

**BC 1344 BEVA RUNCIMAN PAPERS**

- 1. Items re conscientious objection and opposition to conscription**
  - a. Records of meetings of the End Conscription Campaign (ECC) and other groups; recruitment materials, pressclippings and journal articles, mostly supportive of the ECC (1983 – 1990)
  - b. Constitution and some minutes of the Cape Town End Conscription Committee (1985 - 1987)
  - c. Criticism of the state of emergency, militarization in South Africa, SA troops in Namibia, in the townships etc; references to various support groups, eg Black Sash, churches, soldiers' mothers; description of soldiers' experiences in the SADF; research questionnaire on ECC etc (1984 – 1998)
  - d. Reports/ memoranda produced by various organizations opposed to conscription and militarization (1984 – 1990)
- 2. Beva Runciman (notes, aides memoire etc)**
  - a. Notebooks containing references to the ECC, Black Sash, death penalty, education etc (1981 – 1990)
  - b. Manuscript notes presumably for use in addresses/talks about the Black Sash, children in detention, detainees, state of emergency etc
- 3. Opposition to the death penalty**
  - a. Minutes of meetings of the Society for the Abolition of the Death Penalty in South Africa, correspondence, published material etc opposed to the death penalty; petitions for clemency for people on death row; appeals from South Africa and elsewhere for a moratorium on executions in South Africa, etc (1974 – 2000)
  - b. Further correspondence, minutes of meetings, reports and published material promoting the abolition of the death penalty in South Africa (1985 – 1989)
- 4. Namibia** - published and duplicated its items (1988 - 1989 and undated) re Namibia; notes on Namibia, including reference to talk by Molly Blackburn and Di Bishop (March 1985); permission for a Black Sash stand in Cape Town in protest against South African troops in Namibia (May 1984)
- 5. Flyers/statements/ papers re various social and political issues and from various sources** including treatment of children and learners, sexual abuse, informal settlements, the UDF, the Natal Indaba, municipal elections, unemployment, the death penalty, various bills before parliament and the government's constitutional proposals (1982 – 1991)
- 6. Forced removals** - Series of photographic prints of people in areas affected by forced removals in various parts of the country; information from the ministry of Development and Land Affairs about the procedure purportedly followed by the government during forced removals (undated and 1982)
- 7. Development of managerial/supervisory skills** - various items re effective facilitation of group work, inter-personal relationships, workshops for activists etc (1987 – 1989)
- 8. Items related to education** - information about the provision of bursaries for marginalized tertiary level students, and about education generally in the South African context (c 1989 – 1999)
- 9. Women's resistance etc** - United Women's Congress (UWCO) and Federation of South African Women (FEDSAW), and their relationship with the

Black Sash; references to women detainees, the Black Sash Women's Charter etc (1979 – 1987)

- 10. Detention without trial, detention barracks, political prisoners, political violence, police violence, state of emergency etc** – reports/ memoranda concerning detainees, restrictees, and references to specific cases of political violence and police brutality (1972 – 1990)
- 11. Activities of the Black Sash**, mostly Western Cape region - stands, protests, pamphlet distribution, history of the movement, and references to differences of opinion among members regarding "principles and support for socialism" etc (1983 – 1989)
- 12. Trials/ court appearances** - notes about and references to specific trials, notes re court monitoring, information about support for persons during and after their trials, etc (1988 – 1989)
- 13. Extra-parliamentary opposition groups** - including Church of the Province of South Africa; Cape Democrats; African National Congress; South African Domestic Workers' Association; the United Democratic Front (UDF); CTPA (?Cape Teachers' Professional Association); PEAC (Port Elizabeth Action Committee); Save the Press Campaign; Mass Democratic Movement (MDM); Conference for a democratic future; the Grahamstown initiative; OASSSA (Organisation for Appropriate Social Services in South Africa) (1983 – 1989)
- 14. Anti-apartheid organizations (mostly white)** - Five freedoms forum (FFF) largely about a conference "The role of whites in a changing society" held in Lusaka in June - July 1989; World Council of Churches: programme to combat racism; Jews for justice, Cape Town; Votes for all Campaign; Conference for a Democratic Future (CDF); Pupils awareness and action group (PAAG); Repression monitoring group; the Pretoria co-ordinating body; pamphlet (June 1989) "White anti-apartheid extra-parliamentary organizations: some observations" by David Shandler; undated duplicated ts proposing the establishment of a "non-racial, democratic form of organization that is directed at those areas where ... white South Africans tend to live"; other contextual information about white political attitudes (1987 – 1989)
- 15. Beva Runciman (semi-personal)** - various items including references to protest action at gates of Parliament; correspondence, greetings cards, pressclippings, personal memorabilia; fragmentary ms notes, some incomplete or unclear, related to Black Sash and other activities (1985 – 1988)
- 16. Beva Runciman (notes and annotations)** - ms notes, and annotated printed material and duplicated tss, reflecting the work of Beva Runciman in connection with Black Sash and related activities, and copy of a letter from M Lekota to Black Sash conference (?1986 and undated)
- 17. Black Sash (administration etc)** organograms (Cape Western and national); lists of office bearers, members and addresses etc (1984 – 1988 and undated)
- 18. Black Sash National Executive** - Minutes of meetings (incomplete run, 1986 – 1990)
- 19. Western Cape Regional Executive** - Minutes of meetings etc (incomplete run, 1986 – 1990)
- 20. Folders a. – c. Black Sash Western Cape Region: Regional Council and other regional bodies** – Minutes, reports, motivations, correspondence etc (1985 – 1990)
- 21. Folders a. – c. Advice Offices:** Reports, minutes, etc from advice offices in Cape Town and various other centres (1984 – 1989)

- 22. Newsletters, circulars etc** ( incomplete runs, 1985 – 1990 and undated)  
from National President, regional and project leaders, to all members or  
groups of members
- 23. Financial** reports, budgets etc (1985 – 1990)
- 24. Miscellaneous** pressclippings, journals and published items, donated with  
Beva Runciman's papers, containing items related to her Black Sash and other  
human rights activities, including notes on interviews with Joan Grover and  
Noel Robb, and anti-apartheid badges etc
- 25. Catholic Education Aid Programme (CEAP)** Annual reports etc (1989 –  
2001) and related items, including copy of memorial card in honour of Fr J G  
B Brenninkmeijer, OP,