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Sound recordings collected by Reverend Esmond New, 1963

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Date: 1963

Extent: 1 sound tape reel (10 min.): analogue, mono; 3 in.

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mono, 24 bit, 48 kHz, WAV.

Production history

These recordings were collected by Reverend Esmond New, then Secretary for Foreign Missions, the Presbyterian Church in 1963. They were collected while Reverend New was working for the Australian Inland Mission. The purpose of the recordings was to research the music of the Worrorra, Ngarinyin and Wunambal people of Mowanjum in the West Kimberley, WA. Performers include unidentified Worrorra males and females, unidentified Wunambal males, an unidentified Ngarinyin male and Bill the Rainmaker. The collection was deposited on 13 May 2005.

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This finding aid was compiled from information provided by Reverend Esmond New. Detailed item descriptions, featuring timing points, are not yet available as the collection has not been auditioned by AIATSIS staff.

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Field recording number Description Worrorra corroboree song performed by men and women; didjeridu music performed by Wunambal men; Ngarinyin love songs performed by Bill the Bill the Rain-maker