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UNITED CHURCH OF CANADA NATIONAL COORDINATING GROUP FOR THE STUDY/DIALOGUE PROGRAMME ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION, LIFESTYLES AND MINISTRY FONDS. – 1980-1989. – 2.62 m of textual records.

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An Advisory Group on "Sexual Orientation and Eligibility for the Order of Ministry" was then appointed in February 1984 to oversee the evolution of the Task Group's report and its recommendations both before and after the 30th General Council.

Upon the request of the 30th General Council, the Division of Mission and the D.M.P.E. agreed upon a process for a national programme/study on the sexual orientation, lifestyles, and ministry, involving all levels of the church, which would then lead to a comprehensive statement: This programme/study was developed and implemented by the national Coordinating Group. Upon the formation of the NCG, the Advisory Group was finally dissolved in February 1985, having fulfilled the function of setting the guidelines for the selection of the members of the NCG.

Fonds consists of seven series: Correspondence, 1985-1988; Minutes, Reports and Supporting Documents, 1980-1988; Publications, 1985-1987; Feedback on the Vote on Ordination of Homosexuals, 1988-1989; Resources, 1981-1988; Task Force on the Ordination and Commissioning of Self-Declared Homosexual Persons, 1982-1984; Advisory Group on the Sexual Orientation and Eligibility for the Order of Ministry Report, 1984.

All users will be asked to complete Form 26 before gaining access to these materials.

See also United Church of Canada Division of Mission in Canada fonds 512; Division of Ministry Personnel and Information fonds 518; Office of the Moderator fonds 499; and General Council fonds 500 for records relating to this Group's work and report.

SERIES 1: CORRESPONDENCE. --1985-1988.

Series consists of correspondence of the National Coordinating Committee.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
88.073C	1-1	NCG Address List	
	1-2	NCG Mass Mailings	1986-1988
	1-3	---	1987-1988
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	1-5	---	Jul, 1987
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	2-1	---	1985
	2-2	Bidwell	
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	2-5	Hermanson	
	2-6	Howard	
	2-7	B.J.Klassen	
	2-8	Lawyer (Hunter)	
	2-9	Doris Major	
	2-10	Spencer	
	2-11	Waymark	
	2-12	White	
	2-13	Williams	
	2-14	General Council	1986
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	2-16	Division of Ministry Personnel and Education	
	3-1	Division of Mission in Canada	
	3-2	Inter-Unit Project on Aids	
	3-3	Division of World Outreach	
	3-4	Division of Communication	
	3-5	--- INFOPAC	
	3-6	Division of Finance	
	3-7	Department of Treasury	
	3-8	Native Council	
	3-9	NFLD and Labrador Conference	
	3-10	Maritime Conference	
	3-11	--- Coordinating Group	
	3-12	Montreal and Ottawa Conference	
	3-13	--- Coordinating Group	
	4-1	Bay of Quinte Conference	
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	4-10	Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario Conference	
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	4-12	Saskatchewan Conference	
	4-13	--- Coordinating group	

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	4-14	Saskatchewan – Dr. Jessie Salteaux Resource Centre	
	4-15	Alberta and Northwest Conference	
	4-16	--- Coordinating Group	
	4-18	British Columbia Conference	
	4-19	--- Coordinating Group	
	4-20	AFFIRM	
	4-21	United Church Renewal Fellowship (UCRF)	
	4-22	Friends of AFFIRM	
	5-1	Miscellaneous	1987-1988
	5-2	---	1986
	5-3	---	1985
		Correspondence of Chair, Betty Jean (BJ) Klassen	
2018.184C	1-1	Notebooks [4]re NCG/SOLM	1984-1988
	1-2	Correspondence	1987-1988
	1-3	---: and notes	1985-1987
	1-4	---: responses to report	1988
	1-5	---: Community of Concern response to SOLM report	1988

SERIES 2: MINUTES, REPORTS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS. --1980-1988.

Series consists of minutes and reports and supporting documents of the National Coordinating Group, 1980-1988.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
88.073C	11-1	Minutes	Apr 22-24, 1985
	11-2	---	Jun 24-26, 1985
	11-3	--- appendices	
	11-4	---	Oct 7-9, 1985
	11-5	--- appendices	
	11-6	---	Dec 2-4, 1985
	11-7	---	Mar 12-14, 1986
	11-8	---	Jun 5-7, 1986
	11-9	--- appendices	
	11-10	---	Sept 25-27, 1986
	11-11	--- appendices	
	11-12	---	Dec 2-4, 1986
	11-13	--- appendices	
	11-14	---	Mar 22-24, 1987
	11-15	--- appendix 1	
	11-16	---	June 18-21, 1987
	11-17	--- appendices	

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	11-18	---	Sept 24-26, 1987
	11-19	---	Nov 25-29, 1987
	11-20	---	Jan 2-4, 1988
	11-21	--- working papers	Jun 19-21, 1987
	11-22	Joint Divisional Coordinating Group: Minutes	1988
		Reports	
	12-18	Accountability Report	Jan, 1987
	12-19	---: Ewart to DMPE AGM	Feb, 1987
	12-20	Timeline	
	12-21	Mandate	Nov 20-23, 1984
	12-22	Backgrounder	
	12-23	Interim Report	
	12-24	Request to Correspond	
	12-25	28 th General Council (Halifax)	1980
88.073C	12-26	29 th General Council (Montreal)	1982
	12-27	30 th General Council (Morden)	1984
	12-28	Mandate: DMPE	
	13-1	Communications Procedures: NCG Report to DMC + DMPE	
		Supporting Documents	
	11-23	NCG Advertisements	
	14-8	NCG Statement of Purpose	Jun, 1985
	14-9	NCG: Criteria for Membership in the National Coordinating Group	
	14-10	Prayers and Intention	Oct, 1985
	14-11	Presentation of Conference Executive Secretaries at GCE	Nov, 1985
	14-12	Purpose: Originating Mandate	Aug, 1984
	14-13	---	April, 1985
	14-14	---	Jun, 1985
	14-15	---	Oct, 1985
	14-16	Research Survey	
	14-17	Dialogue Newsletter: No. 6	
	14-18	---: No. 5	Sept, 1987
	14-19	---: No. 4	Jun, 1987
	14-20	---: No. 3	Feb, 1987
	14-21	---: No. 2	Dec, 1986
	14-22	---: No. 1	Nov, 1986
	14-23	Media Consultation	Jun 10, 1987
	14-24	Media Clippings	
	14-25	DMPE: Correspondence: members	1986-1988
	14-26	---: ---: Miscellaneous	
	14-27	Bibliographies	

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Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
	14-28	Task Force on the Environment	
	18-8	Media Clippings: Special Edition: Sexual Orientations Lifestyles and Ministry	Mar, 1988
2018.184C	2-1	Clippings re Report	Apr, May, 1988
	2-2	--- Special Edition, Miscellaneous	1988
		Consultations and Workshops	
88.073C	14-1	Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario	
	14-2	York Presbytery	
	14-3	Sexuality and Christian Community – Grey Presbytery Presentation	
	14-4	York Presbytery	
	14-5	God (Discerning God's Nature and Purposes)	
	14-6	Myths We Live By	
	14-7	Family (Jesus and Family)	
2018.184C	1-6	General Council 1988 Sessional Committee 8 Presentation re SOLM	1988

SERIES 3: PUBLICATIONS. –1985-1987.

Series consists of drafts, working papers and final copies of publications by the National Coordinating Group; Dialogue – Sexual Orientations, Lifestyles and Ministry (kits 1 and 2), Final Report on the Ordination of Homosexuals Issue, and feedback.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
		Drafts	
88.073C	12-1	Table of Contents	
	12-2	Context: General Council 88	
	12-3	Affirmations: General Council 88	
	12-4	Community: General Council 88	
	12-5	Discernment of Truth	
	12-6	Biblical Interpretation	
	12-7	Sexual Identity: General Council 88	
	12-8	Living the Christian Gospel	
	12-9	Marriage: General Council 88	
	12-10	Ministry: General Council 88	
	12-11	Glossary: General Council 88	
	12-12	David	
	12-13	Ex-Gay: General Council 88	
	12-14	Human Nature: General Council 88	
	12-15	Fitness	
	12-16	Idolatry	
	12-17	Revelation	

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		Dialogue: Sexual Orientations Lifestyles and Ministry, Kit 1 [drafts, complete copy]	
	13-4	Covering Letter	1985
	13-2	Timeline	Jan, 1986
	13-3	Table of Contents	1985
	13-5	Leader's Introduction	1985
	13-6	Session 1: Exploring Our Own Sexuality	1985
	13-7	Session 2: Exploring Our Own Sexual Orientation	1985
	13-8	---: Rough Draft	1985
	13-9	Session 3: Exploring the Bible and Sexual Orientation	1985
	13-10	Session 4: Exploring Justice and Sexual Orientation	1985
	13-11	Session 5: Exploring Lifestyles and Pastoral Care	1985
	13-12	Response Form	1985
	13-13	Who am I as a Sexual Person?	1985
	13-14	Affirmations, Gift, Dilemma and Promise	1985
	13-15	Social Sciences Chart	1985
	13-16	The Bible and Discerning God's Will	1985
88.073C	13-17	Biblical Interpretation	1985
	13-18	Justice and Sexual Orientations	1985
	13-19	Background an Ex-Gay Perspective	1985
	13-20	Statement from Affirm	1985
	13-21	Dialogue	1985
	13-22	Gift, Dilemma and Promise – Chapter 6	1985
	13-23	Annotated Bibliography and Resources	1985
	13-24	Appendix, Affirmations	1985
	13-25	Dialogue, Sexual Orientations Lifestyles and Ministry: Complete Kit	1985
	13-26	NFLD and Labrador	1987
		Dialogue: Sexual Orientations Lifestyles and Ministry, Kit 2 [drafts, complete copy]	
	13-27	Affirmations	1986
	13-28	The Cultures of Sexuality	1986
	13-29	Dialogue and Discernment	1986
	13-30	Ethical Reflection	1986
	13-31	Leader's Introduction and Ethical Reflection	1986
	13-32	The Hidden Christian Adventure	1986
	13-33	Homophobia and Heterosexism	1986
	13-34	Introduction to Kit 2	1986
	13-35	A Model Presbytery Presentation	1986
	13-36	Sexual Expression and our Feeling Responses	1986
	13-37	Study Guide – As I Am	1986
	13-38	Stories	1986

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	13-39	--- "We are One in Christ" and "Jesus is Lord"	1986
	13-40	The Nature of Community (Theological Reflection)	1986
	13-41	Videos	1986
	13-42	Dialogue – Sexual Orientations, Lifestyles and Ministry: Complete Kit Final Report on the Ordination of Homosexuals Issue	1986
	18-1	NCG--Final Report on the ordination of homosexuals Issue: Note and drafts.	
	18-2	---: ---	
	18-3	---: Preliminary Discussion Papers	
	18-4	---: ---	
	18-5	---: Comments on discussion papers	
	18-6	---: affirmations	
	18-7	---: related biblical texts	

SERIES 4: FEEDBACK RE THE VOTE ON THE ORDINATION OF HOMOSEXUALS. --1988-1989.

Series consists of feedback re the vote on the ordination of homosexuals; listed by group, reports, late affirmation reports, non-documented individual responses, late group responses, problem affirmations, statement lists compiled by different categories, feedback indices.

[Materials of this group were also located in a 1994 accession of records from the General Council Office (Accession 94.161C). Most of the 1994 were exact copies of minutes and mass mailings, already described here. The few additional pages of mass mailings found in this accession have simply been added without notation to relevant files in Box 1. Affirmation reports 1-241 (incomplete) included in the above accession in numerical order have been added to this finding aid. In the 88.073C accession, these affirmation reports had been divided into Conferences and filed as Feedback. Thus, they now exist twice--by Conference and in numerical order.]

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
88.073C	5-4	General Council	
	5-5	Prairie Christian Training Centre (PCTC)	
	5-6	Newfoundland and Labrador	
	5-7	Maritime	
	5-8	Montreal and Ottawa	
	5-9	Bay of Quinte	
	5-10	Toronto	
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	6-5	Saskatchewan	
	6-6	Alberta and Northwest	
	6-7	British Columbia	
1994.161C	19	Affirmation Reports 1-241 [incomplete, files also filed above, by Conference, as feedback]	
88.073C	7-1 to 7-7	Affirmation Reports Across Canada re the vote on the ordination of homosexuals issue: Documents 242-399	
	8-1 to 8-7	---: documents 400-570	
	9-1 to 9-2	---: documents 571-616 + 490	
	9-3	Late Affirmation Reports. Non documented.	
	9-4	Non-documented individual responses	
	9-5	Late Affirmations. Group responses.	1989
	9-6	Problem Affirmations	
	10-1	File responses across Canada to the report on the ordination of homosexuals	
	10-2	---	
	10-3 to 10-4	Statement lists of compiled affirmation reports: re Ordination of Homosexuals: Documents 56-241	
	10-5	Statement lists of compiled affirmation reports group into 8 categories: 1) Homosexuality	
	10-6	---: 2) Sexual Orientation	
	10-7	---: 3) The Bible	
	10-8	---: 4) Social Injustice	
	10-9	---: 5) Pastoral Care	
	10-10	---: 6) Lifestyles	
	10-11	---: 7) Fitness	
	10-12	---: 8) Other Comments	
	10-13	Feedback Indices re the ordination of homosexuals: Document Number	
	10-14	---: Last Name	
	10-15	---: Group	
	10-16	---: Conference	

SERIES 5: RESOURCES. –1981-1988.

Series consists of resources; study guides, statements, articles, papers, plays, surveys, guidelines, manuals, journals, 1981-1988.

Acc. No.	Box-File	Title	Date(s)
		Study Guides, Statements, Articles and Papers	
88.073C	14-29	Gift, Dilemma and Promise – A Report and Affirmations on Human Sexuality, DMC	
	14-30	Task Force on Sexism	

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	14-31	Confessing Our Faith – Phase II	
	15-1	Montreal and Ottawa Study Guide	May, 1984
	15-2	Study Guide on Orientation and Sexuality – United Church of Christ	
	15-3	Dialogue on Homosexuality and the Church – Naramata Centre, May 25-27, 1984	
	15-4	Dialogue on Sexual Orientations and Lifestyles: Charles Bidwell	1985
	15-5	MP&E Consultation on Theological Education, Ministry and Homosexual Persons	
	15-6	A Statement on the Ordination and Commissioning in our United Church of Canada: AFFIRM: BC	Feb 10-12, 1984
	15-7	Lesbian and Gay Christians: Task Force on Sexual Orientation and Justice: Charles Bidwell	1984
	15-8	AH Harry Oussoren: The MPE Report and the Bible	
	15-9	John Howard – Interpretative Principles	
	15-10	UCRF: Healing for the Homosexual, Healing for the Church	1984
	15-11	---: Our Inheritance	
88.073C	15-12	---: The Small Voice, Vol. 2	1985
	15-13	Aaron, William "I Don't Miss the Gay Life"	Oct, 1972
	15-14	Miscellaneous Articles: Abortion	
	15-15	---: Affirmation: United Methodists for Gay and Lesbian Concerns	
	15-16	---: AID Atlanta: "Pastoral Care for People with AIDS"	
	15-17	---: AIDS: Dr. William Sloan Coffin Jr.	
	15-18	---: A Christian Response Metropolitan Community Church	
	15-19	---: AIDS Committee of Toronto	
	15-20	---: AIDS Fact Sheets, Ontario Ministry of Health	
	15-21	AIDS in Canada: What You Should Know – Department of Health and Welfare	
	15-22	AIDS: Individual rights versus societal welfare in hospital ethics	
	15-23	AIDS: IS It God's Judgement? Metropolitan Community Church	
	15-24	Breaking the Cycle: An Active homosexual experience healing	
	15-25	Ammerman, N.T. – The New South and the New Baptists	
	15-26	Blindspots and Breakthrough: A Workshop in Prejudice	1984
	15-27	Auvine, B. A Manual for Group Facilitators	
	15-28	Berger, R. Gay and Gray: The Older Homosexual Man	
	15-29	Bull, Rev. J.B. – Living Out the Original Home	

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	15-30	Castuera, Ignacio-Wesley, Process and Liberation Theologies: A Test Case	
	15-31	Christianity and Crisis: A Place for the Family, the Family in its Place	
	15-32	Coffin, Dr. William Sloane JR: Controversy: The Life of Unity	1981
	15-33	Homosexuality in Sermons from Riverside. Dr. W. S. Coffin Jr.	1981
	15-34	<u>Context</u> : Articles	1985
	15-35	Cook, Colin: Homosexuality an Open Door? And The H. Solution	
	15-36	Cook: Homosexual Recovery – Six Years Later	
	15-37	Dialogue: Brethren/Mennonite Council for Gay Concerns	1984-1986
	15-38	Dorrien, Gary T: All in the Family	1984
	15-39	Epstein, S.: Gay Politics, Ethnic Identity	1987
	15-40	Exodus International articles	1988
	15-41	Grapevine	
88.073C	15-42	Heim, S.M.: Gender and Creed: Confessing a Common Faith	1985
	16-1	HA News [The Official Newsletter of Homosexual Anonymous Fellowship Services]	1988
	16-2	Heyward, Carter: Heterosexism: Enforcing Male Supremacy	
	16-3	Homosexual Ban Upheld – Christian Century	1985
	16-4	Hurst, E: Once gay, always gay?	
	16-5	Houck, D.A.: Homosexuality: Building an Understanding	1986
	16-6	Hogman, John: Homosexuality, Sexual Ethics and Ordination – A response to Hogman	
	16-7	Jolly C.S.: Purple Balloons on Market Street	1984
	16-8	Lasch, Christopher: Fraternalist Manifesto	
	16-9	---: Traditional Values: Left, Right and Wrong	1986
	16-10	Koch, Karl: Homophobia: Dealing less with issues and more with people	1985
	16-11	Leas, Speed B.: When Conflict Erupts in Your Church	
	16-12	Foster, Richard J: God's Gift of Sexuality	
	16-13	Crew, Louie: Gay's and God's Love: Compulsion and Affirmation, View from a Gay Person's Pew	
	16-14	Lutz, Ted: "The Bible and Homosexuality"	
	16-15	Marr, Rev.--Let's Keep Homosexuals Out of Our Pulpits!	
	16-16	Love in Action	1986-1987
	16-17	Mace, David--Mixed Orientation Couples	

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	16-18	Manna for the Journey [Name Changes to Open Hands, see below]	
	16-19	Mennonites--What is An Appropriate Christian Response to Homosexuality?	
	16-20	Metanoia Ministries	1986-1988
	16-21	Moffat, M.J.--Homosexuality,	Nov. 1981
	16-22	Moody, Howard--Pleasure, too, is a gift from God. In Christianity and Crisis.	
	16-23	Moore, Arthur J.--Gay Rights and the Churches	
	16-24	Moore, Jr., Rev. P.--Statement for Aids Press Conference	
	16-25	Moses, A.E.--Counselling lesbian Women and Gay Men: A Life Issues Approach--A.E. Moses, a review.	
	16-26	National Gay Task Force--About Coming Out	
	16-27	Neither Gay Nor Straight--Three Articles from the Frying Pan	
	16-28	Nugent, R.--Married Homosexuals In Journal of Pastoral Care	
88.073C	16-29	Nelson, James B.--Responding to learning from AIDS	
	16-30	Other Side Magazine--Christians & Homosexuality	
	16-31	Open Hands [Formerly Manna, see above]	
	16-32	Rodgerson, Gillian--The United Church Plays It Safe [in <u>The Body Politic</u>]	
	17-1	Outpost	1985-1988
	17-2	Quest Learning Centre	
	17-3	Resources for Dialogue--Aileen Urquhart	
	17-4	Soulen, Richard N.--Marriage and Divorce	
	17-5	Sheppard, G.T.--Use of Scripture Within Christian Ethical Debate Concerning Some Sex Orientated Persons	
	17-6	Way, Peggy--The Cultures of Sexuality--Voices of the Theological Dialogue	1984
	17-7	Speranza, Rev. P.J.--Homosexuality and the Word of God: A Brief Overview	
	17-8	Stiles, B.J.--AIDS and the Churches	
	17-9	Universalist Unitarian Church of Formington--Homophobia	
	17-10	Voice of the Turtle	1986
	17-11	Barker, Rev. Ralph W.--A Christian View of Human Sexuality	
	17-12	Well, J.M.--Tocqueville's "Habits" and "Heart's" In the Christian Century	1985
	17-13	Boyd, R.M.--From Closet to Cleric?	
	17-14	Various Articles Re Homosexuality	
	17-15	Eberhart-Moffat, Elizabeth--Uniting Body and Spirit	

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	17-19	Community of Concern	
	17-22	Consensus	1985-1988
	17-23	Homophobia and Education	1983
		Surveys, Polls, Statistical Reports	
	17-16	Gall--Majority oppose homosexuals as priests, ministers, poll finds	
	17-17	PRRC--Princeton Religion Research Centre--53% of Canadians Oppose Ordination of Homosexuals	
	17-18	Vall--Valley Presbytery Questionnaire,	Sept, 1984
		Procedures, Guidelines and Manuals	
	17-20	B.C. Conf., Education & Students--A Procedure Intended for Use When Interviewing Potential Candidates for Ministry	
		Magazines, Journals	
	17-24	Sieccan--The Sex Information and Education Council of Canada	
	17-25	The Kinheart Quarterly	
		Plays	
88.073C	17-26	Baker, C. and Stetson, K.--As I Am	
		Audiovisual Resources	
	17-21	KILL--General Access Coverage, 1984--Killarney Access 12 TV	
		[VHS Tapes Relocated to UCCA A/V Collection]	
		VHS The United Church Renewal Fellowship Production: Homosexuality – "A New Direction" (35 Mins)	
		VHS: Interviews with Christine Waymark and Eibert Fierichs (60 min)	
		VHS: 1984 General Council "Panel on Sexual Orientation and Ministry" (45 Min)	
		VHS: Sexual Orientation and Eligibility for Ministry. Edited from debate at 30 th General Council	Aug, 1984

SERIES 6: TASK GROUP ON THE ORDINATION AND COMMISSIONING OF SELF-DECLARED HOMOSEXUAL PERSONS. –1982-1984.

In the spring of 1982, the Division of Ministry, Personnel and Education created the Task Group on the Ordination/Commissioning of Self-Declared Homosexuals. The Task Group was to assess the polity of the UCC with regard to the ordination/commissioning of self-declared homosexuals. The assessment of the issue and the suggested implementation options for the new guidelines of ordination/commissioning of self-declared homosexuals were presented in the "Sexual Orientation and Eligibility for the Order Ministry" Report. The Task Group's report was then assessed at the 30th General Council meeting in 1984 after which it disbanded.

Series consists of correspondence, study guides, drafts on the Statement on Human Sexuality, and background documents, 1982-1984.

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88.073C	19-1	Correspondence re their report	Feb-Nov, 1984
	19-2	Two booklets: The Other Side: Christians and Homosexuality, 1984. Neither Gay Nor Straight: Three Articles reprinted from The Frying Past	Dec, 1982, Jan-Feb, 1983
	19-3	Lesbian and Gay Christians: A Resource--The Draft of and convents on the report by the Task Force on Sexual Orientation and Justice. DMPE, Alberta Conference. Editor Charles M. Bidwell	Nov, 1984
88.073C	19-4	Study Guide to the Montreal and Ottawa Conference Report On Ordination/Commissioning of Homosexual Persons	1984
	19-5	Background Documents	1982-1984
	19-6	---	
	19-7	---	
	19-8	Draft Statement on Human Sexuality--Division of Mission in Canada	1984
	19-9	Minutes and Correspondence	1982
	20-1	---: from Concerned Individuals and Groups	1983
	20-2	---	1982
	20-3	Release of report	Feb-Jun, 1984
	20-4	Correspondence	

SERIES 7: ADVISORY GROUP ON THE SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ORDER OF MINISTRY REPORT. -1984.

The Advisory Group on "Sexual Orientation and Eligibility for the Order of Ministry" was appointed in February 1984 to oversee the evolution of the Task Group's report and its recommendations both before and after the 30th General Council. Upon the request of the 30th General Council, the Division of Mission and the D.M.P.E. agreed upon a process for a national programme/study on the sexual orientation, lifestyles, and ministry, involving all levels of the church, which would then lead to a comprehensive statement: This programme/study was developed and implemented by the national Coordinating Group. Upon the formation of the NCG, the Advisory Group was finally dissolved in February 1985, having fulfilled the function of setting the guidelines for the selection of the members of the NCG.

Series consists of correspondence, media clippings, background documents and feedback (individual responses across Canada to the ordination of homosexuals issue), 1984.

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