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Records of the Aboriginal Embassy, Mugga Way, Red Hill, Canberra

1973-1977

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COLLECTION OVERVIEW

Scope and content note

The records were deposited by Colonel John Moloney sometime after the closure of the Aboriginal Embassy at the end of August 1977. Both the Aboriginal Embassy and the National Aboriginal Advisory Committee (NACC) secretariat operated out of 26 Mugga Way, Red Hill. The archives include records of both organisations. There are a few administrative records of the Embassy, 1976-1977, and a series of records of NACC conference, council and regional meetings 1973-1974, together with a complete set of rolls of NACC electors in 1973.
There is a file of Aboriginal Black Theatre (Redfern) papers, including a script, draft program and other production materials for *The Cakeman* by Robert J. Merritt (1975).

The bulk of the records are, however, information resource documents and printed material, some of which originated from the Senate Select Committee on Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders. It is not clear whether this resource material belonged to the Embassy or the NACC.

**Provenance**

The collection was deposited in the AIATSIS Library by Colonel John Moloney sometime after the closure of the Embassy in August 1977.

**Material separated from collection**

MS 4013/1/6/1, Tea set, transferred to AIATSIS Art and Artefacts collection at ATS 445 (listed by Pat Brady, 29 Jan 2002).

MS 4013/1/9/1, International Development Action, *The Mapoon people demand their land back*, poster (3 copies) transferred to AIATSIS Library at M870 PC 10 Land Folder 3 medium.

**Related Material**

MS 4045, John Charles Francis Moloney, Papers, articles and correspondence related to the Aboriginal Embassy, 1971-1980 (1 archives box).


For a complete list of works on the Aboriginal Embassy and the National Aboriginal Consultative Committee held by the Library, and for other related material consult Mura®, the AIATSIS catalogue.

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Archivist’s note

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Excess copies of publications already held in the AIATSIS Library were discarded in accordance with AIATSIS policy of not keeping more than three copies of a printed item. The discarded publications are listed in the Appendix.

NOTE ON ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

After the Aboriginal Tent Embassy in front of Parliament House was dismantled in February 1975, an Aboriginal Embassy was re-established by the National Aboriginal Consultative Committee (NACC) at 26 Mugga Way, Red Hill, Canberra.

The house at 26 Mugga Way was the residence of retired army Colonel John Moloney, a supporter of the rights of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders. An arrangement was reached between Colonel Moloney and the National Congress of Aboriginal People and Torres Strait Islanders for half of his house to be used by the Aboriginal Embassy for one year from April 1976. The house was well situated for the purpose as there were half a dozen other embassies in Mugga Way at the time. It was a former residence of the Anglican Bishops of Canberra and Goulburn.

The Aboriginal flag was raised at the Aboriginal Embassy opening ceremony on 10 April 1976. The aim of the Aboriginal Embassy was “to establish an independent platform from which we, the Aboriginal and Islander people can speak on issues that affect our lives…” (untitled statement, 5 May 1976, MS 4013/1/2/2). On behalf of the Aboriginal Embassy Keith Smith reported that the Embassy was being established because “our people need an independent platform from which we can speak of our problems and needs. For too long our people and ‘Aboriginal affairs’ have been a vote-catching issue, a political football used in campaign speeches and election policies, but never looked at as a human story, as the suffering and oppression of a race of people” (‘Black Embassy’, Woroni, 28:6, May 1976, p.5).

The Aboriginal Embassy was also used to house the Secretariat of the National Aboriginal Consultative Committee (NACC). The NACC was established in November 1973, under charter from the Federal Government, following nation-wide elections among Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders – the first such Aboriginal organisation. It had an advisory role only and was subjected to continuous political and bureaucratic interference and review. In 1977 it was succeeded by the National Aboriginal Conference.

Despite its short life the NACC was important for Aboriginal self-determination. Delephene Fraser (Indigenous advisor at Department of Veteran Affairs) said that, “We learnt how to negotiate, debate and work with government…..We also learnt that the government can shut
things down if government is not happy with its running or administrational processes.” (www.CreativeSpirits.info. Aboriginal culture - Self-determination - Aboriginal representative bodies, retrieved 21 October 2016.)

In 1975 and 1976 the NACC was seeking wider policy making powers and the ability to raise funds. In order to do so, the Committee reconstituted itself as the National Congress of Aboriginal People and Torres Strait Islanders (also known as the National Aboriginal Congress), and set up an incorporated body, the National Aboriginal Congress Administrative Association, but the Federal Government did not formally recognize the reconstituted bodies.

The informal Embassy executive members were: Ray Nagas (Aboriginal Embassy and NACC Secretary), Keith Saunders (NACC Vice President) and Keith Smith (NACC senior member). Other participants in the operation of the Embassy were: Lester and Jerry Bostock, Barry Hall, Eddie Neumann, John Angus King, Allan Murray, Eric and Geraldine Koorliah, Michael Anderson, David Anderson and Billy Harrison. (Rough notes on discussion re: Role of Embassy and its functions and aims, 19 Apr 1976, MS 4013/1/2/1).

In 1977 difficulties arose which prevented extension of the arrangement between Colonel Moloney and the National Aboriginal Congress. Bruce Juddery pointed out that a complicating factor was the failure of the Government to summon a meeting of the NACC for more than a year, thus blocking the opportunity for the NACC to consider renewing or revising the arrangements it had with Colonel Moloney over the use of his house (Canberra Times, 15 Apr 1977).

Ray Nagas withdrew the NACC Secretariat from the Embassy on 8 June 1977. An option for the NACC to buy the building failed and the Embassy was formally closed on 31 August 1977. The Embassy was re-established for a short period in August 1979 as the "National Aboriginal Government" on Capital Hill, the site of the proposed new Parliament House. In January 1982 the Tent Embassy was permanently established on the lawns of Parliament House.
SERIES DESCRIPTION

Series 1  Embassy Records

Subseries 1/1  Proclamations and circulars

MS 4013/1/1/1  JH Stanley (President of the National Congress of Aboriginal People and Torres Strait Islanders), Proclamation. We, the members of the National Congress of Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islanders, assembled in Canberra, Australia, this 10th day of March, 1976, do hereby, as the democratically elected representative of our people, solemnly and unanimously resolve that we claim for our people the following inalienable rights…, 10 Mar 1976, Ts., roneo, 3pp. (Hundreds of roneoed copies received with deposit of Embassy papers; 30 kept as a sample.)

MS 4013/1/1/2  Aboriginal Embassy, 26 Mugga Way, Red Hill, circular to ‘Brothers and Sisters’, 30 Mar 1976, Ts., roneo, 1p., re-establishment of the Aboriginal Embassy at Mugga Way by the National Aboriginal Congress, appeal for help and support, announcement of a flag raising ceremony, et al. (Hundreds of roneoed copies received with deposit of Embassy papers; 30 kept as a sample.) Together with, Aboriginal Embassy, 26 Mugga Way, Red Hill, circular to ‘Dear Sir/Madam’, 30 Mar 1976, Ts., roneo, 2pp. (1 copy only), re-establishment of the Aboriginal Embassy at Mugga Way by the National Aboriginal Congress, appeal for help and support, announcement of a flag raising ceremony, et al., signed, K Smith, for Aboriginal Embassy.

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Subseries 1/2  Embassy correspondence and other papers

MS 4013/1/2/1  Rough notes on discussion re: Role of Embassy and its functions and aims, 26 Mugga Way, 19 Apr 1976, Ts., p/c, 2pp. Participants in the discussion were: Lester and Jerry Bostock, Barry Hall, Keith Saunders, Keith Smith, Eddie Neumann, John Angus King, Allan Murray, Eric and Geraldine Koorliah, Michael Anderson, and Billy Harrison.

MS 4013/1/2/2  Embassy – statement of aims, office equipment and draft correspondence:
• Untitled statement, commencing, “The aim of the Aboriginal Embassy is to establish an independent platform from which we, the Aboriginal and Islander people can speak on issues that affect our lives…”, 5 May 1976, Ts., 1p.
• Catalogue of Adler typewriters.
• Inventory of Office furniture, together with list of office requisites, Ts., 3pp.
• Edwards Dunlop & Co Ltd, Illustrated Stationery Catalogue.

MS 4013/1/2/3 Visitors’ Books:
• ‘Visitors Book’, approx.11pp. (8 pages with signatures);


MS 4013/1/2/5 Accounts, missed phone calls, notes, business cards, 1975-1976, together with Resolution of the Executive of the National Aboriginal Consultative Committee in support of the Aboriginal Lands (NT) Bill 1975 in its original form, 3 May 1976, Ms., p/c, 1p.

MS 4013/1/2/6 Correspondence and miscellaneous papers, 1971-1976, including:
• ABC Monday Conference, 19th March 1972, Bobbi Sykes (Freelance journalist and travelling delegate for the Aboriginal Embassy in Canberra) and Paul Coe (Law student and a founder of the Aboriginal Legal Service in Sydney), on camera with Robert Moore (ABC), Brian White (2GB) and Dominic Nagle (The Australian), Ts., p/c, 29pp.
• Victoria, Archaeological and Aboriginal Relics Preservation Act 1972.
• Annette Hamilton, ‘Aboriginal Cultures: Management or Autonomy?’ Arena, No.34, 1974, pp.16-23, p/c.
• RJ Hunt (Minister for Health, Canberra), and JH Stanley (National Aboriginal Congress, Clearview, SA), correspondence re inclusion of Dr Kalokerinos in the trachoma eradication program being undertaken by the Australian College of Ophthalmologists, 6, 13 & 22 Apr 1976, Ts., 3pp.
• Press cuttings, April 1976, reporting on the outcome of the Laverton Royal Commission’s investigation of Police actions against Aboriginal people at Skull Creek, Kalgoorlie District, WA, in January 1975.


RI Viner (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs) to DR Anderson (NACC, Williamstown, Vic.), 8 Dec 1976, re meeting with the NACC, Ts., p/c, 1p.

LJ Daniels (Director-General, Australian Dept. of Social Security) to DR Anderson (NACC), 17 Dec 1976, re Two Rivers Aboriginal Coop Ltd, application for a half-way house for Aboriginal women and children, Ts., p/c, 2pp.


*Boomerang Bulletin* (Port Adelaide Aboriginal Coordinating Committee Inc, Alberton, SA), 17 Oct 1976, 4pp., edited by Mike Clark (copy of this issue held in AIATSIS Library at RS 29.5/1).


National Aboriginal Consultative Committee letterhead, unused, c.20 sheets.

**MS 4013/1/2/7** Papers relating to the Aboriginal Embassy, Mugga Way, Red Hill, 1976-1977, as follows:

- John CF Moloney to AA Stanley (Minister for the Capital Territory, Parliament House, Canberra), 19 Jan 1977, Ts., 1p., with,
• Australian Union of Students to Aboriginal Embassy, 15 Apr 1976 (3 copies).

MS 4013/1/2/8 Correspondence of JCF Moloney and related papers, as follows:
• John Moloney to RW Nagus (Secretary, National Aboriginal Congress), 6 Dec 1976, Ts., 2pp.
• Moloney to Harry, 5 Jan 1977, Ms., 3pp.

MS 4013/1/2/9 Embassy, miscellaneous papers, 1975-1976, including:
• Petition form, multiple blank copies, re mining on the Aurukun Aboriginal Reserve.
• Boomerang Bulletin, 2 Sep 1976 [held in AIATSIS Library RS 29.5/1].
• David R Anderson (Executive member for Information and Communications NACC) to The Hon Ian Viner (Minister for Aboriginal Affairs), 23 Apr 1976.
• Quotations, n.d., Ts., original, 2pp.: ‘Scarcity is not an intrinsic property of technical means. It is a relation between means and ends…’, from Marshall Sahlins, Notes on the Original Affluent Society (1968); and ‘To date, the hunting way of life has been the most successful and persistent adaption man has ever achieved…’, RB Lee & I DeVore, Problems in the Study of Hunters and Gatherers (1968).
• Exercise Book, handwritten notes.
• Exercise Book, Portland and District. Aboriginal Funeral Fund (blank pages inside).
• Printed material (x2);
• A.I.S. Newsletter, Oct [1975], 10pp.
- The list of South Australian Communities and Organisations, 5pp.
- Victorian and Tasmanian Aboriginal Organisations, 13pp.
- List of 98 Victorian organisational contact persons and addresses, Ts., p/c, 11pp.
- Members of Commissions, Boards etc. involved with Aboriginal Affairs, 2pp.
- Social Clubs and Progress Association [Northern Territory], 5pp.
- Aboriginal Organisations for Queensland, 16pp.
- [Aboriginal Organisations for] Western Australia, 7pp.
- RWF Nagas (National Aboriginal Consultative Committee) to RI Viner (Parliament House), 20 Jan 1977 [unfinished letter].
- Handwritten material, menus from restaurants, docketts, invoices, phone messages, etc.
- New South Wales, Road Map, (BP).
- Board of Ecumenical Mission and Relations, Presbyterian Church of Australia; Board of Overseas Missions, Methodist Church of Australasia; Congregational Union of Australia – C.W.M., [statement], 30 Apr 1976.
- Mining at Aurukun, Presbyterian Church Replies to Queensland Government, 6pp.
- Some Questions and Answers about Aboriginal Land Rights, Apr 1976.

Embassy – miscellaneous notes and papers, including:

- Heather Jensen (Friends of the Earth, Canberra) to Aboriginal Embassy, n.d., re magazine, Chain Reaction, Ms., 1p.
- Alchuringa: newsletter on Aboriginal land rights (Land Rights Club at La Trobe University), Issue No.1, n.d. (c. Mar 1976), 18pp. [Copy held in AIATSIS Library, RS 26.1/4.]
• *Hakika, a bulletin of political views and comment on South Africa*, (South African Liberation Centre, Sydney), No.8, May 1977.
• Jennie Hurley (Arthur’s Pass, NZ), to H. Penrith, Aboriginal Hostels (Woden, ACT), 7 Feb 1977, inviting Mr Penrith to speak from an Aboriginal’s viewpoint at a forum on uranium mining, Ms., 2pp.
• John McKenzie (Warragamba, NSW) to Aboriginal Embassy, 21 Feb 1977, re Rosicrucian Order, Ms., 2pp.
• *Land Rights News*, a newsletter for Aboriginals and their friends, (Northern Land Council, Darwin), No.8, Feb 1977. [Not held in AIATSIS Library.]
• *CARE Canberra Newsletter* (Campaign Against Racial Exploitation), No.3, Jun 1977.

**Embassy Files**

**MS 4013/1/3/1** Aboriginal Black Theatre, Arts and Culture Centre, Redfern, for Trevor Nichols or Aboriginal Embassy. Includes *The Cakeman*, by Robert J Merritt, script and production materials, and related papers, n.d. (c.1975), as follows:
• *Black Lace*, Aboriginal musical group, pamphlet;
• *Happy Land*, lyrics;
• Two pencil drawings;
• Entry form for The Civic Permanent Art Award 1976;
• Biographies of actors;
• Sketch casting, Advertising;
• *The Cakeman*, by Robert J Merritt, script of play, 140pp;
• Bettie Fisher to Black Theatre Arts and Culture Centre (3 Jan 1975).

**MS 4013/1/3/2** Aboriginal Advancement League of Victoria, Submissions, including:
Aboriginal Advancement League of Victoria, Submission No.1, n.d., Ts., roneo. 6pp. (3 copies).


C2H5OH, Alcoholism (House of Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs, Alcohol Problems of Aboriginals), including:

- Mr Silas Maralngarra (Chairman Oenpelli Council) to Mr W.C. Wentworth, M.P., 21 Oct 1975, 5pp.
- Attachment B1: Submission to the enquiry into alcohol problems of Aboriginals by the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs from the Northern Territory Division of the Commonwealth Department of Health, 28 May 1976, 6pp.
- Attachment B4: Report, Benelong’s Haven, period ending 31/12/75, 6pp.
- Attachment B5: Central Methodist Mission, 2pp.

Aurukun, including:

- Parliamentary Debates [Hansard], Second Session of the Forty-First Parliament, No. 20, 1975-1976, Queensland, pp.2357-2484;


Aurukun, Bills, Senate and House of Representatives, including:

- Senate Select Committee on Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders. The Aurukun Associates Agreement Act 1975, 4pp.
Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations (upon the facts surrounding the attitude of the Aurukun people to proposed mining venture), Brisbane, tabled in the Queensland State Parliament, 6 Apr 1976, 16pp.

Report of the Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations upon the facts surrounding the attitude of the Aurukun people to the proposed mining venture, Brisbane, 12 Apr 1976, 16pp.

Rip-Off at Aurukun, Aboriginal Land Rights, 1p.


Mining at Aurukun: Presbyterian Church replies to Queensland Government by Board of Ecumenical Mission and Relations on the 23rd Mar 1976, 6pp.

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Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Annual Report, 1974-75, annotated, 60pp.

MS 4013/1/3/9
Education, including:

Report relating to the proposed construction of Yirara Residential College for Aboriginal students, Alice Springs, Northern Territory, Canberra, AGPS, 1971, 7pp., bound.

College of Aboriginal Education, n.d., Torrensville, SA, 4pp., bound.


AFCO Quarterly, No.6, Dec 1976.

Being and Doing, A practical workbook for parents and teachers, Preliminary Level 1, 27pp.


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Education/Bilingual Education:

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- Language Teachers’ Forum, Nos.1-10, 12, 13, 15, 16, 19, 22, 23, 25, 1976.

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Education, including:
- AP Elkin, University of Sydney, Education in Aboriginal Australia, pp.589-592.

MS 4013/1/3/12

Education including:
- Diana Mackay, ‘Aboriginal views… these aides are a first in Education’, Aboriginal Child at School, 2:2, Apr 1974, pp.34-37, p/c.
- Aboriginal Child at School, Author/Title Index to Volume 2, 1974, 5pp.
• ‘Bilingual education in the Northern Territory’, three articles reprinted from Education News (NT Education Division, Australian Dept of Education), 1975, 15pp., bound.
• Norman Tindale, Map showing the distribution of the Aboriginal Tribes of Australia, 1940.


MS 4013/1/3/14  Health of Aboriginal children:
• Cyril Evans, Australian Department of Health, to RG Thomson, Senate Select Committee on Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders, 29 Apr 1976, 3pp., re nutritional assistance programs in NT.
• A Kalokerinos (medical practitioner, Collarenebri, NSW), A Report on Aboriginal Health in the Northern Territory, n.d., 13pp., p/c, prepared for the Senate Standing Committee on Social Environment.
• FB McConnell (District Medical Officer, Kununurra), Submission to Senate Standing Committee on Social Environment, re the environmental conditions of Aborigines and the preservation of their sacred sites 3 Feb 1972, 19pp., p/c.

MS 4013/1/3/15  Health of Aboriginal children:
• The list of materials from Department of The Parliamentary Library, requested by Robert King, 5 May 1976, 2pp. (2 copies).
• Aboriginal Pre-School and Women’s Hostel, The Directors of Murawina Ltd. to The Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, 3 Nov 1975, 4pp., p/c.
• Australian Department of Health, Submission to House of Representatives Standing Committee on Aboriginal Affairs, August 1975, 58pp., appendices.
File. Report on Aboriginal Health to Senate Standing Committee on Social Environment and Health, includes:

- *WA Hospitals 1971*, comparison Aborigines and Non-Aborigines discharged patients, 4 leaves.

Aboriginal Health Service, as follows:

- L Smith (Research Fellow), *Availability of Aboriginal health statistics*, a report to the Health of Aborigines (Standing) Committee of the National Health and Medical Research Council, 6 Aug 1975; 27pp.
- Ms Joan Bentley, *Assignment Report 1 June to 17 August 1974* [Suva, Fiji]: World Health Organization, Regional Office for the Western Pacific, 1974 (incomplete, Library holds another two copies: p BEN).


Housing, 1976, includes:


Housing, File No.1, 1974-1976 (R Nages, National Aboriginal Congress, Red Hill, Canberra), press cuttings, working papers, including:

• Senator Guilfoyle, reporting on grants given to Aboriginal organisation over the financial years 1972/73-1975/76, 2pp.
• *Aboriginal dwellings at 1971 Census: Improvised dwellings as % of total*: 11pp., map.
• RN Johnson (Professor of Architecture, University of Sydney) to RJ King (Asst. Secretary, Senate Select Committee of Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders), 19 May 1976, Ts., p/c, re research being undertaken in the School of Architecture.
• D Roughley (President, Flinders Island Community Association), to Senate Committee, 9 Jul 1976, Ts., 2pp., with attachment, re disadvantaged position of Aboriginal citizens of Tasmania.
• BC Byrne (Geraldton, Area Officer, DAA), to Robert King (Senate Committee), 26 May 1976, 4pp., re State Housing Commission Aboriginal occupancies, North-Central area of WA.
• LF McGinty (NSW Minister for Housing) to Senator J Keeffe; 10 Oct 1975, 12pp., re NSW Housing Commission provision of accommodation to Aboriginal families.
• Vance Dickie (Victorian Minister of Housing) to Senator J Keeffe, 30 Sep 1975; 4pp., re Housing Commission’s program for the housing of Aborigines in Victoria.
• *Homes for Aborigines, Statistical Information Month ended: 30 Jun 1976 [Victoria]*, 2 loose pages.
• *Housing in Australia (Government Policy and Finance)*, from *LateLine* 8 Apr 1976, 10pp.
• Michael Heppell (Director, Aboriginal Housing Panel) to Robert King (Assistant Secretary, Senate Committee), 21 Sep 1976, re history of changes to the AHP, Ts., roneo, 6pp.
• DH Penny (Department of Aboriginal Affairs) *Informal meeting with Mr Milton Liddle…Woden*, 12 Mar 1976, 4pp.
• Press cuttings, 4 Jan 1974-7 Jul 1976.
• MR Austin (University of Auckland, School of Architecture), *Polynesian Housing in Auckland*, paper delivered to 42nd ANZAAS Congress, Port Moresby, 17-21 August 1970, 8pp.
• Frances H Lovejoy, ‘Costing the Aboriginal Housing Problem’, *Australian Quarterly*, Vol.43, No.1, Mar 1971, pp.79-90.

**MS 4013/1/3/22** Land Rights. Senate Select Committee on Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders, includes:
• *Prime Minister, For Press*, Mar 1976.
• *Aboriginal Land Rights* (Northern Territory) Bill 1976, 38pp.
• A Letter from David R Anderson to Senator Bonner, 31 May 1976.
• *Minister’s visit to NT, Media Release*, DAA, Darwin, NT, Canberra ACT, 9 Jun 1976.
• *The Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Mr Ian Viner, Address to the Australian Mining Industry Council General Meeting*, Canberra, 29 Mar 1976.
• *Statement by the Special Minister of State Senator Dr Willesee*, Canberra, 3 Aug 1973; (2 copies).

**MS 4013/1/3/23** Aboriginal Land Rights, includes:
• Geoff Eames, *Land Rights and the Aboriginal Reality*, a reply to Pastor Paul Albrecht, n.d, (3 copies), p/c;

**MS 4013/1/3/24** Land Claims, c.1975, includes:
Land Rights, includes:

- Press Cuttings from the *Australian Financial Review* and *The Bulletin*, 1972; *Canberra Times*, 1976;
- Joint Committee on Foreign Affairs and Defence Sub-Committee on Territorial Boundaries, *Summary of progress to date and possible further action*, 3pp.
- A *Submission to the Ministerial Committee on Aboriginal Affairs by the Australian Council of Churches on Aboriginal Land Rights*, Nov 1971, (incomplete).

Land Rights, includes:

- KL Morgan (Aboriginal Land Trust) to Australian Senate, 30 Jan 1975.
- *Index to evidence held in public*, Senate Select Committee on Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders, Senate Standing Committee on Social Environment.
- Senator Cavanagh speaks of legislation to force Queensland Government to hand over administration of Land Rights for Aborigines to the Federal Government; Mr Bjelke Petersen comments on the proposed legislation and his opposition to it, interview by Angus Lindsay and Paul Davy, 4 Apr 1975, Ts., 5pp.

Laverton Royal Commission, 1975-1976, includes:


Laverton & WA, includes:

- *The Criminal Process and the Treatment of Ethnic minorities – the Aboriginal experience*, paper presented by the University of Western
Australia for the Asia-South Pacific Law Students & Australian & New Zealand Association of Law Students, Combined Conferences, 18pp.
- Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Media Release, ‘Cavanagh and Court Discuss Laverton’, 26 Feb 1975, p/c.
- Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Media Release, ‘Minister for talks in Alice Springs’, 26 Feb 1975, p/c;
- Department of Aboriginal Affairs, Media Release, ‘Minister and Western Australian Minister to meet’, 25 Feb 1975, p/c.
- Inquiry into Laverton (Statement by the Minister for Aboriginal Affairs, Senator JL Cavanagh), 13 Mar 1975;
- Royal Commission of Laverton (Statement by the Premier of WA Sir Charles Court), 27 March [1975], 2pp.

MS 4013/1/3/29 NSW Institute of Aboriginal Community Development:
- Northern Rivers College of Advanced Education, Lismore, Information release concerning the proposed NSW Institute of Aboriginal Community Development, n.d (c.1976), Ts., roneo, 7pp.


MS 4013/1/3/31 Palm Island incident 1974: Aborigines Reference, Background material, Palm Island Information, includes:
- Press Release from Mr Les Johnson, MHR for Hughes, 1 Jun 1971, The Island without hope-Palm Island Aboriginal Reserve, 3pp.
- Palm Island Incident. Statement by Mr Harry Penrith to the Senate Standing Committee on Social Environment, 15 May 1973, 2pp.
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Dr R Bustard, biography and work. Turtle Farm – Aborigines reference. Background material, includes:
- *Main Points from discussions with Senator Georges in DAA and subsequently Dr Bustard in Thursday Island on 3 Aug 1973*, Ms., p/c & Ts.

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- Senate, 23 Oct 1973, pp.1340-1341, 1341-1345, 1358-1361,
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- House of Representatives, 10 Oct 1973, pp.1839-1840,
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- Australia, *OMS (Overseas Missionary Society)* work, donation form leaflet.
- *Diplomat Motor Inn*, Melbourne Hotel, visitor leaflet, with Tariff list.
- *Canberra Cruises and Tours*, effective from 1 Jan 1976, brochure.
- *AVIS*, car rental rates, effective from 16 Feb 1976, brochure and application.
- *Exclusion, Exploitation & Extermination: Race Relations in Colonial Queensland*, by Raymond Evans, Kay Saunders and Kathryn Cronin,
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- *System Staffing (ACT) Pty.Ltd.*, brochure.

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- Quaker Race Relations Committee, *Australia Yearly Meeting*.
- Society of Friends (Quakers), invitation to a meeting (2 copies).
- Friends of The Earth, Canberra, registration form, roneo.
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- Handwritten advertisement for a Public meeting about the situation in East Timor, 21 Oct, Forrest, ACT (x3).

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- President of Senate, *Senate Committees*, leaflet, Oct 1974, 8pp. (3 copies).
- *Education Assistance for Aboriginals and Torres Strait Islanders*, Aboriginal Study Grants Scheme, Australian Department of Education, brochure.
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- *Australia’s Political Parties* 1976, subscription form.
• *Reaching the nations for Christ*, OMS International, Inc., promoting brochure.
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• *Resolutions passed at the National Aboriginal Consultative Council Meeting*, 3-4 May 1973, 10pp.
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- Results of 1973 National Aboriginal Consultative Committee Elections, 10pp.

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- National Aboriginal Congress Ministers’ Meeting held at the Crest Hotel, Kings Cross, NSW from Monday 15th April 1974 to Sunday 21st April 1974, 66pp.

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NACC, Roll of Electors, Queensland Electorate Number 1 – 9, 1973 (9 vols.)

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NACC, Roll of Electors, Western Australia Electorate Number 1 – 8, 1973 (8 vols.).

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