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Papers of the Sami Support Committee:

Interim Collection Description

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# Introduction

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Alison Cullingford, Special Collections Librarian.

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## Title

Papers of the Sami Support Committee.

## Dates

1981-1985.

## Level of description

Collection (fonds).

## Extent

0.04 linear metres (1 file).

## Name of creator

Sami Support Committee.

## Administrative history

The Sami Support Committee was formed early in 1981 to support the Sami people and other activists protesting against the Alta-Kautokeino hydro-electric project in northern Norway, which would flood Sami reindeer grazing lands. The group was formed following a picket of the Norwegian tourist office on 14 January 1981 in response to the Norwegian government decision to break up the protest using force. Survival International, CIMRA and London Greenpeace were the organisers of the picket. The Committee was based at London Greenpeace 6 Endsleigh Street. This collection was created by one of the activists involved with the Committee, Martyn Lowe.

## Immediate source of acquisition

Papers donated by Martyn Lowe to Commonweal, before 2004.

## Scope and content

Correspondence with activists and organisations, notes, printed ephemera, circulars, press cuttings, issues of journals and magazines.

## Appraisal

Duplicate circulars and blank pages have been removed. One publication, 'Charta 79: the Sami people and human rights' has been transferred to the Peace Pamphlets Collection. It is likely that further cataloguing will reveal more scope for appraisal.

## Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

## System of arrangement

Material was received in one box plus some loose items. Original order has been retained.

## Access conditions

Available to researchers, by appointment. Access to archive material is subject to preservation requirements and must also conform to the restrictions of the Data Protection Act and any other appropriate legislation. This Archive includes correspondence containing personal data, to which access is restricted under the Data Protection Act pending further research. This will be carried out in response to user demand so individuals are encouraged to inform Special Collections of their interest in this material.

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## Language of material

Mostly English. There may be some material in Sami languages, Norwegian, and Finnish.

## Existence/location of copies

Text of some of the circulars in this archive was available online at the time this catalogue was written, shared by London Greenpeace activists on the site www.mcspotlight.org.

## Related archives

Related archives at the University of Bradford include the papers of London Greenpeace (Cwl BGP).

## Archivist’s note

Described by Alison Cullingford.

## Rules or conventions

ISAD(G) 2nd edition.

## Date(s) of description

June 2018.

## Indexing

### People

Lowe, Martyn.

### Organisations

London Greenpeace.

Sami Support Committee.

### Subjects

Hydroelectric power plants — — Norway — Kautokeino Region.

Hydroelectric power plants — Norway — Alta River Valley.

Sami (European people) — Norway — Kautokeino Region — Economic conditions.

Sami (European people) — Norway — Alta River Valley — Economic conditions.

Sami (European people) — Norway —Political activity.

### Places

Norway — Kautokeino Region.

Norway — Alta River Valley.