

A3407 Jack Viviers Papers, 1960s-1990s

Historical Papers Research Archive, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa, 2022

28 Boxes, 7 photographs, 53 colour slides, tapes

OVERVIEW

The collection comprises of correspondences, speeches, research papers, newspaper clippings, and tape recordings collected by Jack Viviers. Most of these are from the National Party President P W Botha's office. Viviers was a reporter, journalist and editor for several English and Afrikaans newspapers in South Africa and England. He was the founding member of Editorial Board of Image, a representative of National Newspapers and director of public services in P W Botha's government.

The original order of the collection was kept. Please note that in some instances Northern and Southern Rhodesia were combined as RHODESIA only while in some cases they had separate media coverage in newspaper clippings.

Some documents have more than one translation version of both English and Afrikaans

COLLECTION

A Correspondences, 1 box (3 files)

A1 Conservative Christian Church to the State President 1984

A2 Jack Viviers obituaries

A3 Filing plans and personal order of papers

B Newspaper clippings, 19 boxes

The newspaper clippings are pasted and were filed in lever arch files. The order of these files has been retained.

B1 Southern Rhodesia (Zimbabwe), 1963-1970, 32 files

Themes covered include:

Bilateral relations between Southern Rhodesia and South Africa, Britain

Zambian government on the Rhodesian situation

Negotiation settlement between Rhodesia and South Africa,

Civil war in Southern Rhodesia,

Internal economic realities on energy, minerals and agriculture, labour, industry and production

The Kariba dam funding

Sanctions on right wing and sympathisers,

Secret discussions on security issues,

Zanu PF activities and terrorist attacks,

The role of the church in Rhodesian politics

League of Nations

United Nations (UN)

Unilateral Declaration of Independence (UDI)

Sinoia battle

Legislative bodies, legal actions

Queen Elizabeth

Ian Douglas Smith
Kenneth Kaunda
Tertiary education and student unrest
Public health
Capital punishment in the judicial system
Zimbabwe African National Liberation Army (ZANLA)
Abel Tendekayi Muzorewa
Rhodesian aid
Education crisis
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland
South West Africa (SWA)
Ndabaningi Sithole
Harold Wilson
Defiance
National Party
Pact with Mozambique
The Rhodesian Security Forces

B2 Northern Rhodesia (Zambia), 1963-1967, 6 files
Themes covered include:
Copper mining and marketing
Elections, voting process and independence
Kenneth Kaunda
Barotseland
The United National Independence Party (UNIP)
Strikes
General economy and demography
Railways
Small pox and other health issues
Lusaka
Government
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland
The British South Africa Company (BSACo)
Northern Rhodesia
Mwanawina Lewanika
Edgar Whitehead
Pact with Mozambique
Nackson Bwanali Longwe
Barotseland National Council

B3 Nyasaland (Malawi), 1 file
Law and Order
Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland
John Chilembwe
Hastings Banda
Broadcasting and media
Agriculture, trade and the economy
Infrastructure development
Education and training
Industry and production

B4 Zimbabwe Independence, 1980 1 file
Themes covered include:
Robert Mugabe

Elections
A future Zimbabwe and leadership
Local news
Common wealth
Joshua Nkomo
The Zimbabwe African National Union – Patriotic Front (ZANU–PF)
The Zimbabwe African People's Union (ZAPU)
The Organisation of African Unity (OAU Leadership)

B5 South Africa (Suid Afrikaners), 1 file

B6 Research Papers, 2 files
File with miscellaneous news clippings , typed notes and duplicate photographs

C Office of the President, from 1984, 10 boxes

C1 Records and Papers, 1980s

C1.1 Correspondences
Personal letters dated February -April between the President PW Botha and Anord Hall on his resignation as Chief leader of the National Party.
Presidential invitations for interviews and discussions on topical issues by media houses
Lt Col H J Vorster (Police Chaplain of Western Cape and Beaufort West visiting the Northern boaders in the Republic

C1.2 Meetings
Minutes of meeting between President and a group of academics from Stellenbosch University headed by Professor Sampie Terrreblanche on 20 February 1987
Draft of minutes of meeting between South African President PW Botha and British Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe at Pretoria on 23 July 1986.

C1.3 Speeches and Press statements
Provincial general visits
Ministerial appointments
Briefings
Rallies
Opening of Parliament

C1.4 Research papers

C1.5 Court Proceedings (Incomplete)
Case No 465/77: Pretoria. Court papers relating to the case of Breyten Breytenbach. 4 files (Please note that these case papers are incomplete)

C1.6 Publications: Books, journals and pamphlets
Camp children 1900-1902 a memorial book (Kampkinders 1900-1902 ' n gedenboek) by C.G Coetzee & M.C.E. Van Schoor
Executive Intelligence Review (EIR) 1989 Vol 16 No 27 and 28
The Southwest African consumer
Political Reform in South Africa.

C1.7 Newspaper clippings

- C1.8 President's Office administration
- C1.8.1 Records and Papers, 1980s
 - File plan
 - Operational Policy document
 - Scrap note books, 4 files
 - Files containing mixed incomplete speeches , notices, appointments and press statements from the Presidents's office
- C1.8.2 Photographs, stored in Media Room
- C1.8.2.1 Jack Viviers with visitors from Taiwan
- C1.8.2.2 Surveillance picture
- C1.8.2.3 General Hendrick van de Berg, former Head of Bureau for State Security (BOSS) at his home
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- C1.8.2.5 General Hendrick van de Berg, former Head of Bureau for State Security (BOSS) at his home, contact sheet
- C1.8.2.6 General Hendrick van de Berg, former Head of Bureau for State Security (BOSS) at his home, contact sheet
- C1.8.2.7 Lt Col H J Vorster, former Police Chaplain of Western Cape and Beaufort West
- C1.9 Tapes , slides and negatives, Stored in Media Room
- C1.9.1 State President P W Botha inauguration, 58 colour slides, digitised, 1984
 - Amongst the guests Jonas Savimbi, former rebel military leader who founded and led the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA).
- C1.9.2 Tapes, Subject content yet to be determined