

**Reference code:** GB165-0268

**Title:** Fitzroy Somerset Collection

**Name of creator:** Somerset, Fitzroy Richard (1885-1964) 4th Baron Raglan

**Dates of creation of material:** 1919-1921

**Level of description:** Fonds

**Extent:** 1 box

**Biographical history:** Somerset, Fitzroy Richard (1885-1964) 4th Baron Raglan

Born 10 June 1885, eldest son of 3rd Baron Raglan and Baroness Raglan (née Lady Ethel Ponsonby). Educated Eton; Royal Military College, Sandhurst. Entered Grenadier Guards, 1905; Captain, 1914; Major 1919; ADC to Governor, Hong Kong, 1912-13; with Egyptian army, 1913-19; Political Officer, Palestine, 1919-21; retired pay, 1922. President, Section H. British Association, 1933; President Folk-Lore Society, 1945-47; associated with National Museum of Wales 1949-62; President, Royal Anthropological Institute, 1955-57. JP Co. Monmouth, 1909; Monmouth CC, 1928-49; DL 1930; H.M.'s Lieutenant for Co. Monmouth. County Commissioner for Boy Scouts, 1927-54. Succeeded father 1921. Married, 1923, Hon. Julia Hamilton, daughter of 11th Baron Belhaven: 2 sons; 2 daughters. Died 14 Sept. 1964.

**Scope and content:** Photocopied papers on the British administration in Transjordan, including Hon. Fitzroy Somerset's letters to his parents, memoranda and correspondence on border and security matters, 1919-1921 and including minutes of the Jerusalem Conference, 1921; some correspondence between Elizabeth Monroe, Major Monckton and Peake Pasha, 1967-1968 about the Somerset Papers.

**Access conditions:** Open

**Language of material:** English

**Physical Condition:** Some fading on the photocopies

**Conditions governing reproduction:** No restrictions on copying or quotation other than statutory regulations and preservation concerns.

**Custodial history:** In the possession of Lord Raglan and his family.

**Immediate source of acquisition:** Originals borrowed for photocopying from Lord Raglan (son) Feb./March 1968 and returned to him 1972.

**Location of originals:** With Lord Raglan

**Finding aids:** In Guide; Handlist

**Archivist's note:** Fonds level description created by Clare Brown 11 Jan 2000 and revised by Debbie Usher 5 Aug 2013. File level description added from original file titles by Debbie Usher 4 Apr 2023.

**FILE LEVEL DESCRIPTION OF THE FITZROY SOMERSET COLLECTION**

File 1	Transjordan Border and Security matters.  Note: The original photocopy made in 1970 has some fading, and a preservation photocopy was made in 2006.	1919-1921
File 2	Papers include Jerusalem Conference.  Note: The original photocopy made in 1970 has some fading, and a preservation photocopy was made in 2006.	1921