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Title: The Open Secrets Collection

SubTitle:

Creator: Inventory prepared by Inez McGregor

Origination: Open Secrets
Inclusive Dates: 1976-2000
Bulk Dates: 1980s

Extent: Comprising of 8.01GB; 2553 Files; 143 Folders. 38 Main Folders

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Access Restrictions: This collection is open for research

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Abstract: The Open Secrets' Collection comprises of material from archives used for the research of the

book Apartheid Guns and Money by Hennie Van Vuuren. The Open Secrets' summaries are

available online however documents only available on request.

A note on the archive by Hennie Van Vuuren

A persistent yet inaccurate myth prevails in South Africa that all of the apartheid state's records were destroyed. This is not the case, in fact a vast collection of apartheid-era material remains locked away in public and private archives. Between 2012 and 2017, Open Secrets engaged in research in archives across the world in search of the lost stories of apartheid era economic crime. During this period, we collected approximately 40,000 documents in 25 public archives, consulting numerous collections in seven countries including South Africa, Belgium, Germany, the Netherlands, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. This material provided the backbone of the publication Apartheid Guns & Money: A Tale of Profit, authored by Hennie van Vuuren and published by Jacana in May 2017. The book, informed by the often newly declassified material found in this archive, tells a tale of global complicity with apartheid. It identifies a global covert network of banks, intelligence agencies, arms companies and politicians that supported apartheid through weapons and oil sanctions busting.

The bulk of the findings in the book, and the material now in this archive are from South African public archives. In mid-2013, 48 Promotion of Access to Information (PAIA) requests were lodged with state agencies in terms of PAIA. Most of these documents date from the period 1978–94 and included TRC-related investigations (from the late 1990s). Most requests were ignored or refused on flimsy grounds. It was thanks to the persistence of The South African History Archive (SAHA), assisted by lawyers from Lawyers for Human Rights and pro-bono counsel from Geoff Budlender, Nasreen Rajab-Budlender, Nyoko Muvangua, Hermione Cronje, Lebogang Kutumela and Frances Hobden, that some departments finally (though only partly) relented, and provided access to this information. Much of it has been untouched by South African researchers. It's a rich vein of material that demands our attention as we come to understand our story.

Where at all possible, the archives provided here include some of Open Secrets' summaries of the documents contained there. All inventories, finding aids, and lists of folders requested are included wherever these are available.

Notes on the Collection

The Open Secrets collection is a digital collection. It has been arranged according to the location of information acquired in the process of research by Hennie Van Vuuren. Available online are research notes and summaries of information compiled by Open Secrets. The copies of documents from these sources/archives will not be put online, however they



will be made available on inquiry by researchers.

Section 01: African National Congress Archive based at Fort Hare University.

Section 02: Bodleian Library University of Oxford.

01 Anthony Sampson papers; 02 Minerals and Resources Corporation Ltd (Minorco) Reports; 03 UK Anti-Apartheid

Movement; 04 UK Conservative Party

Section 03: Armscor Archive, South African Government.

Section 04: Auditor General of South Africa.

Section 05: Barbara Hogan donated papers of investigations by the Auditor General, African Studies Library, University

of Cape Town

Section 06: Belgium Foreign Affairs.

Section 07:Belgium National Archive.

Section 08: Companies and intellectual Property Commission (CIPC)

Section 09: David Klatzow Papers - Helderberg Air Crash

Section 10: Department of Defense Archive (SANDF)

Section 11: Department of International Relations and Cooperation (DIRCO)

Section 12: United Kingdom Foreign & Commonwealth Office.

Section 13: From Verwoerd to Mandela - Original Contributions - Stellenbosch University Library.

Section 14: Julian Amery Papers, Churchill College Archive, Cambridge University.

Section 15: Minister Danie Steyn Private Papers.

Section 16: National Party Papers, Archive for contemporary Affairs, Free State University.

Section 17: National Security Archives - George Washington University.

Section 18: Shipping Research Burea;

Section 19: South African National Archives.

Section 20: South African National Library.

Section 21: South African National Treasury.

Section 22: Swiss National Archive.

Section 23: Times Media Limited (Avusa)

Section 24: UK National Archive.

Section 25: United States Library of Congress.

Section 26: University of Leuven (KADOC)

01 Andre Vlerick; 02 Walter de Bock.

Section 27: World Council of Churches (WCC)

Section 29: West German Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Section 30: Wits Historical Papers

Section 31: South African History Archive. 01 DOJ TRC Related Documents; De Beers_Release on OAG PAIA Request

Section 32: Polokow Suransky Papers, DoD Documents.

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Inventory

01: African National Congress Archive - Fort Hare University The folder comprises of 87 Documents.



01.1: ANC archive finding aids

01.1.1: Belgian Mission FA

01.1.2: French Mission additions

01.1.3: French Mission

01.1.4: German Mission

01.1.5: Italian Mission

01.1.6: Italian Translation

01.1.7: London Mission

01.1.8: Netherlands Mission translation of docs

01.1.9: Netherlands Mission

01.1.10: Washington Mission

01.2: Open Secrets Summary of ANC Archive

[PDF,]

A summary of the notes taken relating to documents consulted by Hennie van Vuuren for Apartheid Guns and Money. Document consits of 33 pages.

01.3: ANC Archive Individual Document References

[PDF]

A list of references for material used by Hennie van Vuuren from the ANC archive for his book Apartheid Guns and Money.

02: Bodleian Library - University of Oxford

The folder comprises of 3 documents from the Anthony Sampson Papers, 13 Documents in Minorco reports, 20 documents from the UK anti Apartheid movement, 8 documents from the UK conservative party collection.

02.1: Anthony Sampson Papers

02.2: Minerals and Resources Corporation Ltd (Minorco) Reports

Minorco Anual reports (1974-1979, 1991, 1993)

Minorco Circular to Members (1979, 1981)

Monorco Half year 1980

Minorco listing particulars 1993;

Zambia copper half year 1984;

- 02.3: UK Anti-Apartheid Movement Individual Document References
- 02.4: UK Conservative Party Monday Club_Individual References

8 Documents Of the UK Conservative Party Monday Club

03: Amscor Archive - Armaments Corporation of South Africa

Note on the Open Secrets Armscor Archive:

All of the documents and data (some in Excel spreadsheet form) provided to Open Secrets was first delivered to SAHA by Armscor.

Open Secrets is providing all material in digitized form and organised according to the following themes:

- Bulk Data on Armscor Contracts in Excel Spreadsheets, organised by country and by value of the contracts.
- The minutes of Armscor Management Meetings from 1987 to 1990.
- Armscor 'screens' which provide summary information of individual Armscor contracts. Included are the limited codes provided by Armscor that decrypt some of the data in the 'screens'.
- A limited number of Armscor extracts from annual reports on the Special Defence Account (SDA).

Included also in a 'Summary Data' folder is the Open Secrets analysis of much of this data in one place. We have attempted to organise the information, particularly that relating to the contracts and the 'screens' in such a way as to provide some overall picture about Armscor's purchases during this period.



The Open Secrets analysis is in both spreadsheet and narrative form.

03.1.1: Armscor Archive Summary Open Secrets Analysis Summary Data

03.1.2: All Armscor data - excel spreadsheet - Open Secrets Analysis Summary

[Preservation: Excel Spreadsheet;]

Spreadsheet with research gathered and aggregated by Open Secrets on Armscor Contracts.

- 1. Full list supplied by Armscor
- 1.1 Full List by Country
- 2 Armscor Contracts + Values
- 2.1 OS Contracts + Values
- 2.2 Contracts all above 10 Mill
- 3. Armscor Screens
- 3.1 Screen Supplier Totals
- 3.2 Screen Company Background
- 4 Armscor Suppliers 1980 -1990.

03.2: Armscor Management Meetings Minutes 1987-1990

management meetings from February 1987 to December 1990

03.2.0: Open Secrets summary of Armscor Board Meeting Minutes

[Access: PDF., Preservation: word document.]

A 3 page document which summarises the board meeting minutes of Armscor between 1987 and 1990.

03.2.01: Armscor Management Meeting 1987/02/03

[03 February 1987 - Pdf;,]

These minutes are 91 pages. The document contains redactions. Report contains projects, financials reports on weapons purchases.

03.3: Armscor Contracts Data

Contracts between Amscor and countries

03.3.1: Armscor Contract Register - Selection of Contracts 1979-1999

[Preservation - PDFA;, Access - PDF;]

A 29 page document that comprises of a table. The fields in the table are: Contract No; Subject matter of contract; With Whom; By Whom; Division; Ext; Contract Date; Remarks. Contains highlights by Open Secrets.

03.3.2: Projects and the Countries involved where Money was spend up to Financial Year 1994

[Excel Spreadsheet;]

An excel spreadsheet compiled by Open Secrets. Contains Project name, Project description, Fin project code, Project description linked to Fin. Project code, Country, When paid. 1991-1994.

03.3.3: Armscor Contracts with values 91-94

[Excel Spreadsheet;]

An excel spreadsheet that lists the contracts with Armscor. Information included: Project Name, Serial Number, Project Description on serie, Fin. Project code, Project description linked to fin. project code, when paid. Spreadsheet includes a section on contracts above 10 million.

03.4: Armscor Screens Individual Contracts

Armscor Screens Individual Contracts & codes for screens. Pdf files are photographs of documents consulted by Open Secrets

03.5: Armscor Special Defence Account Documents

Armscor reports. Years 1982-1986, 1987-1988, 1989-1992, 1993-1995.

04: Auditor General of South Africa (OAG)

04.01: Office of the Auditor General (OAG)



04.01.1: AGSA reports on the South African Diamond Board

04.01.2: Auditor General Reports 1974 -1994

04.01.3: Auditor General Submission to the TRC

04.01.0: AGSA Defence Expenditure Reports - Open Secrets Analysis

1 page Document summarising Auditor General Reports

04.02: De Beers release from Office of Auditor General

In response to a PAIA request by SAHA to the Auditor General of South Africa (AGSA) relating to an AGSA investigation into De Beers and the export of uncut diamonds, AGSA responded that De Beers as the third party had requested that no documents be released.

Following this, De Beers contacted SAHA independently and offered a series of documents as an attempt to appeare the request (though these documents do not clearly match the original request).

It is the documents provided directly by De Beers that appear in this archive. They relate mainly to Diamond Board exemptions provided to De Beers relating to the export of uncut diamonds, and a 1998 agreement between the Diamond Board and De Beers corporation.

05: Barbara Hogan donated papers of investigations by the Auditor General (UCT Library)

Records used for research by Open Secrets from University of Cape Town Libraries:

Auditor General Reports: Foregin Affairs Comoros, Armscor SDA Weapons.

Extract from Scopa Hearing

Letter from Auditor General to FM Editor

Letters from Provincial Tender Board to AG

Scopa Reports 1995-1996.

06: Belgium Foreign Affairs

Some files comprise of multiple documents. Documents include, political correspondence, Sanctions against apartheid. Some photographs of documents are grainy, documents predominantly in Dutch.

06.1: List of Folders Consulted in Belgian Ministry of Foreign Affairs Archive

[Access -PDF:1

1 page document which contains a list of folders consulted by Open Secrets.

07: Belgium National Archive

Records of the Bank Supervising Council- National bank of Belgium (1974-1975)

Records of the Banking Supervising Council Kreditbank (1975-1978)

Kreditbank (1978-1979)

Kreditbank (1980-1981)

Ledgers and values.

07.01: Records of the Banking Supervisory Council Reports on Kredietbank

106 page document. Images of Financial records relating to Kreditbank.

08: Companies and intellectual Property Commission (CIPC)

The CIPC archive contains short extracts from the annual reports for various large South African corporations.

Open Secrets' primary interest was any reference to S15(a) exemptions, which was a provision in the Companies Act that allowed corporations to withhold information from their annual reports, including information about subsidiaries. The requirements to allow such secrecy were vaque.

Open Secrets has also included an excel spreadsheet that lists the records available in the CIPC archive, as well as the long list of companies reports that cannot be found in the CIPC archive. The company records were largely disturbingly incomplete, and often reasons for the absence of annual reports for some of South Africa's largest corporations were not given.

08.1: Altech Altron Annual Reports



[1978-1991]

Annual reports for Altech from 1978 -1981; 1983; 1989; 1991.

Annual reports for Altron 1981- 1982; 1984; 1988.

08.2: CIP Records Consulted

[30 April 2014]

PDF of excel spreadsheet with Annual reports recorded and potential of S15 Exemption.

08.3: Corporations requests for exemptions

Copies of Exemption applications and exemptions. These records include Altron exemption applications (1995-1997, 1999-2003); Barlow exemption application (1990); PG Group 1976 ID docs (Embargoed); Rembrandt group exemption (1985; 1987; 1989-1994); Rembrandt subsidiaries lists (1994)

- 09: David Klatzow Papers Helderberg Air Crash
 - 09.1: Helderberg Air Disaster correspondence, reports and clippings [PDF;]

Photographs of Documents relating to the Helderberg Air Crash in November 1987. 91 Pages.

10: Department of Defense Archive (SANDF)

Open Secrets note on the Archive: During the research for Apartheid Guns & Money, the largest set of PAIA requests made by SAHA on behalf of Open Secrets, were to the Department of Defence (DOD). In total, around 900 boxes of documents were requested. Over a five year period, approximately 500 were provided to access. This amounted to millions of pages of documents consulted, and thousands digitized and recorded.

To break down this material that was actually copied, the archive is separated into five batches, each representing a visit to the Department of Defence Archive. Each batch has an independent Open Secrets summary which breaks down the batch by folder and outlines the documents found in those folders.

The document which contains each individual document reference refers to the entire DOD archive, i.e. it contains reference to all the documents found in Batch 1 to Batch 5.

10.1: Open Secrets SANDF Inventories, files consulted, access denied and Catelogue Documents compiled by Open Secrets.

Department of defense Catalogue Inventories.

Open secrets files consulted and Access denied.

Open Secrets Department of Defense individual document references.

- 10.1.1: Department of Defense Catalogue Inventories
- 10.1.2: Department of Defense Archive Individual Document References

[Access copy - PDF;, Preservation copy - PDFA;,]

113 page document which lists all the document references in the Department of Defense documents recieved by Open Secrets.

- 10.1.3: Open Secrets Files Consulted and Access Denied
- 10.2: Batch 1 of documents consulted (2012)

[2012]

38 Pdf Documents.

10.2.1: Summary of Batch 1 - Records By Folder

67 page document which summarises the documents in the first batch of documents accessed by Open Secrets. This summary is sorted by folder. It contains keywords and a summary of material in the documents.

10.2.2: Batch 1 Summary By Theme or Country

22 page document where material in the first batch is summarised by theme. These themes include: Anglo American, Belgium, France, Germany,

10.3: Batch 2 of documents consulted (2014)



[November 2014]

32 Pdf Documents and an Open Secrets Summary.

10.3.1: Deptarment of Defence Batch 2 files consulted

13 page document which gives Department of Defence File References, Serial number, Box number, A file description and time period. These are the listings material consulted by Open Secrets in the second batch of DOD material.

10.3.2: Department of Defence Batch 2 Summary

A 10 page summary of information from the Second Batch of materials that Open Secrets was given access to.

10.4: Batch 3 of documents consulted (2015)

[July 2015]

49 Items.

10.4.1: DOD batch 3 summary by folder

A 15 page document which summarises information in the third batch of documents consulted by Open Secrets.

10.5: Batch 4 of documents consulted (2015)

95 Pdf files.

10.5.1: Batch 4 Open Secrets Summary By Folder

SANDF Archive Summary. Open Secrets Visit from 22nd September to 2nd October 2015. Batch 4

10.6: Batch 5 of documents consulted (2015)

12 Pdf Files.

10.06.1: SANDF Archive - Batch 5 Summary

A 3 page document which summarises the 5th batch of documents recieved from ARMSCOR;

11: Department of International Relations and Co Operation (DIRCO) archive

39 PDF documents made up of items from the DIRCO archive.

11.1: Finding Aid - Materials consulted by Open Secrets

11.2: Summary

11.2.1: Open Secrets Summary of DIRCO archive by Theme

[Pdf]

Themes summarised

Arms, West Germany, Switzerland, France,

Luxembourg, Portugal, Israel, SA Investment in foreign Countries, Lobbyists, Dirco33 US Lobbysitss for RSA, Oil, Diamonds, Eschel Rhoodie, The Circle, Ciskei, Kamil files.

11.2.2: Open Secrets Summary of DIRCO archive by folder

Summary of the DIRCO archive by folder.

11.2.3: Timeline of Documents in DIRCO archive

[Word.doc, Pdf]

Timeline of information from DIRCO archive. Sorted chronologically by date.

11.3: Individual Document References

12: United Kingdom Foreign & Commonwealth Office

The United Kingdom Foreign and Commonwealth Office provided one letter to Open Secrets from their archive. It is a letter from Lynda Chalker (FCO) to Michael Terry of the UK Anti-Apartheid Movement. As is obvious, the letter provided is heavily redacted, to the point of losing all meaning.

Despite this, Open Secrets was able to access the letter in full and un-redacted from the Anti-Apartheid Movement archive at Oxford University. You are able to view the letter there.

Folder includes 2 Pdf documents.

12.1: Final reply of Foreign Commonwealth Office to Open Secrets

2 page letter from the Commonwealth Office.



12.2: Redacted Lynda Chaulker Letter

[13 April 1988]

A heavily redacted 2 page letter from Lynda Chaulker in the Foreign Commonwealth Office.

13: From Verwoerd to Mandela - Original Contributions - Stellenbosch University Library

In 2010, three former senior diplomats from the South African Department of Foreign Affairs published a three-book publication providing first hand stories from South African diplomats who worked from 1960 to 1999, titled 'From Verwoerd to Mandela: South African Diplomates Remember'.

As part of this process, the editors interviewed a wide range of diplomats. These extensive interviews, along with some of their correspondence was given to the University of Stellenbosch archive.

This 'background material' was consulted and recorded by Open Secrets, and then analysed in terms of any material that spoke to covert trade and sanctions busting during the 1970s and 1980s. All the material gathered and the Open Secrets summary is provided in this archive.

Bas Angelis; Glenn Babb; Norman Best; Frikkie Botha; Pik Botha; André Brink; Marc Burger; Errol de Montille; Brand Fourie; Jan Heunis; Chris Landman; Werner Scholtz; Neil van Heerden.

13.1: Summary of Sanctions Busting Source Material Summary

[Word;]

A 7 page document. No additional material over what is in the original material. However anecdotal material from 'Verwoerd to Mandela' is included for context.

14: Cambridge University Library

14.1: Jullian Amery Papers - Churchill College

[1976-1990]

Papers relating to Conservative MP Julian Amery. Political correspondence and documents relating a South African visit.

233 individual documents.

Anglo-American and Programme visit to SA

BCCI;

Correspondence 1976 -1991;

General Correspondence;

Le Cercle 1985-1996;

Saudi Arabia Visit;

South Africa Visit:

14.1.1: List of Individual Document References

16 page document which lists the references in the Julian Amry Papers consulted by Open Secrets.

15: Minister Danie Steyn Private Papers

Daniël Wynand Steyn (born 12 May 1923 in Heilbron, South Africa). DW Steyn passed away in June 2017.

From 1953 to 1966, he was employed in the Municipality of Pretoria then from 1967 to 1974, Director of Telecommunications within the IT department of the armaments Council (ARMSCORs predecessor).

Steyn was elected to Parliament in 1974 as MP for Wonderboom. He entered government six years later, on 6 October 1980, as Deputy Minister of Finance and Industry, Trade and Tourism. In 1982, he was appointed Minister of Education and Training and Minister of Mineral and Energy Affairs (1983-1989), a position he then combines with economic affairs and technology (1986-1989). He retired from public life in 1989.

Open Secrets interviewed Steyn in February 2016. Reflections of that interview are included in Apartheid Guns & Money. Following the interview, Steyn facilitated Open Secrets' access to his collection of papers from his time in the National Party and as a Cabinet Minister. The documents in this archive represent the selection of material taken by Open Secrets when



consulting these documents.

- 1. AG investigation into oil irregularities Garbers National Order
- 2. Collection of party funding by district Altron (Venter) Donation Corporations to target
- 3. France Thomson CSF to supply 6 buise for Hartebeeshoek Radar Station Barend Du Plessis Taipei
- 4. G Atmore (Rhodesian) offers to help with anti-sanctions
- 5. GAH Holdings in Yugoslavia Georgiadis Thomson CSF.
- 6. Gebert Request for Exemption from Military French Politics
- 7. Hersov and Mennel not Funding Bill Venter Donation
- 8. Landau and Turkey Brown Boveri and Nuclear
- 9. Landau and Turkey_Brown Boveri and Nuclear Klein Zebedeila BP Armscor
- 10. Michael Z Ron emigrate to SA Williamson Klopper.
- 11. National Student Federation International Links
- 12. NP Funding 1983 Individuals + Companies Approached
- 13. NP funding per constituency 1985-86
- 14. NP Shares in Companies Setting up front for funding
- 15. Pik Botha and PR China Mozambique
- 16. Project Republic Section 21 Company DW Steyn Director
- 17. ProRep established Hendrik Schoeman DW Steyn Chair of Transvaal NP Financial Committee
- 18. Prorep establishment Transvaal NP Budget 1989
- 19. Sharpeville Six and International Opinion Pik Botha
- 20. Steyn trip to London Georgiadis
- 21. TJ de Waal Order of the Star Armscor
- 15.1: AG investigation into oil irregularities Garbers National Order

[PDF; ,]

Private papers of Minister Danie Steyn. An 8 page pdf document. Investigations into oil irregularities.

16: National Party Papers - Archive for Contemporary Affairs - Free State University

The individual references provided here for the documents in the National Party Archive from the University of the Free State cover all of the documents in the archive, with the exception of the Kobie Coetsee papers collected. The individual documents in the Kobie Coetsee papers have not been captured.

Barend du Plessis; BJ Vorster; DB Sole; FW de Klerk; Judge Erasmus; Kobie Coetsee; Magnus Malan; Nico Diedrichs; Piet Koornhof; PW Botha; Robert Smit; Roelf Meyer.

583 individual document references.

16.1: Open Secrets individual references for the National Party Papers

[Word document; , PDF;]

33 page document which has listed 583 document references for the documents consulted.

16.2: Open Secrets Summary of National Party Papers

Summary of information from the National party papers. According to the following themes. Armscor/Defense, Oil, Foreign Affairs, Big business and party funding, Rupert, Party and other domestic issues, Press, Judiciary - Erasmus.

16.3: Finding Aids for the Archive of Contemporary Affairs.

Aids for: A. Rupert; BJ Du Plesis; BJ Vorster; FW de Klerk; G van Viljoen; L Wessels; Magnus Malan; N Diederichs; PW Botha; R. Meyer; RPB Erasmus; PGJ Koornhof.



17: National Security Archive - George Washington University

Guatemala; Iran; Richard Stone; Israel; Military; NIE; Political Violence South Africa; Public Diplomacy Working Group; Zaire; Redactions; SRC; Norinco; Saber Industries; DOS; UNITA. 66 individual document references.

17.1: Open Secrets Individual Document References for National Security Archive 66 individual references

18: Shipping Research Bureau Archive - Amsterdam

SRB finding aid, with documents consulted highlighted. At least 211 individual documents.

18.1: Open Secrets Shipping Research Bureau Individual Document References 211 Individual references

18.2: Shipping Research Bureau Finding Aid

19: South African National Archives

[1970-1993]

1970 KBL Revolving Credit Agreement

1971 KBL Syndicate Loan to RSA

1972 - KBL loan to Eskom DM60m

1975 Iscor Loan_Kredietbank

1976 Order of Good Hope for Swinnen

1979 Eskom DM13million loan_Kredietbank Lux

1980 Eskom R30million Loan

1980 General Petrus Johannes - Taiwanese Medal

1993 Derek Keys - UK & Belgium visits

1993 Derek Keys - UK visit

Dulcie September File from Department of Justice

20: South African National Library

[1984-1994]

SA Corporations Annual Reports. Anglo American Corporation (1984-1994), Chartered Consolidated (1982, 1985, 1986, 1990), Volkskas (1986, 1987).

20.1: Anglo American Annual Reports

20.2: Chartered Consolidated Annual Reports

20.3: Volkskas Annual Reports

21: South African National Treasury

Report to Minister of Finance on Exchange Control and Related Tax Amnesty Process 1 June 2003 to 31 August 2006. A 33 Page document.

22: Swiss National Archive

159 individual documents.

- List of files accessed.
- Requests submitted by Open Secrets.
- Swiss SA archive inventory

Most of the records are in Swiss-German or French.

Digital file names

- Audio File Banco Ambrosiano and UBS
- (BOR) Fusi on Boradori
- Banks_Gottardo + Ambrosiano_Inter-Alpha Group
- Belgian SA Relations Botha Visit



- Kredietbank Suisse Kredietcorp
- Malan and Botha to Switzerland -Banker Maier
- Merex and Gerhard Martins -Background
- Mitterand Election 1981
- Mitterand Speech Portugal 81-French Portugese Relations Africa
- OFOR Banking Reviews of KBS 1980s
- OFOR Report Ambrosiano and Banque du Gothard
- Parliamentary Questions De Beers Trade
- Prince Princess Lietchtenstein Visit 1982
- SA Army and Armscor
- SA Nuclear Talks with Swiss 68-73
- SA Nuclear Weapon Tech Transfer to Others
- SA Visit Paraguay 1975
- Sale of Pilatus PC7 to SA 91
- Sale of Pilatus to SA_89-92 Dan Maartens
- Seychelles Coup Aircraft Hijacking SA Role
- Swiss and US Loans to SA Leutwiler
- Swiss Arms Sales to SA
- Swiss Banks in SA Swiss Consulate Ciskei
- Swiss Corps to SA if War, 60-82_SA Trust Fund_UBS
- Swiss Federal Archives
- Swiss Loans to Iscor Stopped
- Swiss manage ex-SA embassy Teheran 79-84
- Three way arms transfers_Swiss, USA, SR_Arms Sales to SA_Embargo
- 22.1: List of files consulted by Open Secrets

This includes file references to the Swiss National Archive.

22.2: Swiss Federal Archives Individual References

159 Individual References for the documents retrieved from the Swiss Federal Archives.

- 22.3: Swiss South African Archive inventory
- 22.4: Open Secrets requests submitted

The document requests submitted to the Swiss National Archive

23: Times Media Limited (Avusa)

Times media clippings - 64 page file.

Times media photographs - 32 page file.

23.1: Times Media Limited Newspaper Clippings

Newspaper Clippings relating to ARMSCOR

23.2: Times Media Limited Photographs

32 page document of photographs from Times Media Archive.

24: United Kingdom National Archive

352 individual documents.

- UKNA Files consulted.
- Margaret Thatcher Foundation Collection

Digital file names:

Export of Arms Spares to SA

Forestalling on Apartheid at UN



International political briefings

Kew - general collection

SA Intelligence activities 1980

SA Political relations on atomic energy matters 1978-1986

SA Project Zebra 1975-1992

SA Relations policy (includes nuclear) 1980-1984

Sale of Wasp helicopters to SA (background)

Sale of Wasp helicopters to SA Revoked

Sale of Wasp helicopters to SA

South African Arms sanctions_Four Volumes

24.1: UK National Archives Individual References

UK National Archives Individual References

24.2: Inventory and files consulted by Open Secrets list of files consulted in July and October 2013

24.3: Margaret Thatcher Foundation Collection

840125 Denis Thatcher to Coles

840201 Amery to MT

840224 MT to Amery

840309 Amery to MT

840602 MT-Botha memcon

840607 UKE Bonn to FCO_PW Meeting Kohl (no mention of subs)

840924 UKE Pretoria to FCO_Coventry Four and Armscor

840930 Botha letter to MT (Coventry Four)

850710 MT letter to Botha

850712 Botha letter to MT

850802 MT-Buthelezi memcon

850911 FCO mnt to No.10 (Oil embargo South Africa)

850915 MT letter to Amery

850924 MT says Defence Attache axing bad idea

850924 MT-Oppenheimer memcon REVISED 19-1643 f37

25: United States Library of Congress

25.1: Herman Nickel Interview 1989

[1989 - Pdf]

This 41 page transcript is an interview conducted on 31 August 1989 of Ambassador Herman W. Nickel.

26: University of Leuven

26.1: Andre Vlerick

Politician, businessman and director at KredietBank. 154 Individual Records from the Andre Vlerick collection.

26.1.1: Vlerick Finding Aid

Finding aid for the Collection.

26.1.2: Andre Vlerick Archive Individual Document References

The individual references of this collection as consulted by Open Secrets.

26.2: Walter de Bock

485 Individual Documents referenced.

Apartheid Lobby; Arms Notes; BCCI; Belgian CVP party Funding; Belgian weapons to Uruguay; Biographies- Rupert and Vlerick; Boforos; BOSS; Brian Crozier; Casalee -John Bredenkamp; Cecile Vlerick Sap on Andre Vlerick and SA;



Diamonds; Anglo, Debeers, Minorco; Diamonds - Debeers and Antwerp; Franz Josef Strauss; George Starckmann Arms Dealer; George Young Brenneke; Gerald Bull - Astra - Supercannon; Jean Claude Leys - KBL Investigation; Klaas De Jonge TRC report -SAG Secret Operations in Europe'; Kredietbank Luxembourg; Kredietbank Boerenbond; Laurent Kabila; Ludwig Verduyn - KBL expose; Maurice Tempelsman; Mercenaries; Murder of Dulcie September; Operation Gladio; Operation paperclip; Opus Dei; Otto von Hapsburg - Strass CSU Euro right wing; Party Funding - Helmut Kohl; Pro-Apartheird Pamphlets funded by Andre Vlerick; Protea publication; Protea Student Organisation Propaganda Newsletter; Rhodesian sanctions; Roberto Calvi_Banco Abrosiano; Rothschild; SA Intelligence Service; Smuggling weapons -Antwerp - To SA; Suikerbossie book extract; Tobacofina Board 1983; US Heritage Foundation - covert funding of European conservatives; USA Perle.

26.2.1: Walter de Bock Archive Summary

[word.doc]

A five page document of notes from the Walter de Block Archive compiled by Open Secrets.

26.2.2: Full Finding Aid Walter De Bock Archive

Finding aid supplied for the complete Walter de Bock archive.

26.2.3: Walter de Bock Archive Individual Documents References

Walter de Bock Archive_Individual Documents References

27: World Council of Churches

World Council of Churches programme to combat racism.

- World Council of Churches Archive, Geneva.
- PW visit to Europe 1984
- Programme to combat racism, Maldergate.
- Extract from the "Styn Commission Report"
- Gold: establishing of world gold commission to stop gold trade with apartheid South Africa; Switzerland laundering gold to disguise origin.
- -Bank loans to South Africa Mid 1982 to end 1984
- -Commission of justice and peace. Thoughts about SA.

27.01: Programme to combat racism by World Council of Churches

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A 315 page document comprised of material from the World Council of Churches Archive, Geneva.

- PW visit to Europe 1984
- Programme to combat racism, Maldergate.
- Extract from the "Styn Commission Report"
- Gold: establishing of world gold commission to stop gold trade with apartheid South Africa; Switzerland laundering gold to disguise origin.
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28: West German Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Digital file titles:

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Meetings Abdul and German MFA
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Oil Imports Maize FRG Relations LATAM Conference

Oppenheimer US Relations Israel

PW Botha Visit to Europe

Response to Accusations of Nuclear Collaboration

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Soviet Claims Demands

Strauss Visit to SA SA visits to Germany HSF

Swiss Exports Stopped Siemens

Tanzanian Claims of Nuclear Collaboration

UN and NGOs Criticise FRG

UN Committee Meetings - Arms Embargo

US Attaches_Athens Arms Expo Arms Embargo

29: Wits Historical Papers

9 page pdf of the Dulcie September Speech - Walter Sisulu 75th Birthday.

16 page pdf of selected pages of Solly Smith Diaries: 1988 and 1989.

30: South African Police Service (SAPS)

Open Secrets note on the SAPS PAIA releases on the Smit Murders (murder of Robert and Cora Smit)

In response to a PAIA request by SAHA on behalf of Open Secrets, the South African Police Service (SAPS) released both the case docket and investigative diary related to the murder of Robert and Jean Smit (known commonly as the 'Smit Murders').

Included in the release were graphic images from the autopsy and crime scene. At the request of the Smit family and out of respect to them, these have not been included in this archive and are not to be publically released.

Also note that elsewhere in the 'Open Secrets: Apartheid Guns & Money' Archive at SAHA (in the DoJ TRC releases), there is an Open Secrets summary of information found relating to the Smit Murders. This document includes information taken from the investigative diary found in this part of the archive.

Documents in Freedom of Information Collection AL2878_B01.7.257

31: Department of Justice (DOJ)

The Department of Justice (DOJ) took several years to respond positively to SAHA's requests for documents related to investigations undertaken by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.

After extensive lobbying and repeated communication, the DOJ released the documents described in the catalogue attached here, including on:

- The murder of Dulcie September
- The attempted murder of Godfrey Motsepe
- The Khan Committee's report on Secret Projects
- The murder of Robert and Jean Smit

Part of the release was the TRC's investigation into the murders of Robert and Jean Smit. Open Secrets discovered that the document provided was incomplete. Fortunately, journalist Alet Wright, who had investigated the murders over a period of time, provided several of the annexures missing from the DOJ's document. All of the documents gathered by Open Secrets are thus available in this archive, as well as a summary of the information provided in these documents and the South African



Police's investigative diary, also gathered in the process of this investigation.

31.01: Dulcie September

Dulcie September file.

31.02: Godfrey Motsepe prefinding report.

Godfrey Motsepe prefinding report. Includes newspaper articles.

31.03: Harms Commission of Enquiry

A 105 page document. The Harms Commission of Enquiry Palazzolo. This document is in Afrikaans.

31.04: Executive summaries on Secret Projects

Executive summaries on the Kahn Committee, Ministers committee on Special Projects, Secret Services Evaluation Committee and a diagram on Secret Projects.

31.05: Robert and Jean Smit Murders

- Aanhangsel 12, Letter from Smit to van Aswegen.
- Alet Wright Full File on the Smits
- AvR Z squad Article
- Beeld and Transvaaler Articles
- Credit guarantee Directors Meeting
- Note on G de Jongh
- Potlood nota
- Robert Smit PhD
- Santam International Meeting Minutes
- Smit Salary 1977 Santam

31.05.1: Open Secrets Summary of Smit Murder documents

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A 9 page document which summarises Smit Murder documents

31.06: Steyn Investigation Security Services

Executive summary of the Steyn Report and the Steyn Report.

32: Polokow Suransky Papers - Department of Defense (DOD)

In 2010, Sasha Polakow-Suransky published an expose on the military relationship and collaboration between Isreal and Apartheid South Africa. As part of his research, Polakow-Suransky made several access to information requests to the Department of Defence, and obtained a range of declassified documents in return.

Open Secrets consulted these declassified documents and took a further selection that was relevant to Open Secrets' research. This selection is what is represented in this archive.

Israel and South African Military; PW Botha and Peres Meet; Armscor Meeting 1975.

31.1: Ariel Sharon Extracts