



Records Description List

Reference Number:

2006.0024

Collection/Series Title:

FRASER, JOHN MALCOLM

Also Includes	2011.0076
Creator	Fraser, John Malcolm
Creator's Activity/Occupation	Politicians - Farmers - Prime ministers

## **Creator's Historical Note**

(John) Malcolm Fraser was born on 21 May 1930 in Melbourne. The Fraser family lived in NSW before moving to 'Nareen', a sheep station in western Victoria, in 1943. Malcolm Fraser attended Tudor House School in NSW (1940-1943) and Melbourne Grammar (1944-1948). In 1949 he was admitted to the University of Oxford to study 'Modern Greats' (politics, philosophy and economics). Malcolm Fraser was elected Liberal member for Wannon in Western Victoria in 1955. He gained his first Cabinet post as Minister for the Army in 1966 and later became Minister for Education and Science (1968-1969 and 1971-1972) and Minister for Defence (1969-1971). He became leader of the Liberal Party in March 1975, and in November was appointed caretaker Prime Minister following the dismissal of the Whitlam government. He served as Prime Minister until 1983. Following his political career, Malcolm Fraser has maintained a role in world affairs, as Co-Chair of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group on South Africa (1985-1986) and Chair of the UN Secretary-General's Expert Group on African Commodity Issues (1989-1990). In 1987 he founded CARE Australia, the country's largest non-political, non-religious overseas aid organisation. In 1997 he led a Commonwealth Observer Mission to Pakistan to monitor the national elections. Malcolm Fraser remained actively interested in issues such as human rights and the rule of law until his death on 20 March 2015.

Date Range of Collection/Series	1947-1975
Size/Extent	0.35 metres (2 boxes)
Access Conditions	Access: Open

## Scope and Content of Collection/Series

Correspondence, reports and other papers maintained by J M (Malcolm) Fraser in the eight months he was Leader of the Opposition (March- November 1975). The series particularly reflects the development of Liberal- Coalition policy in that period. The correspondence is mainly from political colleagues and members of the public. The subjects covered include the proposed Australian Government Insurance Corporation; possible early election; rural matters; environmental policy; Medibank; the Family Law Bill; electoral redistribution etc. Some items are currently held at the National Archives of Australia (see list for details). Formerly National Archives of Australia series M1370.

Collection Category	Community and Political, individuals
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Unit/Box	Item Number	Title	Date Range	Description
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000	AGIC (Australian Government Insurance Corporation)	15 May 1975 -18 August 1975	Australian Government Insurance Corporation, includes second reading speech for Australian Government Insurance Office Bill 1975, protest telegrams. Previous control number 1
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000 2	AGIC (Australian Government Insurance Corporation)	15 April 1975 -20 October 1975	Australian Government Insurance Corporation, includes representations against proposed establishment. Previous control number 2
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000 3	Anonymous	15 March 1975-28 November 1975	Anonymous and nonsense letters relating to Liberal Party leadership and other political matters. Previous control number 3
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000 4	Australian Legal Aid Office	7 March 1975-1 April 1975	Previous control number 4
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000 5	Baltic States	5 July 1975 -1 December 1975	Letters and telegrams supporting reversal of Whitlam Governments recognition of incorporation of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania into the Soviet Union. Previous control number 5
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000 6	Commonwealth Parliamentary Association	7 October 1975	Previous control number 6
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000 7	Communications with ABC (Australian Broadcasting Commission)	13 July 1975-15 July 1975	Australian Broadcasting Commission. Previous control number 7
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000 8	Consumer Protection Authority	21 August 1975-15 October 1975	Telegrams supporting proposed establishment. Previous control number 8
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0000 9	Correspondence with Department of Services and Property	20 May 197510 November 1975	Relating to official car usage. Previous control number 9

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2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0001 0	Darwin ship	3 April 1975 -3 April 1975	Statement by A Vrettos relating to Chandris Line. Previous control number 10	
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0001 1	Early election	30 September 1947-8 September 1975	Includes news cuttings relating to rejection of Supply Bill in Victorian Legislative Council, 1947, letter from BA Santamaria. Previous control number 11	
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0001 2	Economy	24 August 1974-22 August 1975	Includes Economic commentary (July 1975) and 'Bulletin' articles. Previous control number 12	
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0001 3	Education	29 April 1975-29 July 1975	Representations relating to possible expenditure cut-back. Previous control number 13	
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0001 4	Electoral redistribution	18 March 1975-21 April 1975	Personal representations. Previous control number 14	
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0001 5	Vincent Fairfax	28 May 1975	Previous control number 15	
2006.0024 Unit 1	2006.0024.0001 6	Family Law Bill	1 February 1975-6 July 1975	Personal representations from ACT residents and others. Previous control number 16	
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0001 7	Federalism and Inter-governmental relations	10 April 1975 -1 October 1975	Relates to development of Liberal-National Country Party paper A new form of federalism for the 1980s; includes minutes of meetings. Previous control number 17	
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0001 8	Dr A J Forbes	24 March 1975-2 April 1975	Letters relating to decision not to seek re-election. Previous control number 18	
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0001 9	Foreign report	5 February 1975-8 October 1975	The Economist Newspaper Ltd publication. Previous control number 19	
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 0	Fraser Island	6 March 1975-4 November 1975	Sandmining and effect on Opposition environmental policy. Previous control number 20	
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 1	Government advertising	9 May 1975 -19 May 1975	Shadow Ministry questionnaire. Previous control number 21	

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2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 2	Graziers Association	24 January 1975-5 November 1975	Includes submissions relating to cattle and beef industry and rural education difficulties. Previous control number 22
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 3	International Oil Ltd	24 September 1975-26 September 1975	Relates to crude oil prices. Previous control number 23
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 4	Interstate Commission	10 April 1975 -23 August 1975	Includes Report of Enquiry on the Effects of the Inter-State Commission Bill. Previous control number 24
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 5	Labour and Public Service Committee	10 February 1975-21 March 1975	Includes weekly reports of industrial disputes (March 1975), research notes on bans clauses. Previous control number 25
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 6	Medibank	22 March 1975-23 May 1975	Includes legal opinion relating to Medibank and the Health Insurance Act 1973. Previous control number 26
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 7	Members of Parliament trips	September 1975	Schedules for period MaySeptember 1975. Previous control number 27
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 8	Sir Robert Menzies	27 March 1975-22 October 1975	Includes comments on the media and press statement (October 1975). Previous control number 28
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0002 9	Mercury in (Western Australian) fish	27 March 1975-30 June 1975	Previous control number 29
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0003 0	Miscellaneous correspondence with Labor Members of Parliament	19 November 1974-6 November 1975	R F X Connor, F Crean and others, includes papers relating to overseas trade developments, Australian Consumer Protection Authority, New Parliament House (booklet). Previous control number 30

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2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0003 1	Montejinnie	1975	Northern Territory cattle station, includes photographs, maps. Previous control number 31
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0003 2	National Country Party	31 March 1975-29 August 1975	Previous control number 32
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0003 3	Office of the Leader of the Opposition	11 August 1975-26 November 1975	Examples of responses to correspondence (various subjects). Previous control number 34
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0003 4	Overseas trip	25 March 1975-8 October 1975	Travel itineraries, includes personal letters from Lee Kuan Yew (Prime Minister, Singapore), Charles Court (Premier, Western Australia), US officials and R A Woolcott (Australian Ambassador to Indonesia). Previous control number 35
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0003 5	Royal Commission	4 September 1975-7 October 1975	On Intelligence and Security, correspondence with Justice R M Hope. Previous control number 37
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0003 6	Rural matters - Beef	23 January 1975-23 May 1975	Includes submission to Ron K S Wriedt (Minister for Agriculture). Previous control number 38
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0003 7	Rural matters - Wool	15 May 1975-21 May 1975	Relates to price support scheme. Previous control number 39
2006.0024 Jnit 2	2006.0024.0003 8	Correspondence with Mr (Billy) Snedden	25 March 1975-28 March 1975	Relates to offer of position in Shadow Cabinet. Previous control number 40
2006.0024 Jnit 2	2006.0024.0003 9	Staff	4 December 1974-29 October 1975	Office of the Leader of the Opposition establishment, appointments etc. Previous control number 42
2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0004 0	Tasmania - Commitments	29 January 1975-30 May 1975	Briefing notes, correspondence. Previous control number 44

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2006.0024 Unit 2	2006.0024.0004 1	Whaling	23 August 1973-5 June 1975	Previous control number 45
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