TRANSCRIPT OF INTERVIEW

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As a war carrier my father used to carry dead and wounded soldiers during the war. My father was 18 years old at the time of war. When the war came a lot of men were recruited some of them tried to escape but they got us all to work.

My father used to fear the Japanese, but I’m proud of my father who used to work for a white man. They used to work right up to loribaiwa next to the ‘Japanese Ladder’. my father helped transport the dead and wounded. At that time HE BROUGHT A WOUNDED MAN, treated him like his family member until they reached Dump 66 that is where a jeep overturned. That is where he left him and returned to his village.

Before the war we were known as Papua and New Guinea. The story that we relate to you is about the great deeds of our fore fathers who were ruled by white man. But now we are independent, and live in our own country- PAPUA NEW GUINEA.
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