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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.

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Scope and Content of Collection/Series

Speeches, reports and press statements made by Malcolm Fraser in his early years as member for Wannon (Vic). Five files mainly relating to legislation and other matters debated in the House of Representatives, an overseas visit to South East Asia, the dairy, wool and beef industries, including the Portland Wool Sales Inquiry. Formerly National Archives of Australia series M1372.

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Unit/Box	Item Number	Title	Date Range	Description
2007.0024 Unit 1	2007.0024.00001	Reports and papers	1958-3 September 1965	As Member for Wannon, relating to tertiary education, petrol tax, dairy industry, wool appraisal scheme, parliamentary committees, overseas visit to the United States, Canada, Vietnam, Malaysia and Indonesia, includes evidence presented to Portland Wool Sale Board of Inquiry. Previous control number 1
2007.0024 Unit 1	2007.0024.00002	Press statements 1962	25 February 1962-16 December 1962	As Member for Wannon, relating to Indonesia, wool industry reorganisation, Portland Wool Sales Inquiry, New Guinea, disarmament etc., includes notes for radio talks Dairy industry policy and Australia, the United Kingdom, the United States and the Common Market (May 1962). Previous control number 2
2007.0024 Unit 1	2007.0024.00003	Papers on South East Asia	6 May 1965 -11 August 1965	As Member for Wannon, includes article Australian Policy in South East Asia. Previous control number 3
2007.0024 Unit 1	2007.0024.00004	Speeches: House of Representatives	23 March 1965-17 March 1966	As Member for Wannon, Nos. 6173 relating to Appropriation Bill No. 1, Trade Practices Bill, tertiary education, wool industry etc. Previous control number 4
2007.0024 Unit 1	2007.0024.00005	Speeches: House of Representatives	17 September 1959-12 November 1964	As Member for Wannon, Nos. 160 relating to defence, beef and wool industries, estimates, Commonwealth Banks Bill, European Common Market etc. Previous control number 5

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