



THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

NAME OF COLLECTION	National Mutual Life Association of Australasia Singapore Letter Books
ACCESSION NO	2012.0041
CATEGORY	Business, organisations
ACTIVITY	Insurance, superannuation, funds management and income protection
DATE RANGE	1912-1953
SIZE OF COLLECTION	7 boxes
HISTORICAL NOTE	<p>The company began in 1869 in Melbourne, Australia. During this time it was known as the National Mutual Life Association of Australasia. National Mutual expanded across Australia throughout the early 1900's and amalgamated with many smaller mutual societies. By 1983 National Mutual merged with a large well known insurance company called T & G Mutual Life Society. After this significant merger the company expanded throughout the Asia Pacific region acquiring companies within Singapore, Thailand and the Philippines. In 1999 the company changed its name to AXA Asia Pacific Holdings. It specialises in life insurance, superannuation, funds management and income protection. The multiple businesses that were operating collectively with National Mutual at the time also altered their company names to incorporate the AXA brand.</p>
DATE OF TRANSFER	November 2007
ACCESS CONDITIONS	
DESCRIPTION	Correspondence, volumes, ledgers,
NOTE ON COLLECTIONS	<p>Original control number: NMLS 13. The correspondence in this series is mainly routine returns from the agency and replies from Head Office. It does, however, include correspondence on the establishment of the Singapore agency. There is a gap in the series between 1937 and the fall of Singapore (1945). A file containing correspondence to and from this series was found in NMLS18 and believed to have been held in the General Manager's Office. This file has been removed from NMLS 18.</p>

NOTE ON LISTING	When requesting records from this finding aid quote the 'UMA box no.' and 'item no' Relates to James McCleve Duncan Collection
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DATE	10/01/2013

		<p>Singapore Letter Books</p> <p>This series comprises Singapore letter books dating from 1912 to 1953.</p> <p>The volumes contain correspondence between National Mutual's Head Office in Melbourne and their branch in Singapore.</p> <p>Volumes have been placed in groups of 10 – 12.</p> <p>Further detailed description of the series can be located in the hardcopy index created by the previous National Mutual archivist.</p>	1912 – 1953
Box no.	Item no.		Date
1– 3	13/1 – 13/10	[Singapore Letters Inwards/Outwards] Comprises 10 Volumes	1912 – 1917
3– 4	13/11– 13/20	[Singapore Letters Inwards/Outwards] Comprises 10 Volumes	1918 – 1922
4– 5	13/21– 13/30	[Singapore Letters Inwards/Outwards] Comprises 10 Volumes	1923 – 1927
5– 7	13/31 – 13/42	[Singapore Letters Inwards/Outwards] Comprises 12 Volumes (There is a gap between 1938 to 1945 due to the Fall of Singapore within this period, refer to the hardcopy index created by the previous National Mutual archivist).	1928 – 1953
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