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Collection/Series Title: **FRASER, JOHN MALCOLM**

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	1965-1982
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Scope and Content of Collection/Series

Biographical details and press clippings on personal issues. This series contains personal biographical information relating to J M (Malcolm) Fraser accumulated by his Press Secretary (David Barnett) and other Press Office staff, mainly during Mr Fraser's Prime Ministership. The papers cover the period from November 1975 ('Caretaker' Government) to July 1982 (first half of the fifth Fraser Ministry), although some papers are dated earlier. The files comprise biographical notes about Mr Fraser and his wife (Mrs Tamara [Tamie] Fraser) and press clippings relating to the Prime Minister, his family and his business interests. It includes a list of Mr Fraser's clubs and associations, extracts from speeches and statements, a booklet on the history of the Fraser clan (The Clan Fraser of Lovat) and other material. The press clippings cover a broad range of political issues, with some focussing on Mrs Fraser's overseas visits and other aspects of her life as the Prime Minister's wife. Copies of 'Briefing on Beggs Pastoral Loan and Companies' and related Press Office transcripts of Parliamentary statements and various radio and TV interviews concerning the Rural Finance Commission loan are also included in this series. Three items (4, 6 and 18) are currently held at the National Archives of Australia. Formerly National Archives of Australia series M1349.

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