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**Interim
Finding aid**

HALL_B01

**Sound recordings collected by
Robert A. Hall, 1986**

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Date: 1986

Extent: 1 sound cassette (ca. 90 min. each) : banalogue, mono.

Production history

These recordings were collected in October 1986 by Bob Hall during fieldwork at Thursday Island [Waiben] in the Torres Strait, Queensland. The purpose of the field trip was to research the songs of the Torres Strait Islanders pertaining to the experience of World War II. The performers of these songs are unidentified men and women. A spoken account of the war in the Torres Strait is given by Elia Ware. The collection was deposited with AIATSIS on 15 June 1987.

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ARCHIVIST'S NOTE

This finding aid was compiled from information provided by Bob Hall. Detailed item descriptions, featuring timing points, are not yet available as the collection has not been auditioned by AIATSIS staff.

ITEM LIST

| Field recording number | AIATSIS item number | Description |
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| 8729B | HALL_B01-009739, HALL_B01-009740 | Songs about World War II performed in, possibly Meriam Mir, by unidentified men and women at Thursday Island [Waiben] on 25 October 1986, HALL_B01-009739, 00:00:00 – 00:42:07; oral history on World War II experiences in the Torres Strait with Elia Ware , October 1986, HALL_B01-009740, 00:00:00 – 00:44:05 |