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– an online index to Africa's rich and diverse history.

Sabinet African Archives is a growing index of thousands of consolidated African archives as well as special collections consisting of manuscripts, newspaper clippings, photographs, articles and more, to researchers with an interest in Africa.

Simple, Smooth and Seamless access.

- The Sabinet African Archives' objective is to make it as easy as possible for researchers and historians to find the relevant African archive or special collection.
- Easy to use and searches can be done across all content to find the relevant archives and collections.
- Easy to use filters available to browse on collection holder, most used tags or language.
- Users receive more details about the archive or collection and are provided with the collection holder's website should they require more information and access to the finding aids or collection items. Therefore, traffic is being directed to the collection holder's website.

Index Growth

- Current focus is on adding archives and collections located in South Africa.
- Will later extend to Africa, and collections about Africa located in non-African countries.
- Index currently has a growth rate of approximately 12 collections per day.

Collection holders are welcome to request that their collections are added to the index, and researchers are welcome to recommend collections they feel should be added to the index.

Requests and recommendations can be emailed to africanarchives@sabinet.co.za

The Beta phase of the Sabinet African Archives is free of charge. Users only need to register to enjoy access to the Index.

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Our Vision

In the long term the **Sabinet African Archives** hope to grow to include fully digitised collections from collection holders we form partnerships with. We understand that the digitisation, digital preservation, and ease of access to collections is important to collection holders, in order to reach their preservation and access goals. We want to assist the collection holders to make their collections as accessible as possible.

The Sabinet African Archives will grow to become a hybrid of both an index and a full text database with partner content allowing researchers to access as much information about a topic as possible with one simple search.

Sabinet, Your Digitisation Partner

With over two decades of knowledge gained from managing our own digitisation projects and those of clients, the team at Sabinet has extensive experience in specialised and customised digitisation services that can help make content in just about any format available electronically.

Sabinet offers a turnkey digitisation solution for collection holders, which also includes hosting services. To optimise your archives, Sabinet will help collection holders digitise their collections as well as host them on this portal. Sabinet African Archives has different models available for this purpose.

Because we understand the value in retrospective material, including rare, fragile, and often unique original items, we offer specialised digitisation services for the preservation of priceless content in a safe and secure environment.

Making your physical and printed materials available electronically not only increases discoverability of your collection but also offers easy access to your content while preserving these important materials for years to come. We have gained significant expertise which enables us to help you minimise your costs in this endeavour.

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