



AL3273 - The John Harris Collection

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Abstract: The collection consists of John Harris's trial records, police docket and prison files, and his Security Legislation Directorate (SLD) file kept by the Department of Justice, as well a media file, and a collection of letters written by John Harris to his sister whilst in prison. John Harris, a member of the African Resistance Movement (ARM), was sentenced to death and was hanged in 1965 after detonating a bomb at the Johannesburg station on 24 July 1964 as an act of defiance against the apartheid regime in South Africa.

Introduction

Frederick John Harris was the only white person to be hanged for a political offence during apartheid.

Born in 1937, teacher and sportsman John Harris, became actively involved in the Liberal Party of South Africa (LPSA) in 1960 and was soon elected to the National Committee. Soon afterwards he also became involved in the South African Nonracial Olympic Committee (Sanroc). As chairman of Sanroc he travelled to Switzerland in 1963 to testify at the International Olympic Committee (IOC), seeking South Africa's exclusion from the 1964 Tokyo Olympics because of its racially discriminatory sports policies. His passport was seized on his return, and a year later he was served with banning orders under the Suppression of Communism Act.

He joined the African Resistance Movement (ARM), a militant anti-apartheid resistance movement founded by members of the LPSA. From its first operation in September 1963 the ARM continued with the bombing of power lines, railroad tracks, roads, bridges and other vulnerable infrastructure until July 1964 without any civilian casualties.

On 24 July 1964 Harris planted the bomb at the Johannesburg train station, killing Ethel Rhys and injuring 23 people. He was arrested, following the confession by one of his colleagues, John Lloyd. Harris was convicted of murder and hanged on 1 April 1965, aged 27.

Related Materials

A copy of John Harris's Security Legislation Directorate (SLD) file was released to SAHA by the National Archives in



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respect of PAIA request number 0064/NAR/2008, and is archived in the Freedom of Information Programme (FOIP) collection as AL2878_B1.3.6.9, and cross-referenced and described in series F of the John Harris collection.

Notes on the Collection

Materials comprising the John Harris collection consist of Harris's police docket, trial records, prison and media files donated by his son David Wolfe; his Security Legislation Directorate (SLD) file obtained through a Promotion to Access of Information Act (PAIA) request, and a collection of letters donated by Jane Harris. Materials in each series have been described on item level.

The materials contained in the police docket kept on John Harris (series A), the John Harris trial records (series B), his court exhibit file (series C), prison files (series D and D1) and media file (series E) form the bulk of the collection. Copies of the police investigation file and the court transcripts were obtained from the SAPS Museum in Pretoria. The prison files and court exhibit file were obtained from the Department of Correctional Services Archive at Pretoria Central Prison. Most of the documents are photocopies of the original documentation. Materials in the court exhibit file and the two prison files have been digitised by Specialised Archival Solution in 2009 and are only available in digital format.

Materials obtained from the SAPS Museum and the archive of the Department of Correctional Services were secured by SAHA on behalf of John Harris's family, and donated to SAHA by his son, David Wolfe in 2009.

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Letters written by John Harris to his sister Jane whilst in prison (1964-1965) were donated by Jane Harris to SAHA. In 2014 Jane Harris requested the return of the original letters to the family. To replace the original letters she donated ring-bound photocopies of the letters. The photocopied letters are contained in series G.

Inventory

A: Police docket

Materials in this series are photocopies of the original documents contained in the police investigation file on John Harris. These materials were obtained from the South African Police Service (SAPS) Museum in Pretoria.

A1: Comments on exhibits found at 33 Oxford Road, Johannesburg

[August 1964]

This statement relates to the following publications found at 33 Oxford Road: Technical manual on explosives, Monthly Digest of Statistics No. 217 of January 1964, Statistics of Education 1962, Proceedings of the Institution of Civil Engineers and a Handbook of blasting explosives. Signed by P.H. Cruywagen, Senior Inspector of Explosives. Duplicate of A34

A2: The State against F.J. Harris

[July 1964]

This Afrikaans document titled 'Die Staat teen F.J. Harris' lists the evidence found at the scene of the explosion.

A3: Documents seized from 33 Oxford Road, Forest Town, Johannesburg

[25 July 1964]

This Afrikaans document titled 'Dokumente geneem te Oxfordweg 33, Forest Town' lists the evidence seized from 33 Oxford Road, Forest Town on 25 July 1964.

A4: Explosion at Park Station: 24/7/64



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[26 August 1964]

This Afrikaans document titled 'Ontploffing Park Stasie: 24/7/64' relates to information provided to the security police regarding people's involvement in the explosion.

A5: Sabotage: Johannesburg R.O.M.

[21 August 1964]

This Afrikaans document titled 'Sabotasie: Johannesburg R.O.M. 7/64' relates to the examination of specimen handwriting.

A6: Court document of John Harris

This document was prepared by R.W. Rein, Attorney-General (Transvaal Province).

A7: Annexure A: Evidence seized from Johannesburg Station

[Date unknown]

This Afrikaans document titled 'Aanhangsel A: Bewysstukke waarop beslag gele is te Johannesburg Stasie' lists the evidence seized from the Johannesburg Station.

A8: Copy of the charge sheet

[11 September 1964]

Charge sheet for the arrest of John Harris on account of murder and sabotage

A9: Statement by Frederick John Harris

[25 July 1964]

Two statements were made by John Harris on 25 July 1964. The first statement was taken by G.N. Erasmus and the second statement by J.M. Fourie. Page nine of the second statement is missing

A10: Statement by Frederick John Harris

[30 July 1964]

Handwritten statement by John Harris

A11: Request for report on the explosion from the South African Railways

[25 July 1964]

A12: Explosion at Platform 5 and 6 at Johannesburg Station

[4 August 1964]

This Afrikaans document titled 'Ontploffing in binne plein van Platforms 5 en 6, Johannesburg 24.7.1964' informs the Johannesburg Casualties Office that the Railway Police will submit a complete report on the explosion in due course.

A13: Police investigation diary entry on the explosion at Johannesburg Station

[24 July 1964]

A14: Handwritten note by John Harris giving his wife authorisation regarding decisions over his son

[5 August 1964]

A15: Statement by John Harris

[14 August 1964]

This handwritten statement was taken by Major Brits and signed by John Harris.

A16: Addition to previous statement made by John Harris

[15 August 1964]

This additional statement made by John Harris relates to Harris's association with Dr Bill Hoffenberg. The handwritten statement was taken by H. van Zyl and signed by John Harris, and by P. van Rensburg as witness.

A17: Form of declaration: J.L. Barnard

[11 September 1964]

The quality of the photocopy is poor

A18: Statement by John Harris

This statement by John Harris seems incomplete (page one is missing). It is unclear whether it forms part of A17. The quality of the photocopy is poor and much of the handwritten document is illegible.



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- A19: Application in terms of article 28 of the Law no 56 of 1955 for a warrant of arrest
[July 1964]
This Afrikaans document titled 'Aansoek ingevolge artikel 28 van Wet No. 56 van 1955 om lasbrief vir Inhegtenisneming' is an application for a warrant to arrest John Harris on account of murder and two accounts of sabotage
- A20: Statements by members of the SAR & H, the South African Railway Police, the SAP and the SADF
- A20.1: Statements by personnel of the South African Railways and Harbours (SAR & H)
- A20.1.1: Statement by Gerhardus Grobler
[28 July 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Gerhardus Grobler, caretaker at the cloak-room regarding not recalling a person handing in a suitcase
- A20.1.2: Statement by Cornelius Francois Coetsee
[28 July 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Cornelius Francois Coetsee, luggage keeper of the cloakroom at the Johannesburg Station, regarding cloakroom tickets
- A20.2: Statements by members of the South African Railway Police
- A20.2.1: Statement by Gysbert Theunis Johannes Vermeulen
[27 July 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Gysbert Theunis Johannes Vermeulen, a captain in the South African Railway Police, regarding a phone call he received informing the Railway Police about the bomb
- A20.2.2: Statement by Johannes Hermanus Benade
[28 July 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Johannes Hermanus Benade, an acting chief constable in the South African Railway Police, regarding information received regarding a bomb that was going to explode around 4.30pm
- A20.2.3: Statement by Johannes Hendrik Odendaal De Bruyn
[11 August 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Johannes Hendrik Odendaal De Bruyn, a major in the South African Railway Police, regarding a visit to the Johannesburg Station with John Harris the previous day
- A20.2.4: Statement by Jan Andries Opperman
[18 August 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Jan Andries Opperman, a major in the South African Railway Police, regarding being informed about a phone call about the bomb that was going to explode
- A20.2.5: Statement by Arthur Alexander Scheepers
[1 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Arthur Alexander Scheepers, a captain in the South African Railway Police, regarding the identification parade
- A20.2.6: Statement by Ignatius Petrus Pretorius
[2 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Ignatius Petrus Pretorius, a detective constable in the South African Railway Police, regarding the taking of photographs at the identification parade as official photographer
- A20.2.7: Statement by Dennis Cronje
[9 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Dennis Cronje, a detective constable in the South African Railway Police, regarding the identification parade
- A20.2.8: Statement by Johannes Jacobus Smith
[14 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Johannes Jacobus Smith, a detective constable in the South African Railway



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- Police regarding a witness*
- A20.2.9: **Statement by Johannes Hendrik Stefanus Snyman**
[14 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Johannes Hendrik Stefanus Snyman, a detective constable in the South African Railway Police regarding a witness
- A20.2.10: **Statement by Pieter Jacobus Stoman**
[15 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Pieter Jacobus Stoman, a detective constable in the South African Railway Police regarding people participating in the identification parade
- A20.2.11: **Statement by Nicolaas Mathinus Ferreira Gerber**
[15 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Nicolaas Marthinus Ferreira Gerber, a lieutenant in the South African Railway Police, regarding people participating in the the identification parade
- A20.2.12: **Statement by Floris van Rensburg**
[15 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Floris van Rensburg, a detective constable in the South African Railway Police regarding people participating in the identification parade
- A20.2.13: **Statement by Adrian Venter**
[15 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Adrian Venter, a detective chief constable in the South African Railway, regarding the identification parade
- A20.2.14: **Statement by Ockert Johannes van Heerden**
[15 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Ockert Johannes van Heerden, a detective constable in the South African Railway Police regarding the identification parade
- A20.2.15: **Statement by Clarence John Van Gend**
[16 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Clarence John Van Gend, a detective sergeant in the South African Railway Police regarding taking John Harris's fingerprints on 7 August 1964
- A20.2.16: **Statement by Matthys Christian Calitz**
[16 September 1964]
Statement made in Afrikaans of Matthys Christian Calitz, a lieutenant in the South African Railway Police regarding the victims of the bomb blast
- A20.2.17: **Statement by Daniel Lucas Terblanche**
[17 September 1964]
Statement in Afrikaans by Daniel Lucas Terblanche, a senior station inspector in the South African Railway Police regarding the movement of trains through Johannesburg Station on the day of the bomb blast
- A20.2.18: **Statement by Christian Hermanus Korff**
[Date unknown]
Statement made in Afrikaans by Christian Hermanus Korff, a detective sergeant in the South African Railway Police regarding the photographs he took as official photographer at the Johannesburg Station after the bomb blast
- A20.2.19: **Statement by Willem Hermanus Britz**
[Date unknown]
Statement in Afrikaans by Willem Hermanus Britz, a major in the South African Railway Police, regarding his investigation into the bomb explosion



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A20.3: Statements by members of the South African Police (SAP)

A20.3.1: Statements made by Gabriel Joseph Dirker

[15 August 1964; 8 September 1964]

Statements made in Afrikaans by Gabriel Joseph Dirker, a detective sergeant in the SAP regarding seizing documents from John Harris's home

A20.3.2: Statement by Theunis Jacobus Swanepoel

[20 August 1964]

Statement made in Afrikaans by Theunis Jacobus Swanepoel, a captain in the SAP regarding a visit to Florida Lake to retrieve items dumped there by John Harris

A20.3.3: Statement by Johannes Jacobus Viktor

[20 August 1964]

Statement made in Afrikaans by Johannes Jacobus Viktor, a lieutenant in the SAP regarding Hugh Lewin and a Mrs Helmsteadt

A20.3.4: Statement by Marthinus Jackson Van Zyl

[27 August 1964]

Statement made in Afrikaans by Marthinus Jackson Van Zyl, lieutenant in the SAP and involved in the security police, regarding John Harris's transfer from "The Grays" to the Pretoria Central Prison and his subsequent meetings with Harris, including an incident where Harris tried to escape

A20.3.5: Statement by Hendrik Christoffel Muller

[8 September 1964]

Statement made in Afrikaans by Hendrik Christoffel Muller, lieutenant in the SAP and involved in the security police, regarding John Harris's arrest

A20.3.6: Statement by Jakobus Bodenstein

[14 September 1964]

Statement made in Afrikaans by Jakobus Bodenstein, involved in the security police, regarding John Harris's arrest

A20.3.7: Statement by Petrus Johannes van Rensburg

[15 September 1964]

Statement made in Afrikaans by Petrus Johannes van Rensburg, a detective sergeant in the SAP, regarding John Harris's arrest

A20.3.8: Statement by Willem Johannes van der Merwe

[Date unknown]

Incomplete statement by Willem Johannes van der Merwe, a lieutenant in the SAP, regarding his visit to the Johannesburg Station shortly after receiving information of the bomb blast

A20.3.9: Statement by Gerhardus Jacobus Visagie

[Date unknown]

Statement by Gerhardus Jacobus Visagie, an official police photographer regarding photographs he took of evidence

A20.4: Statement by a member of the South African Defence Force (SADF)

A20.4.1: Statement by Petrus Ignatius Van Staden, an adjutant officer of the South African Defence Force

[25 July 1964]

Statement made in Afrikaans by Petrus Ignatius Van Staden, an adjutant officer in the South African Defence Force (SADF) regarding pull switches shown to him by Major Britz

A21: Investigation diary and report form entry for 4 March 1965

[4 March 1965]

The diary entry is in Afrikaans



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- A22: Explosion at platform 5 and 6, Johannesburg Station
[11 June 1965]
This Afrikaans document titled 'Ontploffing: Platform 5 & 6, Johannesburg, 24 Julie 1964' is a brief report on the bomb explosion by the South African Railway Police
- A23: Application for a magistrate as a mandate in terms of Article 50 of the Criminal Procedure Law, 1955
[16 September 1964]
This is an Afrikaans document titled 'Aansoek om magistraat as lasgewing ingevolge Artikel 50 van die Strafproseswet, 1955'
- A24: Annexure E
[Date unknown]
This Afrikaans document 'Aanhangsel E' lists part of the evidence
- A25: Annexure F: Articles handed to Mr. W. Hay for investigation
[Date unknown]
This Afrikaans document titled 'Aanhangsel F: Artikels aan mnr W. Hay oorhandig vir ondersoek' lists the evidence
- A26: Handwritten notes signed by Anne Harris
[25 July 1964]
These notes describe items that were seized from John Harris's home, and items received from Ann Harris
- A27: Note acknowledging receipt of evidence by the Registrar of the Supreme Court from Major Britz
[15 February 1965]
- A28: South African Railway Police Progress Report, number 1
[Date unknown]
This document was completed in Afrikaans
- A29: South African Railway Police Progress Report, number 2
[23 September 1964]
This document was completed in Afrikaans
- A30: South African Railway Police Progress Report, number 3
[7 November 1964]
This document was completed in Afrikaans
- A31: South African Railway Police Progress Report, number 4
[7 December 1964]
This document was completed in Afrikaans
- A32: South African Railway Police Progress Report, number 5
[15 February 1965]
This document was completed in Afrikaans
- A33: South African Railway Police Progress Report, number 6
[4 March 1965]
This document was completed in Afrikaans
- A34: Comments on exhibits found at 33 Oxford Road, Johannesburg
[20 August 1964]
Duplicate of A1
- A35: South African Police forms 69 and 62
[12 November 1964]
This form was completed in Afrikaans; annotated
- A36: The State vs. F.J. Harris
[14 September 1964]
This Afrikaans document titled 'Die Staat teen F.J. Harris' is a notice to confirm John Harris's appearance at the Supreme



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Court on a charge of murder and two charges of sabotage

A37: Correspondence regarding the property of the late F.J. Harris in possession of the SA Police

[15 July 1965]

This is an Afrikaans document titled 'Wyle F.J. Harris: Eiendom in besit van die S.A. Polisie'

A38: List of articles that were seized from the house of John Harris on 25/7/1964

A39: Telegram regarding the explosion at Johannesburg Station

[10 June 1965]

This Afrikaans document titled 'Ontploffing: Platform 5 en 6 Johannesburgstasie: 24 Julie 1964' is a telegram to the South African Railway Police requesting the submission of documents relating to the bomb explosion to the department manager

A40: Correspondence between the SA Railway Police and The South African Bureau of Standards regarding the evidence in the John Harris case

[29 July 1964]

This is an Afrikaans document 'Bewysstukke vir ontleding: Johannesburg R.O.M. 806/7/64'

B: Trial records: The State vs. Frederick John Harris: Record of Proceedings, Volume I-V

Materials in this series are photocopies of the original trial records in the State vs. Frederick John Harris: Record of Proceedings, Volume I-V. These materials were obtained from the South African Police Service (SAPS) Museum in Pretoria.

B1: The State vs. Frederick John Harris: Record of Proceedings, Volume I, pages 1-205

Evidence

(Bound photocopies)

B2: The State vs. Frederick John Harris: Record of Proceedings, Volume II, pages 206-372

Evidence (continued)

(Bound photocopies)

B3: The State vs. Frederick John Harris: Record of Proceedings, Volume III, pages 373-589

Evidence (continued)

(Bound volume marked as 'certified')

B4: The State vs. Frederick John Harris: Record of Proceedings, Volume IV, pages 590-726

Evidence (continued)

(Bound photocopies)

B5: The State vs. Frederick John Harris: Record of Proceedings, Volume V, pages 727-925

Evidence (continues), judgment, verdict, sentence, judgment granting leave to appeal and special entry

(Bound volume marked as 'certified')

C: Exhibits: The State vs. Frederick John Harris: Record of Proceedings, Volume VI

The court exhibit file was obtained from the Department of Correctional Services Archive at Pretoria Central Prison. The documents contained in this volume were digitised by Specialised Archival Solutions in 2009 and are only accessible in digital format.

C001: Cover page

C002: Index of exhibits

C003-C004: Exhibit A1: Plan of concourse of Johannesburg Railway Station

C005-C006: Exhibit A2: Detailed plan of shelter on platforms 5 and 6 of the Johannesburg Railway Station

C007-C009: Exhibit A3: Detailed plan of concourse of Johannesburg Railway Station showing various points

C010: Exhibit B1: Photograph of scene at shelter on platforms 5 and 6

C011: Exhibit B2: Scene inside shelter

C012: Exhibit B3: Scene inside shelter

C013: Exhibit B4: Scene of damage to outside wall leading to platforms



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- C014: Exhibit B5: Scene in shelter showing burnt seats and surroundings
- C015: Exhibit B6: Ceiling of shelter showing handle of suitcase embedded
- C016: Exhibit B7: Scene showing seats and surroundings in shelter as also broken window at rear of shelter
- C017: Exhibit B8: Scene showing site of explosion
- C018: Exhibit B9: Photograph taken from outside shelter showing damage
- C019: Exhibit B10: Photograph showing pool of blood in the vicinity of explosion
- C020: Exhibit B11: Photograph showing baggage and property collected in vicinity of explosion
- C021: Exhibit B12: Photograph showing pool of blood in the vicinity of explosion
- C022: Exhibit B13: Photograph of late Mrs Rhys after treatment and before being conveyed to hospital
- C023: Exhibit B14: Photograph of concourse of main building of Johannesburg Railway Station
- C024: Exhibit B15: Photograph taken at 4.34pm in concourse
- C025: Exhibit B16: Photograph of waiting room on platform 5 and 6
- C026: Exhibit B17: View of concourse taken from roof of waiting room on platforms 7 and 8
- C027: Exhibit B18: Photograph of concourse taken from beneath cafeteria
- C028: Exhibit B19: Additional photograph taken of concourse from beneath cafeteria
- C029: Exhibit B20: Photograph of concourse taken from cafeteria
- C030: Exhibit B21: Further photograph of concourse taken from cafeteria
- C031: Exhibit B22: Additional photograph of concourse taken from cafeteria
- C032: Exhibit B23: Photograph of concourse taken from waiting room on platforms 7 and 8
- C033: Exhibit B24: Further photograph of concourse taken from waiting room on platforms 7 and 8
- C034: Exhibit B25: Additional photograph of concourse taken from waiting room on platforms 7 and 8
- C035: Exhibit B26: Further photograph of concourse taken from waiting room on platforms 7 and 8
- C036: Exhibit B27: Identical photograph as exhibit B26 but taken a few minutes later
- C037: Exhibits B28 and B29: Two identical photographs similar to Exhibit B27 but taken shortly thereafter
- C038: Exhibit B30: Identical photograph as Exhibit B29 but taken shortly thereafter
- C039: Exhibit B31: Identical photograph as Exhibit B30 but taken shortly thereafter
- C040: Exhibit C: Post-mortem report of Ethel Rhys
- C040.1: Report on a medico-legal post-mortem examination of Ethel Rhys
[11 September 1964]
- C040.2: Annexure: External appearance of body and condition of limbs
- C040.3: Schedule of observations
- C041: Exhibit D1: Bewysstuk waarop beslag gele is te Johannesburgstasie
Evidence seized from Johannesburg Station
- C042: Exhibit D2: Bewysstuk waarop beslag gele is te Oxfordweg 33, Forest Town, Johannesburg
[25 July 1964]
Evidence seized from 33 Oxford Road, Forest Town, Johannesburg
- C043: Exhibit D2a: Dokumente geneem te Oxfordweg 33, Forest Town
[25 July 1964]
Documents taken from 33 Oxford Road, Forest Town
- C044: Exhibit D3: Artikels wat aan mnr C.T.M. Wilcocks van die Buro van Standaarde vir ontleding oorhandig is op 29.7.1964
Items handed over for investigation to Mr C.T.M. Wilcocks of the Bureau of Standards
- C045: Exhibit D4: Johannesburg R.O.M. 806/7/64
- C046: Exhibit D5: Artikels aan mnr. W. May oorhandig vir ondersoek
Items handed over to Mr. W. May for investigation
- C047: Exhibit E1: Photograph of entrance to cellar



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- C048: Exhibit E2: Photograph of plastic container with contents
This item does not contain a photograph
- C049: Exhibit E3: Photograph of plastic bag with contents
- C050: Exhibit E4: Photograph of plastic bag with contents
- C051: Exhibit E5: Photograph of entrance to cellar
- C052: Exhibit E6: Photograph of plastic bags and contents
- C053: Exhibit E7: Photograph of suitcase and contents
- C054: Exhibit E8: Photograph of box with contents
- C055: Exhibit E9: Photograph of suitcase with case therein
- C056: Exhibit E10: Photograph of suitcase with contents
- C057: Exhibit E11: Photograph of plastic water container
- C058: Exhibit E12: Photograph of suitcase with contents
- C059: Exhibit E13: Photograph of suitcases with content
- C060: Exhibit E14: Photograph of suitcases
- C061: Exhibit F: Form of declaration
[11 September 1964]
Kriminele en siviele aangeleenthede Bylae "B" (Criminal and civil matters Schedule B)
- C062: Exhibit G1: Photograph of identification parade
- C063: Exhibit G2: Photograph of identification parade
John Harris is identified by a woman
- C064: Exhibit G3: Photograph of identification parade
John Harris is identified by a man
- C065: Exhibit G4: Photograph of identification parade
- C066: Exhibit H1: Document taken from accused's house
- C067: Exhibit H2: Document taken from accused's house
- C068: Exhibit H3: Draft letter addressed to Dr. Verwoerd
- C069: Exhibit H4: Draft letter addressed to Dr. Verwoerd
- C070: Exhibit H5: Document found in accused's motorcar
- C071: Exhibit H6: Document found in accused's motorcar
[24 July 1964]
- C072: Exhibit H7: Document found in accused's car
[24 July 1964]
- C073: Exhibit H8: Photographs of power lines and electrical towers
- C074: Exhibit H9: Photograph of negatives
- C075: Exhibit H10: Extract from pamphlet: 'Population and numbers in schools up to 1965'
- C076: Exhibit H11: Extract from pamphlet: 'Weather - temperature, rainfall and sunshine'
- C077: Exhibits H12 and H13: Two photostatic copies of "Works construction paper No. 29" entitled "The use of explosives for demolitions" by David Holroyd Brook and Robert Westwater
- C078: Exhibit H14: Extract from pamphlet 'Further education'
- C079: Exhibit H15: Technical manual of explosive and demolition procedures
- C080: Exhibit H16: Pages from a notebook
- C081: Exhibit H17: Handbook entitled "Handbook of blasting explosives" issued by African Explosives and Chemical Industries Limited, Johannesburg - fourth edition, 1959
- C082: Exhibit H18: Piece of blank paper
- C083: Exhibit H19: Paper with writing thereon
- C084: Exhibit H20: Paper headed "Names of shops"



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- C085: Exhibit H21: Four pieces of note paper with writing thereon
- C086: Exhibit H22: Postcard addressed "Map Centre"
- C087: Exhibit H23: Advertisement containing handwritten notes
- C088: Exhibit H24 and H25: Two large plastic envelopes containing newspaper clippings
- C089-C90: Exhibit H26: Pages from writing pad
Handwritten shopping list of grocery items with prices
- C091: Exhibit H27: Paper with drawings
- C092: Exhibit H28: 'Royal Engineers Supplementary Pocket Book No. 4: Demolitions, 1946'
- C093: Exhibit H29: Book entitled "Proceedings of the Institution of Civil Engineers" Part III - Engineering Divisions. Public Health - Structural - Works Construction - Hydraulics. Volume 4. December 1955.
- C094: Exhibit J: Notification of affidavits made by people who will be tendered as evidence at trial
The people are: Carl Theodorus Muller Wilcocks, Daniel Stephanus de Kock, Maarten Jacobus Venter, Christopherus van Rooyen
- C095: Exhibit J1: Affidavit of Carl Theodorus Muller Wilcocks
- C096: Exhibit J2: Affidavit of Daniel Stephanus de Kock
- C097: Exhibit J3: Affidavit of Maarten Jacobus Venter
- C098: Exhibit J4: Affidavit of Christopherus van Rooyen
- C099: Exhibit K1: South African Railway cloakroom ticket
[12 July 1964]
- C100: Exhibit K2: South African Railway cloakroom ticket
[23 July 1964 (on reverse 24 July 1964)]
- C101: Exhibit L1: Sketch No. 1 - Jock alarm clock
[6 August 1964]
Sketched by William J. Hay
- C102: Exhibit L2: Sketch No. 2 - Circuit used with test torch to check contact in timepiece
[6 August 1964]
Sketched by William J. Hay
- C103: Exhibit L3: Sketch No. 3 - Remains of pocket watch
[7 August 1964]
Sketched by William J. Hay
- C104: Exhibit L4: Sketch No. 4 - Zobo watch marked C.T. 8 from lot marked "Bewysstukke vanaf Kaapstad"
[11 August 1964]
Sketched by William J. Hay
- C105: Exhibit M1: Finger prints of John Harris
- C106: Exhibit M2: Finger print court card
- C107-C112: Exhibit N: Handwriting comparison
- C113: Exhibit AA: Photograph of D. Higgs
- C114: Exhibit BB: Report on Frederick John Harris, aged 27, by Professor L.A. Hurst
- D: Prison file of Frederick John Harris
The prison file was obtained from the Department of Correctional Services Archive at Pretoria Central Prison. The documents contained in this file were digitised by Specialised Archival Solutions in 2009 and are only accessible in digital format.
- D001: Cover of the Description Register of Prisoner John Harris
- D001a: Front cover of the Description Register of Prisoner John Harris
John Harris's dates of sentencing and execution are recorded on the front of the cover
- D001b: Back cover of the Description Register of Prisoner John Harris
Detailed description and marks are recorded on the back cover



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- D002: Cover of Personal Register of John Harris
- D003: Conviction warrant
[6 November 1964]
Annotated in red ink 'Tereggstel op 1/4/1965' (Executed on 1/4/1965)
- D004: Brief aangaande die toestemming tot verassing van liggaam van terdoodveroordeelde Blanke gevangene John Harris
[31 March 1965]
Permission regarding the cremation of John Harris
- D005: South African Police (SAP) report for the Prison Board regarding John Harris
[13 November 1964]
- D006: SAP form: Result of trial on present charge
[21 September 1964]
- D007: Summons served on John Harris
[9 March 1965]
- D008: Legal Adviser's permits
[19 November 1964 - 30 March 1965]
Permits of Advocate D. Soggot, Ruth Hayman and Heyman Segal to visit John Harris for legal consultation regarding his appeal
- D009: Telegrams of support
[31 March 1965]
Telegrams of support sent to John Harris days before his execution on 1 April 1965
- D009.1: Telegram from Peggy to John Harris
[31 March 1965]
- D009.2: Telegram from Anna Promnitz
[31 March 1965]
- D009.3: Telegram from Peter Mills
[30 March 1965]
- D009.4: Telegram from Tim Naude
[31 March 1965]
- D009.5: Telegram from anonymous person in Port Elizabeth
[31 March 1965]
- D009.6: Telegram from a maths teacher in Germany
[30 March 1964]
- D010: Letter to the commanding officer regarding John Harris's conduct
[8 February 1965]
A letter written in Afrikaans by the prison warden C.J. Benade to the commanding officer reporting Harris's suicide threats and explaining how he inflicted pain by hitting his head against the wall on 7 February 1965
- D011: Notice of execution
[1 April 1965]
- D011a: Letter to the Commissioner of Prisons announcing the execution of John Harris
[6 April 1965]
A copy of a letter written in Afrikaans to the Commissioner of Prisons from the commanding officer announcing the execution of John Harris. The original letter has been archived as D1_041.
- D011b: Notice of execution of John Harris
[1 April 1965]
Notice of execution of John Harris issued by the Department of Prisons



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- D011c: Autopsy report
[1 April 1965]
- D011d: Certificate of identification
- D012: Request to hand over cash
[31 March 1965]
Request by John Harris to hand over all his cash to his wife Ann Harris. Signed by John Harris, and by Ann Harris on receipt of the money
- D013: Notice of Amendment
[4 December 1964]
- D014: Expenditure receipt
[25 November 1964]
An expenditure receipt for A. (Ann) Harris for the amount of R5.00
- D015: Leave to Appeal
[17 December 1964]
Confirmation from the Department of Justice that John Harris's application for leave to appeal was successful. Also see D1_056
- D016: Analysis of evidence: F.J Harris
- D017: Analysis of evidence: Dr L.A. Hurst
- D018: Notice of Motion
[22 March 1965]
- D018a: Notice of Motion
[22 March 1965]
*Notice of motion to allow Professor Hurst to interview and conduct a thorough psychiatric examination of John Harris.
This notice of motion contains annexures*
- D018b: Affidavit of John Harris
[23 March 1965]
- D019: Leave to appeal denied
[8 March 1965]
Confirmation from the Department of Justice that John Harris's application for leave to appeal was denied
- D020: List of clothing
[9 December 1964]
This handwritten letter by John Harris to the commanding officer requests that all his private belongings (these are itemised) are handed to his wife. The letter is signed by his wife on receipt of the clothing
- D021: SAP fingerprint and identification records
- D022: Record of John Harris's admission to prison
[6 November 1964]
Also see D1-065
- D023: SAP report on John Harris for the Prison Board
[13 November 1964]
- D024: List of visitors
- D025: Letter of permission to visit John Harris
[13 November 1964]
This letter from the Department of Justice grants Walter and Adelaide Hain permission to visit John Harris in prison
- D026: Notice of application for a Special Entry in terms of Section 364 (1) of Act 56 of 1955
[4 December 1964]
- D027: Petition



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[4 December 1964]

D028: Request for SAP forms 69 and 62

[9 November 1964]

A letter from Central Prison requesting that SAP forms 69 and 62 be submitted urgently

D029: Voter registration of John Harris

[15 February 1965]

D030: Request for additional visitors

[9 February 1965]

In this letter to the commanding officer John Harris requests that three people are added to his list of approved visitors

D1: Prison file & press clippings

The prison file was obtained from the Department of Correctional Services Archive at Pretoria Central Prison. The documents contained in this file, including a large number of press clippings were digitised by Specialised Archival Solutions in 2009 and are only accessible in digital format.

D1_001: Cover

D1_002: Letter regarding petition

[17 May 1965]

Letter in Afrikaans from the State Attorney to the Commissioner of Prison's regarding John Harris's petition of 23 March 1965

D1_003: Application to reconsider decision regarding psychiatric examination

[25 March 1965]

Application to the Commissioner of Prisons to allow psychiatrist to visit John Harris and to then submit an opinion regarding his mental state for the purpose of clemency

D1_004: 'Ann Harris to quit S. Africa for U.K.'

[21 December 1965]

Newspaper clipping from the Rand Daily Mail of 21 December 1965

D1_005: 'Groot vraagteken oor mev. Harris in Londen'

[23 September 1965]

Newspaper clipping from the Volksblad of 23 September 1965

D1_006: 'Turned down as teacher Ann Harris flies off'

[19 September 1965]

Newspaper clipping from the Sunday Express of 19 September 1965

D1_007: Ann Harris oorsee; onbekende betaal'

[17 September 1965]

Newspaper clipping from the Volksblad of 17 September 1965

D1_008: 'John Harris's widow leave'

[16 September 1965]

Newspaper clipping from the Cape Argus of 16 September 1965

D1_009: 'Station bomb; scars remain after a year'

[24 July 1965]

Newspaper clipping from the Cape Argus of 24 July 1965

D1_010: 'Wife is waiting for last Harris letters'

[24 April 1965]

Newspaper clipping from the Rand Daily Mail of 24 April 1965

D1_011: 'Harris: Opspraak [by] Wits'

[15 April 1965]

Newspaper clipping from the Transvaler of 15 April 1965



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- D1_012: Correspondence with the Star
[April 1965]
The correspondence deals with a letter from the Star to the Director of Prisons for comments contained in the letter
- D1_013: Correspondence with the Star (continues)
[April 1965]
- D1_014: Backing page for newspaper clipping D1_015
- D1_015: 'Harris het berou gehad maar is nie bekeer nie'
[10 April 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Landstem of 10 April 1965
- D1_016: Harris se slagoffers: Hulle het aan hom gedink toe hy sterf...'
[4 April 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Landstem of 4 April 1965
- D1_017: 'She sets out to build new life'
[3 April 1964]
Newspaper clipping from the Evening Post of 3 April 1964
- D1_018: 'John Harris: There never was hope'
[4 April 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Post of 4 April 1965
- D1_019: 'Harris decision unaltered'
[29 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Daily News of 29 March 1965
- D1_020: 'Why protest only on Harris, asks ex-union chief'
[8 April 1965]
Clipping from the Friend of 8 April 1965
- D1_021: 'Harris hanging: Let MPs protest top USSR'
[8 April 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Natal Witness of 8 April 1965
- D1_022: Duplicate of D1_015
There appears to be no digital item for this call number, possibly because D1_022 has been recorded as a duplicate of D1_015
- D1_023: 'Newsmen held at Harris's funeral'
[1 April 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Daily News of 1 April 1965
- D1_024: 'John Harris: Prison chief explains'
[29 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Natal Mercury of 29 March 1965
- D1_025: 'Two sentences'
[31 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Rand Daily Mail of 31 March 1965
- D1_026: 'The Harris case'
[30 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Pretoria News of 30 March 1965
- D1_027: 'Second doctor sees John Harris'
[28 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Sunday Express of 28 March 1965



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- D1_028: 'Appel is verwerp'
[1 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Volksblad of 1 March 1965
- D1_029: 'Slagoffer se vader teken nie petisie vir Harris'
[24 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Transvaler of 24 March 1965
- D1_030: 'Harris death appeal fails'
[1 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Star of 1 March 1965
- D1_031: 'President has final mercy prerogative'
[2 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Star of 2 March 1965
- D1_032: 'Harris appeal: court reserves judgment'
[13 February 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Daily Mail of 13 February 1965
- D1_033: 'Hoofregter se: Ek weier om te glo'
[12 February 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Volksblad of 12 February 1965
- D1_034: 'Appeal court packed for Harris case'
[12 February 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Friend of 12 February 1965
- D1_035: "'Harris had an intention to kill" - Q.C.'
[12 February 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Pretoria News of 12 February 1965
- D1_036: 'Expert was not expert - Harris counsel'
[12 February 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Daily Mail of 12 February 1965
- D1_037: 'Harris se appel: vier punte genoem'
[11 February 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Volksblad of 11 February 1965
- D1_038: 'Hearing [of John Harris] for next month'
[10 January 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Sunday Express of 10 January 1965
- D1_039: 'Harris was al 8 jaar gelede by swart protesvergaderings'
[20 December 1964]
Newspaper clipping from the Dagbreek of 20 December 1964
- D1_040: 'Ek het Harris verklap, se Lewin'
[18 December 1964]
Newspaper clipping from the Vaderland of 18 December 1964
- D1_041: Letter to the Commissioner of Prisons announcing the execution of John Harris
Letter to the Commissioner of Prisons announcing the execution of John Harris. A copy of this letter has been archived as D011a
- D1_042 - D1_045: Documents enclosed with letter to the Commissioner of Prisons (D1_041)
The documents enclosed in letter comprise certificate of identification (also see D_11d), SAP fingerprint and identification record (template), police file photograph of John Harris and notice of execution
- D1_046: 'Urn returned to prison'



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- [2 April 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Pretoria News of 2 April 1965
- D1_047: 'Eers is Harris 'n tweede Jopie Fourie genoem, nou is... Engelse blad begaan oor Bantoe-reaksie'
[31 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Vaderland of 31 March 1965
- D1_048: Telegram regarding family visiting John Harris the day before his execution
[31 March 1965]
- D1_049: Commissioner of Prison's notification of the date and time of John Harris's execution
[2 April 1965]
This letter notifies the commanding officer of the Central Prison of the date and time of John Harris's execution. The letter is stamped with the date 2 April 1965
- D1_050: Sheriff's notification of the date and time of John Harris's execution
[03 March 1965 - Access image - jpg, Preservation image - tiff]
This letter, dated 29 March 1965 notifies the Secretary for Justice of the date and time of John Harris's execution.
- D1_051: Deputy Sheriff's notification of the date and time of John Harris's execution
[29 March 1965]
This letter notifies the Sheriff of the Transvaal of the date and time of John Harris's execution
- D1_053: 'Daily Mail pleit vir John Harris'
[19 March 1965]
Newspaper clipping from the Transvaler of 19 March 1965
- D1_054: Notification regarding minute No. 64/1695 received from the Secretary of Justice
[3 March 1965]
Notification from the Commissioner of Prisons to alert John Harris to the content of the minute received from the Secretary of the Justice
- D1_055: Letter regarding appeal dismissed
[3 March 1965]
Letter from the Department of Justice to the Commissioner of Prisons to confirm that John Harris's appeal was dismissed by the Appellate Division
- D1_056: Letter regarding appeal granted
[17 December 1964]
Confirmation from the Department of Justice that John Harris's application for leave to appeal was successful. Also see D015
- D1_057: Notification regarding minute No. 64/1695 received from the Secretary of Justice
[17 December 1964]
- D1_058: 'Harris granted leave to appeal'
[8 December 1964]
Newspaper clipping from the Natal Witness of 8 December 1964
- D1_059: 'Harris plea hearing near end of November'
[20 November 1964]
Newspaper clipping from the Cape Times of 20 November 1964
- D1_060: Covering letter from the state attorney regarding court order
[26 October 1964]
A covering letter from the state attorney to the Commissioner of Prisons regarding the replacing of the court order of 8 October 1964.
- D1_061: Court order of 8 October 1964



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- D1_062: [8 October 1964]
Application to allow examination by psychiatrist
[8 October 1964]
- D1_063: Covering letter from the state attorney regarding court order
[8 October 1964]
- D1_064: Court order granted
[8 October 1964]
- D1_065: Record of John Harris's admission to prison
[6 November 1964]
Also see D022
- D1_066: 'Harris gee redes vir appelaansoek'
[22 November 1964]
Newspaper clipping from the Sondagstem of 22 November 1964
- D1_067: Letter from Segal & Seymore to confirm the granting of court order
[8 October 1964]
The letter from Segal & Seymore to the Commissioner of Prisons confirms that Dr. Hurst had been nominated as the examining psychiatrist
- E: Media file
[1964-1984]
Photocopies of newspaper clippings and magazine articles relating to the victims of the bomb explosion written from 1964 to 1984. The article written in 1984 reflects on the life of one of the victims twenty years on.
- E1: More pictures from the Harris case
[29 September 1964]
Newspaper clipping from the Sunday Express of 29 September 1964
- E2: 'A suitcase filled with dynamite' published in the Star
[1 January 1969]
Newspaper clipping from the Star of 1 January 1969
- E3: Article regarding the bomb blast victim Glynis Burleigh
[1971]
Article published in Scope magazine
- E4: 'The day death came in a suitcase'
[24 July 1974]
Newspaper clipping from the Pretoria News of 24 July 1974
- E5: 'Bomber Harris'
[25 July 1974]
Newspaper clipping from the Beeld of 25 July 1974
- E6: 'Daad het Harris lekker laat voel'
[18 September 1975]
Afrikaans newspaper clipping from the Hoofstad of 18 September 1975
- E7: 'Geskende leef in armoede in England'
[27 July 1984]
Afrikaanse newspaper clipping from the Vaderland of 27 July 1984
- E8: 'Glynis se haar lewe is nuttelos'
Afrikaans newspaper clipping from an unidentified newspaper, date unknown
- E9: 'Johannesburg Station Bomb'
Article by Martin Klijnstra, date unknown



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F: Security Legislation Directorate (SLD) file of Frederick John Harris
[1963-1965]

A copy of this SLD file was released to SAHA by the National Archives in respect of PAIA request number 0064/NAR/2008, and is archived in the Freedom of Information Programme (FOIP) collection as AL2878_B1.3.6.9. The materials in this folder give insight into John Harris's political activities in the years leading up to the bomb explosion. Although described in chronological order, the materials are kept in their original reverse order.

F1: Letter to the Secretary of Justice regarding John Harris's restrictions
[18 September 1963]

This Afrikaans letter from the South African Police instructs the Secretary of Justice to place restrictions on John Harris. A memorandum attached to this letter records Harris's activities from 26 November 1961 to 14 August 1963.

F2: Memorandum from the Department of Justice regarding John Harris's dismissal from the Indian Technical College
[1 October 1963]

This Afrikaans memorandum states that John Harris was dismissed from the Indian Training College and was still unemployed. It recommends that he should be allowed to continue teaching.

F3: Memorandum reporting on John Harris's unemployed state
[7 October 1963]

Afrikaans

F4: Letter notifying the Secretary of Justice of John Harris's new job
[15 November 1963]

In this Afrikaans letter the South African Police informs the Secretary of Justice that John Harris has accepted a job at Damelin College, commencing work on 4 January 1964.

F5: Letter to the Secretary of Justice regarding John Harris's restrictions
[19 December 1963]

This Afrikaans letter from the South African Police to the Secretary of Justice follows on the letter of 18 September 1963 regarding restrictions on John Harris, and includes an update on Harris's activities.

F6: Letter from the Secretary of Justice to the South African Police Commissioner regarding John Harris's restrictions
[4 February 1964]

This Afrikaans letter from the Secretary of Justice to the South African Police Commissioner includes instructions to the Magistrate of Roodepoort regarding John Harris's restrictions.

F7: Notice served on John Harris in terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section Nine of the Suppression of Communism Act, 1950 (Act No. 44 of 1950)
[28 January 1964]

F8: Correspondence between the Secretary of Justice, The South African Police and the Secretary of Labour regarding duplicate copies of notice served on John Harris
[February 1964]

F9: Extract from Government Gazette
[13 March 1964]

In this extract from the Government Gazette of 13 March 1964 John Harris's details appear in the section: Department of Justice: Publication of particulars in terms of Section Ten Ter of the Suppression of Communism Act, 1950 (Act No. 44 of 1950) as amended.

F10: Photographs of Johannesburg Station after the bomb explosion
[July 1964]

These photographs are duplicates of some of the photographs in series C.

F11: Judgement: The State versus Frederick John Harris



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[6 November 1964]

Can also be found in B5

F12: Newspaper clippings

G: Letters from John Harris to his sister Jane

[1964-1965]

The collection of original 60 hand-written letters was donated to SAHA by Jane Harris in October 2012. The letters, dated from 15 September 1964 to 23 March 1965 were written by John Harris whilst in prison for the Johannesburg station bomb explosion on 24 July 1964 which killed an elderly woman and injured 23 people. He was convicted of murder and was hanged on 1 April 1965, aged 27. The last letter in this series was written a week before his death.

The original letters were replaced by bound photocopies of letters after Jane Harris requested the return of the original letters to the family in 2014.

G1: Letter written on 15 September 1964

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G2: Letter written on 19 September 1964

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G3: Letter written on 21 September 1964

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G4: Letter written on 23 September 1964

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G10: Letter written on 1 October 1964

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G11: Letter written on 2 October 1964

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G12: Letter written on 3 October 1964



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G15: Letter written on 7 October 1964

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G16: Letter written on 8 October 1964

This letter was written by John Harris on 8 October 1964 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The letter was released by the prison authorities on 9 October 1964.

G17: Letter written on 9 October 1964

This letter was written by John Harris on 9 October 1964 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The letter was released by the prison authorities on 12 October 1964.

G18: Note written on 11 October 1964

This short note was written by John Harris on 11 October 1964 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The note was not stamped or signed by prison authorities.

G19: Letter written on 12 October 1964

This letter was written by John Harris on 12 October 1964 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The letter was released by the prison authorities on 13 October 1964.

G20: Letter written on 13 October 1964

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G21: Letter written on 14 October 1964

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G22: Letter written on 15 October 1964

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G23: Letter written on 17 October 1964

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G25: Letter written on 22 October 1964

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G26: Letter written on 23 October 1964

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G27: Letter written on 24 October 1964

This letter was written by John Harris on 24 October 1964 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband



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Drew. The letter was released by the prison authorities on 26 October 1964.

G28: Letter written on 26 October 1964

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G29: Letter written on 28 October 1964

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G30: Letter written on 30 October 1964

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G31: Letter written on 1 November 1964

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G32: Letter written on 2 November 1964

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G33: Letter written on 3 November 1964

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G34: Letter written on 4 November 1964

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- G43: Letter written on 3 December 1964
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- G44: Letter written on 6 December 1964
This letter was written by John Harris on 6 December 1964 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The letter was released by the prison authorities on 7 December 1964.
- G45: Undated letter written between 7-16 December 1964
This undated letter was written by John Harris between 7-16 December 1964 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The letter was released by the prison authorities on 16 December 1964.
- G46: Letter written on 13 December 1964
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- G49: Letter written on 26 December 1964
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- G50: Letter written on 14 January 1965
This letter was written by John Harris on 14 January 1965 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The date the letter was released by the prison is illegible.
- G51: Letter written on 22 January 1965
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- G52: Letter written on 26 January 1965
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- G53: Letter written on 1 February 1965
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- G54: Letter written on 4 February 1965
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- G58: Letter written on 1 March 1965



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G59: Letter written on 8 March 1965

This letter was written by John Harris on 8 March 1965 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The letter was released by the prison authorities on 10 March 1965.

G60: Letter written on 23 March 1965

This letter was written by John Harris on 23 March 1965 and is addressed to his sister Jane and her then husband Drew. The letter was released by the prison authorities on 25 March 1965. A week after writing this last letter to his sister John Harris was hanged on 1 April 1965.