

Socialist Front Collection

Box 36

Collection Overview

Scope and Contents

This box has a series of printed publications by the coalition Malayan People's Socialist Front (also known as Socialist Front or Barisan Sosialis in Bahasa Melayu). This collection contains songbooks produced by the Labour Party of Malaya, manuscripts written to the United Nations, and newspapers such as Benteng, Suara Rakyat and Nyala.

Dates

1960s-1970s

Identifier

2018.01

Creator

This collection is curated by the archive.
Majority of the items were donated by Por Heong Hong

Extent

1 box

Notes

- Portions of the collection are available in item inventory and available upon request.
- Digital collection of selected items are available online on Search Malaysia Design Archive Database: <https://search.malaysiadesignarchive.org/collections/socialist-front/>

Contents and Arrangements

1. Series 1

1.1. Item: Songbooks

Type: Booklet, handbook, numbered musical notation

Date: 1960s

Quantity: 5 items

Notes: The songbooks are handwritten in the form of numbered musical notation

Item:

- a) Suara Orang Ramai 群众歌声
- b) 群众歌曲. 第2集 (Translation: Collective Singing. Edition 2)
- c) 革命歌曲 (Translation: Revolutionary Songs)
- d) 春自人间来 (Translation: Spring Day)
- e) Handwritten numbered musical notation of 11 songs

2. Series 2

2.1. Item: Manuscripts to the United Nations

Type: Manuscript

Date: 3 and 10 December 1973

Quantity: 3 items

Item:

- a) 「响应自由和正义的呼声」马来亚政治扣留者为纪念联合国人权宣言25周年声明. (Translation: 'Answering the call for freedom and justice'. A statement from Malayan political detainees commemorating the 25th anniversary of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights)
- b) 马来亚政治扣留者家属致联合国人权委员会公开信 (Translation: An open letter from the families of political detainees in Malaya to the United Nations Human Rights Commission)
- c) 马来亚政治扣留者家属为抗议联盟政权无理剥夺人权 致联合国秘书长呼吁书. (Translation: The families of political detainees in Malaya sent an appeal to the Secretary-General of the United Nations to protest against the unreasonable deprivation of human rights by the coalition regime)

3. Series 3

3.1. Item: Newspapers

Three types of newspapers were produced by the Socialist Front coalition. Benteng and Suara Rakyat were the official newspapers for Parti Rakyat Malaya, and Nyala was published by the Socialist Front.

Type: Newspapers

Date: 1960-1963

Quantity: 44 items

Item:

- a) Benteng (May 1962) - 1 newspaper
- b) Suara Rakyat 人民呼聲 (May to August, October, and December 1960) - 6 newspapers.
- c) Nyala 火焰抱 [Fo Yen Pao/Ho Yen Pao] (August to December 1960, January to December 1961, January-May and July-December 1962, January-December 1963) - 37 newspapers.