KOROWAI, NORTH

[area marked "MAPI R?" (i.e., AWYU-DUMUT)]

KOROWAI, NORTH ... 100 (1998 M. Donohue). North of Korowai area, southeast of Siradala, west of Awimbon. Linguistic affiliation: Trans-New Guinea, Main Section, Central and Western, Central and South New Guinea-Kutubuan, Central and South New Guinea, Awyu-Dumut, Unclassified.

Korowai
POP: +/- 2,000
LOC: South coast area, north of ZGK station of Boma, northeast of Senggo
- Silzer & Heikkinen 1984:73/

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Korowai: 2,000 speakers reported in 1987, in the south coast area, Irian Jaya.
- Comrie 1992e:238.

South coast area, north of Boma, east of Senggo. ...

[Map]
Yaniruma -- KOROWAI
- deVries 1993:x.

Korowai is a member of the Awyu-family. ... Korowai is spoken by about 4000 persons. The location of the language is in the Kouh district of the Kabupaten Merauke, in the area between the upper / Becking and Eilanden Rivers. Korowai villages are Manggél, Férmán, and Mabül. In Yaniruma and Faufla both Korowai and Kombai are spoken. ...

Korowai (De Vries and Van Enk 1993a and 1993b) is spoken in the area between the upper Becking and Elilanden rivers. The dialect described here is that of the clans living on the western banks of the Becking River, in the proximity of Yaniruma.
Yaniruma, a village with a mixed Kombai and Korowai population, was opened up in 1980 by the first missionary in this area ...
- deVries 1994:545.

Korowai is a Papuan language of the Awyu family spoken in the district Merauke of southern Irian Jaya, Indonesia, in the area ... between the upper Becking and Eilanden rivers and east of the headwaters of the Becking river ...

Korowai speakers number about 4000. Korowai has Kombai ... as its southern neighbour. To the east Tsakwambo is spoken, like Kombai and Korowai an Awyu language. North of the Korowai, the linguistic situation is not yet entirely clear. Most probably, the Korowai language borders there on the Kopka language which could very well be a Lowland Ok family language ... To the west, Citak, of the Asmat family ... is spoken.

[map]
Mabul
- deVries 1997:[xiii].

... Yaniruma, a village with a mixed Kombai and Korowai population, was opened in 1980 by the first missionary in this area ... Other Korowai villages are Manggél (1986), Yafufla (1987), and Mabül (1989).

The Korowai are a Papuan people living in the Kecamatan (subdistrict) Kouh of the district Merauke of the Indonesian province Irian Jaya, in the area between the upper Becking and Eilanden rivers .. and east of the headwaters of the Becking River.

The Korowai people call their language koluf-aup 'Korowai language'. The noun aup means 'voice; word; story; language'. The origin of the name kolufo and its Indonesian version, Korowai, is not known. There are around 4,000 speakers of the Korowai language.

... the Awyu-Ndumut family, to which Korowai belongs. The Awyu-Ndumut family of southeast Irian Jaya is spoken between the Eilanden and Digul rivers; it is surrounded by the Asmat, Ok, Marind, and Mek families ... Other languages of the Awyu family are Wambon ..., Mandobo ..., Awyu, Aghu, and Jair ..., Kombai ..., Tsawkwambo, Sawi, and Pisa ..., and Sjiagha-Yenimu ...

Korowai has the Awyu language Kombai as its southern neighbour. Korowai and Kombai share a long border, and the Korowai and Kombai people in the border area have marriage alliances. ... Yet the lexical correspondence between Kombai and Korowai, as reflected in the cognation percentage of basic lexical items, is
only 22% ...

To the east, Tsawkwambo is spoken, an Awyu language. The missionary Versteeg (1983:21) estimated the number of speakers of Tsawkwambo to be around 500, living in and around the village Waliburu. ...

The northern boundary of the Korowai language is not clear. It could be that it borders with the Kopka language, which according to the survey of Kroneman and Peckham (1988) could very well be a Lowland Ok family language. But there could also be unknown groups living between the Korowai and the Kopka people. ... The Kopka language is spoken in the foothils of the central ranges in and around the village of Seradela..., located south of the Usa language, a Mek language spoken in the mountain villages Sumtamon, Bomela, and Langda. East of Kopka, the Samboka language is spoken, a member of the Somahai family. The initial survey by Kroneman and Peckham indicates that a small corridor of Lowland Ok languages extends from the border with Papua New Guinea into Irian Jaya, separating the Awyu languages from the Mek and Mountain Ok languages spoken in the southern slopes of the ranges. This Lowland Ok corridor ends where the Somahai family begins.

To the southwest, Citak, of the Asmat-Kamoro family,... is spoken ... To the northwest, Ulakhin is spoken, a totally unknown language.

... The great majority of the Korowai are monolingual, with only people living in the border river villages having some knowledge of local (pidginised) varieties of Indonesian (Bahasa Indonesia,...

Korowai people from the border area with the Citak moved into the two smaller villages Mu and Jaim and the bigger village Mbasman in the beginning of the 1980s. These three villages have mixed Korowai and Citak populations. ...

* KOROWAI ... 2,000 (1987 SIL). South coast area, north of Boma, east of Senggo. ... Awyu-Dumut, Unclassified. ...
- Grimes 1996.

KOROWAI ... 700 (1998 M. Donohue). South coast area, north of Boma, east of Senggo. Linguistic affiliation: Trans-New Guinea, Main Section, Central and Western, Central and South New Guinea-Kutubuan, Central and South New Guinea, Awyu-Dumut, Unclassified. ...

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Speakers of Korowai dialects number a few thousand and live dispersed across several hundred square miles of dense lowland forest, between ten and forty miles south of New Guinea's central
cordillera, between fifty and ninety miles west of the ... border that divides New Guinea ...
- Stasch 2001b:35.

... Many southwestern Korowai families now maintain houses in one of the multiethnic villages [initiated by Zendings Gereformeerde Kerken] of Mbasman, Yaniruma, Manggel, and Yafufla (all located along a twenty-mile stretch of the Ndeiram Kabur River), ...
- Stasch 2001b:35.  * * *
KOROWAI, NORTH                              100      Awyu-Dumut (Grimes 2000)

KOROWAI                                   2,000     Awyu-Dumut (?) (Silzer &
                                               Heikkinen 1984; Silzer &
                                               Clouse 1991; Grimes 1992,
                                               1996)


KOROWAI                                   4,000     Awyu-Dumut (deVries 1995,
                                               van Enk & deVries 1997)

KOROWAY                                   Louwerse 1988

KOROWAI                                   700      Awyu-Dumut (Grimes 2000)

KOROWAI                                   "few thousand" Stasch 2001

KOLUF-AUP (KOROWAI name for own language)  van Enk & deVries 1997

KOROWAI (Indonesian version of KOLUFO)     van Enk & deVries 1997

Mbasman -- CITAK/KOROWAI                  van Enk & deVries 1997
Mbasman -- KOROWAI +                      Stasch 2001

Faufla -- KOMBAI & KOROWAI               van Enk & deVries 1993

Férmam -- KOROWAI                         van Enk & deVries 1993

Yafufla -- KOROWAI                        van Enk & deVries 1997
Yafufla -- KOROWAI +                      Stasch 2001

Jaim -- CITAK/KOROWAI                     van Enk & deVries 1997

Yaniruma -- KOROWAI                      Silzer & Clouse 1991; deVries
Yaniruma -- KOMBAI/KOROWAI               van Enk & deVries 1993, 1997
Yaniruma -- KOROWAI +                     Stasch 2001

Mabül -- KOROWAI                          van Enk & deVries 1993, 1997
Mabul -- KOROWAI                          de Vries 1997

Manggél -- KOROWAI                        van Enk & deVries 1993, 1997
Manggel -- KOROWAI +                      Stasch 2001

Mu -- CITAK/KOROWAI                       van Enk & deVries 1997

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