

23rd December, 1968.

Mr. Campbell McKnight,
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Dear Mr. McKnight,

I am posting you a tape containing a few Macassan words spoken by Sambo at Angurugu, Groote Eylandt, in 1964. This small sample of speech was obtained at the conclusion of a song by Barengwa entitled "Macassar Man". A tape containing the song, the words of which are not very clear, has been posted to Judith Stokes in case she is able to transcribe them for you. I doubt if you will find anything of use in it, but will let you know as soon as I hear from Miss Stokes.

While at Rose River in 1964, I met Dr. A. C. van der Leeden who told me he had recorded a song containing 'Malay' words (sung by Mardi). He is still working on his material but may be able to add something of interest to your own. If you have not already written to him, his address is:-

Dr. A. C. van der Leeden,
Curator,
Rijksmuseum voor Volkerkunde,
Leiden,
Netherlands.

I have been very interested to read this section of your paper on Macassans and Aborigines and look forward to seeing the remainder of your thesis. The subject is an important one and your realistic treatment of the evidence should stimulate studies in other fields. May I keep the copy you sent me?

Season's Greetings and best wishes,-

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs.) Alice M. Moyle
A.I.A.S. Research Fellow

P.S. I have pictures in black and white (and colour) of the 'Macassan Well'