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COLLECTION SUMMARY

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NAC, Special National Executive meeting, Canberra, 1-3 Dec 1981, National Aboriginal Conference, National Office and Resource Centre records, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, MS 5110/1/2/7.

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COLLECTION OVERVIEW

Scope and contents

This record group complements the NAC National Secretariat Registry files and related papers in MS 4000.

NAC minutes of meetings, resolutions of the Conference, and records of the NAC portfolio meetings with the Federal Department of Aboriginal Affairs are held in Series 1. Minutes of meetings of the NAC's predecessor, the National Aboriginal Congress, formerly known as the National Aboriginal Consultative Committee, are also held in Series 1.

NAC's General Branch and miscellaneous correspondence and its correspondence registers are held in Series 2. The NAC's telexes, arranged by subject as well as in chronological order, are also in Series 2, along with a register of the NAC later telexes, 1983-1985.

NAC personnel and finance records are held in Series 3, together with Public Service Board, the Department of Finance and Superannuation circulars.

Series 4 consists of NAC media releases, some records of the NAC's Media and Information Office, together with press releases issued by the Department of Aboriginal Affairs (DAA) and other Commonwealth government agencies. DAA daily press summaries, press cuttings and related papers are held in Series 5, including reports, correspondence and photographs documenting the land rights protests leading up to and during the Commonwealth Games in Brisbane in 1982.

The 216 folders of policy and research files produced by NAC Research Unit's Resource Centre are held in Series 6, arranged by subject. As far as possible the documents in the folders, some gleaned from the NAC Registry files, others contributed by outside organisations and individuals, have been listed in detail. Some of the published material held in the policy and research files has been transferred into the AIATSIS Library Collection. The subject arrangement of this series is parallel to the NAC Registry files (held in MS 4000) and the content supplements and complements the Registry files.

Provenance

The NAC archives were transferred to the custody of AIATSIS on 17 December 1985.

Material separated from the collection

Photographs transferred to AIATSIS Audio Visual Archives: NAC.001 – NAC.005.

Related material

MS 4000, National Aboriginal Conference, National Secretariat, Registry files and related papers, 1977-1985

NAC.001, NAC.002 and NAC.003, Brisbane Commonwealth Games Protest 1982, photographs

NAC.004, NAC staff portraits and activities, 1978-1985

NAC.005, NAC meetings and football games, 1983

ROWLEY.C01.DF, Attendees at a conference, possibly representatives of the National Aboriginal Conference, 1979-1980

AIATSIS.109.CS, Music and dance performances at the Australian National University during

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the World Conference of Indigenous Peoples, May 1981.

NAC_01, Tape collection formerly held by NAC, 1977-1985, 120 audio cassettes

NAC_001, National Aboriginal Conference, Tapes 1-6: 6 videocassettes (approximately 20 min. each)

For a complete list of works by the National Aboriginal Conference held in the Collection and for other related material consult [Mura@](#), the AIATSIS catalogue.

For access to Audiovisual material contact [Collections](#).

Archivist's note

These NAC records were processed separately from the NAC archives shelved at MS 4000 as they were held in a separate storage area pending arrangement and description. The original order has been maintained and series reconstituted as accurately as possible. Wherever possible the documents have been calendared to item level to facilitate discoverability and to identify published material for transfer to the AIATSIS Library collection where appropriate.

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ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE

The National Aboriginal Conference (NAC) began operation in November 1977 and was abolished in June 1985. It succeeded the National Aboriginal Consultative Committee (sometimes known as the National Aboriginal Congress), and was not replaced until the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission (ATSIC) was established in March 1990.

The Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Ian Viner, announced the establishment of the NAC on 30 May 1977. The first election for 35 Members of the NAC was held on 12 November 1977. The successful candidates were elected for a term of three years and took their seats from 28 November. Early in 1978 the NAC National Secretariat, based in the MLC Building, Woden, Canberra, replaced an interim unit which had operated within the Federal Department of Aboriginal Affairs. The first annual conference was held in April 1978. The National Aboriginal Conference was incorporated under the Aboriginal Councils Association Act on 20 October 1978.

In October 1980 the NAC membership was increased to include an elected Tasmanian representative. On 17 October 1981 the second general election was held and successful candidates took office on 28 October 1981. The Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Clyde Holding, extended the terms for these members from October 1984 to April 1985, and then to June 1985, when the NAC was abolished by the Hawke government.

The NAC national conference and annual general meeting were held annually. This meeting of all NAC members reviewed the previous twelve months' work of the National Executive Committee and received and considered reports and recommendations from State Branches. After the 1981 election, the AGM elected the National Chairperson. Previously the National Executive Committee elected this position annually. State Branches met at least two times a year. Each Branch elected a chair and deputy chair. The National Executive Committee was chosen by State Branches.

The NAC provided a forum in which Aboriginal views on the conduct of Aboriginal affairs were expressed at State and National level. The Conference had no general consultative function,

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but could advise the Federal Minister for Aboriginal Affairs on specific issues referred to it by Government.

List of National Chairpersons

Lois O'Donoghue	Feb 1978-Mar 1979
Rev. Cedric Jacobs	Mar-Apr 1979
Lyll Munro (Snr)	Apr 1979- Feb 1980
Jim Hagan	Feb 1980-Jan 1981
Bill Bird	Feb-Nov 1981
Roy Nichols	Nov 1981-Jan 1984
Lyll Munro (Snr)	Feb-May 1984 (Interim/Acting Chairperson)
Rob Riley	Jun 1984-May 1985
Lyll Munro (Snr)	May-Jun 1985 (Deputy Chairperson)

References

The National Aboriginal Conference: establishment, roles and function, NAC leaflet (MS 4000/7/2), Mar 1983

LR Hiatt, *Inquiry into the Role of the National Aboriginal Consultative Committee*, Canberra, AGPS, Nov 1976

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Abbreviations

AAAC	Australian Aboriginal Affairs Council
AAPA	Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority
ACOE	Aboriginal Committee on Education
ADC	Aboriginal Development Commission
AHL	Aboriginal Hostels Ltd
AIAS	Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies
AMIC	Australian Mining Industry Council
ATCI	Aboriginal Training and Cultural Institute
CAD	Council for Aboriginal Development
CCEP	Commonwealth Community Employment Program
DAA	Department of Aboriginal Affairs (Commonwealth)
DAIA	Department of Aboriginal and Islander Affairs (Queensland)
HRC	Human Rights Commission
NACC	National Aboriginal Consultative Committee
NADOC	National Aborigines' Day Observance Committee
NAEC	National Aboriginal Education Committee
NAEDC	National Aboriginal Employment Development Committee
NAIHO	National Aboriginal and Islander Health Organisation
NALRL	National Aboriginal Land Rights Legislation [Steering Committee]
WCIP	World Council of Indigenous Peoples
WGIP	United Nations Working Group on Indigenous Peoples

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SERIES DESCRIPTION

Series 1 **NAC, National Executive, Meeting papers, 1974-1975,
1978-1985**

Subseries 1/1 **National Aboriginal Congress: copies of minutes of meetings and
related meeting papers, 1974-1975**

National Aboriginal Consultative Committee (NACC) was established in November 1973 – the first peak Indigenous Federal government advisory body. In 1974, seeking wider policy making powers and the ability to raise funds, the NACC reconstituted itself as the National Aboriginal Congress (formally known as the National Congress of Aboriginal People and Torres Strait Islanders), but the Federal Government did not formally recognize the reconstituted body. The NACC was succeeded by the National Aboriginal Conference in 1977.

See also National Aboriginal Consultative Committee minutes and related papers, 1973-1974, and minutes of National Aboriginal Congress meeting, July 1975, held with Aboriginal Embassy (Mugga Way) papers MS 4013, Series 2 & 3.

MS 5110/1/1/1 National Aboriginal Congress, minutes, 4-8 Feb 1974, Ts., roneo, 25pp.

MS 5110/1/1/2 National Aboriginal Congress, Minister's meeting, minutes, 18-22 Feb 1974

MS 5110/1/1/3 National Aboriginal Congress, Minutes Full Congress Meeting, Canberra, 25-29 Mar 1974, Ts., roneo, [114]pp.

MS 5110/1/1/4 National Aboriginal Congress, Minister's Meeting, minutes, 15-21 Apr 1974, Ts., roneo, 66pp.

MS 5110/1/1/5 National Aboriginal Congress, Full Congress Meeting, 24-31 May 1974, Ts., roneo, [104]pp.

MS 5110/1/1/6 National Aboriginal Congress, Full Congress Meeting and State Meetings, Townsville, Queensland, Agenda, 19 -26 Mar 1975, Ts., roneo, [8]pp.

MS 5110/1/1/7 National Aboriginal Congress, Executive Meeting, 28 Apr-2 May 1975, transcript, Ts., roneo, 167pp.

MS 5110/1/1/8 National Aboriginal Congress, Full Congress Meeting, minutes, 11-18 Jul 1975, 341pp., Ts., roneo, bound

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Subseries 1/2

**National Aboriginal Conference, National Executive records:
copies of minutes of meetings and related papers, 1979-1985**

These files document NAC National Executive, National Conference, State Chairpersons' meetings, meetings with the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and others, and workshops. The documents include copies of minutes, resolutions, meeting papers, including presentations and submissions, together with some correspondence and a file of speeches. Some of the files are marked as having been issued to the NAC Chair or to the General Secretary.

MS 5110/1/2/1

Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Regional Directors' Conference, 3-4 May 1979: agenda and background papers, c.60pp., tabbed

MS 5110/1/2/2

Aboriginal Development Commission, 9-12 Oct 1979: draft meeting minutes, Ts., annotated, 58pp. (2 copies, one annotated), with list of members of the Council for Aboriginal Development, Ts., p/c, 1p.

MS 5110/1/2/3

NAC 4th National Meeting, Mar 1981 (file marked Mr P Thompson): meeting papers:

- Agenda, 12 Mar 1981
- National Aboriginal Conference Canberra, 24 Mar 1980, minutes and reports, 92pp., Ts., roneo
- Correspondence, 17 Feb-24 Mar 1981
- 3rd National Meeting Resolutions, Resume of Action, 63pp.
- Joint NAC/DAA Working Group on Information: Progress Report, 2pp.
- Rev. C Jacobs, *Makarrata Address*, 1981, and related papers, c.40pp.
- NAC correspondence with Peter Baume (Minister) and related papers, re changers to the NAC Charter, 1981, c.30pp.
- Law Reform Commission, *Aboriginal Customary Law – Recognition? Summary of Discussion Paper No. 17*, Nov 1980, 16pp.
- NAC correspondence with FM Chaney (Minister) re Makarrata educational program, 26 May-22 Sep 1980
- Queensland State Branch Report to National Meeting, 7 Apr 1981
- National Meeting, Canberra, 4-8 May, 13 Apr 1981
- MM Skuta to AJ Grassby re racial discrimination complaint, 6 Mar 1981
- Correspondence CN Perkins to Bill Bird re National Aboriginal Sport and Cultural Centre, Mar 1981, with National Aboriginal Sports Foundation document, 24 Apr 1981
- *Aboriginal Hostels Limited, History, Objectives, Activities*, May 1981, 10pp.
- Correspondence re Remuneration Tribunal, car loans to members and related papers
- Report on Policy of Self-Management for Council for Aboriginal Development, 15pp.
- *Thoughts on the Bicentennial*, 24 Nov 1980, 6pp.
- *Geneva Report*, 10pp.

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- Telecom Australia, *Remote area Telecommunications*, map, 4pp.
 - Benelong's Haven, National funding, 7 Apr 1981
 - The Aboriginal Corporation of the National Aboriginal Conference, Balance Sheet and Accounts at 30 Jun 1980
- MS 5110/1/2/4** NAC, National Executive, Melbourne, 28 Sep-2 Oct 1981: minutes, Ts., 36pp., and attachments, including:
- Charter of the National Aboriginal Conference, Aug 1981, 10pp.
 - Michael Anderson, *My cause for ignoring the call from the National Chairman to return to Australia*, 18 Sep 1981, Ts., 3pp., and *The withdrawing of the NAC's submission papers to the NGO conference at the United Nations, Geneva*, 28 Sep 1981, Ts., 2pp.
 - Rev. C Jacobs, *Report on Geneva Trip*, Ts., 6pp.
 - Marcia Langton, *Report on Queensland – possible repeal of the Acts and Deregistration of Reserve Areas*, Ts., 16pp., and related papers
- MS 5110/1/2/5** NAC, Special National Executive Meeting, Melbourne, 28 Sep-2 Oct 1981: copy of minutes, Ts., pp.1-36, and meeting papers
- MS 5110/1/2/6** NAC, Special National Executive Meeting, Melbourne, 28 Sep-2 Oct 1981: meeting papers, including:
- List of participants at the International NGO Conference on Indigenous Peoples and Land, Geneva, Sep 1981
 - Report from Commission Three, *Transnational Corporations and their effect on the resources and land of Indigenous Peoples*, n.d., Ts., 5pp. poor quality p/c
 - Malcolm Fraser (PM) telex to Mr Bird, 25 Sep 1981, declining invitation to discuss matters relating to the Aboriginal Development Commission
 - Press release by the NAC Chairman, Mr Bill Bird, re the 21 Makarrata demands, 30 Sep 1981, Ts., 2pp., with draft and telex copy of the demands, 29 Sep 1981
- MS 5110/1/2/7** NAC, Special National Executive meeting, Canberra, 1-3 Dec 1981: copy of minutes, 65pp.; with NAC, National Executive Meeting, 31 Aug-4 Sep 1981, meeting papers; and Reg Shelley (for NAC Secretariat), *A Skills development proposal for National Aboriginal Conference Members*, Nov 1981, 26pp., p/c., and other papers
- MS 5110/1/2/8** NAC National Executive meeting, 15-19 Feb 1982: meeting papers, including:
- Makarrata Briefing Material for Executive Members of the NAC, n.d., c.80pp.
 - Queensland Situation Briefing for Executive Members of the NAC, n.d., c.20pp.
 - Mining Brief for Executive Members of the NAC, n.d., 7pp.
 - Chairman's address to Prime Minister and Cabinet on Makarrata, draft, Ts., 14pp.

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- MS 5110/1/2/9** NAC, National Executive Meeting, Canberra, 17-21 May 1982: minutes, Ts., 117pp.
- MS 5110/1/2/10** NAC, National Executive Meeting, 15-17 Jun 1982: minutes, Ts., 123pp.
- MS 5110/1/2/11** NAC, National Executive Meeting, 18-27 Aug 1982: minutes, Ts., 145pp.
- MS 5110/1/2/12** NAC, National Executive Meetings, Sep 1982-Sep 1983: tabbed meeting papers, including resolutions and action sheets, for the following meetings:
- National Executive meeting, 22-24 Sep 1982
 - National Executive meeting, Hobart, 21-25 Feb 1983
 - National Executive meeting 14-18 Mar 1983
 - National Executive meeting, Canberra, 23-27 May 1983
 - National Executive meeting, 11,14 Jul 1983
 - National Executive meeting, 26-30 Sep 1983, with minutes, Ts., pp.1-94 (incomplete?)
- MS 5110/1/2/13** Copies of National Executive meeting minutes and notes from telephone hook-ups, Sep 1982-Apr 1985:
- Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the NAC held on 11 Jul 1983 at 5.30pm
 - Notes on National Executive Hook-up held Friday 9 Nov 1984
 - Executive Telephone Hook-up 24 Apr 1985
 - NAC, Meeting of National Executive and State Chairmen with Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, 13 Jun 1984
 - Minutes of Special Executive Meeting, 30 Sep 1982, Brisbane, Queensland
 - NAC, Meeting of National Executive and State Chairpersons, 14-17 Aug 1984, Canberra
 - NAC, National Executive Meeting 14-17 Mar 1983
- MS 5110/1/2/14** NAC, National Meeting, Day Five, 1 Oct 1982: transcript, Ts., pp.299-384, p/c
- MS 5110/1/2/15** NAC, Executive Meeting, Hobart, 21-25 Feb 1983: minutes and meeting papers, Resolutions and Resolution action sheet, Ts., roneo
- MS 5110/1/2/16** NAC, Executive Meeting, Hobart, 21-25 February 1983: Research Report, 23 Feb 1983, 3pp., with attachments, c.60pp.
- MS 5110/1/2/17** NAC, Executive Meeting, Hobart, 21-25 February 1983: Resolutions and Resolution Action Sheet, together with transcript of ABC Radio 'AM' report on lockout of Aborigines occupying DAA offices in Brisbane in protest against failure to 'Aboriginalise' the Department, 30 Oct 1984, Ts., roneo, 2pp.
- MS 5110/1/2/18** NAC, Executive Meeting, Hobart, 21-25 February 1983: discussion papers and sub-committee reports, 12 reports, Ts., c.250pp.
- MS 5110/1/2/19** NAC, Executive Meeting, 14-18 Mar 1983: meeting papers, c.400pp., (Graham Paulson's folder):

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- Bradford W. Morse, *Submission to the Government of NSW in response to The Green Paper on Aboriginal Land Rights in NSW*, Feb 1983
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- Aboriginal Land Trust of NSW, *Land Rights Recommendations*, 27 Feb 1981, 7pp.
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- Meredith Wilkie, *Mining and Indigenous Lands*
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 - Meredith Wilkie, *A draft Land Rights Bill for NSW*, Apr 1983
 - Meredith Wilkie, *The other explanatory notes: NSW's draft Land Rights Bill*, Apr 1983
 - Four Briefs on the *Green paper on Aboriginal Land Rights in NSW*, Dec 1982, together with a copy of the Green Paper.
 - Meredith Wilkie, *Funding for Land Rights in NSW*
 - Aboriginal Law Research Unit, *The Concept of Self-Determination*

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NAC, Special Executive Meeting, 22-27 May 1983: minutes of previous National Executive meeting and Resolution Action Sheet, Hobart, 21-25 Feb 1983, and other meeting papers, c.200pp. (Roy Nichols' folder.)

MS 5110/1/2/22

NAC, Special Executive Meeting, 22-27 May 1983: minutes of previous National Executive meeting and Resolution Action Sheet, Sydney, 14-15 Mar 1983, and Canberra, 16-18 Mar 1983, c.200pp. (Folder marked, Roy Nichols, NAC National Chairperson.)

MS 5110/1/2/23

NAC, Executive Meeting, Canberra, 22-27 May 1983: papers for presentation, Ts., c.80pp. (Folder marked, Graham Paulson, NAC Secretary-General.)

MS 5110/1/2/24

NAC, Executive Meeting, Canberra, 22-27 May 1983: Position/Discussion Papers, c.50pp., including DAA Discussion paper, *Consultation with NAC*, 16 May 1983, Ts., 8pp.

MS 5110/1/2/25

NAC, Special Executive Meeting, 22-27 May 1983: minutes, pp.1-233, Ts., original, annotated, together with related papers, including DAA to Roy Nichols re advice on resolution, 'Aboriginal Land Rights to International Court of Justice', 2 Dec 1982, Ts., 2pp., p/c.

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- MS 5110/1/2/26** NAC, Special Executive Meeting, 22-27 May 1983: minutes, Ts., 233pp., 2 copies, one marked 'Roy Nichols'
- MS 5110/1/2/27** NAC, National Executive Meetings, 1983-1984: miscellaneous papers, including:
- NAC, Executive Meeting, 23-27 May 1983, arrangements for meeting and Position/Discussion Papers, and Resolution Action Sheet
 - DAA correspondence, Feb-Apr 1984
 - Telexes, 26 Apr-1 May 1984
 - NAC Executive Meeting, 14-18 Mar 1983, Resolutions and Resolution Action Sheet
 - NAC State Chairpersons Meeting, Canberra, 3-4 May 1984, transcript, Ts. 44pp.
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- MS 5110/1/2/31** *Who decides who speaks for the Aboriginal People?* ATCI (Aboriginal Training and Cultural Institute) Briefing Paper for NAC Executive, Sep 1983, Ts., p/c, 24pp.
- MS 5110/1/2/32** NAC National Executive meeting, 26-30 Sep 1983: minutes, Ts., pp.1-95, and Appendices 1 & 2, including Queensland State Branch, 'Briefing Document on new NAC Charter', Ts., 8pp.
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- MS 5110/1/2/34** NAC National Executive meeting, 26-30 Sep 1983: resolutions
- MS 5110/1/2/35** NAC National Executive meeting, 31 Oct-3 Nov 1983: minutes, Ts., pp.1-38, and appendices
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- Clyde Holding, *Aboriginal Past: Australia's Future*, 15 Nov 1983, Ts., 21pp., moving a resolution in the Parliament and motion put to the House
 - Ray Robinson, Speech to a conference on Aboriginals and international law, 21 Nov 1983, Ts., annotated, 6pp.

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The Resource Centre policy and research files are supplementary to the NAC Registry files (now archived at MS 4000, Series 1) and organised along parallel lines.

Kayleen McNeil, a consultant with the NAC July-November 1982, established a *Resource Library* for the NAC's Research Unit. Her aim was to compile a bank of documents arranged by subject which would assist the NAC to develop policies.

McNeil combed through the NAC Registry files taking copies of reports and other documents for the Resource Library. She sought additional records from AIATSIS, the Australian National University and the National Library and received further contributions from individuals and institutions across Australia. (See: McNeil's report in MS 5110/2/4/8.)

By September 1983 the Resource Library was known as the *NAC Resource Centre*. The research materials were held in lever arch binders arranged by subjects corresponding to those used to control the registry filing system. There is a register of the policy and research files, *NAC Resource Centre: Contents Lever Arch Files as at 30.9.83* (MS 5110/5/155), but no subsequent register has been located.

After the NAC records were transferred to AIATSIS in December 1985, the Resource Centre policy and research files were removed from their lever arch binders for storage in archives boxes. During the re-housing some files became out of order and some file headings and sub-

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