

## British Council Collection of Correspondence and Reports MS 5118

Correspondence between 183 British and Irish writers and the British Council together with reports of visits and other miscellaneous papers. Includes material from Brian Aldiss; Alan Brownjohn; Margaret Drabble; T.S. Eliot; William Golding; Graham Greene; Michael Holroyd; Iris Murdoch; Stephen Spender; Julian Symons; Anthony Thwaite; Arnold Wesker. There are also documents (carbons and photocopies) relating to the illness and death in Vienna of the poet and British Council employee Bernard Spencer, sent to the British Council on behalf of Roger Bowen of the University of Arizona, who was preparing a biography.

The Collection covers the year's 1960-2001.

The physical extent of the collection is 6 boxes.

Introduction

The British Council is the United Kingdom's public diplomacy and cultural organisation. Part of its work is to send British writers on trips abroad in order to help international artistic understanding.

This collection incorporates MS 3478: letters and reports from British and Irish writers deposited in June 1989; E.M. Forster - manuscript page from an early draft of "A Passage to India", with a note of authentication initialled by Forster, which was found in the British Council offices in Rome; MS 3441; MS 2659 - letters extracted from British Council files, 1955-1980; and material deposited since 1989.

Please note that a 30 year closure, (from date of creation), has been applied to some files and permission to view these closed files is required from both the author or Literary Executor and the British Council.

MS 5118/1 Corrrespondence with Dannie Abse

7 June 1993-11 June 1994

letters dated: 7 June 1993 11 June 1994

1 file (2 letters) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/2 Corrrespondence with Peter Ackroyd

7 July 1987 letters dated:

7 July 1987; Undated card x2; 1 file (3 letters)



MS 5118/3 Corrrespondence with Brian Aldiss

5 October 1987 - 25 May 1994

letters dated: 5 October 1987 10 May 1988

Report on visit to Malaysia 17-26 August 1992

8 November 199315 November 199317 February 19948 April 199412 April 1994

25 April 1994 4 May 1994 11 May 1994 25 May 1994

1 file (12 letters) CLOSED

MS 5118/4 Correspondence with Martin Amis

5 July 1993-28 December 1996

Letters dated: 5 July 1993

28 December 1996

1 file (2 letters) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/5 Correspondence with Youssef Azemoun

21 April 1994 Letters dated: 21 April 1994

1 file (1 letter) CLOSED

MS 5118/6 Correspondence with Paul Bailey

19 February 1992 - 28 November 1992

Letters dated: 19 February 1992

28 November 1992 – newspaper article

1 file (2 pieces) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/7 Correspondence with Beryl Bainbridge

8 March 1991 - 14 May 1991

Letters dated: 8 March 1991 Undated 14 May 1991

1 file (3 letters) CLOSED



MS 5118/8 Correspondence with Julian Barnes

23 May 1988-20 June 1993

Letters dated:

23 May 1988 with report on visit to Australia March 1988

1 November 1989 20 June 1993

1 file (3 letters) CLOSED

MS 5118/9 Correspondence with John Bayley and others

17 July 1991 - 21 August 1995

Letters dated: 17 July 1991 5 August

From Tamara Smith 8 August 1995

From Kurt Wachtveitl to Jonathan Barker 19 August 1995 From Tamara Smith to Kurt Wachtveitl 21 August 1995

Undated

1 file (6 letters) CLOSED

MS 5118/10 Report on trip to Mexico undertaken from 25-29 January 1993

by Gillian Beer January 1993

1 file (1 report) CLOSED

MS 5118/11 Correspondence with John Beer

21 November 1984-21 February 1985

Letters dated:

From N H Pettersen 21 November 1984

December 1984
 January 1985
 February 1985

1 file (4 letters)

MS 5118/12 Correspondence with Alan Bennett

4 May 1988 - 25 October 1988

Letters dated: 4 May 1988 25 October 1988

1 file (2 letters)



MS 5118/13 Correspondence with Bernard Blackstone

25 February 1963 Letters dated: 25 February 1963

1 file (1 letter)

**MS 5118/14** Papers relating to the Blaubeuren Symposium

June 1999-November 1999

The symposium on poetry anthologies took place in Blaubeuren, Germany from 29 October-1 November 1999. Correspondence with Jonathan Barker, Robert Crawford and Tony Lacey

1 file **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/15 Correspondence with Paul Bloomfield

8 October 1983 Letters dated: 8 October 1983

1 file (1 letter)

MS 5118/16 Correspondence with Edmund Blunden

1 May 1963 - 13 October 1963

Letters dated: 1 May 1963 13 October 1963

1 file (2 letters)

MS 5118/17 Correspondence with Edward Bond

19 April 1988

Letter dated' 19 April 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/18 Correspondence with M C Bradbrook

16 June 1963Letter dated:16 June 1963

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/19 Correspondence with Elizabeth Bradbury

23 May 1988 Letter dated: 23 May 1988 1 file (1 item)



MS 5118/20 Correspondence with Malcolm Bradbury

17 April 1989 - 25 November 1991

Letters dated: 17 April 1989 22 June 1989

Program, Austrian visit November 1990

25 November 1991

1 file (4 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/21 Correspondence with Simon Brett

1992-1995 Letters dated:

1992

Report on Czech tour 1995

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/22 Correspondence with Raymond Briggs

26 February 1989 Letter dated:

26 February 1989

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/23 Correspondence with Jocelyn Brooke

9 October 1963Letter dated:9 October 1963

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/24 Correspondence with Anita Brookner

23 December 1988-14 January 1993

Letter dated:

23 December 1988 14 January 1993

1 file (2 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/25 Correspondence with Alan Brownjohn

3 May 1988 - December 1992

Letter dated: 3 May 1988 16 June 1 July 1988 2 August 1988 6 November 1988



23 November 1988

26 November 1988

6 December 1988

3 January 1989

31 March 1989 with report on visit to Romania 4-18 February

1989

6 April 1989

Report on visit to University of Alcala de Henares 17-20

December 1992

1 file (12 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/26 Correspondence with A.S. Byatt

November 1994-December 1994

Letter dated:

Report on visit to Turkey 1-6 November 1994

19 December 1994

Undated card

1 file (3 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/27 Correspondence with J.L Carr

undated

Letter undated

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/28 Correspondence with Angela Carter

26 July 1984 Letter dated: 26 July 1984 Undated note

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/29 Correspondence with Charles Causley

11 December 1988-11 June 1993

Letters dated:

11 December 1988 Report from visit to Egypt

21 April 1990 11 June 1993

1 file (3 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/30 Correspondence with Bruce Chatwin

21 October 1987 - 5 May 1988

Letters dated: 21 October 1987



22 November 1987

5 May 1988

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/31 Correspondence with Kevin Crossley-Holland

undated

Letters dated: 2 cards, undated

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/32 Correspondence with Valentine Cunningham

November 1992 Letters dated:

Report on Belgrade visit 17-22 November 1992

1 file (1 item) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/33 Correspondence with David Dabydeen

July 1988 Letter dated: July 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/34 Correspondence with Roald Dahl

30 January 1989 Letter dated: 30 January 1989

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/35 Correspondence with David Daiches

9 June 1989 Letter dated: 9 June 1989

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/36 Correspondence with H. S. Davies

2 January 1963Letter dated:2 January 1963



MS 5118/37 Correspondence with Margaret Drabble

25 November 1976 - 29 April 1994

Letters dated:

25 November 1976

5 May 1988

From Dr H Harvey Wood 5 March 1991

17 April 1991

3 May 1991From Michael Sissons to Jill Hickson re MD 4 June

1991

6 June 1991

27 June 1991

24 July 1991

From Dr H Harvey Wood 9 August 1991

29 August 1991

29 August 1991

From Dr H Harvey Wood to E Cardosa 23 September 1991

24 September 1991

Draft itinerary 24 September 1991

From E Cardosa 25 September 1991

From Dr H Harvey Wood to E Cardosa 25 September 1991

From E Cardosa to Dr H Harvey Wood 26 September 1991

From Dr H Harvey Wood 26 September 1991

30 September 1991

5 January 1992

28 January 1992

9 November 1992

25 May 1993 report on trip to China

From Dr H Harvey Wood 25 April 1994

29 April 1994

1 file (25 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/38 Correspondence with Maureen Duffy

20 May 1988 - 28 February 1989

Letter dated:

20 May 1988

28 February 1989

Undated

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/39 Correspondence with Douglas Dunn

**April 1988** 

Report on tour of Austria 11-20 April 1988



MS 5118/40 Correspondence with Geoff Dyer

November 1992-March 1996

Letter dated:

Report on Belgrade visit 17-22 November 1992

Report on Rio seminar (undated)

Report on Odense Residency 18 March 1996

1 file (3 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/41 Correspondence with David Edgar

17 May 1988-1 August 1988

Letter dated: 17 May 1988 1 August 1988 Undated card

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/42 Correspondence with T.S. Eliot

1 March 1963-28 August 1963

Letter dated: 1 March 1963 22 May 1963 28 August 1963

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/43 Correspondence with Alice Thomas Ellis

20 May [1991] Letter dated: 20 May [1991]

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/44 Correspondence with Bernardine Evaristo

November 1997 Letters dated: November 1997

From Colin Stevenson 25 November 1997

1 file (2 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/45 Correspondence with Gavin Ewart

March 1990 - March 1994

Letters dated:

Report on trip to Czechoslovakia 17-31 March 1990

4 July 1993

18 February 1994



6 March 1994

Leaflet and report on trip to Madrid and the University of Alcala de Henares 23-27 March 1994

1 file (6 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/46 Correspondence with J.G. Farrell

18 January 1979 Letter dated: 18 January 1979

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/47 Correspondence with Sebastian Faulks

undated Letter dated: Undated card

1 file (1 item)

**MS 5118/48** Papers relating to a seminar entitled, 'Feminism in Britain today'

with Angela Carter and Fay Weldon

February 1998

Report

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/49 Correspondence with Eva Figes

6 May 1988 Letters dated: 6 May 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/50 Correspondence with Anthony Flew

15 June 1987 - 13 August 1988

Letters dated: 15 June 1987 1 November 1987 11 May 1988 21 May 1988 27 July 1988

Report on visit to Sri Lanka 6-15 July 1988

13 August 1988

1 file (7 items)



MS 5118/51 Correspondence with Michael Foreman

3 January 1988

3 January 1988 Report on visit to Cairo

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/52 Correspondence with John Fowles

4 January 1988 - 3 December 1993

Letters dated: 4 January 1988 20 December 1992

From Jonathan Barker 4 June 1993

22 June 1993

From Dr H Harvey Wood 30 July 1993 From Chris [Bigsby] 3 December 1993

1 file (6 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/53 Correspondence with Ronald Frame

5 May 1988 Letter dated: 5 May 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/54 Correspondence with Frank Frankel

15 August 1992 Letter dated: 15 August 1992

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

**MS 5118/55** Correspondence with Rosemary Freeman

13 August 1963 Letter dated: 13 August 1963

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/56 Correspondence with Brian Friel

16 March 1989 Letter dated: 16 March 1989



MS 5118/57 Correspondence with Jane Gardam

4 May 1987 Letter dated: 4 May 1987

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/58 Correspondence with Leon Garfield

4 May 1988-December 1988

Letter dated: 4 May 1988 December 1988

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/59 Correspondence with Roger Garfitt

1 May 1990 Letter dated: 1 May 1990

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/60 Alan Garner - Report on visit to Munich 25-27 November 1987

November 1987

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/61 Maggie Gee - Report on visit to Germany

1988-1989

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/62 Correspondence with Victoria Glendinning

February 1988 - 23 April 1993

Papers dated:

Report on visit to Australia February 1988

23 April 1993

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/63 Correspondence with William Golding

4 October 1986 - 16 June 1992

Letters dated: 4 October 1986 15 October 1986 16 October 1986

From Claudia Blum de Barberi 18 December 1986

27 December 1986

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3 January 1987

From Hamish Hayward 14 January 1987

17 January 1987

8 April 1987 Report on visit to India 1987

12 May 1987

19 December 1987

16 January 1988

3 May [1988]

1 July 1988

11 August 1988

2 September 1988

From Nicholas Anagnostopoulos 20 August 1991

4 October 1991

From Hamish Hayward 10 October 1991

22 October 1991

From Kate Bostock 28 April 1992

From Jonathan Barker 28 April 1992

16 June 1992

1 file (23 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/64 Correspondence with Lesley Grant-Adamson

8 July 1992-24 November 1992

Letters dated:

8 July 1992

28 August 1992

24 November 1992

1 file (3 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/65 Correspondence with Graham Greene

3 March 1982-2 September 1988

Letters dated:

3 March 1982

18 November 1987

2 September 1988

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/66 Correspondence with Lavinia Greenlaw

undated

Letter undated



MS 5118/67 Miron Grindea - articles and newscuttings

1987-1991

Includes an undated note

1 file (8 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/68 Reports by Romesh Gunesekera

1995-April 1996

Report of visit to Barcelona and Madrid 1995

Report on being writer in residence at the University of

Copenhagen April 1966

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/69 Correspondence with Sir George Rostrevor Hamilton

9 October 1963 - 12 October 1963

Letters dated: 9 October 1963 12 October 1963

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/70 Suyin Han - Report of visit to Hong Kong 11-16 December 1988,

with newscuttings, leaflet and photographs.

December 1988

1 file (8 items)

MS 5118/71 Correspondence with Tony Harrison

c.1989

Undated postcards Press cuttings 1989

1 file (9 items)

MS 5118/72 Correspondence with Ronald Harwood

24 January 1994-29 March 1994

Letters dated: 24 January 1994

From Robert Snell 29 March 1994

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/73 Correspondence with Terence Hawkes

9 June 1988 - 23 June 1988

Letters dated: 9 June 1988

23 June 1988; 1 file (2 items)



MS 5118/74 Correspondence with Tim Heald

28 May 1992 - 20 November 1995

Letters dated: 28 May 1992

15 November 199220 November 1995

1 file (3 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/75 Correspondence with Seamus Heaney

5 August 1986 - 13 June 1988

Letters dated: 5 August 1986 13 June 1988

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/76 Correspondence with Selima Hill

c.1993

Letters dated: 1 June [1993]

Jonathan Barker to Nambaryn Enkhbayar re Selima Hill 10 June

1993

From Jonathan Barker 2 August 1993

30 August 15 November

1 file (5 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/77 Correspondence with Bevis Hillier

21 April 1989 - 12 May 1989

Letters dated: 21 April 1989 12 May 1989

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/78 Correspondence with Michael Holroyd

24 May 1988 - March 1992

Letters dated: 24 May 1988 19 August 1988 7 January 1989 11 January 1989 17 January 1989

Report of visit to Italy 15-21 March 1992

1 file (6 items) **CLOSED** 



MS 5118/79 Correspondence with Christopher Hope

11 February 1988-12 August 1988

Letters dated:

11 February 1988 Report on Walberberg Conference

12 August 1988

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/80 Correspondence with Michael Horovitz

9 January 1994-28 August 1999

Letters dated: 9 January 1994

Article on Christopher Logue in the Independent 28 August 1999

1 file (2 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/81 Correspondence with Ted Hughes

1989

Letters dated: 1989 (undated)

From Hussain Muhammad Ershad 27 August 1989

From W G Harvey 19 November 1989

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/82 Correspondence with Emyr Humphreys

9 December 1987-May 1988

Letters dated: 9 December 1987

Undated but probably May 1988

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/83 Correspondence with Mark Illis

12 March 1996 Letter dated: 12 March 1996

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/84 Robin Isherwood - Report on visit to Budapest 1-13 May 1988

May 1988



MS 5118/85 Correspondence with Kazuo Ishiguro

March 1988-20 January 1989

Letters dated:

Report on trip to Australia and New Zealand February/March

1988

16 November 198820 January 1989

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/86 Correspondence with Nicki Jackowska

21 October 1994 Letter dated: 21 October 1994

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/87 Correspondence with P.D. James

4 May 1989 - 16 December 1992

Letters dated:

4 May 1989 Report of trip to Las Palmas and Gran Canaria with

H R F Keating

From Angels Pera 4 December 1992

7 December 1992

From Dr H Harvey Wood 10 December 1992 From Isabel Fernandez 14 December 1992 From Dr H Harvey Wood 16 December 1992

1 file (6 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/88 Correspondence with Alan Jenkins

20 March 1990 - 11 April 1990

Letters dated: 28 March 1990

From Dr H Harvey-Wood 11 April 1990

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/89 Amryl Johnson - June 1990 Report on trip to Frankfurt

June 1990

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/90 Correspondence with L.K. Johnson

20 December 1989

Letter dated:

20 December 1989



MS 5118/91 Correspondence with Judith Kazantzis

19 August 1995 Letter dated: 19 August 1995

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/92 Correspondence with H.R.F. Keating

9 July 1987 - 12 October 1994

Letters dated: 9 July 1987

Report on visit to Las Palmas 1989

27 May 1994

23 September 1994 - Report on visit to India

From Richard Walker 12 October 1994

1 file (5 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/93 Correspondence with Elizabeth Kelly

7 July 1987 Letter dated:

7 July 1987 re Wole Soyinka

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/94 Correspondence with Frank Kermode

8 April 1963 Letter dated: 8 April 1963

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/95 Correspondence with Mimi Khalvati

5 March 1996 Letter dated: 5 March 1996

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/96 Correspondence with Francis King

16 August 1979 Letter dated: 16 August 1979



MS 5118/97 Correspondence with Mark Kinkead-Weekes

21 March 1989 Letter dated:

21 March 1989 Letter and report on visit to Burgundy

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/98 Correspondence with Hanif Kureishi

25 July 1992 Letter dated: 25 July 1992

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/99 Correspondence with Edward Lansbury

4 February 1994-6 June 1994

Letters dated: 4 February 1994 15 May 1994 6 June 1994

1 file (3 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/100 Correspondence with Laurie Lee

16 June 1955 and 11 February 1988

Letters dated: 16 June 1955 11 February 1988

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/101 Correspondence with Lawrence Lerner

3 February 1987-15 March 1995

Letters dated: 3 February 1987 15 March 1995

1 file (2 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/102 Correspondence with Doris Lessing

1993-8 June 2001 Letters dated:

Article in 'Index on censorship 8 & 9'

Report of trip to China with Margaret Drabble and Michael

Holroyd 1993 27 October 1993 8 June 2001

Undated card; 1 file (5 items); CLOSED



MS 5118/103 Correspondence with Penelope Lively

28 September 1987-21 November 1988

Letters dated:

28 September 1987

21 May 1988 30 June 1988 6 August 1988 21 November 1988

1 file (5 items)

MS 5118/104 Liz Lochhead - report on Scottish Poets' tour of Austria

May 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/105 Correspondence with David Lodge

2 August 1988 - 30 July 1993

Letters dated: 2 August 1988 29 July 1991 17 June 1993 30 July 1993

1 file (4 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/106 Correspondence with Michael Longley

November 1988 Letter dated: November 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/107 Correspondence with Edward Lucie-Smith

26 March 1973 Letter dated: 26 March 1973

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/108 Sorley MacLean - report on Scottish Poets' tour of Austria

9 May 1988



MS 5118/109 Correspondence with Christopher Maclehose

28 June 1988 - 29 July 1988

Letters dated: 28 June 1988 29 July 1988

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/110 Correspondence with Ian McMillan

19 December 1989 - 1990

Letter dated:

19 December 1989

Article in Poetry Review 1990

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/111 Correspondence with Wolf Mankowitz

8 October 1978 Letter dated: 8 October 1978

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/112 Correspondence with Hilary Mantel

4 June 1995 Letter dated: 4 June 1995

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/113 Correspondence with Dr Jack Mapanje

24 April 1986 - 23 October 1986

Letters dated:

From Liz Moloney 24 April 1986

8 May 1986 16 May 1986

From Liz Moloney 30 June 1986

23 October 1986

1 file (5 items)

MS 5118/114 Correspondence with Roger McGough

1 September 1992 - 9 December 1996

Letters dated:

1 September 1992

4 January 1993 Report on Kuala Lumpur World Poetry Reading

19-23 November 1992

21 November 1996



9 December 1996 Undated

1 file (6 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/115 Correspondence with James Melville

1990

Visit to Brazil and the Agatha Christie Centenary Exhibition 1990

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/116 Correspondence with Adrian Mitchell

28 July 1995 Letter dated: 28 July 1995

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/117 Correspondence with Timothy Mo

7 May 1988 Letter dated: 7 May 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/118 Correspondence with Susan Moody

27 May 1992 - October 1992

Letters dated: 27 May 1992 29 July 1992

Report on visit to Puebla, Mexico 12-22 October 1992

1 file (3 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/119 Correspondence with Geoffrey Moorhouse

19 February 1993 - 31 March 1993

Letters dated:

19 February 1993

10 March 1993

31 March 1993

1 file (3 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/120 Report on Austrian poetry reading tour 11-20 April 1988 by

Edwin Morgan April 1988



MS 5118/121 Correspondence with Blake Morrison

9 May 1988 Letter dated: 9 May 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/122 Correspondence with John Mortimer

10 July 1972 - 25 September 1993

Letters dated: 10 July 1972 25 February 1989 19 March 1989

25 September 1993

1 file (4 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/123 Correspondence with Andrew Motion

14 January 1994-21 March 1994

Letters dated: 14 January 1994 19 January 1994

From Dr H Harvey Wood 12 January 1994 From Dr H Harvey Wood 18 January 1994

21 March 1994

1 file (5 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/124 Correspondence with Malcolm Muggeridge

17 November 1977

Letter dated:

17 November 1977

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/125 Correspondence with Iris Murdoch

8 October 1978 - 29 September 1993

Letters dated:

8 October 1978

6 May 1984

15 July 1984

4 August 1984

11 November 1984

22 May 1988

14 July [1988]

12 August 1988

10 February

20 May 1991



29 May

15 October

18 October

Undated x 10

12 January 1992

14 January 1992

From Jonathan Barker 1 February 1993

4 Undated letters to Jonathan Barker probably Spring 1993

From Jonathan Barker 29 September 1993

27 September 1993

Transcription of taped conversation 29 September 1993

1 file (30 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/126 Correspondence with Beverley Naidoo

18 December 1997

Letter dated:

18 December 1997

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/127 Correspondence with V.S. Naipaul

28 December 1993

Letter dated:

28 December 1993

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/128 Correspondence with Lawrence Norfolk

27 September 1999 - 30 November 2000

Letter dated:

27 September 1999

30 November 2000

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

Report of residency at Odense University 17 March – 28 April MS 5118/129

1996 by Sean O'Brien

**April 1996** 

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/130 Correspondence with Peter Opie

7 May 1974

Letter dated:

7 May 1974



MS 5118/131 Correspondence with Patrick Parrinder

22 May 1995 Letter dated: 22 May 1995

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/132 Correspondence with Brian Patten

February 1993

Report on Poetry Readings in the Seychelles and Mauritius

February 1993 Undated letter

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/133 Correspondence with Caryl Phillips

14 May 1988 - 5 August 1991

Letters dated: 14 May 1988 14 August 1988 5 August 1991 x 2 Undated memo

1 file (5 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/134 Paper for Budapest Conference 23 April 1993 by Winsome

Pinnock April 1993

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/135 Correspondence with Peter Porter

15 January 1993 Letter dated: 15 January 1993

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/136 Correspondence with Anthony Powell

15 January 1988 Letter dated: 15 January 1988



MS 5118/137 Correspondence with Terry Pratchett

6 February 1995 - 23 July 1997

Letters dated: 6 February 1995

From Jonathan Barker 20 February 1995

9 March 1995 23 July 1997

1 file (4 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/138 Correspondence with John Press

4 January 1989 Letter dated: 4 January 1989

1 file (1 item)

MS Correspondence with J.B. Priestley

**5118/139B** 24 October 1963

Letter dated: 24 October 1963

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/140 Correspondence with F T Prince

2 October 1963 Letter dated: 2 October 1963

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/141 Correspondence with Isabel Quigley

19 February 1989 Letter dated: 19 February 1989

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/142 Correspondence with Craig Raine

2 July 1988 - 7 October 1992

Letters dated: 2 July 1988

2 November 198820 December 19888 March 1989

28 March 1989 7 October 1992

1 file (6 items) **CLOSED** 



MS 5118/143 Correspondence with Peter Redgrove

17 October 1960 Letter dated: 17 October 1960

1 file (1 item)

MS Correspondence with Christopher Reid

**5118/144A** 2 August 1988

Letter dated: 2 August 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/145 Correspondence with Robert Richardson

30 August 1994 - 14 November 1994

Letters dated: 30 August 1994 23 September 1994 14 November 1994

1 file (3 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/146 Correspondence with Christopher Ricks

16 April 1965 Letter dated: 16 April 1965

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/147 Correspondence with Michele Roberts

April 1995 - 20 September 1999

Letters dated:

Report on trip to Germany, undated

Report on trip to Cairo and Alexandria 19-25 April 1995

Card 19 May 1999 20 September 1999

1 file (4 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/148 Correspondence with Salman Rushdie

19 February 1993 Letter dated:

From Dr H Harvey Wood 19 February 1993

1 file (1 item) CLOSED



MS 5118/149 Correspondence with Lawrence Sail

13 September 1996-14 October 1996

Letters dated:

13 September 1996

14 October 1996

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/150 Correspondence with Tom Sharpe

13 July 1984 - November 1984

Letter dated: 13 July 1984

30 November 1984 Report on German visit

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/151 Correspondence with Jon Silkin

20 April 1979 - 10 September 1979

Letters dated: 20 April 1979 5 May 1979

10 September 1979

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/152 Correspondence with Alan Sillitoe

8 August 1988 - 8 November 1993

Letters dated: 8 August 1988 4 June 1993

11 November 1993

From JB 8 November 1993

1 file (4 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/153 Report on trip to Mexico December 1991 by Clive Sinclair

December 1991

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/154 Correspondence with C.P. Snow

19-22 February 1960

Letters dated: 22 February 1960

From E N Gummer 19 February 1960

1 file (2 items)



MS 5118/155 Correspondence with Wole Soyinka

13 January 1989 - 14 March 1990

Visit to receive Royal Society of Literature's Benson Medal 12-

19 March 1990.

Letters re visit:

Judith Squires 13 January 1989

Hilkin, Peter 14 March 1990

Geoffrey Strachan 14 March 1990

1 file (4 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/156 Documents (carbons and photocopies) relating to the illness and

death of Bernard Spencer, in Vienna.

May 1979

Documents (carbons and photocopies) relating to his illness and death in Vienna, sent to the British Council on behalf of Roger Bowen of the University of Arizona, who was preparing a biography.

1 file

MS 5118/157 Correspondence with Stephen Spender

30 April 1963 - 23 December 1992

Letters dated:

30 April 1963

27 February 1989

13 October 1989

4 November 1989

3 April 1992

30 April 1992

27 September 1992

From Jonathan Barker 2 October 1992

8 November 1992

From Jonathan Barker 23 December 1992

1 file (10 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/158 Correspondence with George Steiner

9 May 1980 - 14 June 1989

Letters dated:

9 May 1980

26 August 1987

12 May 1987

8 March 1989

14 June 1989

1 file (5 items)



MS 5118/159 Correspondence with Randall Stevenson

October 1994-4 November 1994

Letter dated:

4 November 1994

Report on visit to Korea 20-27 October 1994

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/160 Correspondence with David Storey

17 November 1977 - 15 June 1989

Letters dated:

17 November 1977

5 January 1989

15 June 1989

1 file (3 items)

MS 5118/161 Correspondence with Graham Swift

2 April 1984 - 27 November 1991

Letters dated:

2 April 1984

10 September 1984

26 November 1984

7 December 1984

13 September 1987

11 May 1988

22 August 1988

27 November 1991

1 file (8 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/162 Correspondence with Julian Symons

8 July 1987 - November 1994

Letters dated:

8 July 1987

16 May 1992

29 July 1992

19 November 1992

5 December 1992

25 March 1993

13 April 1993

29 May 1994

30 September 1994

Report on visit to Vitoria 17-21 October 1994

26 October 1994

10 November 1994

From Jonathan Barker 3 November 1994

Postcard 28 August; 1 file (14 items) CLOSED



MS Correspondence with Ruth Rendell

**5118/144B** 26 May 1989

Letter dated: 26 May 1989

1 file (1 item)

MS Report on visit to West Germany, 15-19 December 1987, by

**5118/139A** Christopher Priest

20 December 1987

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/163 Correspondence with D M Thomas

30 March 1984 - 5 December 1984

Letters dated: 30 March 1984

5 December 1984 report on German tour

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/164 Correspondence with Anthony Thwaite

21 November 1988 - 11 November 1996

Letters dated: 21 November 1988

3 March 1989 with TSs of poems The notebooks and Sigma.

13 June 1989

Report of tour of Japan 22 October- 4 November 1994 Report of visit to Alexandria and Cairo 4-9 December 1994

8 May 1995

11 November 1996

1 file (7 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/165 Correspondence with Claire Tomalin

23 April 1993 Letter dated: 23 April 1993

1 file (1 item) CLOSED

MS 5118/166 Correspondence with Charles Tomlinson

24 July 1987 - 11 February 2001

Letters dated: 24 July 1987

25 October 1987 Report on Canadian visit

Report on visit to Japan and Hong Kong December 1987

From Jonathan Barker 17 August 1994



21 August 1994 11 February 2001

1 file (6 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/167 Correspondence with Rose Tremain

8 December 1988 - 10 December 1992

Letters dated: 8 December 1988 10 December 1992

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/168 Correspondence with John Trewin

27 January 1974 Letter dated: 27 January 1974

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/169 Correspondence with Barry Unsworth

15 November 1987 - 4 June 1996

Letters dated:

15 November 1987

23 March 1988

18 June 1988

28 August 1988

1 February 1989

4 June 1996

1 file (6 items) **CLOSED** 

MS 5118/170 Correspondence with Michelene Wandor

16 February 1988

Letter dated:

Undated

16 February 1988 Report on Walberberg Seminar 28-31

January

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/171 Correspondence with Marina Warner

1995-1998

Letters dated:

27 March

6 July

6 January 1998

Programme and cuttings for Caribbean tour 4-18 March 1995



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MS 5118/172 Correspondence with Rex Warner

12 May 1963 - 22 August 1964

Letters dated: 12 May 1963 22 August 1964

1 file (2 items)

MS 5118/173 Correspondence with Fay Weldon

30 June 1987 - 16 June 1988

Letters dated: 30 June 1987

Corr. re Writers' Festival in Reykjavik, 13-19 September 1987.

19 October 1987

16 June 1988 Report on Yugoslavian tour including TS of short

story, 13pp. 'Ind Aff – or Out of Love in Sarajevo'

TS 17 pages short story 'GUP – or Falling in Love in Helsinki'

1 file (5 items)

MS 5118/174 Correspondence with Stanley Wells

July 1988 Letter dated: July 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/175 Correspondence with Arnold Wesker

11 April 1972 - 1 April 1993

Letters dated:

11 April 1972

13 September 1987

27 January 1988

8 May 1988

19 May 1988

30 June 1988

5 February 1989

17 May 1989

2 December 1992

2 January 1993

17 March 1993

1 April 1993

Undated

1 file (13 items) CLOSED



MS 5118/176 Correspondence with Hugo Williams

7 July 1988 Letter dated: 7 July 1988

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/177 Correspondence with Raymond Williams

6 March 1965 Letter dated: 6 March 1965

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/178 Correspondence with Ted Willis

25 October 1977 Letter dated: 25 October 1977

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/179 Correspondence with Angus Wilson

18 March 1965 Letter dated: 18 March 1965

1 file (1 item)

**MS 5118/180** Correspondence with Jeannette Winterson

November 1988-5 May 1993

Letter dated:

Report on visit to southern Germany November 1988

5 May 1993

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/181 Correspondence with Dr. Harriet Harvey Wood

12 November 1993-20 June 1994

Letters dated:

From Simon Bush 12 November 1993

19 November 1993 6 December 1993

From Edward Preston 5 January 1994 From Edward Preston 2 May 1994

20 June 1994

1 file (6 items) **CLOSED** 



MS 5118/182 Correspondence with Theodore Zeldin

6 February 1989 Letter dated: 6 February 1989

1 file (1 item)

MS 5118/183 Correspondence with Benjamin Zephaniah

23 August 1993 - 16 April 1997

Letters dated: 16 April 1997 23 August 1993

1 file (2 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/184 Folder of cards and notes from various authors

1982 - 2002

cards from Richard Burns, David Codling, Penelope Fitzgerald, John Harvey, Susan Hill, Philip Maclean, Candia McWilliam, Jessica Mann, Dr Alistair Niven, Kathy Page, Bernice Rubens, Helen Simpson.

Notes from Michael Benton, Menna Elfyn, Isabel Fernandez, David Gascoyne, Professor Randolph Quirk.

Contractual agreement between the British Council, the Csokonai Theatre and Lajos Kossuth University to support the production of 'The Love of a Nightingale' by Timberlake Wertembaker, 1992/3.

1 file (20 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/185 Folder of cards and letters from unidentified individuals

1988-2002

1 file (17 items) CLOSED

MS 5118/186 Folder of printed items

1990s

3 books "Poems from Kenyan Schools", published by Longman Kenya Ltd., photocopies of photographs of John Banville and articles; and leaflets produced by the British Council

1 file (11 items)

**MS 5118/187** Folder of papers relating to the Overseas Career Service:

Induction Course, ran by the British Council

September 1989

This ran from 18-29 September 1989

1 file



MS 5118/188 Folder of papers about the Poetry Olympics Weekend

5 July 1996 -7 July 1996

includes correspondence and publications

1 file

MS 5118/189 Papers relating to the radio series, "The poet speaks"

1960s-1970s

Details of recordings of the radio programmes 'The poet speaks', undertaken by the British Council from around 1956 until the 1970s.

Photocopied booklet Fiction, Poetry and Drama 1976-81; an exhibition of selected books arranged by the British Council.

Transcripts of interviews for 'The poet speaks', produced by Peter Orr to be used in the volume of the same name, which he edited and which was published by Routledge and Kegan Paul:

Fleur Adcock

Kingsley Amis

John Betjeman

**Charles Causley** 

Hilary Corke

Paul Durcan and McDaragh Woods talking to Joy Hatwood

Elaine Finestein

John Fuller

Roy Fuller

Tom Gunn talks to Hilary Morrish

Seamus Heaney

**Ted Hughes** 

P J Kavanagh talks to Howell Litherdale

**Bernard Kops** 

Norman McCaig

Roger McGough

A D Mackie

T S Matthews

Sylvia Plath

Peter Porter

Peter Redgrove

Canute Skinner

Stevie Smith

Ann Stevenson

Rosemary Tonks

John Wain

Mcdaragh Woods and Paul Durcan talking to Joy Hatwwood –

see under Durcan

Judith Wright

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