

AB2701 Papers of Abp. Desmond Tutu, 1986-1996

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This collection came from the Archbishop's Media Secretary. Some items, (e.g. Lambeth conference papers), were removed from these papers and added to the collection of the Provincial Executive Officer, AB2668, in order to avoid duplication. Items relating mainly to Archbishop Tutu were retained, as well as a collection of press cuttings referring to Archbishop Tutu and to the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of which he was Chairman. For church-related rather than political activities, see Archbishops of Cape Town Part 3 (AB2546) and Provincial Executive Officer (AB2668).

COLLECTION

- A Memorabilia, awards, honorary degrees. 1f 1992-1995
- B Bishops court Update. 5f 1988-1993
Lectures, statements, interviews, reports, transcripts of speeches, record of Archbishop's activities
- C Various matters - C
- C1 Carnegie Corporation of New York 1f 1989-1992
Reports on a grant made to the Cape Town Diocese to finance a news service for Archbishop Tutu, correspondence
- C2 Chaplain's notes 1f
Notes on chaplain's duties and procedures of various kinds
- C3 Church and State 9f 1987-1991
Includes: Lusaka statement and response by churches (1987); confrontation with police at Ashley Kriel funeral (1987), protest by church leaders against the banning of organisations (1988); documents on Harare conference (1989); 'Defiance campaign'- anti-government protest by church people (1989); documents on the hunger strike and detainees, (1989); meeting with President de Klerk (1989) address by the state president on 2 Feb 1990 and memorandum by church leaders, (1990); meeting with De Klerk re funding for destabilisation process and Inkatha (1991)
- C4 Conscientious Objection 1f 1988
Reports and correspondence about the stand taken by Charles Bester and Ivan Toms concerning military service, and a statement by Archbishop Tutu
- C5 Correspondence 1f
Includes letters to the Archbishop from George Bush, Robin Renwick, Lionel Abrahams and others
- F Communication
- F1 Faxes, miscellaneous 1f 1990-1995
Faxes sent from the Archbishop's office, often statements on political topics (see also, Church and State)
- H Homosexuality 1f 1996
Tape transcript of a panel discussion: Should practising homosexuals be ordained as priests? (Tutu was a member of the panel). Report from the SA Anglican Theological Commission on Human Sexuality. Correspondence thanking Abp Tutu for his stand on the subject.

- I IDASA 1f 1988
Dr A Boraine's proposal for calling a conference to end apartheid
- M Mandela, Nelson 1f 1989-1993
Includes correspondence, memorandum re the procedure for the release of Mandela (Ismail Ayob) and the address by Nelson Mandela at the funeral of Chris Hani.
- N Various matters - N
- N1 Natal Violence 1f 1994
Correspondence showing intervention by Archbishop Tutu - letters to King Goodwill Zwelethini, President de Klerk and others.
- N2 National Church Leaders' Conference 1f 1990
Papers on the Church in the new SA. Includes Rustenburg Declaration
- N3 New York Times Syndication Sales Corporation 1f 1994
Agreement with Archbishop Tutu re the right to disseminate information from his office in the USA
- P Press releases 1f 1987-1990
Statements and letters to the press, mainly on political issues (see also, Faxes, Church and state)
- R Various matters - R
- R 1 Removals 1f 1987
Protest documents including a statement by Tutu on the removal at Lawaai kamp
- R 2 Retirement 1f 1996
Sermon by the Archbishop of Canterbury at a farewell service for the Archbishop; praise poem (Philip Russell). News reports
- S Various matters - S
- S1 Sanctions 1f 1988-1989
Records of a Consultation on forms of pressure for change in South Africa, with information on sanctions, a resolution by Provincial Synod, a statement from the Synod of Bishops, proposals (eg. for the denial of landing rights for aircraft as a penalty for apartheid)
- S2 Statements, speeches, sermons 5 files 1985-1996
Transcripts of some of Archbishop Tutu's speeches
- T Various matters - T
- T1 Taylor, David 1f 1990
UCT Thesis entitled "Religion, politics and symbolic performance: Analysis of the work of Archbishop Tutu July 1989-February 1990"
- T2 Travel 1 box 1987-1990
Records of Archbishop Tutu's trips to other places, including Mozambique (1987), Soviet Union (1988) Birmingham (1989), New York, 1989. Washington, 1989, Jerusalem, (1989) Canada (1990) etc.
- V Video footage of the arrest of Archbishop Tutu and Allan Boesak after the march to parliament, 1987 (BBC)
- ZZ Press cuttings 21 boxes 1988-1996
A collection of mounted press cuttings including references to Archbishop Tutu and to the Truth Commission.