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Notes

This collection includes SAPOHR's constitution, correspondence, memoranda and press releases.

Inventory

- 1: Constitution and informational leaflet on SAPOHR.
- 2: Correspondence and Memoranda.
Includes corresp with the Office of the President, N Mandela
- 3: Press Releases.
- 4: Pamphlets.