P. D. Davies*

(M.P.D. Davies)  
Assistant District Commissioner

Patrol Post,  
POROMA,  
Southern Highlands District.  
10th December, 1971.

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

Poroma Patrol Number 5 of 1971/72

Please find enclosed 4 copies of the Poroma  
Patrol Report No. 5 conducted by Mr. Veri, Patrol Officer.

My comments are as follows:-

Local Government Council

Mr. N. Ryan has now completed the hand-over  
take-over of the Lake Kutubu Council and has settled in. I  
expect that the tax collection will re-commence within 2 weeks  
and will be completed well before the end of January.

Local Government Councillors

The District Commissioner has advised that  
he is attempting to have funds made available for the cons-  
truction of a semi-permanent house for Mr. Ryan.

House of Assembly

Advice will be sent out well before the elec-  
tions so that there is no doubt as to the commencement date of  
same.

Economic

Mr. Veri should have advised what exactly is  
good about the OROKANA - GEBEGE and the OROKANA - HARABUYU roads.

The surfacing of the strip has now commenced  
and during the first week some 200' x 30' was surfaced to a  
depth of 4"- 5". At this rate the whole of the now operational  
section of the strip should be surfaced by the middle of Feb-  
ruary.

The roller has now been assembled and is in  
operation.

I will ask Mr. Ryan at Timaga to go into the  
accusation 'the Mission cheating the local people' to see if  
a satisfactory arrangement can be worked out.

Village Cash Crops

After discussions with Mr. Ryan and the coun-  
cillors it has been decided that the Council should enter the  
trade store business. With the aircraft required to bring trade  
store items in, there should be no problem backloading local  
produce to the main centres.

Activities of Development Departments

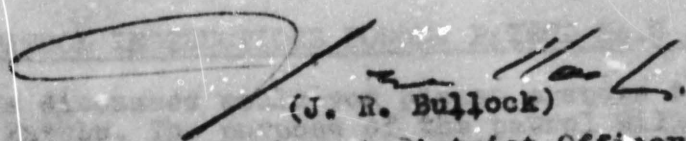
The passionfruit seeds have germinated well  
and most of the seedlings have been distributed to the local  
people for replanting in their villages.

(11)

Mr. Veri has submitted a concise report covering a good range of subjects. I feel more attention, however, should have been given to the Political Situation with a report on the attitude of the people, their feelings towards independence and the Central Government etc.

Another well conducted patrol by Mr. Veri.

Mr. Veri,  
District Officer,  
District Head,  
MILWA

  
(J. R. Bullock)

Assistant District Officer.

The patrol to the north... collection of the... local Government... and will see to it... this to carry out any other tasks.

Please proceed to the... villages and collect... at these areas... of the... to collect in the... villages.

You are aware that... candidates for the... is to campaign... appear to support...

to have... names and... at the... in... to have their... and pay their...

The patrol should... all... and you... a copy... such as... case to... week...

I trust you will have... the... week...

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Patrol Post,  
POROMA,  
Southern Highlands District,  
26th October 1971.

Mr. M. Veri,  
Patrol Officer,  
Patrol Post,  
Poroma

PATROL INSTRUCTIONS POROMA PATROL No. 5 of 1971/72

As discussed would you please prepare to depart on patrol to Lake Kutubu. The purpose of the patrol will be the collection of the council tax for the area commencing 1/11/71. The Local Government Assistant is collecting tax in the Poroma Council and will not be able to assist you, therefore you will have little time to carry out any other tasks.


Please proceed to the outer villages and collect in those areas first as I expect to be down at Pimaga in the first half of November to commence stoning the airstrip. I may be able to do the collections in the nearer villages.

You are aware that Political Education has now ceased until after the elections however please be prepared to answer peoples' questions should any arise. Do not allow any potential candidate for the elections accompany your patrol if his intention is to campaign. Advise him politely that the Government cannot appear to support any particular candidate just before the elections.

We have already discussed the matter of polling places and centers for the elections. Please advise the people of their particular/and that the polling team may be arriving by helicopter. At the four centres would you please arrange for an area about 100' in diameter to be cleared, as this will be required for the helicopter to land. Please advise any potential candidate that the nominations commence on 29/10/71 and that they will have to come to Poroma to have their photographs taken and pay their fees.

The patrol should be a maximum of five weeks so that all council work can be created up, your patrol report can be completed and you can prepare for leave and transfer on 28/12/71. You have a copy of the Secretary's 1-20-31 of the 11th October 1971 and as soon as the new format for reports are received I will forward a copy to you. In any case please ensure that the report is on my desk within one week of the completion of the patrol.

I trust you will have an enjoyable patrol.

  
J.R. Bullock,  
Assistant District Officer.

Department of the Administrator,  
Division of District Administration,  
POROMA.  
Southern Highlands District.

6th November, 1971.

Assistant District Commissioner,  
Sub District Office,  
NIPA.

POROMA PATROL REPORT NO. 5 OF 1971/72.  
SITUATION REPORT.

REPORT NO. Poroma Patrol Report No. 5 1971/72.

SUB DISTRICT. Nipa.

DISTRICT. Southern Highlands.

TYPE OF PATROL. Situation Report.

COUNCIL AREA. Lake Kutubu.

PATROL CONDUCTED BY. Morea K.K. Veri.

DESIGNATION. Patrol Officer.

AREA PATROLLED. Foi'i Census Division.  
Easu Census Division.

PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING. 2 Members of RPNG. Constabulary.

OBJECTS OF THE PATROL. Tax Collection for Lake Kutubu Council.  
Clearing Helicopter sites for 1972  
House of Assembly Elections.  
Routine Administration Duties.

LAST PATROL IN THE AREA. September, 1971.

DURATION OF THE PATROL. 28/10/71 ..... 29/11/71.  
(33 Days.)

MOREA K.K. VERI.  
PATROL OFFICER.

POROMA PATROL REPORT NO.5 OF 1971/72.

SITUATION REPORT.

INTRODUCTION.

This 4th patrol was a duration of 33 days commencing from 28th October until 29th November this year. The patrol team was comprised of two constables and me. The main purpose of the patrol was to collect Lake Kutubu Local Government Council tax in Foi'i and Fasu area, clearing and marking out helicopter sites for next year House of Assembly election patrol and the routine Administration duties.

A. POLITICAL.

(1) Local Government Council.

The Lake Kutubu Council meetings are held monthly but very often they become overdue because of transport difficulties in moving officers from Poroma to Pimaga. However there will be no worries at this time because the place now has got a permanent officer residing at Pimaga Base Camp.

The tax collecting in both Fasu and Foi'i area went very well. There were no incidents, arguments or complaints received while the tax collection was in progress. The people gathered in their respective villages as the patrol moved towards their villages. The patrol could have collected all the tax, but handover/takeover of the council duties and my attendance of the A.D.Cs. Conference at Mendi has brought us to a complete halt of the patrol. Thus this patrol only completed collecting tax from all of the Fasu area and part of Foi'i area.

(2) Local Government Councillors.

The progress of the patrol was slowed because several councillors could not get their men to work on the aid posts, especially at Hebayu and Fugiri, so the patrol team had to get them together to do some work. Some councillors in the area are not enforcing men to work on the road, and they depend on the village committee to do the work for them. Such is the case in Manu, Irikai and Danayu.

There was much questioning about the coming of a Patrol Officer to the area but I did not give them any information on this as I was not sure of the situation. Mr. N. Ryan's arrival on the Pimaga airstrip was welcomed by many happy smiling faces and when word got around that he was a new Patrol Officer, there was much excitement in all the villages.

I spoke to several councillors that they have to build a temporary bush material house so that Mr. N. Ryan can move in and reserve the council chambers for meeting. I hope the councillors will get this under way before it becomes too late.

(3) House of Assembly.

None of the topics relating to the above subject was talked about during the patrol but there was much questioning on when may the next elections be held. I told the people in various villages that the elections will be held probably on 11th or 19th of February next year. The patrol team also gathered men and supervised work on clearing the helicopter sites mainly at Sorotage, Hebayu and Wasami. These places may also serve as poll centres for the House of Assembly elections.

There are two candidates namely Hauko Mesahanabo and Hamabo Kuri, running for the House of Assembly election next year. There probably will be another two candidates in Poroma area which will bring the total of 4 candidates for Poroma - Kutubu electorate.

B. ECONOMIC.

(I) General Rural Development.

The road work in the area is pretty good except for those bush tracks which require much cleaning and widening. The Orokana - Gesege road and the Orokana - Harabuyu is very good indeed. The men in the area work twice a week on the roads on their own initiative and once more their effort is very encouraging.

The work on Pizaga airstrip is still in progress and I think the job will be completed in no less than four to six months. Each village has sent about four to five men to work on the airstrip but the bulk of the labour force is from the nearby villages especially Fiwaga, Damayu, Hagesa, Herobo, Irikai and Du'ubari. So far 60,480 cubic feet of earth has been removed from the incomplete section of the strip and still there is more to be done.

The Council tractor is also in use on the airstrip carrying fine sand and gravel and pebbles and lining them alongside the strip. At the moment some men are breaking up the large boulders to tiny pieces and surfacing the strip. Once the large roller get assembled work will begin on rolling the surface.

x (2) Village Cash Crop Extension.

The extension of individually owned silkworm project is increasing gradually and so far nine have been recorded in the past few months. These are mainly at Gesege, Sorotage, Damayu, Fiwaga and Wasami. The owners of these various projects get aid from silkworm manager stationed at Pizaga.

Earlier in my previous reports I mentioned that cattle grazing has been taken up with great enthusiasm but unfortunately it has slacked down a bit. The reason is that it as to them is a time consuming business and that it has long expectations. Others feel that they have been cheated by the missions by letting their cows feed on their paddocks and when the calves are born the missions wouldn't let them to buy them. However there are few at Damayu, Fiwaga and Gena'abo still continuing with wiring and fencing.



(2) Village Cash Crop Extension. cont'd.

There are also four chelliy projects owned by various local people at Irikai, Humanc, Sorotage and Kafa. The only problem facing them is the absence of available market to sell their produces.

(3) Activities of Development Departments.

The R.D. Officer from Nipa had visited the area a few months ago and planted few passionfruit seeds in a nursery to experiment with. He also spoke about few business ventures such as cow business or bulkstores to give local people some ideas what each one is about.

An Officer from D.A.S.F., Mt. Hagen also visited the area to check the silkworm projects but for some reason or other, he did not visit the whole area and see what progress the people have gone through.

The D.D.A Officers have helped the people in establishing Pimaga airstrip. They have also helped with the silkworm and citrus projects and established good road system. The chellies, castor beans and the 500 citrus plants are doing well on the councilground.

(4) Non Indigenous Development.

The Missionaries in the area are the only expatriates who have done some development on their lands. The mission station at Inu has got citrus, oranges, and nanny goats. In Orokana there are two cow paddocks, oranges, citrus and poultry.

SOCIAL.

(1) Education.

The Lake Kutubu area is well served with two Primary Schools. These are namely Orokana and Inu Primary schools, and few venacular schools in the outskirt villages.

The Orokana Primary School has a total of 140 pupils and four Indigenous teachers. The classes range from standards 1 to 4. Inu Primary School has only got 24 pupils with three indigenous teachers, and the classes are from 1 to 3. The teachers are all employees of the missions.

The above two schools get their school supplies from the Education Department and that the Administration syllabus is followed. The attendance is a 100% and the student intake for both schools remains as thirty five.

(2) Health.

The area has 2 clinics owned by the A.P.O missions and 4 council aid posts.

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(2) Health. cont'd....

Each of these clinics and the aid posts have wards where the patients live and get treatment. The two mission clinics also serve as delivery centres for the mothers. Such sicknesses as leprosy, malaria, tuberculosis and few minor diseases are treated here. The clinics are now run by locally trained nurses and the aid posts are managed and run by P.H.D orderlies.

On the whole the general outlook of health in the area is fine.

(3) Law and Order.

There were quite a number of minor disputes and complaints such as marriage problems, stealing, re-payment of bride price payments and I, through them all, solving some but not all of them. The ones where serious cases were involved were told to go to Local court at Poroma to get their problems straightened out by the magistrate. However, law and order remains very good in the area.

(4) Missions.

The relationship between the missions and the local people is very good, though there is much dissatisfaction on missions banning traditional singsings and dances and teaching the vernacular classes in local language. The only mission operating in the area is the Asian Pacific Christian mission.

D. MISCELLANEOUS.

I attended several discussions with the people in the lower Foi'i and Fasu area discussing about moving the villages up to Iegifu (an abandoned village near Lake Kutubu) and Kafa. The villagers feel that there are too many little children running around in the villages instead of attending schools and they WISH to move up so that their children could attend the closest Primary schools. I told them that it was a wonderful idea that they have thought and the sooner they start the better. There were few people who opposed the move but they would not give reasons for their oppositions.

End of Patrol.

More K.K. Veri.  
PATROL OFFICER.

POROMA PATROL REPORT NO. 5 OF 1971/72.

PATROL DIARY.

28TH OCTOBER, 1971. 1430 hrs. departed Poroma arrived Pimaga at 1530 hrs. Checked work on Pimaga airstrip, citrus and the silkworm blocks. Slept Council Chambers.

29TH OCTOBER, 1971. 0830 hrs. departed Pimaga arrived Kafa at 1230 hrs. Heavy rain hampered work in the afternoon at Kafa. Examined shotgun and trade store licenses. Arbitrated on a case. Slept Kafa.

30TH OCTOBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. commenced collecting council tax at Kafa. Large group in hand to pay tax. 1100 hrs. answered questions on next years House of Assembly elections. Attended discussions with the village people. Slept Kafa.

31ST OCTOBER, 1971. General talks on House of Assembly with few interested people. Examined more shotgun licenses. Slept Kafa.

1ST NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Kafa arrived Sorotage at 1327 hrs. 1400 hrs. commenced collecting council tax from Humane people. Marked out helicopter site at Sorotage and cleaned it up. Shotgun and trade store licenses examined. Slept Sorotage.

2ND NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. collected council tax from Sorotage people. 1300 hrs. cleared few stumps, checked aid post supplies and then inspected the village. Examined shotgun licenses. Arbitrated on several marriage problems. 2225 hrs. stopped a fight between two men. Slept Sorotage.

3RD NOVEMBER, 1971. 0900 hrs. departed Sorotage arrived Gobe at 1100 hrs. 1320 hrs. collected council tax at Gobe. Checked the village. Arbitrated on two cases of bride price disagreements. Slept Gobe.

4TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0900 hrs. departed Gobe arrived Tamadigi at 1430 hrs. Heavy rain followed few hours after our arrival. Slept Tamadigi.

5TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. compiled Electors Common Roll for Tamadigi people. Discussed with them the operation of the councils how it helps people. Slept Tamadigi.

6TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Tamadigi arrived Manu at 1625 hrs. Examined shotguns licenses. Arbitrated on several complaints on marriage and bride price. Slept Manu.

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7TH NOVEMBER, 1971.  
Observed at Manu.  
Slept Manu.

8TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. commence collecting tax at Manu. Inspected houses and the village. Told the people to work and maintain Manu - Tamadigi road. Arbitrated on few minor disputes. Slept Manu.

9TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Manu arrived Hidinihia at 0925 hrs. 0930 hrs. departed with men from Ayo and Hidinihia to work on the aid post site. Returned to Hidinihia at 1600 hrs. Slept Hidinihia.

10TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. collected tax from Ayo and Hidinihia people. Arbitrated on a marriage problem. Slept Hidinihia.

11TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Hidinihia arrived Hebayu at 1000 hrs. Inspected the village and the houses. Several houses found in shocking conditions. Council tax not collected due to heavy rain. Slept Hebayu.

12TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. collected tax from the people of Hebayu, Yorogobayu, and Ubogo. Told the men from Hebayu to clean the waterway and the road to Yorogobayu. Cleaned helicopter site. Slept Hebayu.

13TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Hebayu arrived Hidinihia at 1000 hrs. Arbitrated on a stealing case. Slept Hidinihia.

14TH NOVEMBER, 1971.  
Observed at Hidinihia.  
Slept Hidinihia.

15TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Hidinihia arrived at Iegifu at 1330 hrs. Checked money against tax tickets. Slept Iegifu.

16TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Iegifu arrived Wasami at 1400 hrs. Cleaned the old helicopter site, filling up the holes. Arbitrated on a marriage case. Slept Wasami.

17TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Wasami arrived Tage to collect tax from Augu people, and to compile an Electors Roll for them. 1125 hrs. departed Tage arrived Inu at 1205 hrs. 1330 hrs. collected tax and left at 1345 hrs. for Wasami. 1400 hrs. collected tax at Wasami and finished at 1825 hrs. Examined shotgun and trade store licenses. Slept Wasami.

18TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed Wasami arrived at Mero at 1015 hrs. Commenced collecting tax from Sisibia and Kaipu people. Trade store and shotgun licenses examined. Instructed men to build womens houses. 1425 hrs. left for Wasami arrived at 1630 hrs. Slept Wasami.

19TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. Checked houses at Wasami and told some people to repair the ones in poor conditions. 0900 hrs. left Wasami arrived at 1030 hrs. Inspected houses and the village. 1300 hrs. collected tax from the people of Tugiri and Yogobo. Examined shotgun licenses. Slept Tugiri.

20TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. walked to Yogobo to inspect the village and the houses. Everything found to be in excellent form. 1230 hrs. walked back to Tugiri. Slept Tugiri.

21ST NOVEMBER, 1971.  
Observed at Tugiri.  
Slept Tugiri.

22ND NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. departed with Tugiri and Yogobo people to supervise work on the new aid post site. Worked all day with men from Tugiri, Sisibia, Kaipu, Yogobo and Gesege. 1515 hrs. left for Gesege. Slept Gesege.

23RD NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. collected tax at Gesege. Examined shotgun licenses, and the silkworm projects. Inspected the village and the houses. Slept Gesege.

24TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0900 hrs. departed Gesege arrived Hegesu at 1100 hrs. Examined shotgun and trade store licenses. 1230 hrs. collected tax from Hegesu people but heavy rain hampered work. Slept Hegesu.

25TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. commenced tax collecting at Hegesu, and finished at 1000 hrs. 1005 hrs. departed Hegesu arrived at Herebo at 1030 hrs. Arbitrated on a marriage case. 1100 hrs. collected tax from Herebo people. 1400 hrs. departed Herebo arrived Pimaga at 1600 hrs. Slept Council chambers.

26TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 0800 hrs. Arbitrated on several minor disputes. Audited the part of the tax that I collected. Slept Council chambers.

27TH NOVEMBER, 1971. Typed out my patrol report then balanced cash book and the financial statement. Slept Council chambers.

28TH NOVEMBER, 1971. Worked on Cash book and the Financial statement. Slept Council chambers.

29TH NOVEMBER, 1971. 1000 hrs. departed Pimaga to attend A.D.Cs Conference at Mendi.

THE END OF THE PATROL.

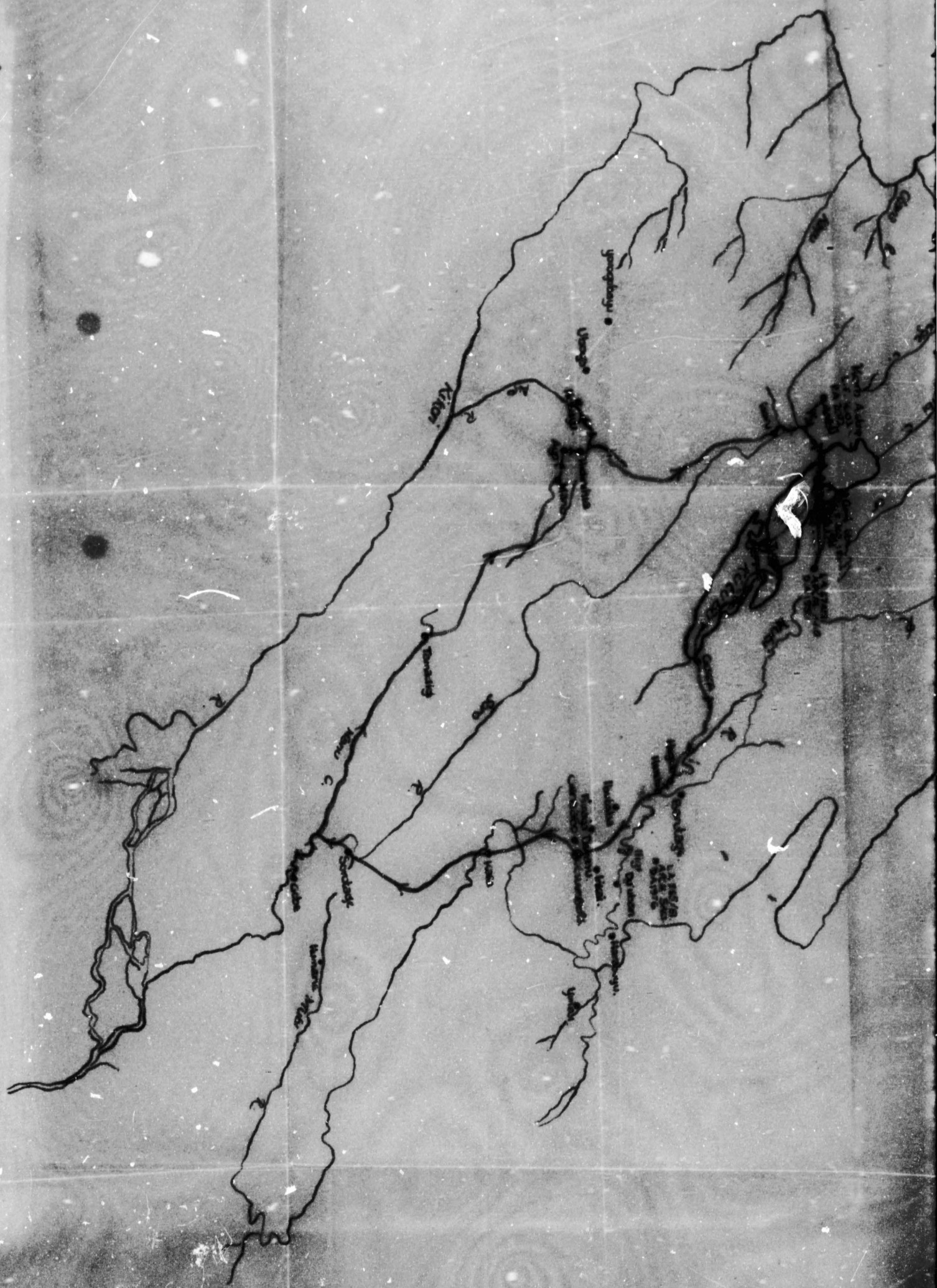
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PATROL OFFICER.



LAKE KUTUBU LOCAL GOVT COUNCIL.

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Entral Route.



# PATROL REPORT

Station: **POROMA**  
 Subdistrict: **NIPA**  
 District: **SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS**  
 Report No: **6 of 1971/72**  
 Conducted by: **P.J. PUANA**  
 Designation: **Patrol Officer**  
 Duration: **19-2 to 2-3-72**  
 No. of Days: **12 days**  
 Census Division: **Nembi Valley**

Population: **7309**  
 Council Area: **Poroma**  
 House of Assembly Electorate: **Poroma/Kuturn**  
 Map Reference: **N11**  
 Last Patrol: **1971**  
 Objects of Patrol: **House of Assembly Election**

The District Commissioner,  
 District,  
**MENDI**

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To ,	( )
Patrol Instructions,	( )
The Report and my comments,	( )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1- ,	( )
Patrol map,	( )

DATE: / 19 .

*C. Warrillow*  
 Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
 KONEDOBUI, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1- ,	( )
<i>Index only</i>	(✓)
	( )

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

Above average  
 Average  
 Below average

Date: *28/11/1973*

*J. K. Nembi*  
 District Commissioner



# PATROL REPORT

Station: **POROMA**  
Subdistrict: **NIPA**  
District: **SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS**  
Report No: **7A of 1971/72**  
Conducted by: **P. J. PUANA**  
Designation: **Patrol Officer**  
Duration: **21-3 to 30-3-72**  
No. of Days: **9 days**  
Census Division: **Nembi Valley**

Population: **7309**  
Council Area: **POROMA**  
House of Assembly Electorate: **POROMA/ Kutubu**  
Map Reference: **N1 1**  
Last Patrol: **February 1972**  
Objects of Patrol: **Road construction**

The District Commissioner,  
District,

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To ,	( )
Patrol Instructions,	( )
The Report and my comments,	( )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1— ,	( )
Patrol map,	( )

DATE: / 19

*L. Warrillow*  
Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1— ,	( )
<i>Jackets only</i>	(✓)
District Headquarters assessment of Patrol & Report.....	Above average Average Below average

Date: *28/11* 1973 .

*J. H. Warrillow*  
District Commissioner

# PATROL REPORT

Station: <b>POROMA</b>	Population: <b>7509</b>	
Subdistrict: <b>NIPA</b>	Council Area: <b>POROMA</b>	
District: <b>SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS</b>	House of Assembly Electorate: <b>POROMA/KUTUBU</b>	
Report No: <b>8 of 1971/72</b>	Map Reference: <b>NIL</b>	
Conducted by: <b>J. KABISCH</b>	Last Patrol: <b>March 1972</b>	
Designation: <b>A.D.O.</b>	Objects of Patrol: <b>COURT WORK AND POLITICAL EDUCATION.</b>	
Duration: <b>17-4 to 25-4-72</b>		
No. of Days: <b>9 days</b>		
Census Division: <b>NEMBI VALLEY</b>		

The District Commissioner,  
District,

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Field Officers Journal Folios To	( )
Patrol Instructions,	( )
The Report and my comments,	( )
Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1-6,	( )
Patrol map,	( )

DATE: / 19

*E. Warrlow*  
Assistant District Commissioner

Division of District Administration,  
KONEDOBU, Papua New Guinea.

In respect of this patrol, I attach

Area study,	( )
Updating of area study,	( )
Situation Reports Nos 1- ,	( )
<i>Index only</i>	(✓)
.....	( )

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

Above average  
Average  
Below average

Date: *28/11/1973.*

*J. K. Warrlow*  
District Commissioner



DDM 67-15.47.

Jacket Colour Blue

PATROL REPORT

ARMED SURVAYERS

REPORT NUMBER: 9/971-72.      OBJECTIONS OF PATROLES INDICATED THE  
DISTRICT: SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS.      STATION: POROMA.      CARGO CULT  
PATROL CONDUCTED BY: P. S. WANNA.      SUB-DISTRICT: ~~UPPA~~ NIPA  
AREA PATROLLED: NEMBA VALLEY.      DESIGNATION: ~~Poroma~~ PATROL OFFICER.  
DURATION OF PATROL: 4 DAYS.      PERSONNEL ACCOMPANYING: NIL.  
LAST D.D.A. PATROL:      NUMBER OF DAYS: 4 DAYS, 3 NIGHTS.  
LAST O.L.G. PATROL:      TOTAL POPULATION OF AREA: 7309.  
MAP REFERENCE:      COUNCIL AREA: POROMA COUNCIL  
HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY ELECTORATE:

POROMA/KOTUBO

The District Commissioner,  
Southern Highlands District,

NEMDI.

- In respect of this patrol, I attach
- FIELD OFFICERS JOURNAL, FOLIOS 54 to , (✓)
- PATROL INSTRUCTIONS, (✓)
- THE REPORT AND MY COMMENTS, (✓)
- AREA STUDY, (-)
- UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, (-)
- SITUATION REPORTS NOS. 1- , (✓)
- PATROL MAP, (-)
- .....
- .....

DATE: 20/5/1972.

..... *P. D. Munnell* .....  
Assistant District Commissioner

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

- In respect of this patrol I attach
- AREA STUDY, ( )
- UPDATING OF AREA STUDY, ( )
- SITUATION REPORTS NO'S 1 - (✓)
- ..... ( )
- ..... ( )
- DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS ASSESMENT OF
- PATROL AND REPORT ..... ABOVE AVERAGE
- AVERAGE ✓
- BELOW AVERAGE

DATE: 30/6/1972.

..... *D. S. Clancy* .....  
District Commissioner

JAW:SU

P.O. Box 296  
KON DOBU

67-15-47

7th December, 1972.

The District Commissioner  
Southern Highlands District  
MEMBI

PONOMA PATROL NO. 9-1971/72.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Situation Report 1 arising out of the above patrol of the MEMBI Valley Census Division, together with the appropriate assessments, as submitted by Mr. P.J. PUAKA, Patrol Officer.

S.J. PEARSALL  
a/Secretary

Date: 10/5/72.

Territory of Papua New Guinea.

SITUATION REPORT No:1.

Station:..... **POROMA** ..... Officer Compiling:..... **P. J. PUANA.** .....  
 District:..... **SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS** ..... Sub-District:..... **NIPA** .....  
 Census Division:..... **NEMBI VALLEY** ..... L.G. Council:..... **POROMA COUNCIL.** .....

SUBJECT:.. THE CARGO CULT.

During this patrol, I was instructed to make an investigation on the cargo cult movement which has been reported in the area recently. The cult was said to be at Mala which is about some six to seven miles north-west of the Porom Station.

The cargo cult was originally brought in the area by the people of IAI Valley. Dead bodies are dug out of the ground and a bamboo inserted into the mouth. The bodies are then re-buried. When the bodies are dug up again the "wealth" is there. Each body produce the sum of \$20.00.

However, I questioned the people if they knew any kind of this and the people who spread the news but the people stated that they knew nothing of these kind and never heard of it previously.

I told the people that the term Cargo Cult does not mean anything. Cargo does not come as expected. We only get the things by working and developing the economic, social and other aspects. It is just waste of time believing in the cargo cults. Anyway, I hope what I disputed to the people will make them realise that cargo cult is just a lot of lies.

Further investigation will be made as soon as possible to dig out more information of th reported cult. I was busy with the surveyers so not very much information was obtained.

Sign:..... *P. J. Puana* .....  
 ( P. J. PUANA ) Patrol Officer.

Date:..... **10/5/72.** .....

AGIPPA (SAC): All future reports on food or any similar situation, and report the revival of interest immediately.

SITUATION REPORT NO: 1

STATION ..... POROMA ..... OFFICER COMPILING ..... P.J. PUANA, P.O.  
 DISTRICT ..... SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS ..... SUB-DISTRICT ..... NIPIA .....  
 CENSUS DIVISION ..... NEMBI VALLEY ..... L.G. COUNCIL ..... POROMA .....

SUBJECT : CARGO CULT

SUB-DISTRICT OFFICE  
NIPIA, S.H.D.

ASSESSMENT ASSISTANT DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

DATE RECEIVED.

18th May 1972

This may perhaps be an offshoot of the Hagen "Red Box" cult although it is not thought that any U.H.D. people are responsible for promoting this one. It is more likely the result of garbled information being brought through via the Lai Valley.  
 Not thought to be serious.

ACTION TAKEN: All future patrols to keep an eye on the situation, and report any revival of interest immediately.

SGD : ..... *P. J. Puana* .....  
 DATE : 20th May 1972

District Office

Assessment District Commissioner

Date Received

There appears to be no foundation in the rumour that a Cargo Cult was spreading in the area. However, the Officer-in-Charge Poroma will be further investigating the matter on his next patrol to the area.

Action Taken: As Above.

Sgd. *D. J. Clancy*  
D. J. CLANCY  
District Commissioner.  
Date: 30/6/72

Headquarters

Date Received

Forwarded..... Section

Project Officer.....

Date.....

**SITUATION REPORT No.**

Page 1.

Station..... **PORONA** ..... Officer Compiling..... **P.J. PUANA P.O.** .....

District..... **SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS** ..... Subdistrict..... **NIPA** .....

Census Division..... **NEGI VALLEY** ..... L.G. Council..... **PORONA** .....

Subject..... **CARGO CULT** .....

Subdistrict Office

Assessment Assistant District Commissioner

Date Received

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**See attached Assessment.**

Action Taken:

Sgd.....

Date.....

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