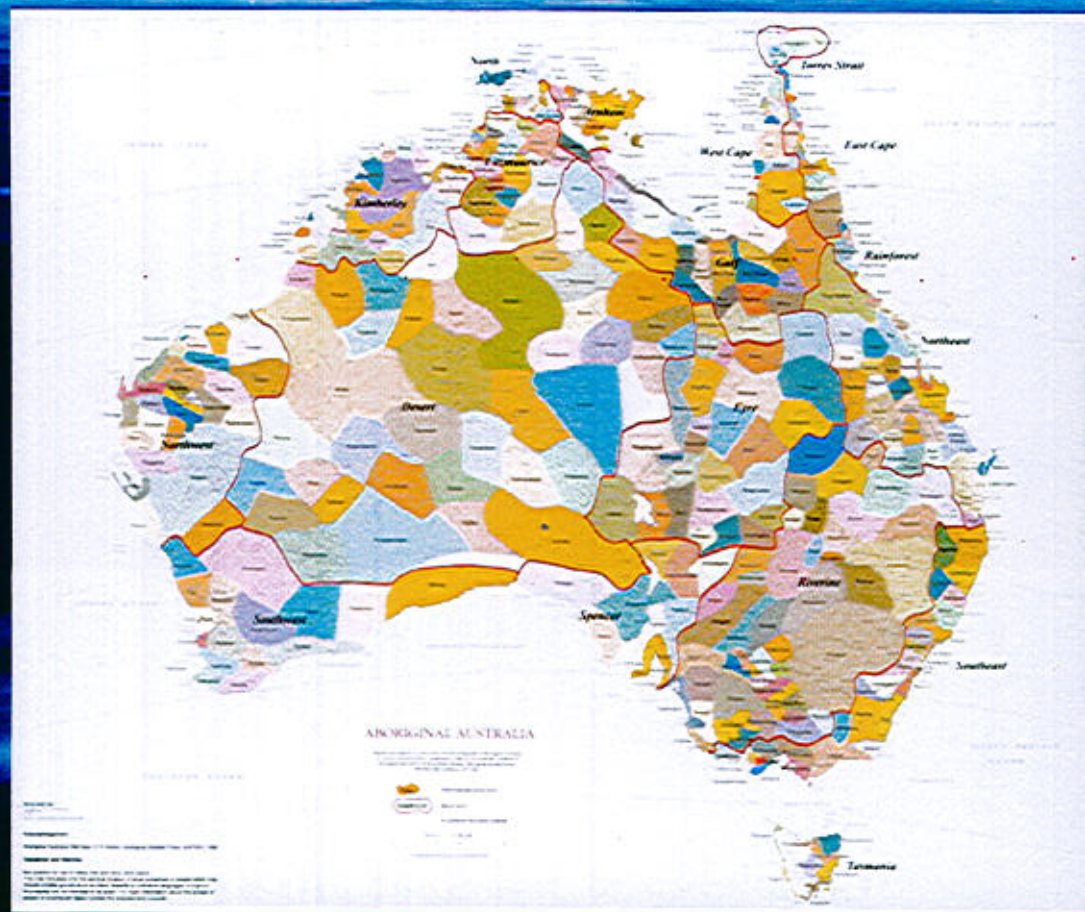


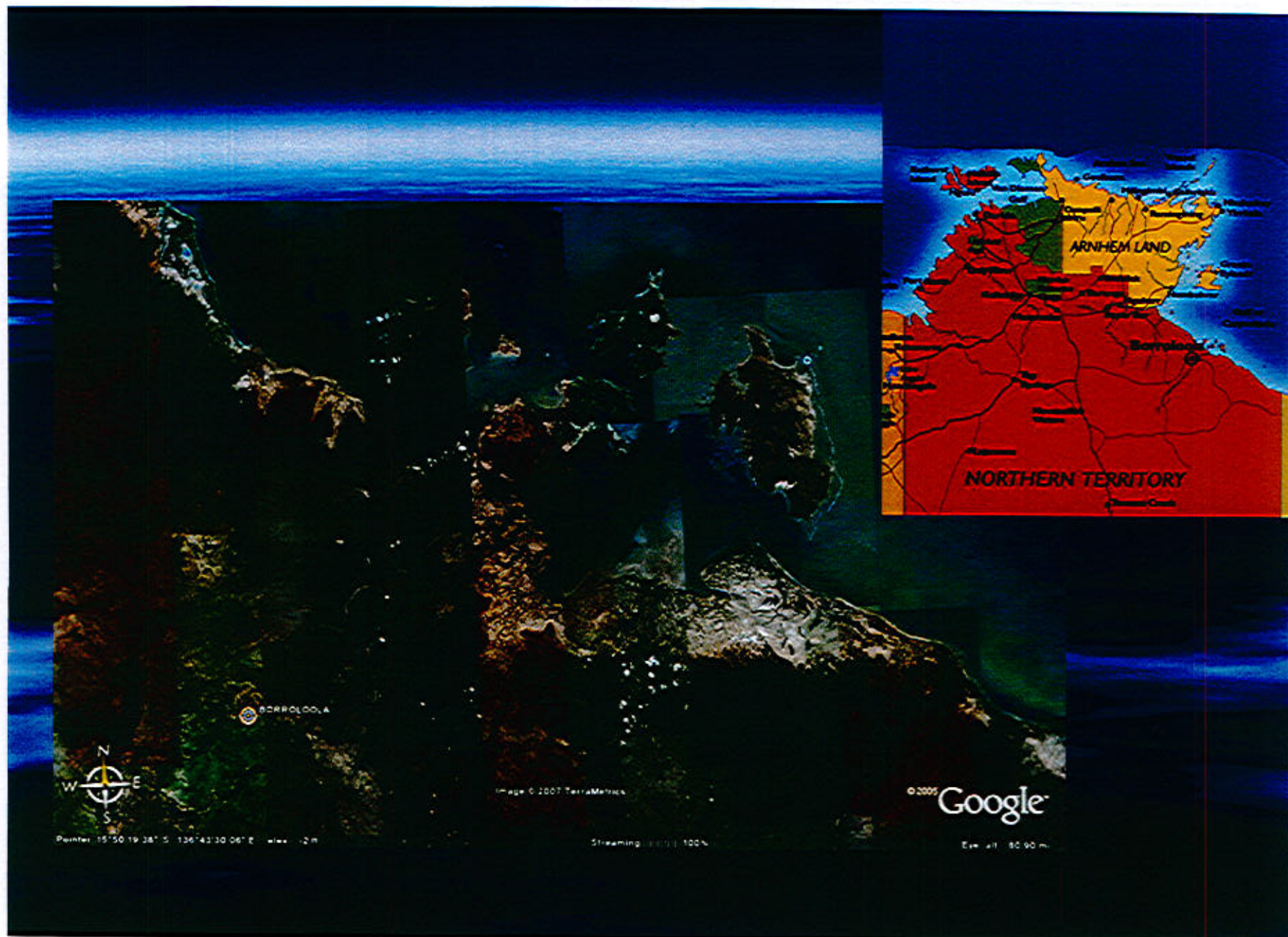


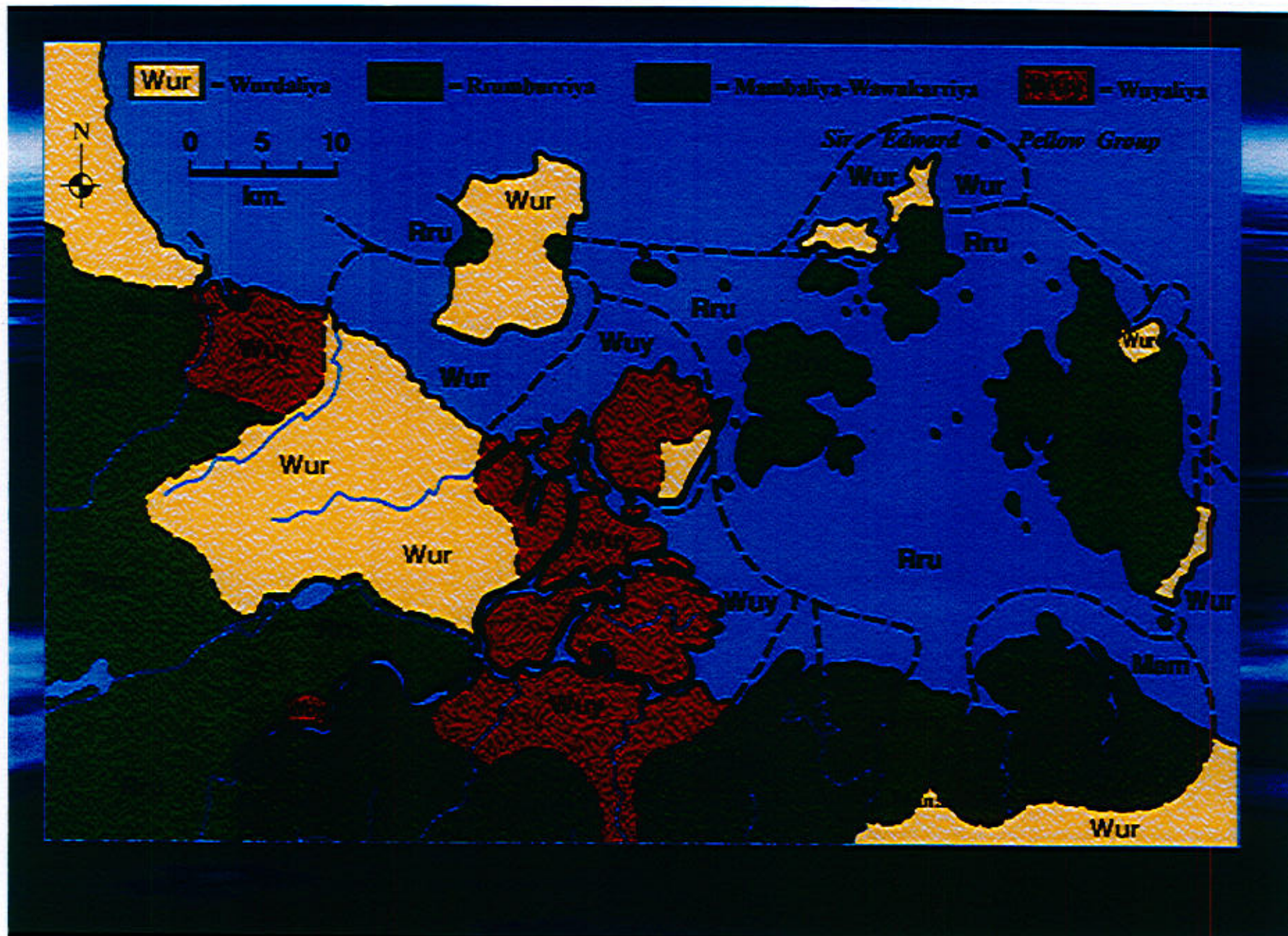
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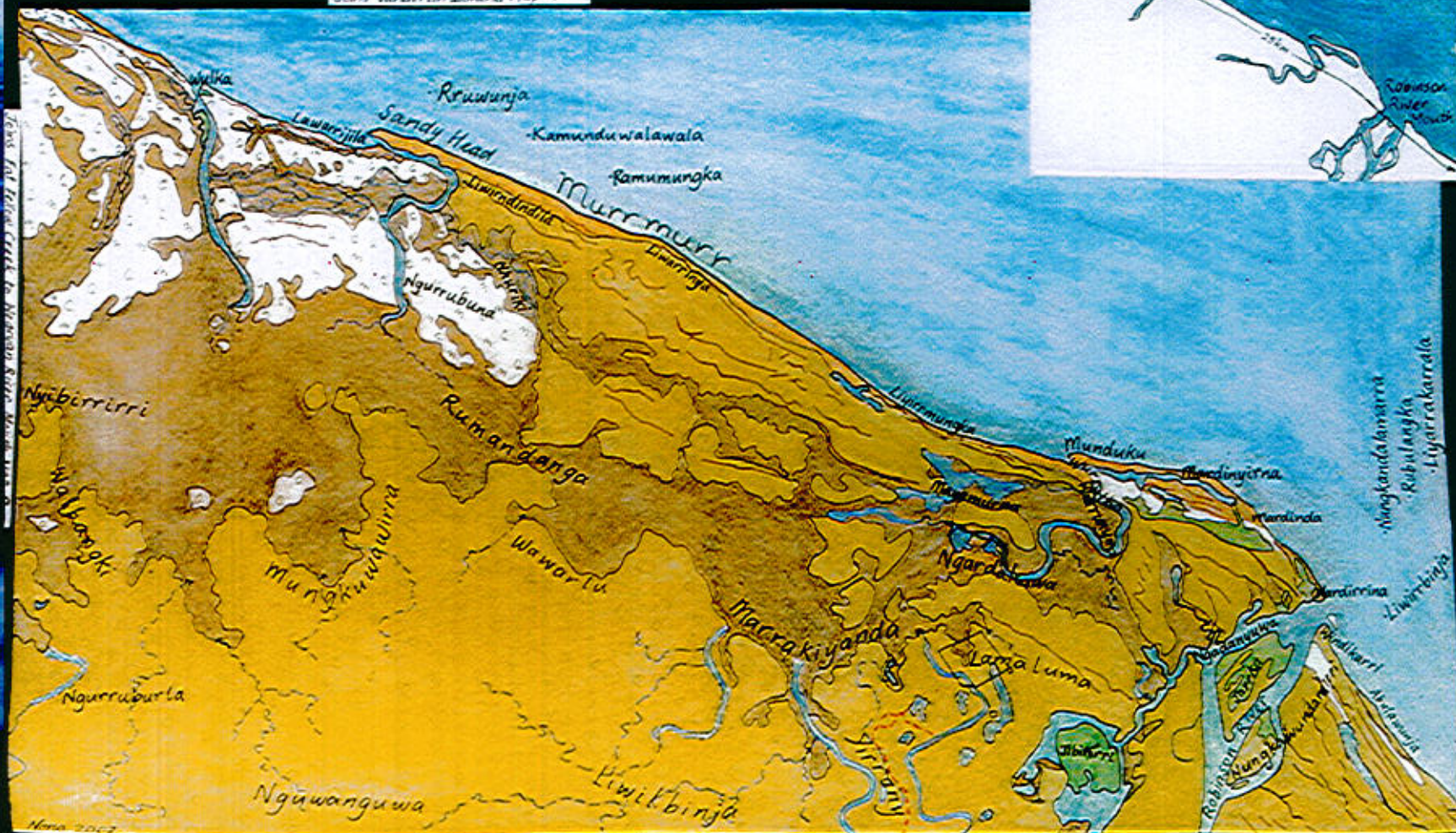


Indigenous families in the south west Gulf of Carpentaria region

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Clan	Clan	Clan	Clan
Rrumburriya	Mambaliya	Wuyaliya	Wurdaliya
Patriclans	Patriclans	Patriclans	Patriclans
Tiger Shark	Brolga	Groper	Spirit People
Salt water crocodile	Wedge-tailed Eagle	Dingo	Sea Turtle
Hill Kangaroo	Rainbow Serpent	Barracuda	Pelican
White-bellied Sea Eagle	Crow	Seven Sisters Stars (Pleiades)	Shooting Star
North Wind	Wet Season Rain	South Wind	Mosquito



Join Vanderlin Island Map 1



Robinson River Mouth West to Sandy Head

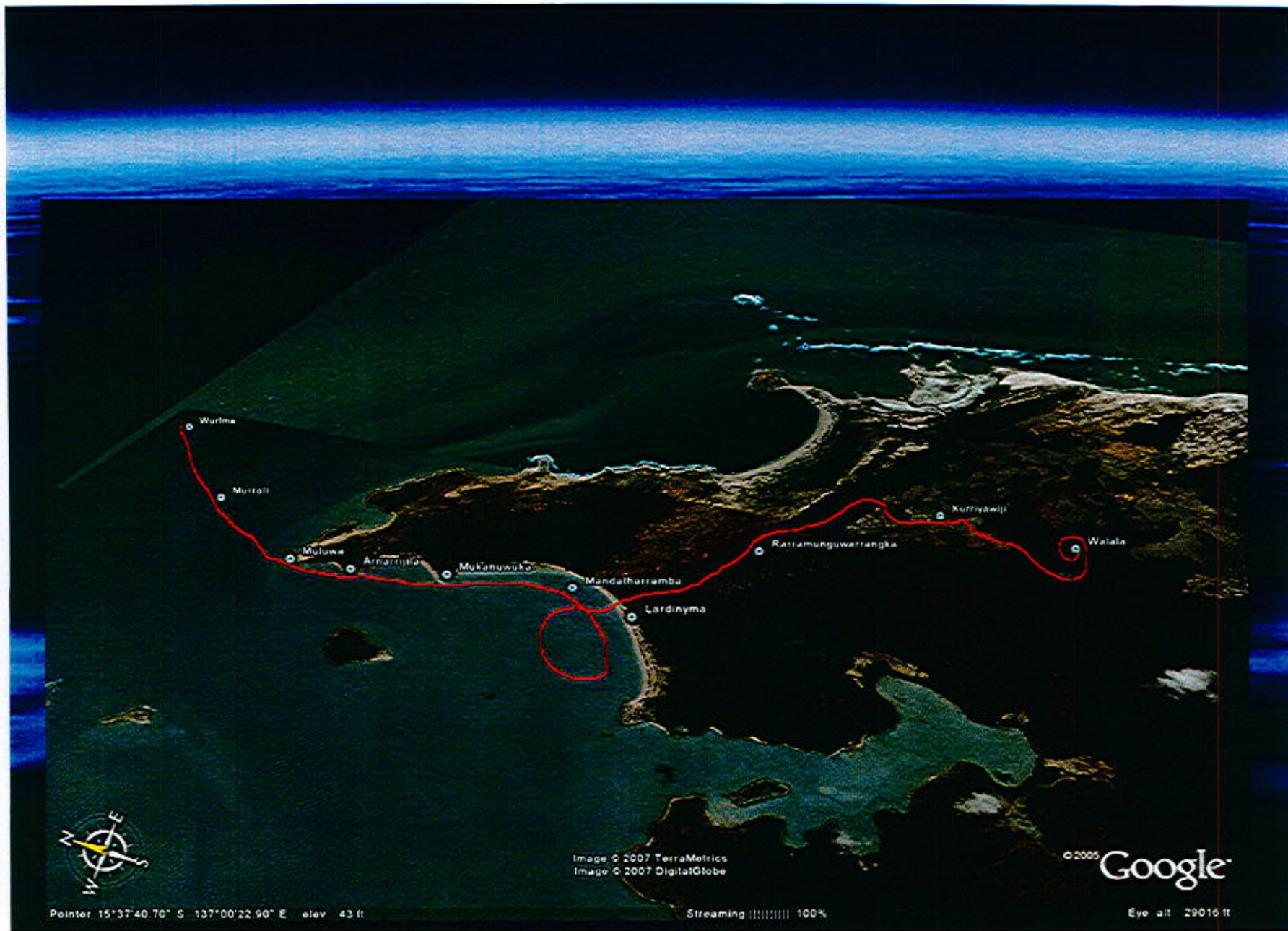
Map 8

- Place Names -



Muluwa, Cape Vanderlin





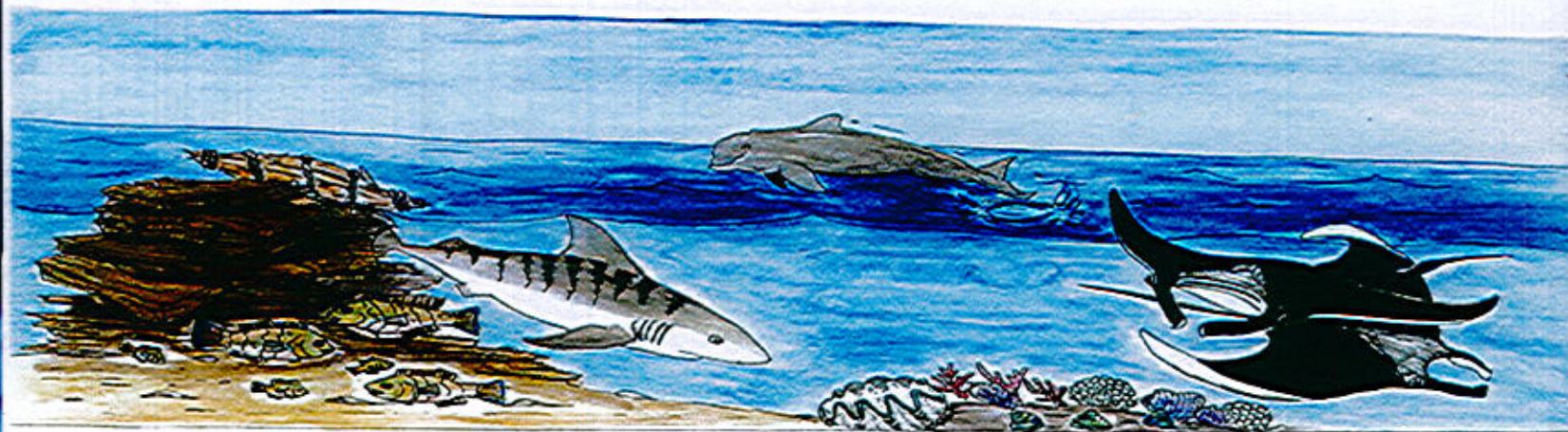
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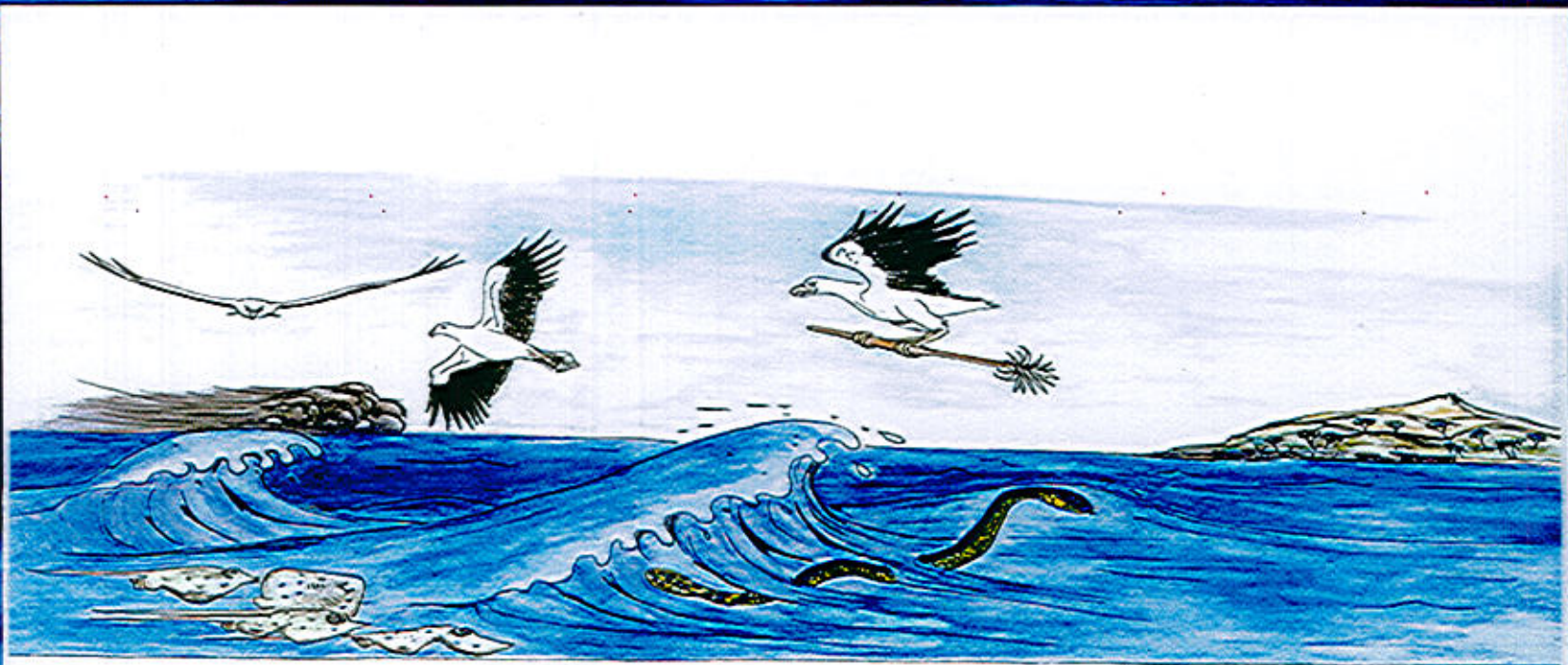
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The kujika descends from the top of Wurlma reef, Vanderlin Island rocks, and then dives deep into the sea and moves southwards through the depths of the sea to Murralli reef.

With wings outstretched the White-bellied Sea Eagle glides, her call travels over the surface of the sea, her brothers swim in the light of the sun as she cries out for her ceremony of Kundawira. To the north the storm winds gather and bend all before them, while in the sea the tidal currents twist, pull and swirl ever northwards and the stingray swim in large numbers. The waves swell and strike the shore at Muluwa, the waves that are kin to the Sea Snake she is there resting at Muluwa. Muluwa, where the sand dunes rise high into the air, and yet the country of Muluwa is in silence.



Pushed by the north winds the kujika is carried by the rising tides and waves to Muluwa, Cape Vanderlin.

...and they are the same as the Dugong Hunters. The old blind Dugong Hunter, his name is Ngangangayu he rests, he will stay at Muluwa while the other Dugong Hunters talk as to which way they will travel. From Muluwa the Sorcery bird rises, her sorcery stones trail behind her and in the sea the heads of the Whales rise, side-by-side they rise. The immature Tiger Shark is there in his country and the Blue swimmer crab swims through the sea and jellyfish are carried by the tide past Anarrijila and towards Mukanuwuka.



Carried by the waves the kujika comes to the rocks of Warnalanngu and moves west to Ngangangayu and from there south west to Anarrijila on the west side of Muluwa.

Below is the country of *Tanahmuramba* where the Spotted cat shark and Moonshark rest on the bottom of the sea, the Leopard shark swims searching for food. The Eagle rays swim, they break the surface of the water and the Black ray with barbs of poison moves silently, and below, the Shovel-nosed ray moves across the sand. Stingrays gather and the sucker fish clings to the Tiger Shark, Moonfish gleam in the shallow sea while the Red spot crab rests and the Blue swimmer crab swims.



Leaving Anarrijila the kujika follows the west coast of Vanderlin Island and moving southwards moves through Mukanuwuka.

Wulibirra

nyingkarra (little and big brothers)

Muluwa

Ji-wandarrinji Wulibirrangu
Wayka karakarra
Muluwangu
The cliffs of Wulibirra rise upwards
And there low down in the east
is Muluwa

Composed by Dinah Norman, Annie Karrakayny
and Eileen McDinny, 1992







Classification of Dugong

waliki nyiki-nganjiyu ki-maramandu- the dugong is kin to the seagrass



- Walya-dugong and sea turtles
- *Waliki -dugong (Dugong dugon)*
- Li-waliki – herd of dugong
- Li-ayarra –herd of cows and calves
- Masculine noun class
- Wiriji – old male/female (potential rainbow serpent)- nyiki-nganji ki-bujimalawu-kin to the rainbow serpent
- Jiyamirama – lone male dugong
- Bungkurl –dwarfed dugong
- Mayili –young male traveller
- Jawaruwaru young male
- Rangkarrku – dominant bull
- Feminine noun class
- a-Wurduwu – young cow
- a-Kulhakuahawiji – pregnant young cow, nyanki-ardu –foetus
- a-Ayarra –cow with small calf
- a-Ngarninybala cow with a large calf
- a-Lhumurrawiji pregnant cow with large calf following
- a-Bayawiji – mature cow, not pregnant, no calves following
- a-Banthamu – old cow, past reproductive age.



Wuyaliya – dugong cow with small calf
Rumburnya

a Ngorninybala – dugong cow with large calf

Rumburnya



Jiyamirama – lone male dugong,
Wuyaliya

Jiyamirama
wukuwarrima

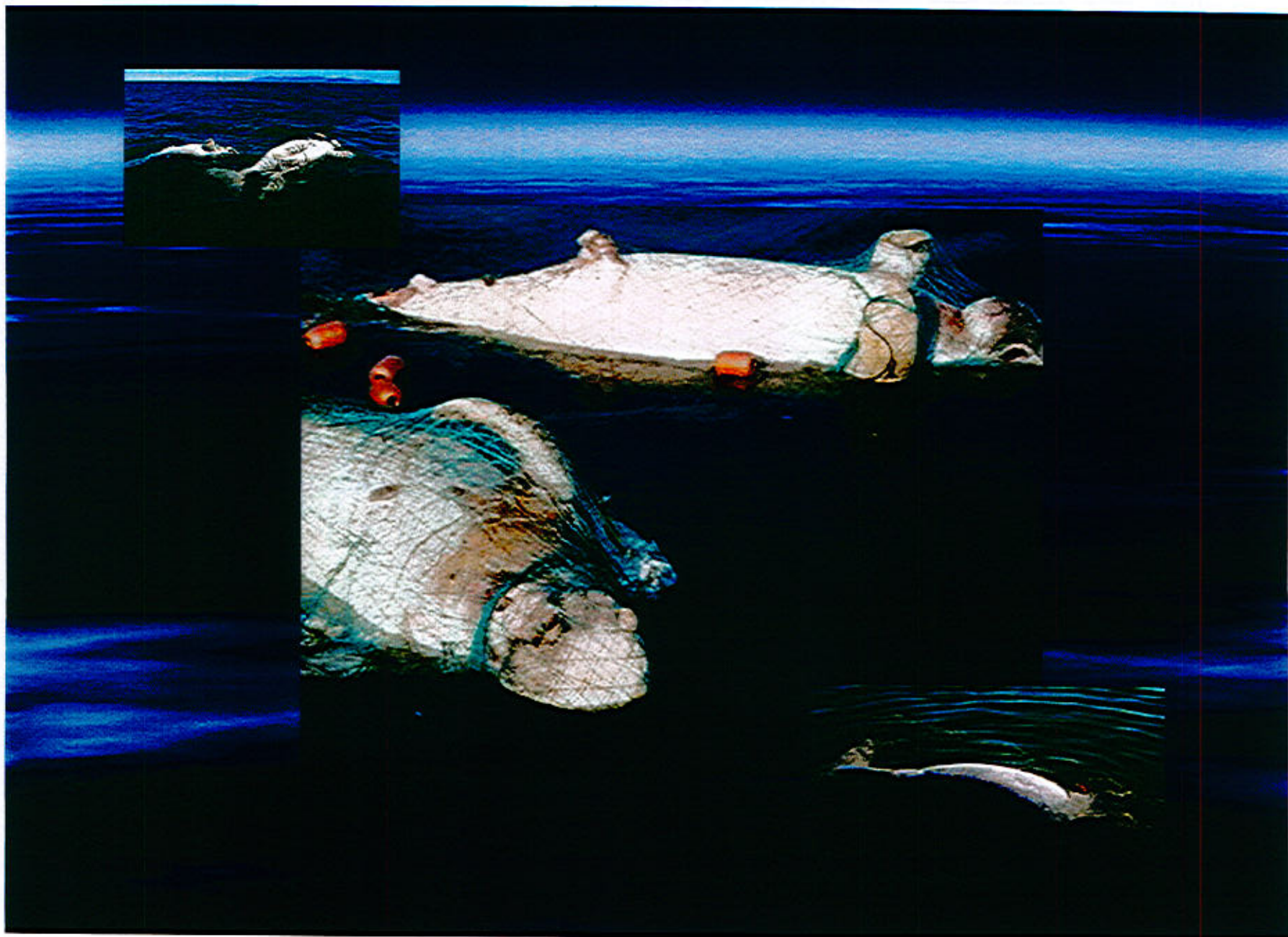
The lone male dugong
travels alone through
his own country

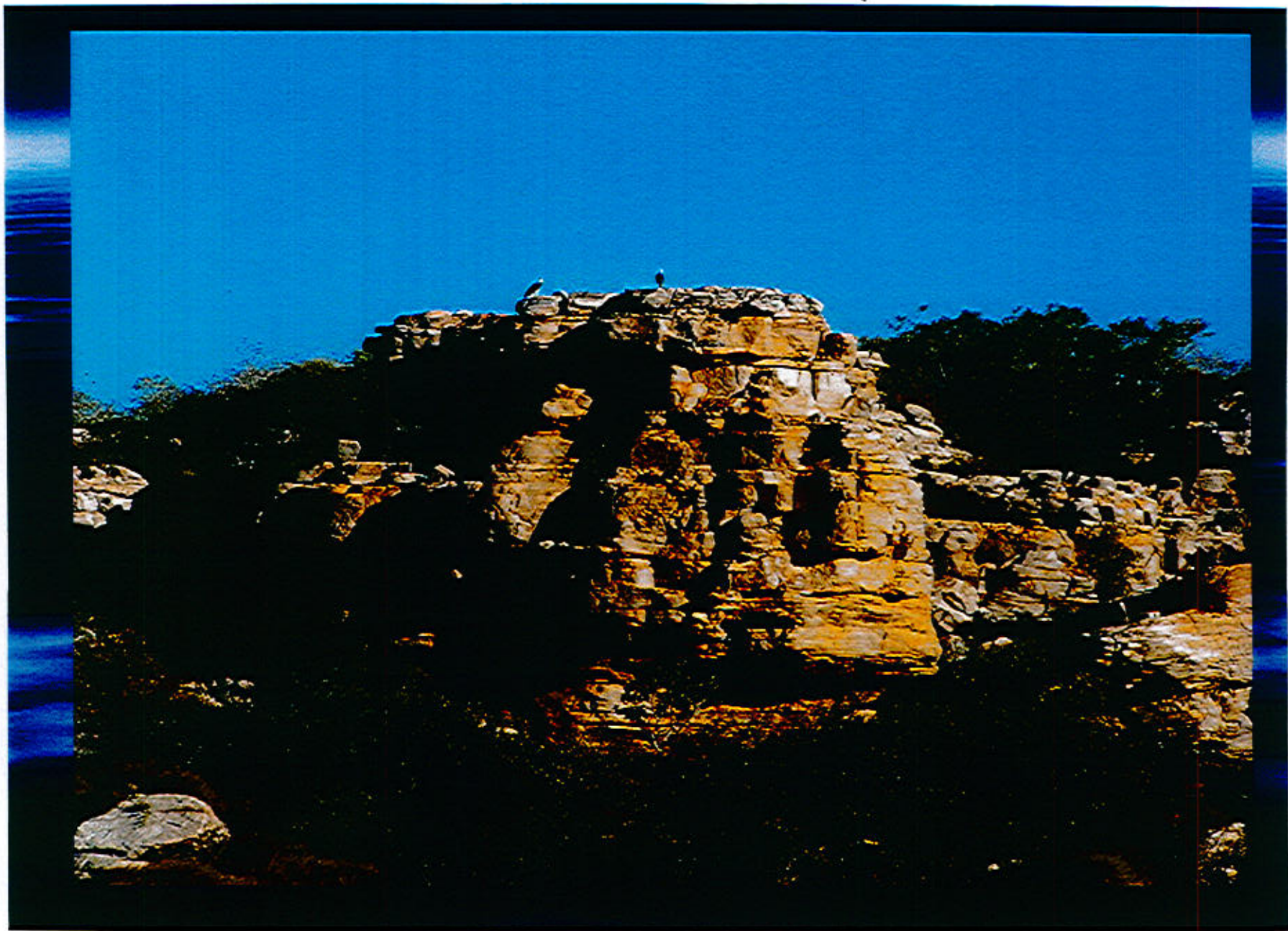
Jiyamirama

kaynyngka kaynyngka
The lone male dugong,
his back is clearly seen in
his own country

(verses from Wuyaliya ceremonial
song cycle)









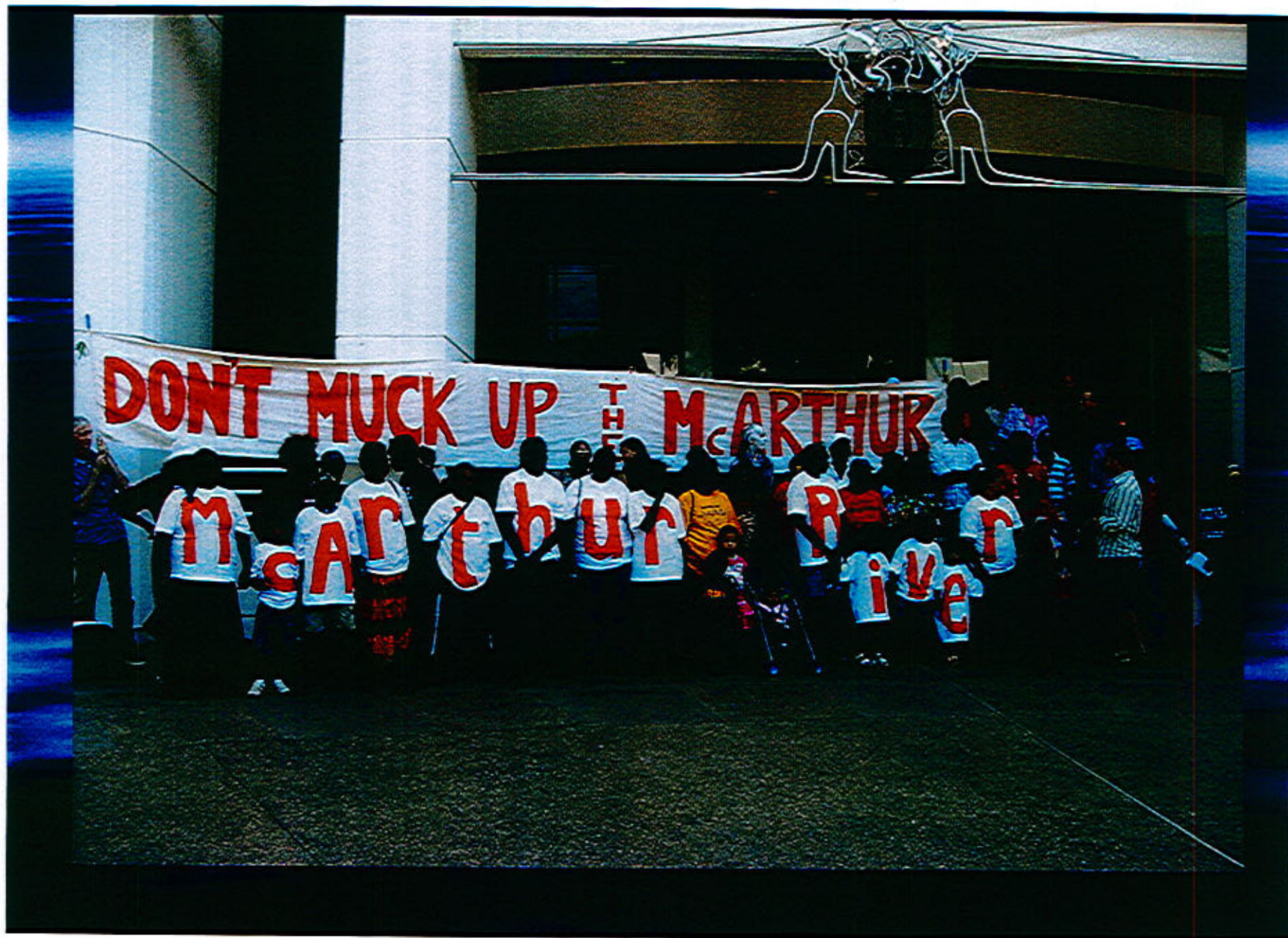


Barra, beer and bullets

A fishing club becomes a town, then
goes feral. That's life in the Gulf country

King Ash Bay Fishing Club- Larladula, Jawuma, Wurdalwanga, Nganinja,
Rruwangkala - Mambaliya, Wuyaliya and Rrumburriya clan country



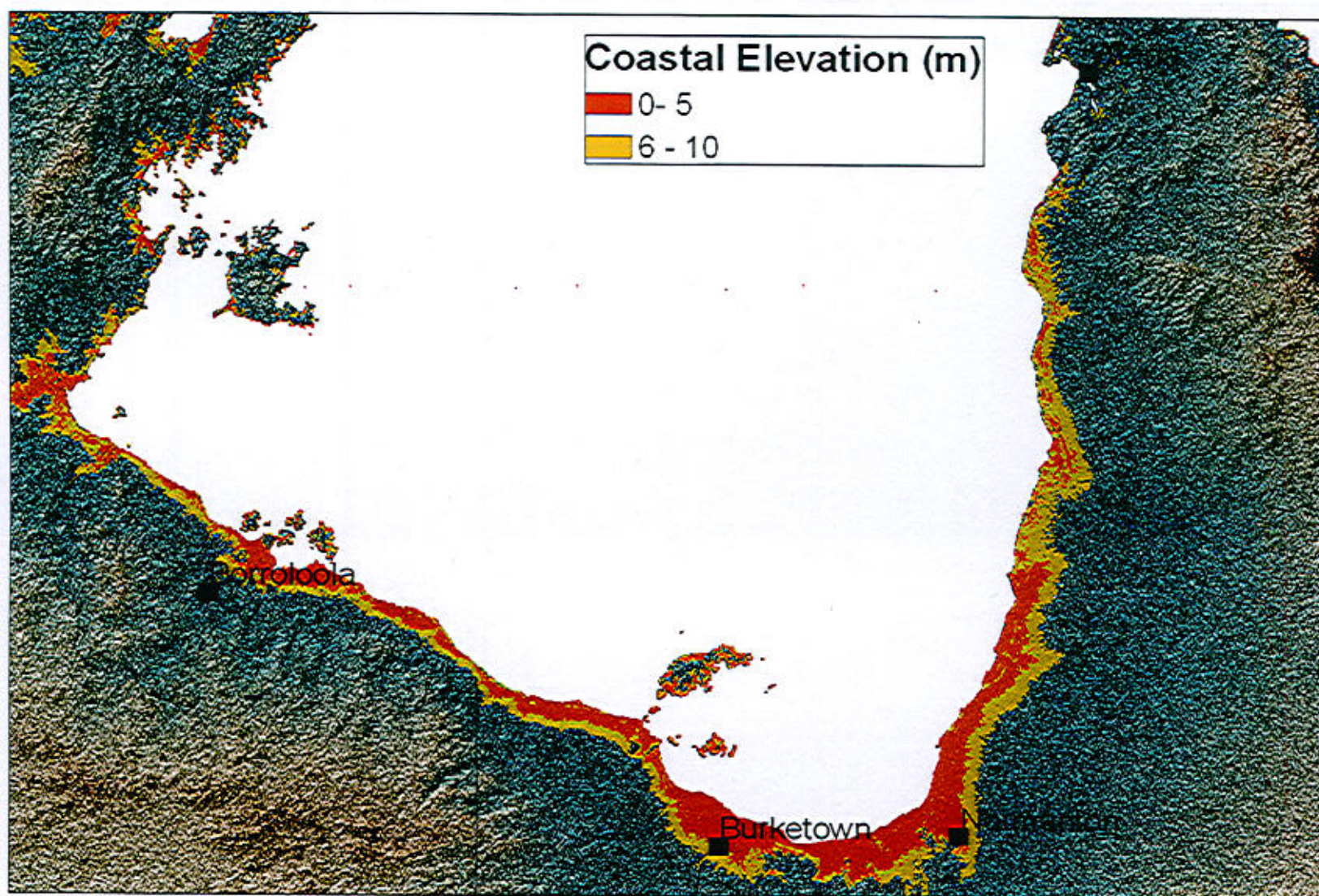








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