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Seeing a Spirit in the Field¹ (Text S05)

- 1. Kan-afongak ad Chakchakan, chaanak pay la-eng soma-ar si nan ili, omeyak ad Tongarab, ay manganokas nan sana anoka kakka-otak.
- 1. When my house was at Chakchakan, I had not yet moved to the village, I went to Tongarab, to work in (the pond field) I was making.
- 2. Nangon-ona-et si katokhangak.
- 2. My mother-in-law had gone ahead.
- 3. Nan kawwesna, kawwesna met la-eng.
- 3. As for her clothes, she was wearing her normal clothes.
- 4. Kanak ay manoya-en, "Nangononakas na-ay, Ina?"
- 4. I said to her, "You came here first, Mother?"

5. Kasik ilan, nama-id.

- 5. I looked again, she was gone.
- 6. Adwanin kanaken, "Apay nama-id chi, yakey si katokhangan chi, ya apay namaid chi?"
- 6. Now I thought, "How come she has gone, she's my mother-in-law, and why has she disappeared?"
- 7. Kanan nan leng-agko, "Ninpaanitowak."
- 7. My spirit thought, "I have met a spirit."
- 8. Achi pay adwani, achiyaket inchonos chi, soma-araket.
 - 8. As a result, I didn't work there, I went home.
- 9. Idi soma-arak, ad-ik og-okhochen tay inilak ngarod sid-i, ay inchanak.
- 9. When I arrived, I didn't tell the story that I had really seen her there, that I came upon her there.
- 10. Idi soma-arak, wacha-et, wacha-et si afongmi, ay nangon-ona akhes.
- 10. When I got home, there she was, there she was in our house, she had gone ahead again.
- 11. Achi pay nan che-ey ekhadna, ay ekhadtako ay ipokhaw.
 - 11. Her appearance, it was the appearance of people like us.
- 12. Achi pay chowa omey nan arkhew, 12. So as days passed, maybe one month

omey aw-ay esay foran nan inmey, ket went by, she died. matey.

NOTES

¹ As told by Benedict Sibfay.