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TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA



PATROL REPORT

District of WEST SEPIK Report No. 1 of 19/11/70

Patrol Conducted by B.C. ALI (PATROL OFFICER)

Area Patrolled PART IDAM YAPSIKI CREEKS DIVISION

Patrol Accompanied by Europeans NIL

Natives TWO MEMBERS S.P. S.M.C. AND ONE AIDPOST ORDERLY

Duration—From 11/8/1970 to 22/8/1970

Number of Days 11

Did Medical Assistant Accompany? YES

Last Patrol to Area by—District Services 26/9/1970

Medical 26/9/1970

Map Reference AS PER ATTACHED

Objects of Patrol PUBLICATION RESPONSE TO ALL LAND ORDERS IN THIS CREEKS DIV.
AREAS SHOWN ON SKETCH MAP

Director of District Administration,
PORT MORESBY.

Forwarded, please.

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B. Bunting
District Commissioner

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

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

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

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FJM:IP

P.O. Box 2396,
KONEDOBU.

67-16-11

14th December, 1971.

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

GREEN RIVER PATROL NO. 4 OF 1971/72.

Your reference is 67-3-7 dated 11th October,
1971.

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of Special
Report by Mr. E.C. Ali, Patrol Officer of a Patrol
to part of the Idam Yapsiei Census Division.

A well conducted patrol.

(T.W. ELLIS)
Secretary.



TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA

67-16-118

Telegrams

Telephone

Our Reference 67-3-7

If calling ask for

Mr.



In Reply

Please Quote

No.

Department of the Administrator,

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

October 11, 1971.

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

SUBJECT: Green River Patrol No.) of 1971/72.

Attached please find the following documents arising out of the above patrol undertaken by Mr. E. C. Ali, Patrol Officer, to part of the IDAM YAPSTEI Census Division.

- (i) Patrol Instructions 35-4-1 of August 6, 1971 by A.D.C. Amanab;
- (ii) Patrol Report in duplicate;
- (iii) Covering comments 67-3-2 of September 16, 1971 by A.D.C. Amanab.

2. Patrol was mounted for the specific purpose of publicising two applications for prospecting authorities in the area by Kennecott Explorations (Australia) Pty. Ltd and Pickands Mather & Co. International respectively. Patrol objectives were successfully implemented. No objections were raised by the land owners.

3. An efficiently conducted patrol and an adequate, if brief, report.

B. Bunting
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(B. BUNTING) W.S.
DISTRICT COMMISSIONER.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA

IN REPLY PLEASE
NOTE 67-3-2

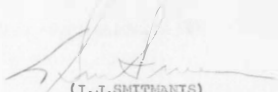
Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
MEKASAB.....W.S.D.

16th September, 1971.

The District Commissioner,
District Office,
VANIMO.

GREEN RIVER PATROL REPORT NO. 1 of 1971/1972
IDAM YAPSIEI CENSUS DIVISION

1. Attached please find in triplicate a patrol report submitted by Mr. C. Ali, Patrol Officer and Officer-in-Charge of Green River Patrol Post. The patrol report consists of a diary of the patrol's movements, a Special Report covering the purpose of the patrol and appended is a sketch map of the Idam Yapsiei Census Division showing the route taken by the patrol.
2. As instructed Mr. Ali has visited villages and contacted land owners of land within the Idam Yapsiei Census Division affected by two applications for Prospecting Authorities namely one, Kennecott Explorations (Australia) PTY. LTD No. 269(N.G.), and two, Pickands Mather & Co. International No. 270(N.G.). The sole purpose of this patrol was to explain to the people what the mining companies intended to do with the boundaries of the native owned land and to assess the people's attitude towards prospecting operations being carried out.
3. The report clearly shows that there were no objections raised by any person or persons or land owners, living or owning land within the Idam Yapsiei Census Division and coming within the boundaries of the prospecting leases.
4. The patrolling officer has submitted a claim for camping allowance which is attached for your approval.
5. For your information please.


(I. J. SMITHANIS)
Assistant District Commissioner

c.c. Mr. C. Ali,
Patrol Officer,
GREEN RIVER.

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PATROL REPORT

Report Number 1.07.1974/72.....

Sub-District..... SUKSES.....

District..... WEST MILNE.....

Type of Patrol..... SPECIAL.....

Patrol Conducted by..... E.C.M.I. (PATROL OFFICER).....

Area Patrolled EAST MILNE PATROL CENSUS DIVISION.
(Councils/or
Census Divisions) (NON-COUNCIL AREA).....

Personnel Accompanying Patrol

..... 2 MEMBERS OF THE P.N.G.F.

..... 1 MILITARY OFFICER.....

Duration of Patrol: from..... 11/8/74..... to 22/8/74.....

No. of Days 11 DAYS.....

Last D.D.A. Patrol To Area..... 26/9/70.....

Objects of Patrol TO PUBLICIZE MINING AUTHORITY IMAGES.....

Total Population of Area Patrolled Population of 240,130.....

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IN REPLY PLEASE
QUOTE 35-4-1

The Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
AMANAB.....N.S.D.

6th August, 1971.

The Officer-in-Charge,
Green River Patrol Post,
AMARAE Sub-District.

APPLICATIONS FOR PROSPECTING AUTHORITIES
NOS. 269(N.G.) & 270 (N.G.)

Forwarded are copies of two applications for
Prospecting Authorities submitted by Kennecott Explorations
(Australia) PTY. LTD and Pickands Mather & Co. International.

Please refer to paragraph 4 of District Commissioner's
memo 35/PA.269 of 28th June 1971 where it is pointed out that
after publication of the Applications the Warden will have to be
notified of any objections by land owners well before the 23rd
September 1971, which is the set date of the hearing.

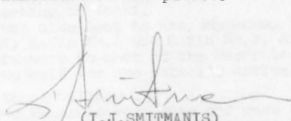
I realise that there is not much time left before
the hearing date, so I would like you to give this matter priority
and depart on patrol as soon as possible with the view of
contacting all land owners affected by these Applications and
gaining their attitudes towards prospecting operations being
carried out on their land.

Please peruse Circular 67/142 of 3rd November 1969
from the Director of Lands and Circular 35/1/1 from the Director
Department of District Administration and carry out all necessary
instructions.

It is realised that you have made plans for a patrol
to another area, however I would like you to postpone this patrol
and carry out this task as a matter of urgency.

At the completion of your patrol please submit
requested affidavits indicating the attitude of the local land
owners.

For your immediate action please.


(I. J. SMITMANIS)

Assistant District Commissioner.

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12/10/71

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GREEN RIVER PATROL (SPECIAL)
REPORT NO. 1 OF 1971/72.

Wednesday:

- Wed. 11/8/71 1330 - Left Green River Station by tractor to Diern Village.
1430 - Left Diern by canoe, difficulty on this journey, river was very low and huge logs blocked the passage the canoe was pushed and pulled most of the way.
1730 - Arrived on the Sepik River.
2000 - Camped Buna Village.

Thur. 12/8/71

- 0800 - Decamped Buna Village.
1735 - We were ~~still~~ heading up the AUGUST (Yapsiei) River. After arriving we got carriers that were picked up on the way from the Sepik River and continued the journey by walking.
1935 - Arrived Wauru village and camped.

Fri. 13/8/71

- 1340 - Left Wauru village after giving talks on the purpose of the patrol. People from Wau village and Kaunifi attended the meeting in Wauru.
1620 - Arrived at the two mouths of the August (Yapsiei) River and put up canvas sails. Camped for the night.

Sat. 14/8/71

- 0800 - Decamped and walked to Ileis village. ^{at}
1145 - Took half an hours rest and as this area was very badly by malaria, the patrol had to standby while the Aidpost Odeley IWO Ilokone went to work to treat the people. The writer also helped. One aged female and two teenage boys were reported deceased just before the patrol's arrival.

Sun 15/8/71

- 0800 - People started to gather by themselves and the writer talked to them about their sickness he also called the village elders and gave them the news about the prospecting authorities.
1200 - Observed after settling some disputes.
Slept Ileis village.

Mon 16/8/71

- 0830 - Decamped Ileis village
1630 - Arrived Inmai village after short intervals during the journey. On this track the writer injured his ankle so slowed down the patrol half that of normal walking pace.
Camped Inmai Village.

Tue. 17/8/71

- 0800 - People put to work cleaning around the rest house. People of this village reside on a new site, the old site is only half a mile away.
1040 - People that were sick, had tropical ulcers, and other diseases were treated by the Aidpost Odeley. Word was sent out to Baiba and Agweisa to come for the meeting in Inmai.
Word was also sent to Ura, Memaue, Matrasnebi, Barubi, Rafin No.1 and Rafin No.2. All these village leaders were to meet at the Wagarabe Camp Site. All were to wait for the patrol's arrival.

Wed. 18/8/71

- 0700 - Left Inmai village.
1750 - Arrived Wagarabe camp site and made camp, again by putting up canvas tents.
Slept Wagarabe.

Thur. 19/8/71

- 0930 - Started giving talk about the prospecting authorities to the people. Attendance was very good, nearly all the people from places mentioned in Para. Tue 17/8/71 appeared for the hearing and to the writer's comment they were very interested in what was being said.
1300 - Left Wagarabe on raft, logs lashed together, and floated down the fast flowing rapids.
2345 - Arrived Inmai village.
Slept Inmai

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DIARY

- Fri. 20/8/71 0730-- Called all people from Inmai together, this wasn't difficult at all because they lived next door to the rest house. The head loaders were called and the news about the prospecting authorities ~~was~~ given.
- 1130 - Left Inmai village and headed for Ileis.
1830 - Arrived Ileis village and camped.
- Sat. 21/8/71 0430 - Left Ileis village and walked to Kottibi where powered canoe was left.
- 1020 - Arrived and sent word to the people in Idam No.1, Idam No.2, Yaseiru and Amto all these villages were to gather at Pisiabru and wait for the patrol.
1200 - Observed.
- Sun. 22/8/71 0700 - Left Kottibi by powered canoe and headed for the Sepik River.
- 0815 - Arrived at a camp called Pomeai situated on the Sepik River, all the people had gathered here so it was a lot easier for the patrol. The general talks were given on the prospecting Authorities. Attendance was very satisfactory.
- 1330 - Left Pomeai and headed for the Dio inlet.
1815 - Arrived Diuru Village.
1910 - Arrived Green River Station after leaving Diuru 1820. Slept Station.

END OF PATROL DIARY.

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Department of the Administrator,
Division of District Administration,
GREEN RIVER, Patrol Post.
West Sepik District.

1st September, 1971.

The Assistant District Commissioner,
Sub - District Office,
NAIBU.
West Sepik District.

APPLICATION FOR PROSPECTING AUTHORITIES.
NO'S. 269(N.G.) AND 270(N.G.)

In accordance with instructions on the 6th August, 1971 by the Assistant District Commissioner, Wanab part of the Idam Yapsiei Census Division was visited and all land owners concerned turned up to hear what was to be said concerning the Applications by the Prospecting Authorities.

The patrol did not visit every village but had sent word to those villages, calling in all land owners to attend meetings held in a village which was close to them when the patrol turned up.

In Wauru village, the land owners from Wau and Kaunifi turned up. These people know where their land boundaries are and there are no disputes worth mentioning about land rights.

The villages mentioned are within the proposed prospecting area.

A meeting was held in Ilois village, there were no other villages closeby so the talk was only given to these people.

This land is also within the proposed prospecting area.

A meeting was held in Innai village. The Headleaders from Baits and Agweisa turned up for this meeting as they were close to Innai and their areas fell in within the prospecting area.

Villages from Ura, Manuwo, Watrasemabi, Barubi, Rafin No.1 and Rafin No.2 all turned up for the meeting as arranged in the Wagarabe camp site. All these villages are included in the prospecting area.

Further toward the Sepik River, the villagers from Idam No.1, Idam No.2, Yaseiru and Wato all assembled at a camp site called Pomas where the meeting was held. The attendance was very good.

The Department of Lands Surveys and Mines Circular No.67/142 of the 3rd November, 1969 was used as the basis for the discussions with the land owners.

The meetings were set out as follows and relevant points stressed and made clear prior to the meeting.

1. Under the Authority the company is given freedom of movement throughout the area.
2. The Company may remove rock samples HOW cannot commence mining activities.
3. Land owners are entitled to compensation for any damage to crops etc. which may occur due to the companies activities, damage to the surface, as loss of rights of way, any such claims to be lodged with the mining warden, generally through the District Office but in this case through the Green River Office.


4. The Company is concerned with minerals UNDER THE SURFACE, such minerals are the property of the state. Any such mineral found by exploration under the Prospecting Authority remain the property of the state, until such time as a mining lease is granted.
5. Papua New Guinea requires diversetation in its exports, and minerals can provide both this and a large proportion of internal revenue in the form of royalties and taxation on profits.
6. At the District level the employment offered by the Mining Companies and Auxillary companies can be considerable. Further a wide scope of training in various trades and ~~professions~~ professions become available to the younger generation;

The writer is satisfied that ~~the~~ the people present at the time of the meetings held in various villages are now aware of the implications of the Prospecting Authorities Application.

The people themselves stated that they had no objections to the prospecting activities in their area, and they are looking forward to the coming of both Companies. They are glad someone will make a try and look for something in their area and are also very interested to know what the companies will find if anything of value is located.

The general feeling is that of developmental activity and with the people in this frame of mind, they are sure to welcome the proposed prospecting activity.

For your information and further action, please.


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(S.C. All)

Officer In Charge

