

Reference code: GB165-0114

Title: William Fuller Collection

Name of creator: Fuller, William Vickery (b.1907)

Dates of creation of material: April-May 1948; 1978-1979

Level of description: Fonds

Extent: 40 sheets

Biographical history: Fuller, William Vickery (b.1907)

Born 1907. Assistant Secretary 1941-1943, District Commissioner, Lydda (with headquarters in Jaffa), 1948. Married Gwyneth Marjorie Fuller.

Scope and content: Photocopies and MS transcripts of diary entries with explanatory notes written by William Fuller when he was District Commissioner in Lydda (with headquarters in Jaffa) 22 April-10 May 1948; photocopies of correspondence consisting of a letter from William Fuller to the Chief Secretary, Jerusalem 4 May 1948, a letter from the Emergency Committee, Jaffa to the District Commissioner, Jaffa 9 May 1948, a letter from the Chief Secretary (Henry Gurney) to the Chairman of the Truce Committee 10 May 1948 and an original letter from Dr Haikel (Mayor of Jaffa) to William Fuller 4 May 1948. Notes written by William Fuller in June 1979 on subjects relating to the end of the Palestine mandate, consisting of notes on the Irgun, his choice not to carry a gun for protection and the peril of crossing no-man's land and the lowering of the British flag on the 13th May 1948. Photocopy of a report, written by William Fuller at the end of the mandate, praising ten Arab Government Officers 'for courage and loyalty' in remaining at their posts until the end of the mandate and also praising one British Officer, the Assistant District Commissioner, Jaffa.

Access conditions: Open

Language of material: English

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Custodial history: In the possession of William Fuller

Immediate source of acquisition: Received from William Fuller July 1979

Related Units of Description:

In MEC Archive

- GB165-0128 Sir Henry Gurney Collection: “Palestine postscript: a short record of the last days of the Mandate”; TS diary entries, 15 March-14 May 1948.

Finding aids: In Guide; Handlist

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