



**Finding aid**

**DAVIDSON\_J01**

**Sound recordings collected by  
J.A. (James Arthur) Davidson, 1960**

## ACCESS

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## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

**Date:** 1960

**Extent:** 1 sound tape reel (ca. 14 min.) : analogue, 7 1/2 ips, mono ; 7 in.

### Production history

This recording was collected by J.A. Davidson in 1960 at Yirrkala, Northern Territory. It features a Rirratjingu Wagilag ceremony performed by Mungurrawuy, Madhaman, Dadanga and Milirrpum.

## RELATED MATERIAL

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## ARCHIVIST'S NOTE

This finding aid was compiled from information provided by J.A. Davidson and audition sheets prepared by AIATSIS staff.

## ITEM LIST

Archive number	Field recording number	Description
001583A	<a href="#">Field tape 1</a>	Wagilag ceremony performed by Mungurrawuy, Madhaman, Dadanga and Milirrpum

## ITEM DESCRIPTIONS

### 001583A/Field tape 1

Performer/speaker(s): Mungurrawuy, Madhaman, Dadanga, Milirrpum

Subject keywords: Music – Ceremonial music, Music – Vocal -Group – Male, Wawalag Sisters – Stories & motifs, Ceremonies – Men

Language/people: Rirratjingu

Places: Yirrkala (East Arnhem Land SD53-04)

Recording quality:

Archive item number	Timing point	Description	Date	Place
DAVIDSON_J01-001583A	00:00:00	Wagilag ceremony recorded at the Wawaluk ground, accompanied by chanting and sticks, performed by Mungurrawuy, Madhaman, Dadanga and Milirrpum. Features occasional comments in English. <b>RESTRICTED MEN ONLY.</b>	1960	Yirrkala, NT
	00:13:18	End of field tape 1 and Davidson_J01.		