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The collection contains the Papers of Sylvia Brererton Neame (also known as Sylvia Neame-Jahn after her marriage in the 1980s to Gerhard Jahn), who was a political activist and member of the South African Communist Party.

PLEASE NOTE: The collection remains a work-in-progress. Some of the items have not yet been sorted and listed (indicated in text). However, the collection as listed here is open for research.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Sylvia Neame was born in 1937, one of twins. There were 4 children in the family, Peter, Graham, Sylvia and her twin sister Jennifer. She studied at Rhodes University and obtained her BA in History and Social Anthropology there in 1961. Her first 90 Day detention was in 1963. Neame was again detained under the 90 Day law in mid-1964, 2 weeks in Pretoria Central prison, and 1 1/2 months at the Fordsburg police station. She was one of the accused in Case 375/64, The State vs. Abram Fischer and 13 Others, during which Bram Fischer absconded (he returned to face a second arrest and trial in 1966), where she was charged with furthering the aims of the banned Communist Party, convicted and sentenced to 4 years imprisonment, 2 years to run concurrently.

She, together with the other accused was to spend the 9 months awaiting trial period in the 'Fort' in Johannesburg. Directly after being sentenced she was transferred to the North End prison in Port Elizabeth and was to face trial in the Humansdorp Magistrate's Court, for 'becoming or continuing to be an office-bearer of the ANC in Grahamstown from April 8 1960 to March 31 1961', advising or encouraging activities that furthered the aims of the ANC and with contributing funds to the ANC, to be sentenced to another 4 years but acquitted on appeal.

After being released from Barberton Prison (in what was then the Eastern Transvaal and is now Mpumalanga) in April 1967 she left South Africa on an exit permit, and lived in Britain for 4 1/2 years studying for part of this time at the University of Oxford, and later, from 1971, in East Germany, where she completed a D.Phil. (on the expulsion of the communists from the ICU) at the Karl Marx University in Leipzig and was also awarded a 'Diplom' (equal to MA). Her doctorate was awarded in 1976. Thereafter she joined the staff of the University.

She returned to South Africa in 1993 with her husband but after some months returned to Germany. She returned to South Africa again for 1 1/2 years, 1999-2000, but again returned to Germany. Her published works include a three volume history entitled 'The Congress Movement: The Unfolding of the Congress Alliance 1912-1961' (Cape Town, HSRC Press, 2015), and 'Imprisoned' (Jacana, 2018).

NB: Sylvia testimony to the United Nations in 1967/68 - see link: E/CN.4/950:
<http://undocs.org/E/CN.4/950>

CLASSIFICATION

B HUMANSDORP TRIAL RECORDS 1965
C ABRAM FISCHER AND THIRTEEN OTHERS
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J MEMORABILIA (not yet sorted)
K MISCELLANEOUS (not yet sorted)
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O AHMED KATHRADA
P SOWETO
Q SOUTH AFRICAN COMMUNIST PARTY (SACP)

COLLECTION

A PERSONAL & BIOGRAPHICAL

A1 Certificates, CVs, references, medical, banning orders, departure permit etc.,

A1.1 Birth, baptismal and marriage certificates, 1957-1982, 1f.

Includes: certified copies of Elliot Elwin Neame, SN's father; SN's parent's marriage certificate; SN's birth certificate; SN's baptismal certificate (1938) which has her birth names of Sylvia Elwin Neame; certificate registering SN's change of second name from 'Elwin' to Brereton, 07/09/1946; photocopy of the marriage certificate of Dr. Sylvia Brereton Neame and Gerhard Ulrich Jahn, 20/08/1982

A1.2 Educational certificates, 2f.

A1.2.1 Acquired in South African, 1946-1961, 1965

Includes: Port Elizabeth Eisteddfod, 1946; UNISA music certificate, 1949; Cape of Good Hope Junior Certificate, 1953 and Senior Certificate, 1955; National Secretarial Certificate, 1956; Rhodes BA, 1961, certified photocopy; UNISA Bachelor of Arts, 19/11/1965

A1.2.2 Acquired in Germany, 1974-1988

Certificates issued by the Karl-Marx-Universität, Leipzig, DDR (German Democratic Republic - GDR): include German language and History 'Diplom' (equal to MA) certificates, SN's D.Phil. (Magna Cum Laude) certificate (1976) and a certificate for "10-Jährige Treue Mitarbeit" (1986), all in a K-M-U Leipzig folder.

A1.3 Medical, 1f.

Includes: letters from The United Oxford Hospitals (The Radcliffe Infirmary), 1967; International Certificate of Vaccination, 1967; invoice from Clinical Laboratories, Jeppe Street, Johannesburg, April 1967; Sochi Sanatorium booklet, in Russian, issued to SN when she was there in September 1967 and a rough translation, from Russian into English, of the results of a Sanatorium medical examination

A1.4 CV's, 1f.

Includes: CV's written in 1990 "prepared for Albie Sachs to use"; a life history from birth to 1976/77; a document entitled 'Lebenslauf' in German, Leipzig, 10/03/1976; a German language form entitled 'Personalbogen', signed and dated 22/09/1982, photo attached.

- A1.5 References 1954-1992, 1f.
Includes: 1954 school-leaving 'report'; a reference from Sch. Karstaedt & Co. (Pty.) Ltd., Wool Merchants, 1956; handwritten copy of testimonial from the Cape Flats Distress Association, January 1959; handwritten reference by Prof. Emeritus J.J. Marais, 1967; reference from Prof. W.A. Maxwell, Rhodes University, ts, May 1967; various references in German.
- A1.6 Government forms and documents, 1f.
Includes: Certificate of Enumeration, 09/05/1951, giving SN's identity number as 101 195326; Application for Identity Card (duplicate) 01/02/1963; Department of Labour formal pre-printed letter to SN at Barberton Prison concerning her ID number and UF 74 card, 31/03/1967;
- A1.7 Official letters and edicts, 2f.
- A1.7.1 Arrests, confiscated materials, 1961-1963
Includes: Charge Sheet, The State Versus Sylvia Neame, 1961, charged with putting leaflets on cars, carbon copy; undated letter from Major J. van der Westhuizen, Staff Officer, Security Police, Police Control Area, Western Cape to Messrs. Frank, Bernadt & Joffe concerning documents removed from SN which are listed and include '1 Book of Limericks', '49 Pamphlets The Price of Apartheid' and a copy of 'China Reconstructs No. 7 July 1961';

reply from H. Bernadt, 25/10/1961, in which he states, to Maj. vd Westhuizen, that "you and Mr. Sauerman without a warrant, entered our client's premises through the window at about 1.30 o'clock in the morning by force..."; Prisoner's Property Receipt, August 1962, Bloemfontein Police Station, and includes R23.55c, carbon copy; letter from Fred S. Webber & Son, Solicitors, concerning 'The State vs. Miss S. Neame and Miss S. Sheasby', 09/08/1962, invoice attached, carbon copy; list of items belonging to Sylvia Neame, Miss Mallows and Mr. [Mark] Weinberg, found at 57A, 17th Street, Orange Grove and confiscated by the police (SAP) on 05/10/1963; SAP Case Docket folder, printed brown card.
- A1.7.2 Official letters, 1962-1963
Includes: 01/02/1962, refusal to issue a passport "until such time as certain outstanding matters concerning you have been cleared up"; October 1963 letters concerning permission to attend lectures and writing exams at the University of Witwatersrand; Ms notes listing names of those arrested on Bloemfontein, 1962, namely, Sylvia Neame, Mary Sheasby, Simon Elias; SAP form Prisoner's Property Receipt, 2 carbon copies, issued at Fordsburg police station when SN was detained under the 90 Day law, in July-August 1964.
- A1.7.3 Banning orders, 1963
12/09/1963, 'Notice in terms of Paragraph (a) of Sub-section (1) of Section Ten of the Suppression of Communism Act, 1950, signed by B.J. Vorster, 3 p., fragile; 12/09/1963, Notice in terms of Sub-section (1) of Section Nine of the Suppression of Communism Act, 1950, both orders expiring on 31/08/1968; carbon copy of letter sent by SN to the Chief Magistrate Johannesburg, concerning her banning orders and her studies at Wits, ts, 03/10/1963; carbon copy of draft letter, Ms, 2p;
- A1.7.4 Listing as Communist and COD member, 1964-1966
These letters were sent to SN whilst she was awaiting trial at The Fort prison in Johannesburg and then to the "Female Section, Barberton Prison".

Includes: 12/11/1964 letter from the Liquidator listing 5 paragraphs of 'evidence' which has been "placed before me" showing that SN was a member of the Congress of Democrats from 1961 to 1963, 2p.; 06/12/1965, letter addressed to "Miss S.B. Neame, Female Section, Barberton Prison" saying that her name has been included in "the list on the ground that you have been a member and active supporter of the said organization"; 14/02/1966, letter from the Liquidator saying that SN has been 'listed' as a Communist.

A1.7.5 Departure Permit, 1967

Includes: original departure permit from the Department of the Interior, 20/04/1967, expiring on 19/07/1967, and accompanying explanatory letter, passport-type photo of SN attached to the permit; letter of permission from the Acting Chief Magistrate of Johannesburg, 21/04/1967, giving SN permission to "leave the magisterial district of Johannesburg on Monday afternoon, 24th April, 1967, to proceed to Jan Smuts Airport...".

A1.8 Repatriation to South Africa, 1991-1993, 2f.

Includes: ANC and the National Co-ordinating Committee for the Repatriation of South African Refugees (NCCR) repatriation advice; letters from and to the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR) and the International Organization for Migration (IOM); letters to and from British lawyers Mallinck Ress Richman & Closenberg (Repatriation at this time did not succeed.)

A1.8.1 Repatriation to South Africa, 1991

A1.8.2 Repatriation to South Africa, 1992-1993

A1.9 Other, 1f.

Includes: United Nations (UN) Technical Assistance Office, Economic Commission for Europe, permits (4) showing that SN holds a UN fellowship to study in the United Kingdom (UK) 1967-1971; DDR (GDR) identity document or Aufenthaltserlaubnis, 1989-1991; Karl Marx University (KMU) document with photo, 1978-1992

A2 Diaries, 1985-2012, 296 volumes

30/12/1989 Gerhard (Jahn, her husband) brings back pieces of the Wall that he'd hammered off himself, which took him about 90 minutes hard work. After the transitional period SN writes about daily life in the 'new' Germany. In 120th Book (January 1990, p.44-p.50) she writes about her feelings on the release of 'Kathy' Kathrada from prison and, amongst other matters mentions her "slight tinge of resentment... (which) has to do in the first place with the abortion that I had and which he said was necessary in the political circumstances...". She also said that she felt somewhat belittled by his decision not to appeal the sentence. Although the diaries started in the GDR, SN also kept writing during her increasing visits to South Africa. Some of the later books are carbon copies. Also Books 199 to 296 are COPIES (probably carbons..).

A2.1 Book 01 - Book 45

October 1985 - August 1988

A2.2 Book 46 - Book 76

August 1988 (cont.,) - July 1989

A2.3 Book 77 - Book 125

July 1989 (cont.,) - November 1990

A2.4 Book 126 - Book 146

November 1990 (cont.,) - November 1993

A2.5 Book 147 - Book 162

November 1993 (cont.,) - April 1998

A2.6 Book 163 - Book 181

April 1998 (cont.,) - November 2001

A2.7 Book 182 - Book 198

November 2001 (cont.,) - November 2004

- A2.8 Book 199 - Book 229
November 2004 (cont.,) - August 2007: carbon copies
- A2.9 Book 230 - Book 256
August 2007 (cont.,) - August 2009: carbon copies
- A2.10 Book 257 - Book 278
August 2009 - December 2010: carbon copies
- A2.11 Book 278 - Book 296
December 2010 (cont.,) - April 2012: carbon copies
- A2.12 Diary October 1985 to 04/01/1987, ts, 3f.
Carbon copies; annotated and corrected in places; SN states that "this is a fuller version (original) of the years 1985 & 1986 than is on the disk (CD) & print-outs, done in 1989 while ill with over-active thyroid - shortly before the change"; 393 pages

- A3 Notebooks, 1957-1958, 1967 (?)
 - A3.1 19th December 1957 to 7th January 1958
Notes about her activities and thoughts as well as what she's reading
 - A3.2 8th January 1958 - 01 February 1958
Notes about her activities and thoughts as well as what she's reading
 - A3.3 No date but appear to be post-prison
Notebook and loose pages about getting around London, lists, people to see, appointments, phone numbers, things to do and also what appear to be recollections of prison for future use
 - A3.4 Red Chimes & Co. notebook, no date
Notebook apparently belonging to Flo Duncan and containing notes taken by FD during the 1964-65 trial, also some lists and doodles

- A4 Personal correspondence, 1940s-2012
NB: Letters from and to family and friends during SN's time in prison (1964-1967) are filed under D; SN frequently made carbon, handwritten or photocopies of letters that she sent to other people.
 - A4.1 Correspondence with Ahmed 'Kathy' Kathrada, 7f
The 1964 letters which are only from AK to SN, written during the Rivonia Treason Trial, were smuggled out by Bram Fischer and delivered to SN by Bram, by his wife Molle, and later by their son Paul. These are photocopies (location of originals unknown). Kathrada was on Robben Island from 1964 to late 1982, thereafter in Pollsmoor prison until October 1989. Many of the letters between SN and Kathrada were written with an eye to the prison officials and censors who read all outgoing and incoming mail. Quite a few of Sylvia's letters were written under another name, such as Yasmin, and some sort of code was also used between them.
 - A4.1.1 Letters from SN to AK, 1968-2012
 - A4.1.1.1 Letters, 1968-1989
Mostly ts carbon copies, some Ms; there are several undated letters from the 1968-1989 period
 - A4.1.1.2 Letters from SN to AK, 1990-2012
Includes emails and (copies of) faxes from 2003 - 2012, also some undated correspondence
 - A4.1.2 Letters from AK to SN, 1964, 1967-2012
 - A4.1.2.1 Letters, 1964
These 13 letters are photocopies and are undated
 - A4.1.2.2 Letters, 1967-1972, 1989

Photocopies, several are undated; included is a 5 page undated Ms which SN has labelled 'working out the coded letter from Robben Island', as well as a 6 page ts of a letter from AK, possibly written in 1970, which appears to have been smuggled out somehow as it goes into great detail about conditions that they are subjected to (it's also much longer than normal correspondence was allowed to be)

A4.1.2.3

Letters from AK to SN, 1990-2012

Includes emails and (copies of) faxes from 2003 - 2012, also some undated correspondence

A4.1.2.4

Cards from AK to SN

A4.1.3

Additional material connected with this correspondence, 1967-1973, 1989, 1990, 2008, 2011

Includes: letters from SN to members of AK's family Enver (Kathrada), Farida, Ayesha Cajee (not Kathrada family), Amina and from them to her, as well as one from AK's niece Zohra to friends overseas about AK's release and a letter from AK to 'Paul', which may be Paul Joseph; telegram from a B.G. Molewa (ANC representative in East Berlin) to SN re Kathrada visit to Berlin, September 1990; SN's notes taken during 2 phone conversations with Kathrada.

A4.2

Family correspondence, 1954-2003, 8f.

A4.2.1

Maude 'Anna' Barlow, 1954, 1964, 1967-1976, 1f.

SN's maternal grandmother; includes 2 letters from SN to Anna

A4.2.2

Graham Neame, 1960s-1980s, bulk 1991-2003, 2f.

SN's elder brother. Most of the letters are from SN to Graham, Ms or carbon copies

Includes a letter to Graham from Laura (no surname), presumably written 1965, about SN's having "been missing from the Fort for several days" but that "Ruth has now heard that she is appearing in Humansdorp on the 4th May."

A4.2.3

Jennifer Tory, 1961-1969, 1982-1995, 3f.

SN's twin sister; includes a couple of letters from John Tory, her husband, to SN and Gerhard as well as one from Gerhard to Jennifer and John, greetings cards and an invitation to Jennifer & John's engagement party in 1982

A4.2.4

Dr. Peter Neame, 1964, 1977, 1982-2003, 2f.

SN's second brother. Peter was married to Savy (Savathrey) nee Naidu, and they had 2 children, Mizan and Dion. Includes letters and greetings cards

A4.2.5

not filled

A4.2.6

Olivia 'Ollie' Blosch (nee Quandt), 1999-2000, 1f.

SN's step-granddaughter, child of Gerhard's daughter Birgit. Includes letters and cards in German and English and also a card from Birgit to Sylvia.

A4.3

Friends

A4.3.1

Selby, Arnold, 1972-1975, 1985-1997, 2f.

Selby was a South African former trade unionist and CPSA member / activist who lived and worked in exile in Berlin with his wife Jeanette from 1961 until he died (in Leipzig) in 2002.

A4.3.1.1

Letters

Mostly from Selby to SN, some undated. Some are to do with SACP meetings as well as documents / letters / articles. Includes an 8 page draft letter, dated 13th October 1989, from SN to Selby commenting in detail on a draft letter that he intended to send to The African Communist concerning "the frantic scurrying of thousands of German Democratic Republic citizens to the golden west" and the original draft dated 7th October 1989. Also includes a circular letter, dated January 1974 to friends requesting help for a book that Selby planned to write (but never did) on the workers, the trade union movement and the liberation struggle and a letter, also dated January 1974, to Sechaba commenting on views expressed by Comrade Ontisitse K. Setlhapelo and Cde. Dan Crowe.

- A4.3.1.2 Postcards, mostly undated
Some have stamps and post office stamps, others appear to have been posted in envelopes. Many of the cards refer to planned meetings between himself and SN, or with others such as 'Indres', 'Sonia' etc., others refer to articles for Sechaba or the African Communist.
- A4.3.2 Bunting, Brian and Sonia, 2f.
South African comrades in exile in the UK, Brian was the son of Sydney Percival (S.P.) Bunting and a long-time member of the CPSA/SACP, it's exile structures and publications. Sonia joined the CPSA in 1942 and went on to be a founder member as well of the SAPC when it was resurrected in secret in South Africa. Full biography available here: <http://www.thepresidency.gov.za/national-orders/recipient/sonia-beryl-bunting-1922-2001>
- A4.3.2.1 Letters from and to Brian Bunting, 1970s, 1984-2004, 1f.
These personal letters frequently dealt with on-going political matters in South Africa and in the exile communities. Includes some letters from SN to both Brian and Sonia Bunting.
- A4.3.2.2 Letters from Sonia Bunting, 1972-1993, 1f.
Mostly personal but some letters also deal with African Communist matters. Includes greetings cards and postcards.
- A4.3.3 Lassalle, Caroline, (formerly de Crespigny), 1977, 1986-1999, 3f.
Born Caroline Cavendish in Tumbridge Wells in 1932, studied at Oxford 1951-1954, married Anthony de Crespigny and came to South Africa in 1954. Their daughter, and only child, Camilla was born in the Eastern Cape in July 1955 whilst A. de Crespigny was teaching at Fort Hare University, together with Sylvia's elder brother, Graham (which is where Caroline met Sylvia Neame). By 1957 they were living in Durban where Caroline became secretary of the Treason Trial Defence Fund (Durban branch) and joined the Liberal Party. She was divorced from de Crespigny in 1959 and supported herself and daughter by working in advertising. In 1962 she moved to Cape Town for a new job and there joined the South African Communist Party towards the end of 1963 and became the editor and producer of a publication called Focus.
- September 1965 she moved to Johannesburg where she worked at J. Walter Thompson (advertising agency). She was arrested on 8th December 1965, taken to Pretoria Women's Prison and interrogated by 'Swanepoel'. At the end of December she was flown to Cape Town and kept at Caledon Square police station for 4 months, then back to Johannesburg and prison in Pretoria and then on 14th January 1966 taken back to Cape Town where she was subpoenaed to appear for the state in Fred Carneson's trial. On 30th April 1966 she was charged with contempt of court and being a Communist but then the state told the British Consul in CT that the charges would be dropped if she left the country, which she did in May 1966. CL published several novels under the name Caroline Lassalle (surname of her second husband, George Lassalle), which refer to her time in South Africa: Breaking the Rules and Going Too Far.
- A4.3.3.1 Letters and cards
Letters date from 1977, then 1986-1989 and cards from 1989 and several undated from London N.5. before Caroline moved to Cyprus. Some of the cards are home-made and have photographs attached.
- A4.3.3.2 Letters, 1990-1999
The letters are from Sylvia (carbon or Ms. copies) to Caroline and from Caroline to Sylvia
- A4.3.4 Carlton, Miriam and John, 1976-1980, 1994-2004, 1f.
Miriam Mohamed (married name Carlton) originally came from Cape Town, and lived in exile in the UK until the early 1990s. John Carlton died in CT in 2003. Letters to and from John and Miriam Carlton to Sylvia Neame. Includes a number of missives concerning Sylvia's living arrangements and belongings in Cape Town.
- A4.3.5 Mtshali, Eric, 1960s-1990s, 1f.

Mtshali was a trade unionist and member of MK, later in exile he worked in Tanzania within various ANC structures, including SACTU, as well as at the WFTU in Prague. After 1994 he became an M.P. A longer biography can be found at: <http://www.sahistory.org.za/people/eric-mtshali>. Includes several letters from SN to Mtshali including (1968) raising the problems of Willie Bok's large family and others from Mtshali to SN.

A4.3.6 Middleton, Jean (married Strachan), 1976-1995, 3f.

Middleton was one of a small group of white women jailed in South Africa in the mid-1960s, together with Sylvia. Moving to Johannesburg, Middleton was active in the Congress of Democrats (COD), the white, mostly communist, alliance grouping of the African National Congress (ANC). They would meet at small "tea parties" and it was at one of these that she was invited to join the underground South African Communist Party (SACP). This was a world of spray-painting and the distribution of forbidden leaflets. A fellow COD member took her on at his private college after she lost her job when the police called on her at the private school where she taught.

On one occasion, Nelson Mandela, then on the run, met his wife Winnie and their daughters, Zenani and Zindzi, at her flat – Middleton left discreetly once they had arrived. She was arrested within weeks of the Rivonia Trial, in which Mandela and the ANC leadership were jailed for life. (from: <http://www.sahistory.org.za/people/jean-clarice-middleton>). Close friend of SN, activist, fellow-prisoner at Barberton with SN, exile, worked for many years at Sechaba in London. The letters deal with mainly personal matters and Jean's life in London but SA politics also feature and some gossip about goings-on in 'the movement'. A few of the letters are addressed to SN's husband Gerhard.

A4.3.6.1 Letters, 1976-1981 & undated

A4.3.6 .2 Letters, 1982-1995

A4.3.6.3 Postcards, 1980-1995

A4.3.7 Anderson, Mollie, 1968-1969 to 1970, 1979, 1993-1995, 1f.

Mollie Anderson was one of the people who was jailed after the 1965 'Abram Fischer & 13 Others' trial and was together with Sylvia in Barberton jail. Married name was Doyle (divorced after she came out of jail). Two of the letters are addressed to 'Mrs. Anderson' but were actually to Mollie; SN and Mollie (who was restricted after her release from jail, and confined to the family farm 'Leeukop') were not allowed to write to each other apparently.

A4.3.8 Nicholson, Ann, 1967-1969, 1f.

Another of the Fischer trialists who was jailed with SN at Barberton Women's Prison. Three of the letters are addressed to 'Peter' since Ann was also banned as soon as she was released from jail in June/July 1967. She left South Africa in January 1968. One source refers to her attending the Lenin School in Moscow with Thabo Mbeki and Ahmed Timol after she left SA. Includes a typed letter dated 19th June 1967, from 'Peter' (Peter Croll, brother of John Croll) to Ann Nicholson mentioning 'Cousin Sybil' which was a coded reference to Sylvia Neame. There is also a greetings card to 'Dear Peter' (1967) which in this case was a code name that AN used when writing to SN!

A4.3.9 Joseph, Paul, 1974, 1986-1992, 1f.

ANC and SACP member who fell out with the Party whilst in exile (in the UK). His wife Adelaide Joseph was also a prominent activist both in SA and in the UK. These letters contain critical comments on some of the SACP and ANC leadership, as well as of the approach to negotiations with de Klerk etc., includes correspondence between Joseph and SN concerning 'Kathy' Kathrada, 1985, 1989, 2 photocopied letters from Kathrada to friends and a letter from Wilton Mkwayi to Adelaide Joseph, May 1989.

A4.3.10 Schermbrucker, Leslie, 1967-1970, 1f.

Leslie was a member of the CPSA/SACP (having joined the YCL in 1943/44) and was jailed in 1965 for, amongst other things, refusing to testify against Bram Fischer. Her husband, Ivan, had been detained in 1964, first in 90-day detention, then awaiting trial in the Bram Fischer and 13 Others trial. Leslie served her sentence at Barberton Prison along with SN and others. The Schermbruckers stayed in South Africa and did not go 'into exile'. Some of the letters are addressed to Jill and Peter, Leslie and Ivan's daughter and son. The letters to (and from) 'Peter' were certainly meant for Leslie.

- A4.3.11 Weinberg, Sheila and Violet, 1967-1970, 1983, 1992, 1f.
Violet was in jail in Barberton with SN. She was subjected (as were others at this time) to psychological and physical torture (kept standing for a number of days without a break) whilst in pre-trial detention. Eli Weinberg, Violet's photographer husband and long-time CPSA / SACP member, was in the Bram Fischer & 13 Others trial. They eventually went to Tanzania, though Sheila, who had also been for a time in Barberton prison together with SN and the others, stayed in SA. Includes a letter from Violet to SN, dated 17th July 1983, in which she recalls that (in 1957): "The Sisulu's had just had a post-Treason Trial arrests baby & Walter wanted to name her Sputnik. I remember standing with him at our front gate and giving him hell. That must be Lindiwe."

Also includes: an airletter posted on 20th April 1967 and addressed to SN care of Dr. P.B. Neame. This is mostly about how Sheila is doing living with a family in Cape Town, signature looks like 'Rita' but it may in fact have been written by Sheila herself.
- A4.3.12 Kodesh, Wolfie, 1967-2002, 1f.
Letters from London, Lusaka, Luanda and Cape Town. Born in 1918, brought up in Woodstock Cape Town, joined the CPSA, fought in North Africa with Union Defence Force during WWII (and was charged with mutiny at one point for organising other soldiers), worked on the Guardian newspaper and contributed to the exposure of conditions for workers on the potato farms (with Ruth First). Undertook much underground work in 1950s and 1960s (ferrying Mandela around and hiding him in his flat amongst other things), held for 90 Days in 1963 and was then deported to the UK. Later on worked in MK camps in Zambia. He returned to SA in 1991, undertaking many interviews of other comrades for the Maybiuye Archives. He died in 2002. (More biographical details: <http://www.sacp.org.za/main.php?ID=672>)
- A4.3.13 Mächtlinger, Veronica and Dieter, 1992-2007, 1f.
Veronica Machtlinger, originally from South Africa, is a Berlin psychoanalyst and graduate of the Anna Freud Centre.
Letters and cards, some undated.
- A4.3.14 Mährdel, Christian and Ingrid, 1982-1989, 1f.
Christian Mährdel was a senior colleague at SN's workplace, the Karl Marx University in Leipzig. Handwritten post-cards, greetings cards, notes and letters in German, SN's letters in English. Some items are undated. Some of SN's letters deal with her difficult situation at the University as a foreign employee / academic / South African activist and exile.
- A4.3.15 Bijl, Val, 2011, 1f.
South African and former Liberal Party member who moved to Scotland in 1962.
Emails concerning their shared history of opposition to apartheid in Cape Town. Also some emailed photographs of a Liberal Party-organised 'sit-in' held in Cape Town in 1961
- A4.3.16 Michälski, Edeltraud, 1982-1989, 1f.
Cards and letters in German and English. Edeltraud was a colleague of SN at the Karl Marx University
- A4.3.17 Marks, Professor Shula, 1976-77, 1983, 1995, 2011, 1f.
Letters and emails between Marks and SN, mainly concerning SN's academic work
- A4.3.18 Yates, Tiddy and Tommy, 1967-1969, 1f.

The Yates' were British Communist Party members and active in their local United Nations Association who offered Sylvia a place to get out of London in the early days after her release from prison. Tiddy Yates 'with five others, started night schools in garages in Johannesburg in 1935'. Letters from the Yates' to SN and SN to the family.

- A4.3.19 Davidson, Professor Apollon, 1970s, 1993, 1f.
Russian professor, author and historian of Soviet policy towards and involvement in, South and Southern Africa. Cards, notes and two letters and includes several Soviet-era stamped envelopes
- <http://www.thepresidency.gov.za/national-orders/recipient/professor-apollon-b-davidson>
- A4.3.20 September, Reg, 1970s, 1990s, 2002, 1f.
Trade unionist, SACPO, 1956 Treason Trialist, member of the SACP and ANC, 1923-2013. Letters, some on ANC notepaper from London.
- <http://www.sahistory.org.za/people/reginald-reggie-september>
- A4.3.21 Bernstein, Hilda and Rusty, 1970s-1980s, 1f.
Letters, including about SN's thesis, and several cards
- A4.3.22 Nhlanhla, Joe, 1972-1973, 1976, 1f.
1936-2008, ANC member and life-time activist, also Minister of Intelligence after 1994.
Letters from Tanzania and one on headed notepaper 'African National Congress (South Africa) Youth & Students Section', from Morogoro.
- <http://www.sahistory.org.za/people/joseph-joe-mbuku-nhlanhla>
- A4.3.23 Brown, Mannie, 1994, 2001, 1f.
Letters
- <http://www.anc.org.za/content/death-mannie-brown>
- A4.3.24 Harmel, Michael 'Mick', 1971-1974, 1f.
Long-time member of the CPSA / SACP, founder of the Congress of Democrats, member of MK High Command, Marxist theorist, exiled in the UK, died in Prague June 1974 age 59.
5 letters and one undated.
- A4.3.25 Simons, Jack and Ray, 1977, 1982-83, 1988
Academic Jack Simons and his wife trade unionist Ray Alexander, long-time CPSA / SACP members, senior members of the liberation movement, lived mostly in Zambia, though Jack did a lot of political education work in the ANC's camps in other parts of Africa.
4 letters, 2 are fragile, about SN's writings, tension in SA (in 1977) and a possible visit to Lusaka by SN in 1988.
- A4.4 Other personal correspondence, 10 f.
Folders A4.4.1 to A4.4.8 are organised alphabetically by surname or first name of writer where there is no surname or family name
- A4.4.1 A-B
Includes: 2 letters from Lilian Bader, July 1967, one of the first black women members of the WAAF (Women's Auxiliary Airforce) during World War II: <https://www.africansinyorkshireproject.com/lilian-bader.html> ; 1975 letter from SN to a Dr. Siegfried Buttner concerning her health (exhaustion and the fact the she is working, eating and sleeping in one room) and her urgent need for a holiday before she can complete her doctoral dissertation; card and letter from Terry and Barbara Bell; letter from Sir Robert Birley, Head of Department of Social Science & Humanities, City University, London, inviting SN to dinner when he visits Oxford, 06/11/1967.
- A4.4.2 C-F

Includes letters from: James Crompton, Warden of Digby Hall, Leicester and former history lecturer at Rhodes University, 02/06/1967; Sholto Cross, St. Anthony's College, Oxford; Cynthia (no surname) in Kitwe, 10/04/1961; April 1967 letter from SN to a Mrs. Cohen thanking her for "looking after me during my first 90 Days & during the 2 weeks of my second 90 Days when I was in Pretoria", envelope marked 'gone away'; correspondence from and to 'Defence and Aid Fund' London, Denis Brutus at the International Defence and Aid Fund (IDAF), asking SN to give testimony about South African prison conditions to support editor Laurence Gandar, letters concerning legal expenses, a letter to Canon Collins; Andrew Cindi, Germany, 1979; from SN to 'Denis' concerning a possible internship in London for her step-grand-daughter Olivia Quandt, no date; 2 letters from Sadie Forman, 1988, 1990; SN to Mrs. H. Foyle-Hauser, 1967, about the situation in South Africa.

A4.4.3

G-H

Includes letters from: Galina, whom SN met whilst at a Sochi (USSR) sanatorium in 1967; Eve Hall (then at East African Newspapers (Nation Series) in Nairobi), 1967; Thomas Hodgkin, historian, 1978; David Hemson, 1976 and 1977; a German friend Gabi, 2002; Mr. F.J. Goedeman, UWC, who is researching his home town of Ebenezer, 1991; Professor Robin 'Bob' Gollan, Australian National University (ANU), 1966 to Sir Keith Hancock, also of ANU (at that date in Grahamstown, giving the Hoernle Memorial Lecture) saying, in part: "The people most likely to be interested in your convict (meaning SN) are Dr. Ralph Miliband (L.S.E.), Professor H.A. Clegg (Univ. of Warwick) ... Since the political stance of a (illegible) may be relevant for a girl in the situation you describe I suppose I should comment. I think it would be correct to say that Miliband and Saville are on the left (neither of them Communists), Clegg and Pelling much further right."; letter from SN to 'Heidi' in Germany, with attached list (in German) of SN's 1988-1989 publications; Prof. Helmuth Stoeker, Berlin, 1977.

A4.4.4

J-L

Includes: Cards and a telegram from Khulu Mbatha; letter from Eleanor Khanyile in Berlin, 08/04/1992; letter in German from Bernd Krause, Gossner-Mission in der DDR, Solidaritätsdienste, 15/06/1983, mentioning IDAF, Barney Pityana and Horst Kleinschmidt; a letter from SN to Beny [Kriel?] in the UK; letter from 'Lefty' on headed notepaper 'Umkhonto, A.N.C. d'Afrique du Sud, 5 Rue Ben M'hidi Larbi, Alger'; letter from Jenny, Cambridge, mentioning the death of Chief Albert Luthuli "this evening", 21/07/1967.

A4.4.5

M 1967-2011, 1f.

Includes: a 1977 postcard from Mduduzeli Sibanyoni, 1931-1981, address Section 6, 72 Lysinovskaya, M-162, Moscow, Soviet Union, who died of his wounds after the Matola Raid in Maputo Mozambique; a short 1974 letter from one 'Mafoza' at the Technische Universität Dresden; 15/07/1977, Rumph Motsumi in an airmail letter from Tanzania about what he's doing in Dar es Salaam and also some "news from home" (meaning South Africa) referring to "last month in Park station one of our lady comrade was on a mission transporting material... travelling on a train from Soweto ... when she saw two police men..." etc.; several letters from Maureen in Uppsala who had supported SN whilst she was in prison; Roger Moss, Whitgift School, Croydon; Gill Marcus, forwards a letter (missing) March 1983;

Neva Seidman Makgetla, 30/05/1979, about the (American) Sullivan Code which, she says, "is part of a corporate strategy to direct attention purely to labour conditions, ignoring the political-economic (and military!) aspects of their involvement."; a letter from SN, in London, to a Mr. Mac Lachlan (sic), 15/08/1967, thanking him for his letter "which I received via Mikki Doyle, and for your welcome"; Advocate EA (Ernie) Matthis, 31/05/2005, who met SN at Barberton Prison on a Judge's inspection and is now planning to write a book about "young White South African women who during that era were prepared to sacrifice much of their youth for their ideals";

A4.4.6

N-P

Includes: telegrams and a card from Indres Naidoo; 2 (fragile) letters and a card from G.S. Negi in Dehradun, India; 30/04/1974 letter on headed notepaper from Otto at Radio Berlin International about an upcoming round table talk to mark the GDR's 25th anniversary; Carol Pittman, New York City 1972; Meg Pahad, wife of Essop Pahad, writes on 10/10/1983, that Essop had a "very nice letter from Kathy" (Kathrada) and she copies out 2 paragraphs for SN to read; one of them reads "let me express my, albeit belated, congratulations and joy at the news of Sakina's marriage. You're the first person to inform me of this happy event.....". He goes on "do you still remember Sylvia? She sent me some books in 1964 I wonder how she is getting on. If it should happen that you meet her please pass my fondest regards."

A4.4.7

R-S

Includes: 2 letters from Zola Skweyiya, 'Zola Bona', to SN, one dated May 1979 from Arusha, Tanzania and the other March 1981 from Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Amongst others he goes on to encourage all the "GDR products" to come to Tanzania to teach in the new school in Mazimbu. In the 1981 letter Skweyiya refers to a recent trip he made to Aden, Yemen, to attend the 13th Council of the Afro-Asian People's Solidarity Organisation (AAPSO), and mentions former Robben Island prisoner, Papa Mbatyothi and his things left at the SACTU offices; Mbatyothi gave evidence to the UN Commission on Human Rights, 467th Session, 1979, in Lusaka, Zambia, on the condition of South African former prisoners, and their families, who had been exiled by the Apartheid regime to remote rural locations, sometimes in the so-called Bantustans.

Letter from 'Max Dennis Sibeko', Max Sisulu, in Budapest and SN reply, both 1978; two 1975 letters from Joe Slovo, one typed, one handwritten, referring to the 'defence' of SN's dissertation and Rusty Bernstein's "modest" reluctance to do it and the other to a possible visit by Slovo to Berlin; telegram (fragile) dated 04/05/1970 from David Soggot (South African lawyer) saying "Phone me tonight", notes on the back by SN concerning street directions around Highbury (North London) and international work by exiles; very interesting letter from David Soggot, December 1967, about a trial in Grahamstown where it was clearly a 'set-up' as it was in SN's case, also mentions the determination of the accused, the attitudes of prosecutors, Special Branch and magistrates and 'the sense of entrapment' felt by the accused, one of whom he calls Mati;

A4.4.8

T-Z

Includes: postcard from 'Thami' in Bulgaria, 03/08/1968, probably attending the World Youth and Student Festival which was held in Sofia in that year; 1961 letter from Marjorie Thompson, Grahamstown; letter on headed notepaper dated 30/08/1967 from Olga Ushakova, Moscow, editor of the English edition of Soviet Woman, about a story that SN had written concerning South African women in prison; 1972 letter from South African exile Tommy (Thomas) Vassan in London which mentions 'Dassoo' (an alias for Ahmed Kathrada) and 'Yasmin' (alias for SN); 1993 thank you letter to SN from Charles Van Onselen at Wits University; 2011 email from Randolph Vigne; 1989 letter from Harold Wolpe asking for a copy of SN's thesis for the library at Dakawa; carbon copy of letter from SN to a Mrs. Williams (sent via The Guardian newspaper) concerning an invitation to speak at a meeting, the reply address is c/o R. Kasrils, 81a Golders Green Road, London N.W.11;25/10/1983 letter from Maureen Zama, ANC PO Box 31792 Lusaka, who is worried about her daughter Patricia, studying at the Karl Marx University in Leipzig, after she "nearly killed herself by jumping through a window";

A4.4.9

UK post release from prison in SA, February to November 1967, 1f.

Request for SN to speak and / or write about her experiences as a political activist and prisoner in South Africa. Includes letters from The (Manchester) Guardian, The Tribune, the BBC, ISIS the Oxford University magazine, IDAF, the United Nations Association amongst others.

A4.4.10

Anti-apartheid, UK, 1967, 1969, 1f.

Includes: copy of a resolution concerning 'African workers and the people of South Africa, Rhodesia and the Portuguese Colonies' passed at the Conference of Trade Unionists on Southern Africa, held at Ruskin College, Oxford, on the 19-20 April 1969; letters from The Anti-Apartheid Movement (AAM) in Scotland, Edinburgh Branch, requesting that SN speak at a public meeting, November-December, 1967; invitation to a 'large public meeting' from the Thames Valley Anti-Apartheid Group, October 1967; letter from Sue Gillett, Secretary, PEST (Pressure for Economic and Social Toryism, Lancaster University) to Alan Brooks, Organising Secretary, AAM, concerning a visit by SN in February 1969.

- A4.5 General correspondence, 5 f.
- A4.5.1 Not filled
- A4.5.2 Concerning the deposit of SN's papers with a South African archive, 1991-2006, 1f.
Includes letters to and from André Odendaal, University of the Western Cape (UWC), Heather Edwards and Carol Archibald, University of the Witwatersrand (Wits), Yolisa Soul, University of Fort Hare, Lesley Hart, University of Cape Town (UCT)
- A4.5.3 African National Congress (ANC), 1f.
Correspondence to and from ANC offices, including copies of 1981 letters concerning permission for SN to marry a GDR citizen and disagreements in the Berlin 'sub-unit' in July 1984
- A4.5.4 Correspondence in German, 1974-2006, 1f.
Includes: letters from the 'GDR period', meaning before 1989/1990, Christmas and birthday cards, covering events in 1989 and changes in the GDR (calling for democratic socialism rather than a 'Grand Germany'); 1992 letter of acknowledgment from the bureau managing access to Stasi files and registered letter slip; requests for research material; 2 letters from Prof. Franz Ansprenger, Freie Universität Berlin, 1991; letter from 'Markowski' at the International Department of the Socialist Unity Party of Germany (GDR Communist Party), March 1975; letters written by SN, postcards and general matters.
- A4.5.5 Marx Memorial Library, 1f.
An exchange of correspondence between SN and Harry Watson, Secretary, Marx Memorial Library, London, about the disappearance of photocopied material (for her thesis) he had posted to her in Leipzig, March-September 1975.
- A4.5.6 Other
Letters and postcards with no identifiable senders name, parts of letters, envelopes, notes etc.,
- A5 Financial, 1962-1998, 3f.
Bank statements, insurance, inheritance matters, exchange control etc., organised chronologically. Some correspondence was sent to SN to Sonia Bunting's address in London.
- A5.1 1962-1980
Includes: Port Elizabeth Board of Executors re inheritance matters, 1962-1963; Yorkshire Insurance Company, Port Elizabeth, car insurance, 1964; payment via the Moscow Narodny Bank, from Soviet Woman magazine for an article, 1968; 2 payments from the British Broadcasting Company, BBC, for appearances on the Morning Show (radio), 1967; Reg September, ANC, 49 Rathbone Street, London, writes about an attached bill for the transfer of SN personal effects to East Germany, 1972-1973; Lloyds Bank, UK, statements; a cheque book stub, 1971, Lloyds Bank; letter from the British Embassy in the GDR concerning payment for a new British passport, 1977; item dated 21/04/1967 concerning the issuing of sterling cash and travellers cheques to SN on her departure from South Africa after her release from prison.

- A5.2 1976-1998
- A5.2.1 Syfrets, 1977-1993
Includes: Communication with Syfrets concerning SN inheritance from her grandmother Maude Annie Barlow (known in the family as Anna) and SN's finances (including blocked Rands) in South Africa;
- A5.2.2 Other, 1976-1998
Includes: items in German, from the GDR and DDR; a photocopy of SN savings book (German); a 1990 train ticket [?];
- A5.3 1999 to date [currently 2018]
- A6 Writing
Personal writings by SN, includes: a play, probably written in 1961-1962, annotated, ts, 36p., SN notes "shortly after break-up of relationship with Albie Sachs"; several poems, incl. one in Afrikaans which may or may not be by SN;
- B HUMANSDORP TRIAL RECORDS 1965, 13 stapled volumes, 2f.
The State vs Sylvia Neame, Case No: RC 13/65, Date: 18.05.1965, Before: J.L. Cilliers, For the State: P.A.J. Kotze, For the Defence: D. Soggott and P. Briggs instructed by Messers. Hayman and Aronsohn, Interpreter: E.R. Hein; Volumes 1-14 (excluding volume 9 which is missing), one folder to do with Neame's appeal and one with press cuttings. According to S. Neame "Volume 9 of the court record was 'borrowed' by a member of the Security Police from my lawyer in my Humansdorp trial and never returned. Evidently this was about the time of my appeal. At the time I was in gaol in Barberton."
- B1 Volume 1
The evidence of G. Z. Njikelana.
- B2 Volume 2
The evidence of G.Z. Njikelana continued and G.D. Hewana
- B3 Volume 3
G.D. Hewana continued, page 280 missing
- B4 Volume 4
G.D. Hewana continued, A.T. Siwundla
- B5 Volume 5
A.T. Siwundla continued
- B6 Volume 6
Part 1: A.T. Siwundla continued
Part 2: N. Mjekula
- B7 Volume 7
Part 1: N. Mjekula
Part 2: S. Nzube
- B8 Volume 8
Part 1: S. Nzube continued
Part 2: J. Du Preez
- B9 Volume 10
M. Nuttal and G. Jewell
- B10 Volume 11
T. Makwabe
- B11 Volume 12
T. Mkwabe continued; Govan Mbeki
- B12 Volume 13
G. Mbeki continued; W. Mati; Sylvia Brereton Neame
- B13 Volume 14

In the Regional Court for the Regional Division of the Eastern Cape Province, held at Humansdorp:
Judgment in the case of The State versus Sylvia Neame, 22nd July 1965,

- B14 Documents relating to the Appeal
- B14.1 Heads of Argument
 - In the Matter between Sylvia Neame, Appellant, vs. The State, Respondent: Heads of Argument for Appellant, prepared by H.J. Hanson and D. Soggott
 - B14.2 Supreme Court judgment, cyclostyled document, 2p.
 - In the Supreme Court of South Africa (Eastern Cape Division) 3rd March 1966, Ngcanga and Others v. The State, outcome of appeal heard by Justices J.P. Jennett and J. Van Der Riet
 - B14.3 Supreme Court judgement, Sylvia Neame, Appellant, vs. The State, Respondent, 15p.
 - Carbon copy on flimsy paper attached to covering letter addressed to Graham Neame (brother of S. Neame) from Wheeldon, Rushmere & Cole, 19th September 1968 FRAGILE; 2nd copy which was sent to SN in Barberton Prison in June 1966
- B15 Press Cuttings
 - B15.1 The Purge of the Eastern Cape', a Factual Report from South Africa, Christian Action Publications, UK, pamphlet, 20p.
 - Mentions Sylvia Neame trial and the coaching of witnesses by the police on pages 9-11
 - B15.2 Newspaper cuttings, 1964 - 1966, 2 oversize folders
 - Articles published during the trial, 19/05/1965 to 07/07/1965, and also about SN's appeal, 21/03/1966; also "No holiday with brother for banned student, May 1964; "Police seize material for girl's thesis", October 1964;
- B16 Notes taken during the trial by Sylvia Neame, 7f.
 - B16.1 Humansdorp Trial, Sylvia Neame, 1965, Book 1, Book 2
 - B16.1.1 Book 1, blue 'Examination Book' notebook
 - Notes taken during the evidence of G.Z. Njikelana, loose cover, 16p.
 - B16.1.2 Book 2, blue 'Examination Book' notebook
 - Notes taken during the evidence of G.Z. Njikelana, 20p.
 - B16.2 Loose notes
 - B16.2.1 Monday, Siwundla, pp.1-16
 - Notes taken during the evidence of A.T. Siwundla and N. Mjekula
 - B16.2.2 Contin. of D. Preez Wednes., 124p.
 - Bundle of numbered loose pages covering the evidence of J. Du Preez, as well as 'Zizi recalled', 'N. Jekula cont.', [Mjekula], pp. 13-105. The evidence of Stapleton Nzube covers pages 106-124, and is dated Monday 7th June.
 - B16.2.3 Notes on Nzube evidence
 - B16.2.3.1 168 Nzube, 10p.
 - Bundle of pages originally numbered pp.111-119, then re-numbered 168-176, which appear to be more evidence by S. Nzube
 - B16.2.3.2 Blue Examination Book: Humansdorp 1965
 - P.E. Trial (personal) Sylvia Neame, pages 155 to 167, notes taken during Nzube's evidence
 - B16.2.4 After tea, A-H, 8p.
 - S. Nzube evidence, also, on page H notes on Du Preez
 - B16.2.5 Single loose page
 - Notes on W. Mati's evidence, 1p.
 - B16.3 Humansdorp Trial, Nzube, Sylvia Neame, 1965
 - B16.3.1 Blue Examination Book, 1965 Humansdorp Trial, Sylvia Neame, 20p.
 - Notes taken during S. Nzube's evidence, numbered pages 125-144

- B16.3.2 Blue Examination Book, Humansdorp PE Trial 1965 Sylvia Neame, 20p.
Notes taken during S. Nzube's evidence, numbered pages 145-154, loose cover
- B16.4 Miscellaneous notes
Blue Tudor Examination Pad appears to have notes and sketches made by other prisoners in the P.E. prison, also lyrics of songs possibly sung in the prison.
- B16.5 Unpublished article
Typescript of unpublished article on the Humansdorp 'frame-up' trial, written in 1967 by a British journalist with the initials G.S., but not published since, SN notes, "the newspaper had been told to 'play it cool' on SA for the moment", also the envelope in which the piece was sent to SN c/o Anti Apartheid, Second Floor, Charlotte Street, London W.1
- C ABRAM FISCHER AND THIRTEEN OTHERS, Case 375/64, Charge Sheet and Appendices, 1 oversize folder, 1 box
See also Legal Resources Centre Collection AG3281/A13
Fragile, incomplete document consisting of: Charge Sheet, 4p., Annexure B: Further Particulars to Count 2, 3p; Annexure C: Schedule of Central Committee Meetings, 2p., Annexure D: Schedule of District Committee Meetings, 1p., Annexure E: Schedule of Area Committee Meetings, 1p., Annexure F: Schedule of Group (Cell) Meetings, 5p., Annexure G: Schedule of "Study Classes", 2p., Annexure J: Time for Reassessment, 12 pages, incomplete. Photocopy of Statement to the Court by Sylvia Neame, Accused No. 11, first page stamped 'Sechaba, official organ of the African National Congress of South Africa, 49 Rathbone Street, London W.1.', 9p.; black spiral bound notebook used by SN during her 'Joburg Trial' [namely Abram Fischer & Thirteen others] contains some pages of notes and also drawings possibly by other detainees [NB: this item in box with B16]
- D PRISON 1963-1964, 1965-1967
SN was detained twice under the 90-Day detention laws, was an awaiting-trial prisoner at the Fort for 9 months, hard-labour prisoner for several months in the North-end gaol in Port Elizabeth, as well as serving under 2 years as a hard-labour prisoner at Barberton Women's Prison.

Includes letters from family and friends, diaries, study notes, drawings as well as documents issued by the authorities.
- D1 Correspondence, 10 folders
Organised chronologically, includes originals and copies of letters that SN wrote from prison. See also A1.7.4, letters from the Department of Justice, re the Communist Party and the Congress of Democrats, informing SN that she would be 'listed' as a member of these organisations by the 'Liquidator'.
- D1.1 1964, 2f.
During 1964 SN was detained for 2 months under the 90-day law, first 2 weeks in Pretoria Central, the rest in Fordsburg police station in Johannesburg. During the 'Abram Fischer and 13 Others' trial she was held in the Fort in Johannesburg. She also got a separate, short, sentence for trying to escape in September 1964. Includes letters from and to: Caroline de Crespigny, Peter Neame and his wife Savy, SN's grandmother Anna, Jennifer Neame, Robin Walker, Graham Neame and cards from Hilda and Rusty Bernstein and a Daphne Edmondson in Abergavenny, Wales;
- D1.1.1 10/01/1964 - 19/09/1964

Includes: 13/09/1964 from Caroline asking "How is Mrs. Benjamin? Better I hope. After all the reports in the paper of how ill she looked..." [referring to Pixie Benjamin who went on hunger strike]; 3rd page of letter (rest missing) from SN: 'Evidently there are going to be three trials - A.R.M. trial in Pretoria, about 15 people. C.P. [Communist Party] trial in Johannesburg and an Umkhonto trial"; 16/09/1964 Caroline's daughter Camilla asking how could SN "climb over the walls in those high heels?" [referring to SN escape attempt which actually didn't involve trying to climb walls];

D1.1.2 21/09/1964 - 29/12/1964

Includes: 21/09/1964 letter from Caroline De Crespigny in which she copied out W.B. Yeats poem Easter 1916; 26/11/1964 Caroline writes: "The papers here [Cape Town] reporting your case very fully - 'Die Burger' making jokes about James Bond, 007 etc."; on 28/11/1964 SN writes about the dock in the court being very cramped and the food that is being brought for them from outside "mince curry and a whole chicken (masala) and potatoes and atchar - wonderful ... I believe people have been saying what a good-looking bunch of women we are - which pleased us all very much."

D1.2 1965, 3f.

During the first part of 1965 Sylvia was still either awaiting-trial or on trial and therefore got many more letters than she did after she was sentenced in the "Abram Fischer and 13 Others" trial and then the Humansdorp trial.

D1.2.1 04/01/1965 - 15/02/1965

Includes letters from and to: Caroline de Crespigny, Anna (grandmother) in Durban, Dr. Peter Neame and his wife Dr. Savi (Savy) Naidu, Graham Neame, Jennifer Neame, Dottie (Grahamstown), 'Mark' (still living at 57A, 17th Street, Orange Grove where SN had shared the house with him). SN's letter to Caroline de Crespigny dated 08/01/1965 contains a paragraph referring to 'Kitty' [Ahmed 'Kathy' Kathrada], sending all her love and "tell her [sic] we will meet again one day ... I think of her". On 26/01/1965 SN writes to Caroline about "Bram Fischer's disappearance ... So now we are 13, lucky 13 I hope". On 27/01/1965 Caroline writes that "Mrs. Chatham's Pa (refers to the father of Mariam Mohamed. The latter lived in Chatham Street no. 1 in District Six) went to see Kitty (a code name in this letter for Kathy) ten days ago. She was looking very well, quite plump apparently and in good spirits - though very concerned about Jasmine [SN] and anxious for news of her, and sent much love".

D1.2.2 21/02/1965 - 13/04/1965

A letter from Caroline dated 29/03/1965 refers to Kathy Kathrada in 'code': "Bumped into some chaps who'd been staying with Karen overseas ... things were much better with her ... life less exhausting ... all they really objected to was the ghastly food at her place"; A couple of letters were misdated by SN 'Tuesday, 30th April 1965' but the prison stamps show 31/03/1965 which is the correct date, and are addressed to Graham (Neame) and Caroline (de Crespigny), with Graham's letter having been censored by the prison authorities. The letter to Caroline mentions that Sylvia has "been refused permission to complete my History Honours by the gaol. But am still trying" and also what a good haircut Anne Nicholson had done for her "about the only professional experience she has had is cleaning the floors in a hairdressing salon in Barcelona". 01/04/1965 note from Sheila Weinberg: "I am not allowed to visit because I have just been released. Mom and Dolly went to Broodryk today and he refused to have the charges dropped. So I will be joining you yet!"; Caroline de Crespigny's letter of 05/04/1965 refers to the hanging (on April 1st 1965) of John Harris, without mentioning his name. Sylvia's last letter to her brother Graham, before she was sentenced, dated 13/04/1965: "We will be on our way to court in half an hour for sentence. So a quick goodbye ... Our morale is high ... we refused to ask for 'mercy' ... Thank you for everything. I have no regrets."

D1.2.3 30/04/1965 - 31/12/1965

Includes: letter from Caroline de Crespigny to SN, 27/08/1965, stamped 'Vroue Gevangenis / Female Prison, Barberton' with handwritten note by Caroline to the Commanding Officer, and as much news as she could cram into 500 words, also mentions a published poem about SN by "Grahamstown poet Harold Goodwin, called Full Cycle"; 07/10/195 letter from Hayman & Aronsohn concerning a carton of Sylvia's papers that was left at The Fort, now in the possession of Colonel Aucamp; 22/11/1965 confirmation from UNISA that SN is registered to do her History Honours; large Christmas card from SN to her family;

D1.3 1966, 2f.

D1.3.1 09/01/1966 - 31/08/1966, 1f.

Includes letters from and to: Peter Neame; Ruth Hayman, solicitor, informing SN about her forthcoming appeal (against the Humansdorp sentence), 12/01/1966; SN to Jennifer Neame, three copies, one typed, one handwritten, one carbon, 27/01/1966, includes comment on Caroline De Crespigny being detained in Rustenburg; SN to Bunny (JR - nickname 'Bunny') and Betty Neame, 07/03/1966, refers to Arnoldus the tortoise, also Schleswig and Holstein, chameleons, that appeared in the prison yard, 2 copies; Graham Neame to SN, 26/03/1966, after attending the appeal hearing; SN to Graham, referring to a change of conditions for Grade 'C' prisoners meaning they could get 2 letters and 2 visits every month, also the fact that "my anxiety state came back for a few days and has now gone completely";

Graham Neame, 30/05/1966, refers to Caroline De Crespigny being allowed to leave South Africa for London; SN to Wendy (Mrs Patrick) Cullinan, 21/06/1966, saying that she has decided to leave South Africa when she's released and that the evening frog visitor had been named Aristophanes; a 5-page letter from grandmother Anna, dated 21/06/1966, which SN only received on 21/07/1966, is stamped and signed 'Taljaard, Matrone' on the first page; SN to Caroline De Crespigny in London, 09/08/1966; SN to her grandmother, 09/08/1966, recalling her mother and other relatives and that she has been upgraded to a 'B' category prisoner; copy of a letter from the Department of the Interior, 12/08/1966, about Sylvia's request to apply for a passport, which, they "are not in a position to give any assurance that a ... passport will in fact be issued to you"; letter from Caroline in London (Highbury Place) about her life there, refers to Albie (Sachs), Ronnie and Eleanor (Kasrils), Alan Brooks and Wolfie (Kodesh).

D1.3.2 01/09/1966 - 28/12/1966, 1f.

Includes: letters from SN to concerning obtaining an unemployment card and an identity card, 06/09/1966; letter to Graham, mentioning "Marks death" (Mark Weinberg) and a forthcoming visit from her grandmother Anna; 23/09/1966 letter from Ayesha (Cajee), 13 Kholvad House, 27 Market Street, Johannesburg, refers to "Kathy was in Pretoria last month ... to give evidence at a case. He looked very happy, regards his health, he has only gone a bit thinner, otherwise there is nothing to worry"; several letters refer to the half hour visit that Anna and Jennifer made, having been driven up from Durban; 03/11/1966 Department of the Interior writes about SN's identity number, 101/195327; Jill Neame writes from Parktown North, 24/11/1966; censored letter from SN to Graham, 07/12/1966, with later typed transcription; 10/12/1966 letter to brother Peter and wife Savy in Oxford, describing the views from the cells as well as the birds they see and hear and the insects that often plague them, also mentions that Department of the Interior has refused her request for a passport; 28/12/1966 letter from Anna with news of their Christmas in Durban.

D1.4 1967, 1f.

03/01/1967 - 08/04/1967

Includes letters from and to: Peter & Savy Neame; SN's sister Jennifer, living in Durban with her grandmother Anna, she writes that they are worried that Savy Neame's family in Stanger who run a general dealer's store may be affected by a Group Areas Act proclamation, 22/02/1967; Wendy Cullinan writes on 24/01/1967 with tales of her visit to the Kruger National Park, birds, animals, Graham (Neame) painting and drawing with Bill Ainslie and her husband Patrick's current book; 02/02/1967 letter from the Prisons Department to Jennifer Neame, in Durban, advising her that Sylvia will be discharged on 12th April, not from Barberton but "elsewhere"; 11/02/1967 SN to Anna, with a lot about the upcoming release and that Violet [Weinberg] is making short skirts for Sylvia and Flo and that Leslie [Schermbrucker?] is helping with a dress, also mentions that the prisoners now have a gramophone and some records available all the time and that they put on an art exhibition for themselves for which they even made hats; 25/02/1967, statement from Van Schaik's Bookstore in Pretoria for R9.76; the last letter in the file is from Dottie (Dorothea Ewan, known as Dottie - taught English for a while at fort Hare, including Oliver Tambo and other future political leaders), 08/04/1967, to "My dear, dear Sylvester" with "my love and Chikers (refers to her husband, Alfred Ewan, an artist and art lecturer at Rhodes University - nickname Chinky) and the big-smalls".

D1.5 Other correspondence, 1965-1966, 1f.

Includes: 10/05/1965, letter from Ruth Hayman informing Graham Neame that "Sylvia ... is being charged in the Regional Court, Humansdorp, with being a member, furthering the aims, etc. of the A.N.C..."; SN was transferred to PE immediately after sentencing in Johannesburg in April 1965, apparently on the direct orders of Colonel Aucamp, head of prison security in Johannesburg; June 1966, several lawyer's letters to Graham Neame and Peter Neame concerning SN's treatment in Port Elizabeth jail where she was kept in effective solitary confinement (completely segregated from other prisoners) during her 'frame-up' trial, in Humansdorp; 05/08/1965, letter to Peter Neame from lawyer Ruth Hayman concerning SN's appeal and the funds that will be needed for the full record of the trial as well as attorney's and Counsel's fees; 09/08/1965, photocopied letter from Advocate David Soggott about SN's Humansdorp trial and their disagreements, annotated by SN, 4p; 04/11/1965, letter to Graham Neame from Defence and Aid Fund, London, after contact from the Uppsala Group of Amnesty International; 24/11/1966, letter to Dr. P.B. Neame, Oxford, from Phyllis Altman, Organising Secretary, Defence and Aid Fund, "enclosing herewith our cheque for £250. This is a further instalment on the sum of £1,095 paid out by your brother, Graham for legal expenses in Sylvia's case";

D1.6 Miscellaneous, 1f.

Includes: undated cards; Defence and Aid Fund document entitled 'The Case of Miss Sylvia Neame', May 1966, 4p.

D2 Prison cards & discharge form, 1965, 1967, oversize folder

D2.1 No. 261/65

Red cover, lists name, class (of prisoner), age, crime and sentence; this card appears to be the one issued to SN on her admission to prison as a result of the Abram Fischer & 13 Others trial 1964-1965. Partly illegible due (perhaps) to having been washed.

D2.2 No. 560/65

Red cover, 2 Years and Over, PE Prison / Gaol, shows release date as 12/04/1971 so must have been issued to SN after sentencing in the Humansdorp trial and before her later transfer to Barberton Prison

D2.3 No. E 2302/67

White cover, Johannesburg Prison, date of sentence 06/04/1967, date of release 12/04/1967. This card probably issued to SN after she was taken from Barberton Women's Prison to Johannesburg Prison in April 1967 prior to being released.

- D2.4 Prison discharge form
Issued 12/04/1967 at the Johannesburg Prison Female Section, lists the crimes SN was sentenced for and the date of sentence as 13/04/1965
- D3 Personal accounts of trials and prison, 1f., 1 oversize folder
- D3.1 Published accounts, 1967
Press cuttings, oversize folder
Includes: photocopy of article in The Guardian newspaper, UK, entitled 'Prisoner in South Africa', 10/07/1967; Sechaba article entitled 'Barberton Female Prison', August 1967, pp.11-14; Tribune, UK, article entitled 'On Trial in South Africa', 18/08/1967, p.4; Sunday Nation, Nairobi, article entitled 'My years in a South African prison', 27/08/1967
- D3.2 Unpublished accounts of detention, trial and prison
Typescripts and manuscripts
- D3.2.1 Account of My First 90 Days, Sylvia Neame, 10p.
Typed account of SN's first detention under the so-called '90 Day Law'. Fragile carbon copy and another copy (pre-1965, possibly using electro-photographic copying) written at the top (by SN): 'account of first 90 days, S. Neame, (for Bram Fischer)', the paper for the non-carbon copy was made by 'Gevaert', also known as Agfa-Gevaert.
- D3.2.2 Incomplete accounts of 90 day detention, ts
One 2 page document covering 1st and 2nd 90 days as well as mentioning PE trial and Barberton; a single page document, corrected in pencil, giving an account of SN's first detention under the '90 Day' law, incomplete.
- D3.2.3 Account of Barberton Women's Prison, c. July 1967, typescript, 5p.
- D3.2.4 Fabrication Cases in South Africa, corrected typescript, 7p.
Mainly an account of the 1965 Humansdorp trial and what happens to African (black) people in the same situation where there is no publicity as there was in SN's case
- D3.2.5 Frame-Ups by the security police in South Africa, typescript, 7p.
Slightly different version of D3.2.4
- D3.2.6 Account of SN's time in Barberton Female Prison, corrected typescript, 7p.
- D3.2.7 Notes on Port Elizabeth-Humansdorp Trial, manuscript, 4p., undated
Includes: Notes written for Advocate David Soggott "re Special Branch man while I was in P.E. gaol", disguised as notes from 'A History of Europe' by H.A.L. Fischer, 8 closely-written pages; notes on P.E. gaol time, 1 page; notes on relations between women political prisoners at Barberton, half a torn-off page
- D4 Other prison writings
- D4.1 Poetry and literature discussions, 1966-1967, 1f.
Poems copied out for collective discussion by the women political prisoners includes T.S. Eliot, D.H. Lawrence's 'Baby Tortoise' with a note saying '1st read 7/6/66 with Arnoldus' (the prisoners tortoise), William Blake and Shakespeare. Also some other literature for discussion such as Dr. Zhivago. The discussions appear to have taken place mainly on Mondays in 1966-1967.
- D4.2 Knitting patterns and recipes, 1f.
Patterns and various recipes written out by hand
- D4.3 Barberton Bladsy, 1f.
Items written for what the women political prisoners called 'The Barberton Bladsy', their prison newspaper which was passed round between the cells at night and then destroyed. SN copied out some items and kept them amongst her papers.

- D4.4 Lists, 1f.
Includes toiletries she wanted to order, a draft letter to Matron 21/02/1967 requesting some books, her yoga programme for November 1966. Also a list of duties, dated August 1966, undertaken by the women politicals - Ann, Mollie, Esther, Flo, Jean, Sylvia, Leslie and Violet - such as lighting the fire "as soon as possible after unlock", scrubbing the boiler room, "upper dusting", "lower dusting", scrubbing laundry basins and the courtyard and polishing the stove. Also lists of classical music records.
- D4.5 Miscellaneous
Includes some poems apparently written by Ann Nicholson, a fellow prisoner,
- D5 Notebooks
Includes notebook with an embroidered cover and inside written (in embroidery) 'for Sylvia love love love you Barberton dec 66' containing German language notes, another, '5th Book', containing various lists and a page about arriving in Barberton Prison which ends "I have never before or since made, as I did then, a life in my own mind. I built an environment slowly in my head." Also an Eclipse Shorthand Notebook which was mainly used in April 1967 when SN had been released from jail and was planning her move to the U.K., also contains some musings from early 1966.
- D6 Files, 1965-1967, 3 oversize folders **NB: Researchers not to use unsupervised**
These 'Files' or albums consist of collections of letters, poems, paper decorations, 'birthday paper', orders, assignments, receipts, sketches and other items, some have been annotated by SN. They are tied together with string and each one has an index. The numbering runs from 1 to 354, however quite a few items were removed (by SN) and have therefore been filed elsewhere. Some items are fragile, others consist of envelopes with loose items inside and are therefore **TO BE HANDLED WITH GREAT CARE**.
- D6.1 1st File, 1-113, March 1965 to May/June 1966
Includes: carbon copy of the Index; Item 1a: an empty 'Official-Amptelik envelope, addressed No. 560/65 Sylvia B. Neame, with its former contents listed on the back; 1964 letter to SN from the Students' Health Insurance Society, 04/08/1964; UNISA Economics and Economic History Special Tutorial Letter re Assignment 2/1965 which SN has annotated 'P.E. 65'; UNISA Statement of Account, undated; Item 21B, a Gala Beauty soap packet, 'from Mrs A. Xmas 1965'; Item 32: January 1966, list of cigarettes and stationery; Item 47a: February 1966, bible study notes; Item 55: 17/03/1966 carbon copy of letter from SN to Professor van Jaarsveld, Department of History, UNISA; Item 101: 16/05/1966, bill from Van Schaik's Bookstore; Item 107: recipe for 'Beef Stew That Flo Recommends!'; Item 113: May-June 1966, the words to an old English song, "Foggy, Foggy Dew" written out by hand;
- D6.2 2nd File, 114-259a, May/June - December 1966

Includes: carbon copy of the Index; item 125: June 1966, Keats and Escapism, 'from our prison newspaper', 4 pages; Item 130: All Saints' Leaflet Parish of Barberton Diocese of Pretoria; Item 131: empty envelope addressed Miss Sylvia Neame, c/o The Officer in Command, Barberton Prison Command, Private Bag, Barberton, Transvaal, from Mrs Maude Barlow [Sylvia's grandmother, known to her as Anna], 12 Elstree Court, Durban, date stamped by the prison 21/07/1966; items 132 to 139 removed by SN; item 146 a long list of 'Suggestions for Barberton Public Library', 3p., item 146a: pressed flowers and leaves, July 1966, **very fragile**; item 149 UNISA Bulletin, August 1966; item 158: covering letter sent to accompany SN's new ID card, no date; item 169: birthday telegram from Anna and Jennifer, birthday card from Peter, Savy and family, 01/09/1966; item 180(a), 15-16/09/1966, blue Rosh Hashanah sticker; item 200: 3 miniature religious booklets Daily Strength, The Way of Salvation, New Life in Christ from the Scripture Gift Mission, Johannesburg;

Item 204: envelope which contained a letter from Jennifer, cutting about English model Twiggy, October 1966; item 231: letter from John Orr's Mail Order Manager D. Creighton-Jones, 22/12/1966, in reply to one from SN complaining about the quality of the knitting wool they had sent her; item 238: traditional Christmas carols written out by hand, 2p.; item 250: Christmas card and O. Henry short story 'The Gift of the Magi', addressed to E. Barsel, V. Weinberg, S. Neame, J. Middleton, L. Schermbrucker, F. Duncan, M. Doyle and A. Nicholson from Senior Matron and Staff Female Prison Barberton, Christmas 1966, New Year 1967; item 253: 'Costume for Father Xmas Doll for Xmas Tree', made out of red crepe paper and cotton wool; item 256: pen and ink sketches of faces probably by Ann Nicholson; item 259: brown envelope containing various paper Christmas decorations.

D6.3 3rd File, 259-354, January 1967 - 30/03/1967

Includes: carbon copy of the index; item 259: Quiz, Jan. 1967, 'from our prison newspaper; 2 copies of 'Christmas 66' [or Christmas 65], by Mollie Anderson; item 271: Christianity and the Problem of Evil, 01/01/1967, 'probably from our prison newspaper'; item 285: drawing of a donkey 'Olympic Games 1967', wrapping paper from a bar of Reward Deodorant Beauty Soap; item 297: philosophy notes 'Pre-Socratic to Thomas Aquinas', 31/01/1967; item 298: SN order for Tampax, Pears soap, Vaseline lip-ice, cigarettes, stationery, needlework items and biscuits, February 1967; item 299a: envelope containing 'Tolstoy notes'; item 299: crossword 'from our newspaper'; items 300-302: pressed leaves and flowers, some have come loose **VERY FRAGILE**; item 311a, b, c: Hamerkop embroidery paper; item 314, 'stamps found in coal bin';

item 316: embroidery for Ann's calico dress, February 1967; item 320: letter to the prison matron requesting certain books (from the Barberton Public Library), 21/02/1967; item 325: All Saints Leaflet, March 1967; item 328: 'wrapping paper for Jean's doll (sketch)'; item 338: wrapping paper from Ann, 15/03/1967; item 349: letter to the Chief Magistrate Johannesburg, 31/03/1967, requesting permission to holiday in the Kruger National Park with brother Graham after her release on April 12th; cuttings from various 1967 magazines; item 354 (last before release): list of articles (books, clothes, drawings, cosmetics etc.) sent out with Mrs. Wendy Cullinan on Thurs. 30/03/1967.

D7 Academic notes

Notes made in prison, D7.1 and D7.2 are large files or bundles tied together with string in the same way as the D6 files or albums. Several items were annotated by SN in the 1980s.

D7.1 History notes and essays

D7.2 History notes and essays

D7.3 Loose indexes

Mainly carbon copies

D7.4 History Theory

D7.5 History Honours

- D7.6 Some miscellaneous items from 1963, 1965 NB: not the thesis itself.
Special German assignments, 1966-1967
These were marked by the UNISA staff and returned
- D8 Drawings
- D8.1 Eclipse Wire Bound Nature Study Book, 1966
Includes: various pencil drawings (some in colour), some loose, some originally pinned to pages in the book; mostly of plants but also some of fellow prisoners.
- D8.2 Loose drawings, 1966-1967
Includes: drawings of mielies (for Lesley Schermbrucker's birthday), plants, Holstein the chameleon, Jean Middleton, Arnoldus the tortoise 'in the courtyard', arrows in colour, blue background, still-life with yellow chair and blue bottle and an adapted cartoon (originally by 'Cork'): 'Arnold appears! (from our prison newspaper)'.
- D9 Miscellaneous items
- D9.1 The Holy Bible
Copy of the Bible published by Oxford University Press, London, 1962 that SN had with her in Pretoria Central Gaol in October 1963 and July 1964, Fordsburg Police Station July-August 1964, The Fort [Johannesburg] August 1964, Port Elizabeth Gaol April 1965 and Barberton Gaol 1965, annotated in parts. Contains some pressed flowers / plants.
- D9.2 Fabric items, oversize folder
Fabric spider, green fabric cuff embroidered 'Sylvia', red fabric bow.
- D9.3 Playing cards, oversize folder
Pieces of card that SN used to make a set of playing cards to use whilst in detention [90 days]
- D9.4 Miscellaneous notes
Includes: 2 crosswords cut from a newspaper; sketches of Barberton cells; a list made in The Fort whilst SN was awaiting sentence in the 'Abram Fischer and 13 Others' trial, 1965; 'Final yoga programme'; part of an exam pad with various drawings and notes on it - done in court by the thoroughly bored accused in the first Fischer trial; press cutting headlined: 'Sylvia Neame free this week', Sunday Times, 09/04/1967 [SN would not have had this in jail with her].
- D10 Post-prison documents, 1967-1968
- D10.1 Evidence to the United Nations Commission of Human Rights Ad-hoc Working Group of Experts on the treatment of detainees and political prisoners in South Africa, 1967-1968, 1f.

Includes: letters from Defence and Aid Fund, London, the United Nations, New York, June 1967; SN's Ms notes and ts draft evidence; transcript of SN's evidence to the Ad-hoc Working Group, 14/06/1967, London; letter from SN to the Working Group responding to the South African government's comments on her evidence, 25/09/1968
- D10.2 Questionnaires, 1f.
- D10.2.1 D. Questionnaire
Blank 1 page questionnaire which asks about how an arrest took place, the 'characteristics of each separate place of detention', the arrested person's emotional state etc., no date, no source
- D10.2.2 Questionnaire on Interrogation, Solitary Confinement & Assault,

Blank 15-page questionnaire which may have been produced by the ANC or the SACP and is specifically addressed to people who have managed to go into exile after being detained or serving a prison sentence. The introduction states in part "This questionnaire is the first step in the process of pooling experience. From a synthesis of the answers and analysis of the material, a hard core of principle and practice will emerge which will enable the movement as a whole ... to understand the nature of the pressures used on them ... Forewarned is forearmed."

- D10.3 Press cuttings, 1967, oversize folder
Articles and published letters either about SN or mentioning her, in the British Communist newspaper the Morning Star; also the draft of Mikki Doyle's article published on 02/08/1967. SEE ALSO D3 for the accounts of her prison experience that SN wrote herself.
- D11 Prison Diary, 1 box, 1 oversize folder
Several versions, though the pre-1999 ts. might be a partial transcript of the tissue paper diary
- D11.1 Original
- D11.1.1 Tissue paper diary, 10p., **extremely fragile**
Written by SN on tissue paper whilst in Barberton Prison, stored in acetate envelopes numbered 1-10 though the original order is hard to ascertain.
- D11.1.2 Note paper diary, 1966, 8p.
First page dated 13/03/1966, last one dated June 1966, written in Barberton Prison, 8 pages in all, written on both sides., stored in 4 acetate envelopes
- D11.2 Prison Diary, 1 box
Draft, typescript, 461p.
- D11.3 Gaol Diary, Barberton
Draft, typescript, 27p., annotated by SN, Ms notes attached
- E **ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL (not yet sorted)**
Dr. Sylvia Neame has been an academic all her life first as a student and later as a teacher and researcher. Her academic and professional life encompassed Rhodes University, the University of the Witwatersrand, UNISA, the University of Oxford and Karl-Marx University / University of Leipzig. She has published many papers on the Industrial and Commercial Workers Union (ICU) and a three volume history entitled The Congress Movement: The ICU, ANC, CP and Congress Alliance (2015). Much of this section of the collection is to do with SN's research into the ICU and other aspects of South African politics.
- F **PUBLICATIONS**
Some include articles by SN
- F1 Pamphlets, 1 box
- F1.1 The Road to South African Freedom, programme of the South African Communist Party, 1962
- F1.2 Songs of the Workers, to Fan the Flames of Discontent, 31st Edition, published by the Industrial Workers of the World, Chicago, May 1964
- F1.3 The Workers' Movement and SACTU, a struggle for Marxist policies, 1979
Much annotated by SN

- F1.4 Black Citizens, No. 1, Modern Tracts for Modern Times, published by The Churchman, Durban, no date
"The articles in this book originally appeared in the Natal Advertiser under the title of Essays in Evolution.
- F1.5 Education for Apartheid, Brian Bunting, a Southern Africa Education Fund pamphlet, Christian Action, London, no date
- F1.6 Algeria: the story of Algeria's war for freedom, an Afrika Booklet, Afrika Publications, 1960/1961, Johannesburg
- F1.7 Great Power Conspiracy, African National Congress of South Africa, Dar es Salaam, no date
- F1.8 The Politics of History in South Africa, Bernard Magubane, United Nations, 1982, New York
- F1.9 Current Problems of the Southern African Region, published in the GDR, 1982
Contains paper by Sylvia Neame entitled The socio-economic and political system of the RSA and its role in the framework of the world imperialist system
- F1.10 Problems of struggle against racism, apartheid and colonialism in the South Africa [sic] by Gleb Starushenko, 1986, USSR Academy of Sciences, The Africa Institute, Moscow
Report presented to the 2nd Soviet-African conference "For peace, cooperation and social progress", Moscow, 24-26 June 1986
- F1.11 South Africa: The crisis of world capitalism and the apartheid economy, Michael Williams, 1977, Winstanley Publications, London
- F1.12 75 Jahre Afrikanischer Nationalkongress von Südafrika, 75 Jahre Kampf gegen Kolonialismus und Rassismus, German, DDR / GDR, 1987
- F1.13 Der Süden Afrikas im Aufbruch, Prof. Sr. sc. Gerhard Brehme, German, Staatsverlag de Deutschen Demokratischen Republik, Berlin, 1982
- F1.14 Exploiting the Contradictions: The Life Story of Ndae Makume, Timothy Keegan, History Workshop, University of the Witwatersrand History Workshop, 1987
- F1.15 Job Reservation and the Trade Unions, Ray Alexander and H.J. Simons, 1959, Enterprise, Cape Town
- F1.16 Power - Held at the Spear Point, a South-West contribution towards the International Cause of Humanity, 1929, Durban
- F1.17 Apartheid as a threat to peace, V. Solodovnikov, 1974, Moscow
Paper presented at the special session of the UNO Committee on apartheid, Berlin, 1974
- F1.18 Foreign Investment in South Africa: A Discussion Series, Anti-Apartheid Movement, London
- F1.18.1 No.1, South Africa: The crisis in Britain and the Apartheid Economy, Dorcas Good and Michael Williams, 1976
- F1.18.2 No. 2, Foreign Investment and the Reproduction of Racial Capitalism in South Africa, Martin Legassick and David Hemson, 1976
- F1.18.3 No. 3, Changing Patterns of International Investment in South Africa and the Disinvestment Campaign, Simon Clarke, 1978
- F1.19 African Political Organization, John Laredo, South African Institute of Race Relations (SAIRR), 1961
- F1.20 Kuchanso, Organ of the Socialist League of Malawi (LESOMA), Volume 1, No. 4, 1977
- F2 Journals, 3 boxes
- F2.1 Sechaba, official organ of the African National Congress South Africa

November 1979, contains book review by SN; November 1987, article by SN under the name 'Brenda Stalker'; February 1988, response by Thando Zuma to Stalker article; May 1988, article by SN under the name Brenda Stalker; July 1988, rejoinder to Stalker by Thando Zuma; August 1988; September 1988; January 1989, contains article by S.N. under the name Theresa, she responds to piece by Ronnie Kasrils in the Sept. 1988 issue; April 1989; May 1989, response to 'Theresa'; June 1989 another response to 'Theresa'; August 1989, Kasrils response to 'Theresa'; March 1990; April 1990.

F2.2 African Communist

No. 38, Third Quarter 1969, contains article by S.N. under the name Teresa Zania on the I.C.U; No. 94, Third Quarter 1983, letter to the Editor by S.N. under the name 'Mandla'; No. 97, Second Quarter 1984, article by S.N. under the name Hugh Trevor; No. 111, Fourth Quarter 1987, article by S.N. under the name 'Theresa'; No. 116, First Quarter 1989, 'Theresa Zania' on the ICU; No. 117, Second Quarter 1989, letter from 'Theresa'; No. 120, First Quarter 1990, article on the ICU by S.N. under the name Theresa Zania; No. 122, Third Quarter 1990; No. 123, Fourth Quarter 1990, article by 'Theresa Zania';

F2.3 Asien Afrika Latein-Amerika, Akademie-Verlag, Berlin, German

Heft 4, 1978, Band 6, contains article by S.N. 'Zur Entwicklung des rassistisch-kolonialistisch-faschistischen Systems in Südafrika - eine historische Betrachtung'; Heft 3, 1980, Band 8, contains article by S.N. 'Zur neokolonialistischen Politik des Imperialismus gegenüber Südrhodesien (Simbabwe) von 1976 bis 1979'; Heft 1, 1982, Band 10, article by S.N. 'Zum sozialökonomischen und politischen System der Republik Südafrika und ihrer Stellung im imperialistischen Weltsystem';

F2.4 Asia Africa Latin America, Akademie-Verlag, Berlin, English

Special Issue 1, 1976, The Imperialist nature of racism in Southern Africa, contains article by S.N., 2 copies; Special Issue 3, 1979, Colonial Downfall and Neo-colonialism: An approach from the view of Marxist-Leninist political economy by Hartmut Schilling;

F2.5 General

Wissenschaftliche Zeitschrift der Karl-Marx-Universität, Leipzig: issue 6 1976 with article by SN, issue 6 1985; Economy and Society: Volume 5, Number 2 with article by Harold Wolpe and Volume 5, Number 3;

F3 Articles / Papers **(not yet sorted)**

F4 Books and Reports

F4.1 Socialism for South Africa, C.F. Miles-Cadman, published under the auspices of the Labour Party, Johannesburg, 1942

F4.2 Der Rote Oktober und der Übergang vom Kapitalismus zum Sozialismus, Karl-Marx-Universität, Leipzig, 1977;

Contains article in German by SN

F4.3 Christianity and History, Herbert Butterfield, Collins Fontana Books, 1958,

Inscribed by Rev. P.L. Louw who visited SN in Port Elizabeth prison in July 1965.

F4.4 Im Augenblick der Stille, Mary Benson, Verlag Neues Leben, Berlin, 1974

The English original was entitled At The Still Point; SN has noted on the title page that "This book was based on my trial in Humansdorp as Mary Benson herself told me"; she also notes that this was confirmed by Govan Mbeki in 1999.

F4.5 Apartheid and the Treatment of Prisoners in South Africa, Statements and Affidavits, New York, 1967, United Nations, 2 copies

Includes: Statement by Nelson Mandela at his trial, 20th April 1964; Statement by Abram Fischer at his trial, 28 March 1966; affidavit dated 15/07/1964 by Washington Bongco who was hanged in Pretoria in February 1965

F4.6 Olive Schreiner, Portrait of a South African Woman by Johannes Meintjes, Hugh Keartland Publishers, Johannesburg, 1965

Inscribed: For Yasmin [Sylvia], "But the buoyancy of a new day, more powerful than the terrors of the night could ever be, will sweep along everyone who has endured to await its coming" Anna Seghers, with love and good wishes, A.M. Kathrada, Robben Island Prison, January 1974

- F4.7 Woman and Labour by Olive Schreiner, 1975 "International Year of the Woman" Commemorative Edition, edited by Adele Marie Van Der Spuy and Adriaan S. Van Der Spuy, Cosmos Publications, Johannesburg
Inscribed: A small token to express my immense joy, pride, and admiration on your graduation. May the future continue to be crowned with success. AM Kathrada, Robben Island Jail, July 1976.
- F4.8 Collected Seminar Papers on the Societies of Southern Africa in the 19th and 20th Centuries, Volume 1, Institute of Commonwealth Studies, London, 1970
Includes paper by Sylvia Neame entitled The ICU and British Imperialism, pp. 138-149
- F4.9 Verbatim Report of the Proceedings of the Natives Representatives Council (adjourned eighth session) held at Pretoria 8th August - 21st August 1945, Vol. III, Minutes, Annexures and Indices
- F4.10 Fragile
not filled
- G NELSON MANDELA LETTER, 1963 or 1964
Original letter written by Nelson Mandela to Sylvia Neame during the Rivonia Trial 1963/64.

The letter was written in response to Sylvia Neame's draft of her Honours thesis, which she wrote during her Honours' course at Wits University. Included an email by Sylvia Neame, where she explained the context around the letter.
Also included a transcript of the letter done by Sylvia Neame, typescript.
(The file is not stored with the collection, but in the Media room.)
- H INTERVIEWS
Interviews mostly undertaken by Sylvia Neame, some are transcribed from tapes, others are in the form of notes taken during the interviews; mostly in alphabetical order
- H1 A-B, 6f.
NB: there is nothing under 'A'
- H1.1 Julius Baker, London, 30/09/1987 typescript 4p.; Julius Baker, London, 30/09/-14/10/1987, manuscript 33p.;
- H1.2 Hilda Bernstein, Dorstone, Hereford, 21/08/1986, manuscript, 17p.;
- H1.3 Rusty Bernstein, London, October-November 1976, annotated manuscript photocopy, 75p.; Rusty Bernstein, Dorstone, Hereford, 21-22/08/1986, 33p.;
- H1.4 Mannie Brown, London, 29/09/1987, manuscript, 5p.;
- H1.5 Brian Bunting, London, 14/05/1986, manuscript 25p.; also includes 2 page CV and letter to East German Party, 1987 concerning bringing a tape recorder back to Berlin.
- H1.6 Sonia Bunting, London, 25/06/1988, manuscript, 21p.
- H2 C-H, 11f.
- H2.1 Fred Carneson, London, 15/05/1986, 28/08/1986, 15/10/1987, manuscript, 43p.;
- H2.2 Barry Feinberg, London, 01/10/1987, manuscript, 7p.;
- H2.3 Sadie Forman, Ringmer, Sussex, June 1988, manuscript, 34p.;
- H2.4 Denis Goldberg, London, 28/09/1987, 01/10/1987, manuscript, 27p.;
- H2.5 Harry Gwala, Berlin GDR, 29/10/1989, manuscript, 7p.;

- H2.6 Ray Harmel, London, 27/09/1987, manuscript, 8p.;
- H2.7 Jack Hodgson, 4f.
Some of the interviews seem to have been taped and transcribed, others were done in note form; there are typescripts of some of the interview with Hodgson. SN subsequently numbered the series sequentially so that there are 151 pages in total (interviews 1-8).
- H2.7.1 Originals, manuscripts and typescripts, 2f.
1st interview with Jack Hodgson, London, 17/09/1968, manuscript, 15p.; 2nd interview, 24/09/1968, manuscript 16p., and typescript 8p.; 3rd interview, 02/10/1968, manuscript 20p., typescript 17p.; 4th interview, 15/10/1968, manuscript 21p., typescript 17p.; 5th interview, 22/10/1968, manuscript, 18p.; 6th interview, no date, manuscript, 16p.; 7th interview, London, 12/11/1968, manuscript, 23p.; 8th interview, 19/11/1968, manuscript, 22p.
- H2.7.2 Photocopy, 151p., 2f.
SN photocopied the entire series of manuscripts and added notes to try and clarify her handwriting.
- H2.7.3 Other
Jack Hodgson obituary for Radio Freedom, by Ronnie Kasrils, broadcast to South Africa on 12/12/1977 from Luanda; poem 'Comrade Jack', by Ronnie Kasrils, Luanda, 03/12/1977.
- H2.8 Isaac (Osler) Horvitch, London, 10/06/1990, manuscript, 20p.;
- H2.9 A.W.G. Champion, Durban, July 1962, typescript, annotated, 6p.
- H3 J-L
- H3.1 Paul Joseph, London, 04/10/1986, manuscript, 15p.,
- H3.2 Pauline Kahn, London, 03/10/1987, manuscript, 18p.,
- H3.3 AM (Kathy) Kathrada, Mayfair, Johannesburg, 17/12/1995, manuscript, 13p., additional notes 28/03/2011
- H3.4 Wolfie Kodesh, London, 09/05/1986, 15/10/1987, manuscript, 53p.,
- H3.5 Blanche La Guma, London, 26/09/1987, manuscript, 7p.,
- H3.6 Caroline Lassalle (formerly de Crespigny), Limassol, Cyprus, 28/06/1989, manuscript, 14p.,
- H3.7 Leon Levy, London, 24/06/1990, manuscript, 20p., also photocopy with corrections
- H3.8 Norman Levy, London, June 1988, 20p.
- H3.9 Gunther Lewin
1st interview Leipzig, 21/12/1976; 2nd interview, 13/01/1977; 3rd interview, 03/02/1977; 4th interview, 01/01/1977; all manuscript; 60p. in total.
- H4 M-N
- H4.1 Joe Matthews
!First interview, London, 16/05/1969, manuscript, 18p.; 2nd interview, London, 27/05/1969, manuscript, 16p.; 3rd interview, London, 30/05/1969, manuscript, 26.; additional page, London, 05/12/1969, manuscript. These pages are also numbered sequentially 01 to 61, by SN. Final interview, Cape Town, 12/11/2004, manuscript, 9p., as well as notes made by SN prior to the interview. Two colour photographs of Matthews taken in Cape Town in 2004 removed from the folder, stored in Room 27.
- H4.2 Govan Mbeki, Cape Town, 19/05/1999, manuscript, 2p.
- H4.3 M.D. Naidoo, London, 13/06/1990, manuscript, 17p.
- H4.4 Isaac Nyathi (Nyati)

Zapu representative in the GDR. 1st interview, Berlin, 22/10/1979, manuscript, 8p.; 2nd interview, 23/11/1979, manuscript, 11p.; additional page, 07/12/1979, manuscript, 1 p.; 4th interview, 28/12/1979, manuscript, 5p.; lists of questions to put to Nyathi.

H5 P - Se

H5.1 Vela Pillay, London, 04/10/1987, manuscript, 20p.

H5.2 Ronnie Press, London, 06/10/1987, manuscript, 11p.

H5.3 William (Bill) Roberts, London, 08/10/1987, manuscript, 23p., plus 2 emails exchanged by Lee Roberts, Bill's son, and SN, February 2017 and a photocopy of the interview annotated by SN.

H5.4 Albie Sachs, London, June 1990 and June 1991, manuscript, 16p.

H5.5 Arnold Selby

The interviews were conducted in Berlin, GDR, 31/05/1985, 28/06/1985, 29/07/1985 and 29/10/1987, manuscript, 78p. One page has a section cut out.

H6 Sh - W

H6.1 Dorothy and Errol Shanley, Berlin GDR, 23/04/1987, manuscript, 18p.

H6.2 Archie Sibeko, London, 20/05/1986, manuscript, 9.

H6.3 Ray Simons, Berlin GDR, manuscript, 7p.

H6.4 Joe Slovo, Berlin GDR, 07/08/1986, manuscript, 20p.

H6.5 Athol Thorne, London, 11/10/1987, manuscript, 17p.

H6.6 Ben Turok, London, 21/05/1986, manuscript, 11p.

H6.7 Harold Wolpe, London, 10/10/1987, manuscript, 18p.

H7 ICU interviews,

Mainly in the 1960s SN interviewed a number of people about their recollections of the ICU. Many have been annotated by SN.

H7.1 W. Ballinger, typescript, 4p., Cape Town, 1962

H7.2 R. Bernstein, manuscript, 75p., London, October - November 1976

H7.3 V. Britain, manuscript, 3p., London, 1969

H7.4 Lord Fenner Brockway, manuscript, 15p., London, 1969; typescript, 3p., London, 1965, conducted by Ruth First, includes questions prepared by SN whilst in prison in South Africa

H7.5 S. Buirski, manuscript, 93p., London, 1968, 2f.

H7.6 R. Bunting, manuscript, 53p., London, June-December 1968

H7.7 S. Carneson, manuscript, 8p., late 1960s

H7.8 Major Cowley, typescript, 5p., Durban, 1962; letter from Graham Neame, 14/08/1968, with details of his interview with Major Cowley and A.W.G. Champion, 7p., typescript

H7.9 Fred Dube, manuscript, 63p., London, 1968

H7.10 Issy Diamond, typescript, 1p., Johannesburg, 1962

H7.11 S. Elias, typescript, 3p., Bloemfontein, 1962

H7.12 Feldman and Shochat, manuscript, 7p., London, 1969

H7.13 Julius First, manuscript, 40p., London, 1968 & 1970

H7.14 M. Goldsmith, manuscript, 8p., 1969;

H7.15 J. Gomas, typescript, 14p., Cape Town, 1962

H7.16 M. Harmel, typescript, 3p., 1962

H7.17 C.L.R. James, manuscript, 21p., London, 1968

H7.18 W. Kalk, typescript, 2p., Johannesburg, 1962

H7.19 T.B. Lujiza, 1st interview, typescript, 6p., 1965; 2nd interview, typescript, 8p., 1969; both interviews by Graham Neame.

H7.20 William Miller Macmillan, manuscript, 12p., Abingdon, Berkshire, U.K., 1968

- H7.21 Sam Malkinson, manuscript, London, 21p., 1974
- H7.22 Manasseh Cleaver Thawale Tymon MANDA, manuscript, 293, London, July 1968 to March 1970, 3f.
- Last file includes notes by SN on questions to ask Manda and a Christmas card.
- H7.23 J.B. Marks, manuscript, 19p., London, 1969
- H7.24 D. Modiakgotla, typescript, 2p., Kimberley, 1962
- H7.25 I.B. Moroe, typescript, 2p., Pretoria, 1962
- H7.26 K. Mote, typescript, 4p., Pretoria, 1962
- H7.27 H. Selby Msimang, typescript, 5p., Pietermaritzburg, 1962
- H7.28 R. Palme-Dutt, manuscript, 8p., London, 1969
- H7.29 J. Phillips, manuscript, 29p., London, 1969
- H7.30 A. Rothstein, manuscript, 8p., London, 1969; 2nd interview, manuscript, 18p., London, 1975
- H7.31 E. Roux, typescript, 5p., Johannesburg, 1962
- H7.32 S. Sachs, manuscript, 25p., London, 1969
- H7.33 Shochat, manuscript, 7p., 1968
- H7.34 J. Sesing, typescript, 2p., Bloemfontein, 1962
- H7.35 Sigamoney, typescript, 2p., Johannesburg, 1962;
- H7.36 Bennie Weinbren, 1p., typescript, 1962
- H7.37 W. Sisulu, manuscript, 3p., Johannesburg, 1993
- H7.38 Issie Woolfson, typescript, 1p., Johannesburg, 1962
- H7.39 D. Wolton, manuscript, 29p., London, 1968
- Also includes a 5-page typescript CV by Wolton himself covering the period 1922 to 1942 with the final page entitled 'Trotskyism in South Africa'.
- H7.40 Notes and suggestions, 1f.
- Includes: notes by SN about interview methodology for an Appendix to the work on the ICU; notes by SN of suggestions that certain people made of things she should read and persons who should be interviewed.
- H7.41 Letters
- Includes: letter and comments from Andrew Rothstein, 1975; 2 letters from Advocate George Findlay, 1969
- I PHOTOS **(not yet sorted)**
- J MEMORABILIA **(not yet sorted)**
- K MISCELLANEOUS **(not yet sorted)**
- L AWG CHAMPION PAPERS, 1935-1959
- Note by Sylvia Neame (edited by Ruth Muller, October 2018) on how she came to have these papers: I visited Champion at his home in Inanda [in 1962] and, apart from having prepared a big table of eats, he said I could go down into his cellar and collect all I wanted. So I packed as much as I could into the boot of my car. The material I picked up [...] was apparently a huge amount of personal receipts and accounts, collected by Champion over [...] a couple of decades. It was a full coal-bag in which mice/rats and other insects had enjoyed themselves. I took it with me as there was nothing else to take and I concluded that [Lionel] Forman had taken all the political stuff. However, as an historian [one] does not turn down such an offer.

Champion collected simply everything. Quite amazing. He [...] really played a very important role in our historical accounts of the liberation movement in the 20th century. In this respect, he needs to be more honoured than he has been so far. His political role was more contradictory
 As I mentioned [previously], relatives packed up my papers after I left the country, ten days after coming out of gaol [April 1967]. I did not look at this material for decades for I concluded it was not relevant for my research. Apart from the fact that it appeared to be only personal receipts, etc. Moreover, it was clearly material from a later period than that I was working on for my dissertation [...] After I handed in my doctoral dissertation at the end of 1975, except for a couple of articles, I did not work on the ICU. I only got back to it in 1991 [...] I think it was in the year, 2000, while living in SA that I finally forced myself to look through those receipts and found, to my surprise, some really useful historical documents [...]. For a short biography go to: <https://www.sahistory.org.za/people/allison-champion>

- L1 All African Convention (AAC), 1935-1948, 5f.
Minutes, policy and other documents relating to the All-African Convention (AAC)
- L1.1 Minutes
 - L1.1.1 Minutes of All-African Convention, 1936, 1937, 1940
2 originals, 1 photocopy (original in the UCT Lionel Forman Collection)
 - L1.1.2 Minutes of the Joint Conference of the African National Congress and the All-African Convention, held in the Community Hall, Batho Location, Bloemfontein on the 16th and 17th December 1948

2 copies, cyclostyled, one signed by AWG Champion
- L1.2 Letters
Circular Letter to all African organisations, societies, chiefs and leaders, invitation to Transvaal Provincial conference to be held in Johannesburg on 4th and 5th October, 1936, includes the Agenda, 1p.; letter to AWG Champion, 54 Cross Street, Durban, inviting him to a meeting of the Natal Executive Committee of the AAC, taking place at the Methodist Institute on Monday 5th August 1940, carbon copy on AAC letter head, 1p., letter from Selby Msimang, General Secretary, All-African Convention, published in Ilanga Lase Natal, March 7 1936, concerning an emergency convention to be held in Bloemfontein on 29th June 1936, newspaper cutting.
- L1.3 Statements and other policy documents, 1937-1948
 - L1.3.1 Policy of the All African Convention with reference to political matters, 1937, 3p.,
Drafted by the Executive Committee of the AAC for guidance and for submission to the Bloemfontein Convention to be held in December 1937
 - L1.3.2 Calling All Africans by The All-African Convention Committee (Western Province), 1943, 2p.,
 - L1.3.3 Full text of Political Review presented to the Conference of the All African Convention, December 1943, 6p.
 - L1.3.4 All-African Convention Executive Committee's Statement, 7th July 1944, Along the New Road, 1p.

2 copies, both torn
 - L1.3.5 Programme, African National Convention, on the Native Bills, undated, 1p.,
 - L1.3.6 Resolution by the assembly of the All-African National Convention, undated, 1p.,
Calls for 'non-cooperation with the Government as far as the working of the Native Representation Act is concerned'.
 - L1.3.7 Limi Ngothi, pamphlet, May 1936

The cover reads in full: Limi Ngothi, Intlaba nkhosi ngemithetho ka Jenene Hertzog: ngu H. Selby Msimang, General Secretary, All-African Convention, Price 6D (the title might translate as "There is danger").

L2 Natives' Representative Council, 1935-1951

L2.1 Letters, 1936-1950

Correspondence to and from Champion, in his capacity as a Member of the Representative Council (MRC), some also from the nomination period, several are fragile.

Includes: letter from the Native Commissioner, Durban, confirming that 'Native Members' of the Council 'must make their own arrangements for accommodation in Cape town', 03/04/1936; from W.S. Mini, Mr. Ngonyama and S.P. Zulu, requesting to meet with Champion 'in connection with the terms of the Native Representation Act', Durban, 26/11/1936; letter from the Native Commissioner, Durban, requesting that Champion, as a nominated candidate for election, supply a sworn statement that he is qualified to be elected and that he accepts nomination, 05/12/1939; Ms letter from Rev. Nicholas B.H. Bhengu, No. 29 Native Village, Ladysmith, concerning the elections and people that Champion should contact, 01/09/1942;

Champion writes to a Mr. Kambule explaining that he hadn't managed to visit Newcastle because he had suddenly fallen ill, the letter concludes "I share with you the hope that we may win Ladysmith in the final elections.", 21/09/1942; Chief Native Commissioner, Natal, sends notice to Champion of Sixth Session of the NRC to take place in Pretoria on 7th December 1942; letter from Champion mentioning his election to the NRC in November 1942 and calling 'friends' to a conference to be held at the Bantu Social Centre in Durban in February 1943; correspondence concerning an underpaid, and later sacked, Mcnamee & Co., Ltd., furniture worker Edmund Dubazane, May to September 1943; letter written on behalf of the Conference of Native-owned Churches requesting a meeting with the Secretary for Native Affairs; a series of letters concerning food rationing in Durban and the different goods that are made available to White and 'Native' businesses, June 1946. Also includes some items to do with the Natives Advisory Board election in Paulpietersburg 1939-1940.

L2.2 Minutes of NRC meetings and other associated NRC documentation

Includes: Minutes of meetings, 1942 and 1945; supplementary Agenda for 08/08/145; Propose Amendments to sections two and three of Regulations No. 1664 of 1929 - to do with 'Native estates'; copies of Reports 'furnished by the Chief Inspectors of Native Education, Cape, Transvaal, Natal and Orange Free State' for the NRC meeting of 01/12/1943; Address by The Director of Native Agriculture, T.G.W. Reinecke, to the NRC, November 1944, 24p.; Speech of the Minister of Native Affairs Major P.V.G. van der Byl at the Opening of the Ninth Session of the NRC at Pretoria on 7th November 1945, 4p.;

L2.3 Documents drafted by AWG Champion

Includes: Motions covering the Natives Land Act, cattle dipping, Native Location Advisory Boards, transport costs amongst other items; Reply to Dr. Edgar H. Brookes Lecture concerning the NRC, no date; Native Representative Council, signed by Champion, Zulu, 3p.; Sesibuya Kona Eshowe, Zulu, ts, 1p.; an 'address' by Champion concerning the work of the NRC and the discriminatory situation in which 'our Native people' find themselves, ts, no date, 4p.; Ourselves and the Laws that Govern us, no date, 2p.; two copies of a small pamphlet, in Zulu and English, entitled 'Asalibele', concerning the possible active participation of black soldiers in the defence of Union during World War II, as discussed at the NRC, no date.

L2.4 Miscellaneous

Includes: document apparently recording Champion's interventions in NRC meetings, cyclostyled, no date, 10p.; Petrol Control Permit made out to A.W.G. Champion MNRC, 07/07/1945, by the Controller of Petrol, Durban, to enable him to drive to Chief Boshiwe's Kraal, Eshowe District, via the shortest route; affidavit made by 'Allison Wessels George Champion' recommending Nyawana Fakazi as being 'qualified to hold an inyanga's licence, 07/03/1942; Memorandum by the Natal Native Medical Association concerning the NRC's proposed deliberations on the prohibition of 'any and all kinds of advertising relating to Native medicines prepared by Natives', ts, 2p.; incomplete Memorandum in letter form, concerning restrictions being imposed on the 'licensed Native Medicine man', 1p.; resolution taken at a meeting addressed by Champion held at the Bantu Social Centre Durban on 12/02/1943;

L3 African National Congress, 1936-1951

Champion was a member and leader of the ANC from the late 1920s holding various positions until he was defeated by Albert Luthuli in an election for the ANC Natal President in 1951 at which point he left the organisation. See <https://www.sahistory.org.za/people/allison-champion>

L3.1 Correspondence 1943-1951, 5f.

Mostly in English but also some in Zulu

L3.1.1 1936, 1943-1946

Includes: Anti-Pass Campaign letter from the provisional anti-pass committee, Durban, 04/04/1944; letter from Rev. N.J. Marwa, Ekupumleni School Ladysmith, 02/08/1945, donating 2/6 (two shillings and sixpence) mentioning that he is "alone here who confess to join the Congress" and that "Our people knows no thing about Congress"; letter from Champion to Mr. D. Tloome, Secretary Bookkeeper, ANC, 01/08/1946, concerning the calling of an Emergency Committee meeting in Bloemfontein; letter to Dr. A.B. Xuma, President General ANC, 01/08/1945, mentioning that "those who move about the country must have a code to use for instruction otherwise all people will go about in the name of Congress to fish out information from the Officers of the Congress", this with reference to a Mr. Damane who claimed to be from the Anti-Pass Campaign;

L3.1.2 1947

Includes: letter from A.B. Xuma, 28/03/1947, relating to his consulting rooms being at 104 End Street, Doornfontein, and his 'residence' as Empilweni, 85 Toby Street, Sophiatown, raising various matters and enquiring after Champion's health after a car accident; letters from Selby Msimang mentioning co-operation between Congress and other non-European groups and mentioning Chief Lutuli [Luthuli] and "his silence in reporting to you the work of his branch and tickets", this being "a very delicate matter"; telegram and letter, June 1947, between Champion and Xuma on the matter of a request for the payment of the "exorbitant sum" of 12 pounds in expenses; telegram from Tloome, 58 Market Street, Johannesburg, 31/07/1947, "Lembede died yesterday"; long letter to the President General (Xuma), 31/08/1947, raising 4 policy matters, including the matter of co-operation with the Indian Congresses and their by-passing of the Natal structures of the ANC; letter from S.I.J. Bhengu, ANC Natal Office of Justice and Transportation, 02/12/1947, concerning ex-acting Chief Bangutuli Mbata and Mbata tribe (Sebeni section) of the Vryheid District regarding the appointment of their tribal chief, mentioning Chief Zombode Zulu, who was appointed after the government deposed Chief Matuta who was accused of collaborating with Bhambata's Rebellion;

L3.1.3 1948-1949

Includes: letter from Senator Edgar Brookes, 19/07/1948; letter from Msimang telling off the ANC Youth League Acting Secretary for not getting his 'etiquette' right, 31/08/1948; M.B. Yengwa writes concerning the formation of the ANC Youth League in Natal, 23/09/1948; letter from James Calata, Cradock, 19/01/1949, requesting information about the fighting between "the Zulus and the Indians in Natal"; letter from the National Union of the Daughters of Africa Association inviting Champion to attend a meeting in Ladysmith, 03/03/1949; letter from Champion to Msimang, 09/11/1949, expressing his concern on the matter of Msimang's idea of helping "the Zulu race in pressing that the cattle should be turned into a huge Capital to organise business concerns to help us" ...[he goes on] "What is against you is the African public opinion...you have taken a very risky step"; Champion also mentions that Msimang is serving two masters - the Congress Fund and the Zulu Royal Fund;

L3.1.4 1950-1955

Includes: several items in Zulu; letter from Selby Msimang, ANC Provincial Secretary in Natal, 10/03/1950, which proposes "organising a strong deputation to the Government composed of leading and influential chiefs" in view of "the threat to divide our people according to tribes under apartheid policy". The last sentence of the letter reads: "God has destined that you should lead this nation."; letter from Sithole in Mtubatuba, 03/05/1950, about SA Railways buses to Nongoma and also re ANC business that he wants to attend a meeting later in the month but "I cannot afford to sacrifice my private cash..[for travel purposes]"; letter from S.I.J. Bhengu, ANC (Natal) Office of Justice and Transport, Vryheid, 10/05/1950, mentioning the issue of Msimang and the "two (different funds in the same name", also that he thinks "we shall have no difficult [sic] nor interference" with the "re-organising Inkata ka Zulu"; letter from Champion to Msimang, 19/10/1950, decrying the activities of the Youth League, "composed of men from Urban Areas" and also Msimang's allying himself with them; he also feels generally undermined by Msimang and protests at the end by saying "For you, Mr. Msimang of all people to say I am unnational and unworthy as a leader leaves me stone cold"; 3-page telegram to Champion from F.E. Mqadi, Waschbank, 20/03/1951, concerning the ongoing problems between Indians and Africans, accusing Indians of indecently assaulting African women and girls and the exploitation of Africans "by corrupt Indian business power"; 1955 letter addressed to Champion care of F. Carneson, 6 Barrack Street, Cape Town, in Zulu;

L3.1.5 Undated Mainly in Zulu

L3.2 Leaflets and press cuttings, 3f.

L3.2.1 Leaflets and pamphlets

Includes: Africans' Claims, Congress Series No. 11, published by the ANC, Johannesburg, pamphlet, 16p.; Isikwama Sisizwe! Abanduleli Besikwama Sisizwe e Natal (National Fund), 8p.;

L3.2.2 Press cuttings

Champion used a copy of the Report of the Native Affairs Commission for the Year 1945-46 as an 'album' for some of his press cuttings.

L3.3 General, English, 4f.

Includes: speeches and reports by Champion; resolutions and statements; several agendas; items to do with the Youth League in Natal; a draft constitution for the Natal ANC, signed by Champion; Minutes of the Annual Conference of the ANC, 1949; financial statement, signed by S.M. Molema, treasurer-general, 15/12/1950; the Annual Report of the NEC to 47th Annual Conference of the ANC, Durban, December 1959; 'The White Threat!', a document written by Champion on 30/08/1952, just before the official start of the Defiance Campaign in Natal, castigating the ANC and Chief Lutuli amongst others and giving some of his own history in the Congress; A Plea for Adequate Pay for African and other Non-European Soldiers and Reasonable Allotments to their Dependents, 26/02/1943: A.B. Xuma and others appear before a Committee to make a presentation on soldier's pay and to answer questions, incomplete, damaged document.

- L3.4 General, Zulu, 2f.
1945-1951, bulk undated.
- L3.5 Ledger
ANC Natal, Durban and sub-branches
- L4 General correspondence, 1937-1957, bulk 1942-1951, 2f.
Includes: letters to do with the purchase of land from Champion, food control (during the war), a letter in Zulu, 13/02/1937, to 'Dear Son in Law', a 1942 letter from Kambule annotated by Champion in January 1950 "I succeed to place Mr. Kambule in the location office Somtseu Location - he is one of the men who have not shown me any gratitude"; a letter from the Native Commissioner Durban, 27/08/1943, approving a travel itinerary taking Champion around Natal, showing the number of miles he will traverse; confirmation of an invitation for Champion to speak at a meeting of the Durban Liberal Study Group on the topic of "What the Indians have done for the Africans", 01/09/1943; carbon copies of letters from Champion to J.S. Moroka, Selope Thema and Z.K. Matthews on the subject of the introduction of Zulu and Sesuto {Sesutho} as a medium of instruction in schools in Natal and the Transvaal and the opposition to this by the Bantu Parents Association amongst others, 30/05/1944;
- letter from B.B. Cele, 22/01/1947, saying that Rev. Father James, CMM, the new editor of UmaAfrika is refusing to publish one of Champion's articles; notice of a meeting to be addressed by the Rev. H.M.G. Mpitso, organising secretary of the Mendi Memorial Scholarship Fund, August 1948; letter to Champion from 'Gumede', in Zulu, 20/03/1950, which ends, in English " I will be very sorry if you could miss such good fowls"; letter from Champion to The District Commandant, S.A. Police, Northern Area Headquarters, 15/04/1957, complaining that the Station Commander Stanger has instructed his "native constables" not to buy from Champion's shops "because I am the member of the African National Congress and also as such I am a communist"; telegram carbon copy book.
- L5 Publications and newspaper cuttings, 1936, 1942, 1f.
The New African, Vol. 1, No. 9, January 1936; Inkundla Ya Bantu (The Bantu Forum), Vol. 5, April 20th 1942, No. 49;
- L6 Miscellaneous, 2f.

Includes: leaflet announcing a 'Competition in Music' and a 'Best Evening Wear Competition' at the Bantu Social Centre, 26/02/1936; autobiographical scrap by Champion entitled 'Books by the same author'; item by G.T. Kumalo on the situation at his village, addressed to the 'Durban Congress Meeting 29.4.44', where 'the authorities' block all attempts at improvement by 'Maritzburg Africans'; 'The Medium of Instruction' by D.S.S. Mtimkulu; Mrs M.B. Lavoipierre's Open Remarks to the Second Annual Conference of the Natal Indian Congress, May 1948; list of people who subscribed to fund Champion's trip to Cape Town "to participate in the deputation of Native Leaders...going to wait on the Union Cabinet regarding the Native Bills on the 3rd February 1936"; conference expenses receipts, April 1944; items on the Location Advisory Boards; blue Tudor Examination Book, various notes, draft letters etc.; some fragile 'scraps'.

M ARNOLD SELBY PAPERS

M1 Memoir, 2 oversize folders

Fragile carbon copy. In 1990 he 'sold' the typescript of his memoir, *The Seed of O'Reilly*, to Sylvia Neame for 5,000 Marks (former East German currency) and that 'agreement', in the form of a letter, is included here at M4

M1.1 Part 1, pp.01-128

M1.2 Part 2, pp.01-107

M1.3 Part 3, pp.01-272

M2 Correspondence, 1974-1988, 1f.

Includes letters to Sechaba, Inkululeko Publications, one to John Nkadimeng on his, Selby's, retirement from full-time work in December 1983, a letter to the Berlin Unit of the 'ANC in the GDR' listing his sports commitments (running) until the end of 1985; copy sent to Selby of a letter from Violet Weinberg to the General Secretary of the GDR Communist Party (S.E.D.) thanking them for her "health holiday", July 1983.

M3 Articles and draft papers, 1f.

Includes: Nations, Class and the tasks of the Trade Unions in the South African National and Social Liberation Struggle, International Anti-Apartheid Scientific Conference, Berlin, September 1979, 18p.; South African Liberation Struggle - A Component of the Fight for World Peace and Disarmament, paper given at Leipzig seminar, February 1981, by Selby 'Banned General Secretary, African Textile Worker's Union', 6p.; 35 Years German Democratic Republic, a survey: For discussion, ANC Berlin Unit, 26p.; Some thoughts on the elaboration of an agreement instituting a Charter of Principles for bringing to justice those responsible - collectively and individually - for apartheid crimes, 75th anniversary of the ANC, Berlin, January 1987, 8p.; item for Umsebenzi, Third Quarter 1988, Points for discussion on article 'Soft and Hard Targets', 2p.; Thoughts on Forthcoming Consultative Conference, 2 papers, no date;

M4 Miscellaneous, 1f.

Includes: autobiographical notes 'Why I joined the Communist Party', 4p.; letter to Sylvia Neame confirming that Selby ceded all rights concerning his autobiography 'The Seed of O'Reilly' for the sum of 5,000 marks, 1990;

N SEGAJANE TLALE PAPERS & THESES

Tlale was active in Bechuanaland [Botswana] politics in the early 1960s and also in the African student movement in Leipzig where he studied at the Karl Marx University in the late 1960s and first half of 1970s

- N1 Personal papers
- N1.1 Certificates
Moeng College, 1959-1960
- N1.2 Personal correspondence 1961-1965
Includes: letter from Tom Mboya of Kenya, 22/03/1961; letters from a cousin in Prague, Czechoslovakia; replies to job applications; letters from Contact magazine in South Africa.
- N2 Politics in Bechuanaland
These include the Botswana National Front, the Bechuanaland Democratic Party, the Bechuanaland People's Party (BPP), The Botswana Federation of Women as well students associations connected to the parties. Documents include constitutions, correspondence, statements, appeals
- N2.1 Correspondence, 1961-1965
Mostly to do with the Bechuanaland Congress Party or the BPP, includes letters from Tlale's cousin but about BPP matters.
- N2.2 BPP documents
Mostly undated
- N2.3 Student organisations
- N2.4 Other entities
Includes constitution of the Botswana Federation of Women
- N2.5 Background papers
Includes: The Political Situation in Bechuanaland and 2 editions of the Bechuanaland Fact Sheet.
- N3 Theses
Both are in German
- N3.1 Völkerrechtliche Probleme des Kampfes Namibias um nationale Unabhängigkeit, Diplomarbeit, Segajane Shoshong Segajane Tlale, Karl-Marx-Universität, Leipzig, June 1969, bound volume
- N3.2 Völkerrechtliche Probleme des Kampfes des Volkes von Namibia (Südwestafrika) um politische Unabhängigkeit, Dissertation sur Erlangung des juristischen Doktorgrades, vorgelegt am Institut für Internationale Studien der Karl-Marx-Universität, Leipzig, von Segajane Shoshong Segajane Tlale, aus Mahalapye Republik Botswana, March 1973, bound volume; inscribed to Sylvia Neame.
- N4 Miscellaneous, 1f.
Includes: items in German some concerning the 'Union der Afrikanischen Studenten und Arbeiter in der Deutschen Demokratischen Republik;
- O AHMED KATHRADA, 1956-2000
Includes: photocopy of an article by Kathrada published in Liberation No. 20, August 1956; article in German about Kathrada; IDAF bio; Barnet Anti-apartheid leaflet, c1986; 4-page ts about Kathrada by Paul Joseph; 2 pages from the ANC Newsbriefing, Vol. 13 22/10/89; Kathrada Foundation pamphlet, 2007. Press Cuttings, 1989-2007 stored separately in oversize folder.
- P SOWETO
SN had these documents filed separately, and the order has been maintained.

- P1 Two interviews conducted by SN in the ANC offices in Berlin, GDR, on 08/10/1982, with 'Alex Mashinini' real name Edward (Eddie) Tshidiso Mokhoantse, manuscript, 31p., and 'Tilly Isaacson', manuscript, 7p.
- P2 Papers and statements
- P2.1 Papers
Includes: paper on the topic of 16th June 1976, in German, presented by Joy Rabotapi at meeting organised by ISK and UASA, June 1977, GDR, corrected manuscript, 6p.; Crisis of the racist regimes in Southern Africa, Valentin Gorodnov, Social Sciences Today, USSR Academy of Sciences, Moscow, 1978, p.147-166, annotated; Soweto and Johannesburg: Antagonism and Interdependency, V.P. Gorodnov, Institute of World History, USSR Academy of Sciences, Moscow, 13p.,
- P2.2 Statements, ANC
Statement of the African National Congress on the current situation in South Africa, O.R. Tambo, Acting President, Lusaka, 23/06/1976, typescript, 4p.; Message of the National Executive Committee to all the units of the African National Congress of South Africa on the current situation, signed by M. Msimang for Alfred Nzo, Secretary General, ANC (South Africa), Dar Es Salaam, 14/09/1976, typescript, 7p.; statement from the ANC in London on the arrest and death by hanging of Mapepela Mohapi, attached to Amandla Matla, Newsletter of the ANC, Vol.5 No.2, typescript, 6p.,
- P3 Window on Soweto by Joyce Sikakane [Sikhakhane], book, published by IDAF (International Defence & Aid Fund), London, June 1977, annotated and slightly water damaged.
- Q SOUTH AFRICAN COMMUNIST PARTY (SACP)
SN was part of an SACP 'unit' in the GDR which originally consisted of 3 people - herself, Arnold Selby and Obed Motshabi. Apparently it was the only such 'unit' in the GDR. Motshabi left quite early on and later on during SN's time in East Germany Indres Naidoo joined the unit. Documents were produced by SN and Selby both for discussion within the unit (meaning most of the time between the 2 of them) and for the Party leadership, first based in London, later in Africa. They also wrote articles and papers for the African Communist which were sent to London. This material was often handed to Brian or Sonia Bunting when they visited the GDR (about 4 times a year apparently) or occasionally to others if they came through. SN and Selby and many others (including Selby's wife Jeanette Selby) were also part of an 'open' ANC unit in the GDR which was known as the ANC 'Youth and Student' group.
- Q1 Extended CC meeting / 6th Congress, 1984, 4f
The Congress happened to be called as an extended CC meeting and was then changed to a Congress in the course of the proceedings on the suggestion of Ronnie Kasrils. Prior to what SN and others called the 'extended CC meeting' or 'the Moscow Conference', but was in fact the Sixth Congress of the SACP, held in Moscow at the end of 1984, the Party circulated documents for discussion and units responded.
- Q1.1 Documents circulated to regions and units by the Political Bureau (PB) of the SACP

Includes: letter from M.M. Mabhida (G.S.), Lusaka Zambia, 24/09/1984, which accompanied the discussion documents and mentions an Annexure A which appears to be missing; Draft Statement of the Political Bureau of the SACP, circulated for discussion within the Party in preparation for the forthcoming meeting of the Extended Central Committee, 10/09/1984, 42 pages, faded in places and annotated by SN; The Trade Union Movement, Annexure B, 8 pages, annotated; Planning for Peoples War Discussion Document, November 1983? [SN's annotation], 11 pages, annotated; Draft South African Communist Party Constitution and Rules, 12 pages, bad copy, annotated; Constitution and Rules of the South African Communist Party, 13 pages, some annotations.

- Q1.2 Discussion papers prepared for 1984 extended CC meeting
Papers that were prepared by 'the Unit', mostly by SN, for submission to the Political Bureau of the SACP in the lead-up to the enlarged CC meeting.
Includes: Constitution, 19/11/1984, 2 pages, ts carbon copy with Ms. corrections; Concerning question of integration of members of non-African national groupings into ANC, 19/11/1984, 2 pages, ts carbon copy with Ms. corrections and additions; People's War document, 19/11/1984, 4 pages, ts with corrections; Political Report, 19/11/1984, 7 pages, ts with corrections; Trade Union Movement [this was Selby's area of expertise but SN states that she wrote this paper], 19/11/1984, 8 pages, ts carbon copy with corrections; On the Question of the calling of a "Morogoro-Type" conference, February 1984, 5 pages, ts, carbon copy with corrections: there are also what appear to be 2 earlier drafts of this paper; Some comments on the relationship of the national & international aspects of our work, February 1984, 4 pages, ts, carbon copy with corrections: there is an earlier draft of this paper; General points for consideration of the extended meeting, 1984, 2 pages, ts, carbon copy with Ms corrections and additions; Re handing over of documents for the extended meeting, August 1985, 1 page, ts, carbon copy: the Unit raises its concerns with the manner in which the SACP Political Bureau's (PB) discussion papers were handed to AS (Arnold Selby) - by the ANC Chief Rep.,
- Q1.3 Additional papers
It is not clear whether any of these papers were connected with the enlarged CC meeting but were found in the same folder.
Includes: General Queries, Feb. 1984, 1 page, a note asking for response to the Unit's various submissions; Trade Unions and Outside Finding, 2 pages, corrected ts, no date, probably authored by Arnold Selby; A Single Trade Union Federation, 2 pages, corrected ts, probably by Selby; Concluding remarks, February 1985, 1 page, carbon copy with Ms comments; The Maputo-Pretoria Pact: its significance for the liberation struggle in South Africa and the national revolution, March 1984, 11 pages, ts, photocopy(?), no author (and SN confirmed that it was not written by her or Selby but thinks it is an SACP paper), an analysis of what led to the Nkomati Accord, FRELIMO's internal politics and relationship with ANC and SACP.
- Q2 Internal SACP documents, 1978-1988
Circulated within the Party for information and discussion purposes, some emanating from the Central Committee
- Q2.1 1978-1986 and undated, 2f.

Includes: Bantustans and the Tactics of the Revolutionary Movement (Discussion document): New Developments, ts, 19p., no date; Contributions on the discussion document "The Role of the Party and Its Place in the National Liberation Movement", marked 'Only for circulation to Party Units', photocopy, 16p., no date; The Party and the Trade Unions, ts, 4p., no date; Malawi a guide to our research project, ts, 3p., no date; Fight Bantustans and Bantustan 'Independence' both from within and without: A reappraisal of our policy (This document was adopted by a recent plenum of our C.C. as a basis for discussion throughout our ranks. All comments on the contents must be received by C.C. before 20th November 1978, and will be considered before the final draft is adopted.), annotated photocopy, 15p., 1978; Forward to People's Power - The Challenge of the 1980s, Draft for discussion, cyclostyled, 15p., probably 1979;

Resolution on the current situation adopted by the Political Bureau of the South African Communist Party, September, 1980, cyclostyled, 2p.; Special Bulletin: Unit Discussion of the Bantustan Document (includes comments by the Central Committee and by Units), ts, 14p., February 1979; Guidelines - these guidelines were adopted at the last meeting of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee..., ts, 8p., February 1978; Discussion Document: The Role of the Party and its place in the national liberation movement, cyclostyled, 10p., 29/04/1980, 2 copies; Document on Accountability (The Document was prepared by the CC Plenary of 1981 and is entitled 'PARTY WORK IN THE FRATERNAL ORGANISATIONS' 'G' (1)), ts, 2p., 1981;

Draft Statement of the C.C. to be finally adopted at the forthcoming C.C. meeting, all comments must reach the P.B. by the 31st August 1981, cyclostyled, 19p., 1981; Draft Political Statement, photocopy, 15p., no date; Political Statement: The Enemy in Crisis: the following statement has been adopted by the PB for discussion at the forthcoming plenary session of our Central Committee ... arising out of the discussion it is intended that a public call will be issued to the people of South Africa. All regions and groups are asked to forward their comments by 10th September 1983, annotated photocopy, 11p., 1983; The ideas of socialism are spreading, following a meeting of its Central Committee, the South African Communist Party has issued the following statement..., photocopy, 8p., 1986;

Q2.2

Inner Party Bulletin, May 1980 - June 1988, 3f.

Produced by the Central Committee of the SACP. 17 editions, some have just one page, others more than 15 pages. The November 1981 edition has this instruction: 'This bulletin is for the eyes of Party members only. Regions and units must ensure that each copy is accounted for, and that it is not circulated to any unauthorised person'.

Topics include: May 1980 -The Role of the Party and its place in the National Liberation Movement; July 1980 - resolution of the Political Bureau on trades unions; November 1981 - discussion within the Central Committee, led by 'GS' (the General Secretary) of the PB's "not ... satisfactory" political report and notes comments made by individual members of the CC, identified by initials only 'A', 'B', 'C' etc.; October 1983 - notes the death of Comrade Y.M. Dadoo and mentions that the last CC meeting was held, back in 1981; there are 2 copies of the September 1984 edition, one of which appears to have been produced for secret distribution within South Africa; December 1984 - concerns the 6th Congress of the SACP and notes that the 5th Congress was held "inside the country in underground conditions" [1953?];

February and March 1985 - more on 6th Congress; September 1985 - a call for reports to be submitted urgently for a forthcoming CC meeting and details of PB discussions that took place in August 1985 on 'the situation at home'; January and April 1986 - Report on recent Plenary Session of the Central Committee; March 1987 - "copies of this issue must be accounted for and returned to respective Regional and District Committees after study and comment" and notes the unanimous election of Joe Slovo as General Secretary after the death of Moses Mabhida; June 1978 - reports on an extended PB meeting; January 1988 - reports on the recent 'full Plenary Session'; June 1988 - includes an item on probationary members of the Party with the suggestion that they must "never be left in possession of the IPB [Inner Party Bulletin]", visit to the Soviet Union and meeting with the CPSU CC delegation and a report on a visit to "revolutionary Ethiopia;

Q2.3 The Path to Power, 1988-1989, 2f.

Several drafts of The Path to Power, one of which is entitled 'Draft Programme of the South African Communist Party', and responses authored by SN; Study Guide to the SACP Programme The Path to Power.

Q3 Papers produced by the SACP Unit in the GDR, 1982-1990 and undated

Most of the papers were written by SN and a few by fellow unit member Arnold Selby

Q3.1 1982

A number of different papers that have been sequentially numbered by SN: Is it not time for us to make preparations for an armed insurrection in South Africa? - Some thoughts on a re-definition of the relationship between political and military struggle in South Africa, October 1982, photocopy, 25 pages; The Role of the Party and its Place in the National Liberation Movement, February 1981, photocopy, 13 pages; Response to the Resolution on the Current Situation adopted by the Political Bureau of the SACP, September 1980, photocopy, 1 page; Our suggestions for the 60th anniversary, 1 page; Our thoughts on the "Guidelines", photocopy, 2 pages; Response to "Forward to Peoples Power - the Challenge of the 1980s", photocopy, 7 pages; The following is addressed to the CC (or the Political Bureau acting on its behalf), concerning the existence of the Unit, February 1981, photocopy, 2 pages; document from the Unit drawing attention to the fact that they get no feedback on their submissions and other matters, July 1982, photocopy, 6 pages; [57 pages in total]

Q3.2 1983 - 1986

Includes: Response to the document "The Party and the Trade Unions", April 1983, carbon copy ts, 4 pages; April 1983 issues the Unit agreed to raise with the party leadership, carbon copy ts, 1 page; Economic Commission, November 1985, carbon copy ts, 2 pages; We need to prepare ourselves for new possible tasks (in relation to the question of "talks"), August 1985, carbon copy ts, 3 pages; The Talks, November 1985, carbon copy ts, 1 page; Re person suggested for recruitment: "we would like to inform the party that the person we suggested for membership has over the past months evidenced definite left-radical tendencies...", August 1985, carbon copy ts, 2 pages;

The present township battles and the question of organisation, May 1985, carbon copy ts, 2 pages; A suggestion for a shift of emphasis in the international work of the liberation movement, November 1986, carbon copy ts, 9 pages; The paths for a political solution of the SA question, November 1986, carbon copy ts, 2 pages; Concerning white specialists, November 1986, carbon copy ts, 2 pages; Is it not time for us to re-assess our strategy in the international arena?, October 1986, ts, 5 pages; Some suggestions to counter the tendency to isolation of, and to strengthen, the party in the present situation, July 1986, carbon copy ts, heavily annotated and corrected, 11 pages; short paper on the South African Defence Force (SADF) "by Arnold Selby after discussion", May 1986, carbon copy ts, 1 page; Unit Report to the CC, February 1986, carbon copy ts, 6 pages;

- Q3.3 1987
Includes: What does the 27th Congress of the CPSU mean for our struggle? (some thoughts relevant to the task of revising our programme), November 1987, by Sylvia Neame-Jahn, ts, annotated and corrected, 24 pages; The Death Squads white & black, August 1987, carbon copy ts, 4 pages; Workers' Control, August 1987, carbon copy ts, 5 pages; Work in the Bantustans, August 1987, carbon copy ts, 5 pages; Why have we banned the Internal Bulletin?, May 1987, carbon copy ts, 1 page; Training of cadre for the new South Africa (contribution to the Youth Conference of ANC, 1987), carbon copy ts, 11 pages; Strategy for the May election, February 1987, draft and 'copy handed in', ts and carbon copy ts, 10 pages and 6 pages;
- Q3.4 1988
Includes: Release of Nelson Mandela, October 1988, carbon copy ts, 1 page; The October Council Elections and the Liberation Forces (drawn up by Arnold after discussion), May 1988, 2 versions, carbon copy ts, 7 pages; The armed struggle, February 1988, corrected carbon copy ts, 6 pages; ANC platform for negotiations, February 1988, carbon copy ts, 8 pages; Negotiations with the Botha regime, January 1988 'not handed in, re-written', carbon copy ts, 11pages, 2 versions; Re problem of revision of the programme, January 1988, carbon copy ts, 6 pages, 2 versions; Signs of demoralisation in MK?, 'not handed in, re-written in elaborated form', January 1988, carbon copy ts, 2 pages; Response to 'Constitutional Guidelines for a Democratic South Africa, carbon copy ts, 20 pages.
- Q3.5 1989-1990
Includes: Comment on an "analytical contribution in the latest IPB [Internal Party Bulletin] written probably January 1990" putting forward the idea of a political solution rather than a "general insurrection", March 1990, carbon copy ts, 26 pages; Comment on a draft Workers' Charter and response to Cosatu's Worker's Charter campaign, 1989, drawn up by Arnold Selby, 11 pages; general feedback from the Unit, August 1989, carbon copy ts, 1 page;
- Q3.6 Undated, 3f.
- Q3.6.1 Undated papers written by 'AS', Arnold Selby, 2f.
Includes: Outside funding or Solidarity?, concerning funding for South African trades unions, carbon copy flimsy ts, 4 pages; Preparations for armed mass insurrection, supplement to continuing discussion, marked "drawn up by AS, not for handing in, ts, 1 page; The Land Question, 'not handed over', ts, 4 pages; The National Anti-Colonial Struggle in South Africa is not an anti-colonial struggle its pure form the distortions carry strong elements of class struggle in conditions of a highly industrialised capitalist society, 'not handed over', ts, 21 pages; Thoughts on Immediate Proposals, 3 versions none of which were 'handed over; Some thoughts on tasks facing revolutionary trade unions, ts, 5 pages, 2 versions; The Blue Print, ts, 3 pages; Some Thoughts on the Use of the Political Strike as a Weapon of Insurrection in the Fight for the Destruction of the Racist-Colonialist South African State: Some Experiences and Lessons of the General Strikes in Europe, 14 ts pages plus 2 Ms pages; May 1st 1950, 8 ts pages and 1 Ms page;
- Q3.6.2 Undated papers by Sylvia Neame, 1f.
Includes: What is the Role of the Masses in our Liberation Movement? The question of an uprising of the whole people (from one of the older generation), 2 versions, heavily annotated and corrected, 21 pages; paper on the issue of armed insurrection and its timing, several titles, corrected ts, 19 pages; Unit report which begins "Official contact does not exist with comrades in the GDR. We have made repeated efforts over several years to set up some sort of contact with a leading organ of the party outside the GDR...", ts, 10 pages.

Q3.7

Articles

Written mostly for Sechaba, some were not submitted for publication. All by SN

Includes: Response to Ronnie Kasrils on the armed struggle - The people's struggle is our guide, by 'Theresa', October 1988, carbon copy ts, 12 pages; Response to Toussaint - Workers' Control and Stages of Revolution, by 'Theresa', August 1988, 2 versions, carbon copy ts, 19 pages; Realism demands that we search for a political solution to the crisis in our country, by 'Brenda Stalker', February 1988, carbon copy ts, 17 pages; Workers Control 'for Internal use', August 1987, carbon copy ts, 5 pages; In honour of the 70th Anniversary of Great October (a page from the diary of a Communist), article for the AC, May 1987, carbon copy ts, 7 pages; Have we given up the strategic goal of the conquering of state power? 'published in Sechaba November 1987 under name of Brenda Stalker', May 1987, carbon copy ts, 8 pages; 2 incomplete items, 1983, 1984, 1 page each.

Q3.8

Papers written for the African National Congress, 1f.

Includes: The World Struggle Against Fascism Today, contribution as requested by ANC Youth Secretariat, 18/11/88, delivered 19.01.89, contributor Arnold Selby, flimsy carbon copy ts, 13 pages; A Response to "Constitutional Guidelines for a Democratic South Africa", 'written by SN for the ANC (different, especially last 5 pages to copy handed in to SACP)', carbon copy, 20 pages; A Response to "Constitutional Guidelines for a Democratic South Africa", 'written by SN for SACP (not exactly the same as the one for ANC)', carbon copy ts, 20 pages.

Q3.9

Letters for publication, 1983-1989, 2f.

Mainly to African Communist and Sechaba

Q3.9.1

From Sylvia Neame, 1983-1988, 1f.

Q3.9.2

From Arnold Selby, 1988-1989, 1f.

Q4

Correspondence, 1972, 1983-1990, 3f.

Some letters are to do with the ANC rather than the SACP.

Q4.1

General

Includes: SN letter to Professor Dr. Franz Ansprenger, Freie Universität Berlin, refers to his 'Working Paper' on the ANC and comments on the development of the ANC in the mid-1980s, 30/08/1991, photocopy, 8 pages; letter of invitation, in German, to a PDS event [The Party of Democratic Socialism was a democratic socialist political party in Germany active between 1989 and 2007. It was the legal successor to the Socialist Unity Party of Germany (SED), which ruled the German Democratic Republic until 1990], annotated by SN 'I did not attend', 31/08/1990, ts, 1 page;

letter to SN from Brian Bunting in London to say he has received her November letter and December 'parcel ... containing your third article [I] notice it is 24 pages long....', he also comments 'Since I saw you the GDR has turned upside down and who can say where it will all end? ... the wider implications are disturbing ... the Nazis and the reunifiers are on the move again...', 13/12/1989, ts, 1 page; letter from SN to 'Joe' [Slovo] 'to ask you for your assistance in regard to my academic life in the GDR' and sets out the history of her professional life in the GDR since 1971, 20/02/1989, carbon copy ts, 13 pages; carbon and Ms. copies of letters to Thabo Mbeki (Head of Information & Publicity, ANC, Lusaka), Pallo Jordan (Head of Research Dept., ANC, Lusaka) and the Secretary General (SG) ANC, Lusaka), about her paper on the 'Constitutional Guidelines', sent c/o ANC Office Berlin, December 1988, 1 ts page and 1 Ms page each;

from Arnold Selby (AS) to the DTSB, International Relations Dept., Berlin, proposing a '1,000 kilometre hike to commemorate the 70th birthday of ANC leader Nelson Mandela 18.07.1988', 03/12/1987, flimsy carbon copy ts, 1 page; from Antony Mongalo, ANC Chief Rep., Berlin, GDR, 03/10/1984, ts, 1 page; letter from AS to SN accompanying another, on the topic of 'settler-colonial rule', which he intends to send to the African Communist, 23/09/1984, ts, 4 pages; letter of application for membership of the SACP written by Christian Seleke and addressed to 'The General-Secretary', SACP, Inkululeko Publications, 39 Goodge Street, London, 30/08/1983, ts, 1 page; note to SN from 'Mick' [Michael Harmel?], 08/06/1972, Ms, 1 page; critique of an 'essay' [not attached] apparently on national liberation and the 'anti-imperialist struggle' in SA, ts., 5 pages, Ms., 4 pages, no date, no author.

- Q4.2 Arnold Selby to Sylvia Neame, 1974-1990, 2f.
These letters and cards are more personal in nature but are still mainly to do with the SACP and the Unit; some are undated. For more correspondence between AS and SN see A4.3.1
- Q5 Publications
- Q5.1 African Communist, incomplete, 1 box
Volume 1: 1959, No. 1, October (re-issue of the historic first issue of October 1959), No. 5, May; 1962: No. 8, January, No. 10, July/August; 1963: January-March; Volume 2 1963, No.3 April-June, No.4 July-September, No.15 October-December; 1964: No.16 January-March, No.17 April-June, No.18 July-September, No.19 October-December; 1965: No.20 January-March, No.21 April-June, No.22 Third Quarter, No.23 Fourth Quarter; 1966: No.24 First Quarter, No.25 Second Quarter, No.26 Third Quarter, No.27 Last Quarter; 1967: No.29 Second Quarter, No.30 Third Quarter, No.31 Fourth Quarter; 1968: No.32 First Quarter [no cover], No.33 Second Quarter, No.34 Third Quarter, No.36 Fourth Quarter; 1969: No.36 [this was probably an error] First Quarter, No.37 Second Quarter, No.38 Third Quarter Special Supplement, No.39 Fourth Quarter; 1977: No.70 Third Quarter; 1989: No.118 Third Quarter; The African Communist, Contents and Index 1959-1988, bound volume.
- Q5.2 Umsebenzi, 2f.
1985: Nos. 1,2,3; 1986: Nos. 1,2,3,4; 1987: Nos. 1,2,3,4; 1988: Nos. 1,2,3,4; 1989: Nos. 1,2,3/4, Special Edition November; 1990: Nos. 1,2; 1993: 1;
- Q5.3 International Bulletin, 1f.
Established in 1961 by the Central Committee as part of it's new International Department.

1961: April, August; 1970: July; 1971: September; 1985: November; 1986: January, May, July, December; 1988: November; 1989: January & July;
- Q5.4 Assorted pamphlets, 2f.

Includes: The Road to South African Freedom, Programme of the South African Communist Party; What I did was right - Bram Fischer, Statement from the dock, March 28 1966; The Enemy Hidden Under the Same Colour, Statement of the SACP on the racist and anti-Communist activities of the group of eight recently expelled from the ANC, 2 copies, one of which heavily annotated by SN, 1976; South Africa - No Middle Road, Joe Slovo; Philosophy and Class Struggle by Dialego, a reprint from the African Communist, 2 copies, 1976/77 and 1987; Documents adopted by the Central Committee of the SACP, September 1983; The South African Working Class and the National Democratic Revolution, Joe Slovo; A Distant Clap of Thunder, 40th Anniversary of the 1946 Mine Strike, 1968; The Path to Power, Programme of the SACP adopted at the 7th Congress, 1989; Study Guide of the SACP Programme The Path to Power; 65th Anniversary of the SACP 1921-1986, Speeches by Alfred Nzo and Joe Slovo; The World Greet the SACP, messages to the 7th Congress, 1989; The Communist Party Fights for Freedom; Has Socialism Failed?, Joe Slovo, Umsebenzi Discussion Pamphlet, 1990; SACP Constitution, adopted at 8th Party Congress, December 1991;

Q5.5 Miscellaneous published items

Includes: World Marxist Review, Vol.11, No.9. September 1968, contains article by A. Lerumo; World Marxist Review, Vol.15 No.10, October 1972, contains 2 articles by Michael Harmel; excerpt from A History of Communism in SA published by Christian Mission International of South Africa, Germiston, 1985, photocopy; Sechaba, January 1979; ANC Speaks to the People, messages and speeches to the Rally at Soccer Stadium, Johannesburg, 29/10/1989, pamphlet; Marxism Today, June 1974, contains article by Joe Slovo entitled A Critical Appraisal of the Non-Capitalist Path and the National Democratic State in Africa; Class Struggles in South Africa by W.H. Andrews, photocopy; South African Socialist Review, March 1958, cyclostyled, 11pages; various SACP leaflets, some to do with assassination of Chris Hani; fundraising sponsorship form for The London Marathon, Sunday 22nd April 1990, with a 'Mandela Team' and a 'British Solidarity Team'; Draft Workers' Charter; News Briefing December 1975-January 1976; Inkululeko, Organ of the Central Committee of the SACP, No.1, July 1971, foolscap fax, 8 pages;

Q6 Draft of Fifty Fighting Years

Includes: letter from SN to Michael Harmel, 31/12/1970; letter from Harmel to SN 15/02/1971; parts of a draft of Fifty Fighting Years, pp.2-36 and pp.178-207; pp.i-iii; SN notes; lists of proposed appendices.

Q7 Journal articles and newspaper cuttings

Q7.1 Information Bulletin, 1f.

Published in Prague, mostly articles about South Africa

Q7.2 World Marxist Review, 1f.

Published in Prague, mostly articles about South Africa

Q7.3 International Affairs, 1f.

Published in Moscow

Q7.4 German language, various publications, 2f.

Q7.5 Miscellaneous, 1f.

Q7.6 Reports, 1f.

Includes: Text of the 2nd Ruth First Annual Lecture, given by Joe Slovo, organised by AMASP and the ANC, annotated, possibly by Slovo himself, Maputo, 24/08/1984, photocopy, 11 pages; a report or review of the situation in South Africa, no date, 8 pages; What role will the masses play in our liberation struggle? - The question of armed insurrection, by S. Mandla, annotated, carbon copy ts. 16 pages; South Africa - What Next?, no date, no author, annotated 'original with Julius Baker, London, October 87', photocopy, 17 pages;

Maputo Manifesto [this document came out of a meeting, organised by the Congolese Party of Labour, the SACP and FRELIMO, held in Maputo in 1981, to prepare for a proposed All-Africa Conference of Socialist / Communist Revolutionary Parties which eventually took place in 1988 in the GDR], annotated photocopy, 22 pages; First Time Ever: the Gotenborg Peace Race, Arnold Selby, flimsy carbon copy ts, 4 pages; A Strange Detour - A reply to Boris Asoyan's "The South African Experience" (Pravda, 20th August 1989), Joe Slovo, General Secretary of the SACP, photocopy, 2 pages; The South African Experience, Boris Asoyan, translated by Lucky Mabasa 7th September 1989, photocopy, 3 pages; Report on the visit to China (1st to 12th May 1989), photocopy, 4 pages; Part Three: Report on the 5th Congress of FRELIMO Party, 1989, 6 pages.

- Q8 Notes taken by SN, 4f.
- Q8.1 Taken at SACP meetings, 1f.
- Q8.2 General notes, 3f.
- Q9 Theses
- Q9.1 From Class Struggle to National Liberation: The Communist Party of South Africa, 1940 to 1950, MA Thesis, Alan Keith Brookes, University of Sussex, September 1967, carbon copy ts., 121 pages
- Q9.2 The Afrikaner Broederbond
photocopy, bound volume, 26 pages, no author, no date (apparently taken from the Karl Marx University Afrika Institut
- Q9.3 Spezifische Voraussetzungen, Forman und Methoden der Außenexpansion des Südafrikanischen Kapitals unter den Bedingungen der zunehmenden Anwendung intensiver Reproduktionsmethoden

Ökonom Wolfram Jatzlauk, Karl-Marx-Universität Leipzig, May 1985
- Q9.4 Die Komintern und das subsaharische Afrika 1919-1939
Francis Meli [real name Alan Madolwana], Karl-Marx-Universität Leipzig, no date
- Q10 Notes on the Communist Party, 3 boxes
SN's notes taken at various times
- Q10.1 Communist Party of South Africa (CPSA), 4f.
Material collected for "Political-ideological debate in the CPSA 1928-1936
- Q10.2 Material on Strategy & tactics of the ANC / SACP, 1960s to 1980s, 8f.