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IDENTITY STATEMENT

Reference: ICS204
Title: Soweto and the 1976 uprising -
photographic collection
Dates: c1960-c1977
Level: fonds
Extent and Medium: 2 boxes
Name of Creator: International Defence and Aid Fund
for Southern Africa

CONTEXT

Biographical/Administrative History: The International Defence and Aid Fund for Southern Africa (IDAF) was established by Canon John Collins in 1956. Its aim was to support peaceful solutions to apartheid by raising and distributing funding to those affected by apartheid laws, especially political prisoners and their dependents. The IDAF was wound up in 1991.

CONTENT

Scope and Content: Photographic slides used for the exhibition, "Soweto and the Uprising of 1976 in South Africa". Also photographic slides of South Africa, c1960-c1976, including Sharpeville massacre, 1960.

ACCESS AND USE

Language of Scripts: English, Afrikaans.
System of Arrangement: Follows original sequence.
Conditions of Access: Open for research although at least 24 hours' notice is required.

ICS204/1/1	"Away with the Afrikaans" (slides 1-6)	1976 May- June
	Includes photographs of school strike of May 1976; schools with fences warning the police to stay away; mass demonstration of 16 June of 30,000 Soweto school pupils protesting against compulsory Afrikaans.	
	5 slides Slide 5 missing.	
ICS204/1/2	"We are not fighting" - slides 7-35	1976 June
	Photographic slides: subjects include police and vehicles, shooting of Hector Petersen, barricades, riot squad, wounded in Baragwanath Hospital.	
	28 slides Slide 10 missing.	
ICS204/1/3	"Why kill kids for Afrikaans?" (slides 36-47)	1976
	Includes page from the Afrikaans newspaper, Beeld, 18 June; barricades; stoning of buildings by angry crowds.	
	12 slides	
ICS204/1/4	Amandla Soweto (Power to the people) - slides 48-56	1976 June
	Includes photographs of marchers being attacked by white civilians, solidarity demonstrations elsewhere (eg Durban), protests at shootings.	
	9 slides	
ICS204/1/5	"Solidarity with Soweto" (slides 57-71)	1976 June
	Includes photographs of demonstrations including in Kwa Thema, Alexandra Township, personnel carriers.	
	14 slides	
ICS204/1/6	"Release all detainees" - slides 72-95	1976 June- December

Includes photographs of detainees, protest march of 4 August in Soweto.

24 slides

ICS204/1/7 "Away with oppression" - slides 96-102

**1976
August-
September**

Includes photographs of protests in the wake of the shootings of 4 August. Also includes image of underground periodical Vukani-Awake.

7 slides

ICS204/1/8 "Azikwelwa" - slides 103-108

**1976
August**

Photographs include protest strikes, strike leaflets.

6 slides

ICS204/1/9 "Do not be misled" - slides 109-118

**c1976
August-
September**

Includes photographs of protest strikes including in Johannesburg, armed police.

10 slides

ICS204/1/10 "Forward to Freedom" - slides 119-124

**c1976 June-
September**

Subjects of photographs include national protests against apartheid (eg) Port Elizabeth; Mafeking; pro-Mandela slogans.

6 slides

ICS204/1/11 "Freedom comes with sacrifice" - slides 125-142

**c1976 June-
September**

Photographs include demonstrations (eg Cape Town townships), child protestors, armed police.

16 slides

- ICS204/1/12 "Freedom for all" - slides 143-154** **c1976**
September
- Subjects of photographs include solidarity strikes by Cape Town University students; joint marches of mixed races; armed police in action.
- 12 slides
- ICS204/1/13 "The Struggle Continues" - slides 155-164** **c1976 June-**
December
- Photographs include large crowds at funerals, scenes at funeral of Jacob Mashabane after police opened fire; ANC leaflets in aftermath of Soweto uprising.
- 10 slides
- ICS204/1/14 Exhibition / slides guide** **c1977**
- Typescript, 15 pages. Includes descriptions of groups of slides and introduction to slides collection.
- ICS204/2 South African photographs** **c1960-**
c1976
- Photographs include Sharpeville, 1960; "Europeans only" signs; police and vehicles; mothers and children; maps of South Africa; housing; school children. Mostly black and white photographs.
- 109 slides