

Reference Number: **1997.0093**
Collection/Series Title: **ROBERTS, ALAN**

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| Creator | Roberts, Alan |
| Creator's Activity/Occupation | Academics - Physics - Political activists |
| Creator's Historical Note A lecturer in physics at Monash University, Clayton, Dr. Alan Roberts had also a long and active involvement in left wing movements from the Communist Party post-WW2, Trotskyism in the 1950s, and the peace movement generally. He was a member of the ALP and participated in their deliberations about nuclear energy. He avoided committee work in his later years, and concentrated on lecture tours, publishing and broadcasting on political and scientific issues such as nuclear energy, Omega bases, and the environment. In his retirement he is working on environmental issues. He is also a writer of fiction, particularly enjoying detective stories. | |
| Date Range of Collection/Series | c.1940-c.1980 |
| Size/Extent | 41 archive boxes |
| Access Conditions | Access: Restricted |
| Scope and Content of Collection/Series Contains personal correspondence from Alan Robert's involvement WW2; his post-war activism in the Communist Party; his later involvement in the Trotskyist movement in Australia and the anti-war movement in Sydney and Melbourne; his involvement with the Monash University staff association in the 1960s and 1970s especially on the side of student protesters and anti- Vietnam war; his science reporting for the ABC; and his work as a physicl lecturer and other academic interests; draft of a jointly written detective novel. | |
| Collection Category | Labour, individuals |
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