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Awa nuwayga, asimi no balinga. Awa
awa nuway-ga asi-mi no bali-n-ga awa
water NEG.EXIST.3-TOPthus-AFF not be.worth-3-TOP water
There is no water, it is no good this way.

abikpiga xwirti llanoguna sembrana, frutaguna
abi-kpi-ga xwirti llano-guna sembra-na fruta-guna
EXIST-DS-TOP strong field-PL sow-NOM fruit-PL
If there were water, we could sow fields, plant fruits, no?

azinachari, no? Papa azina manzanaguna
azi-na-chari no papa azi-na manzana-guna
make-NMLZ-DUB no potato make-NMLZ apple-PL
Plant potatoes, apples,

perasguna sembrana llanoguna. Akibiga artu
pera-s-guna sembra-na llano-guna aki-bi-ga artu
pear-PL-PL sow-NOM field-PL here-LOC-TOP much
pears, sow fields. Here there is much

xundu lano ñutu llanogunamari. Awa abinduga lindo
xundu llano ñutu llano-guna-mari awa abi-ndu-ga lindo
deep land fine land-PL-EMPH water EXIST-SUBORD-TOPpretty
fine land, really. If there is water, I harvest very nicely.

kosechani. Porke no awa abikpi, no kosechanchi,
kosecha-ni. Porke no awa abi-kpi no kosecha-nchi
harvest-1SG because NEG water EXIST-DS NEG harvest-1PL
Because there is no water, we do not harvest.

ni llober, ni llobiydash no llobin. Abí de
ni llobe-r ni llobi-y-da-sh no llobi-n abí de
NEG rain-INF NEG rain-INF-ACC-IND NEG rain-3 thus of
Rain it does not, no rain. Since it only rains

repente, de repente llobinduga, perdinchi. Solo sekú,
repente de repente llobi-ndu-ga perdi-nchi solo sekú
sudden of sudden rain-SUBORD-TOP lose-1PL only dry
from time to time, it is dry and windy.

bintulla. Isimi tuditu henteguna akimunda Kitubi,
bintu-lla isi-mi tuditu hente-guna aki-munda Kitu-bi
wind-DELIM that-AFF all people-PL here-ABL Quito-LOC
Hence all people go from here to work in Quito and

Santo Dumingubi trabaxangabu inakun. No,
Santo Dumingu-bi trabaxa-nga-bu i-naku-n no
Santo Domingo-LOC work-NMLZ.FUT-BEN go-RECP-3 no
Santo Domingo. They do not

no sintanakun kazabi. Algunoslla sí.
no sintu-naku-n kaza-bi alguno-s-lla sí
NEG sit-RECP-3 house-LOC some-PL-DEL yes
stay here. Only some do.

Algunoswalla sintan. Así no undimun ina
alguno-s-wa-lla sintu-n así no undi-mun i-na
some-PL-DIM-DELIM sit-3 thus NEG where-DIR go-NMLZ
Only some stay, those that do not

kirikkunalla. Abíga, akibiga trabaxobish no
kiri-k-kuna-lla abí-ga aki-bi-ga trabaxo-bish no
want-AG-PL-DELIM thus-TOP here-LOC-TOP work-IND NEG
want to go anywhere. So, here work,

bweno undi p'asil artu ganana abin. Santu díá
bweno undi p'asil artu gana-na abi-n santu díá
good where easy much earn-NMLZ EXIST-3 wholeday
there is no way to easily earn a lot of money. The whole day

xazinda así sulpi, bintubi así trabaxando, solo
xazinda así sul-pi bintu-bi así trabaxa-ndo solo
hacienda thus sun-LOC wind-LOC thus work-SUB only
in the hacienda working like this in the sun and wind, they only pay thirty sucre.

treinta sukres paganakun. Treinta sukres, baratu. Santo
treinta sukre-s paga-naku-n treinta sukres baratu. Santo
thirty sucre pay-RECP-3 thirty sucre cheap holy
Thirty sucre, cheap. The whole

díaga, manchaní chaykuna, burrulayaga
día-ga manchaní chayku-na burru-laya-ga
day-TOP terrible tire-NMLZ donkey-like-TOP
day, wear yourself out terribly, be grabbing like a donkey.

agaraxuna. Ya no balin no? No sé
agara-xu-na ya no bali-n no no sé
grab-PROG-NOM already NEG be.worth-3 no don't I.know
It is not worth it, no? I do not know

inkimunda chologuna no mas pagasha dizin. Yoga
inki-munda cholo-guna no mas paga-sha dici-n yo-ga
what-from white-PL NEG more pay-1.FUT say-3 1SG-TOP
why the whites do not want to pay more. I

no trabaxani mucho, yani.

no trabaxa-ni mucho ya-ni

NEG work-1SG much think-1SG

do not work a lot, I think.