

CEARBHALL Ó DÁLAIGH PAPERS

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INTRODUCTORY NOTE

This collection was donated to University College, Dublin by Bean Uí Dálaigh, wife of Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh in two parts, the 1st on 26 September 1980 and the 2nd on 24 April 1981.

Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh was born on 12 February 1911, son of Risteárd and Una Ó Dálaigh (née Dhroighneain). He was educated in the Christian Brothers School, Synge Street, Dublin, at University College Dublin and at the Kings Inns, Dublin, where he received his Bachelor of Arts and Law degrees respectively. In 1968 he was conferred with an honorary doctorate (LL.D) by Trinity College Dublin. While working as Irish Editor of the *Irish Press* (1931-1940) he was called to the Bar (1934) and appointed Senior Counsel (1944) and Attorney General (1946-1948; 1951-1953). Following this period he became a Judge of the Supreme Court until 1963 when he was appointed Chief Justice (1963-1973). His last legal post was that of Judge of the Court of Justice of the European Communities in Luxembourg.

His nomination as President of Ireland was the apex of a career which had moved inexorably upwards. It was, however, also to become the virtual culmination of a public life which had spanned more than 40 years.

From the introduction of the Emergency Powers Bill a controversial period ensued which resulted in his resignation from the presidency and his relative withdrawal from public life, with the notable exception of his visit to China.

The early part of the collection provides evidence of the affairs of the Irish Judiciary, and documents both internal administrative procedure and Court cases. The notes and background material included in this subsection, such as those on extradition, offer an insight into one of the processes by which a Judge in the Supreme Court arrives at a decision in an appeal.

While documentation on the functions of the European Community Court is limited, the procedure involved in the formation of a cabinet to assist the Irish delegate to the European Judiciary is included. The initial correspondence regarding his appointment reveals a certain pattern of official government behaviour towards Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh which recurs in the period of presidency.

Apart from the correspondence received during his term as President of Ireland, his notes from this period offer a personal insight into Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh's conception of the responsibility invested in him as Head of State, and the role of the government and its representatives.

The kidnapping of Dr. Tiede Herrema illustrates his belief that no government should 'compromise to blackmail' and that as President, his possible death, as a substitute hostage, would serve to 'vindicate Ireland's honour'.

Correspondence received on the introduction and passing of the Emergency Powers Bill illustrates a section of public opinion on the matter. Again, his notes from the period reveal the affair as it evolved and reflections of the President on the situation.

The resignation of Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh, particularly in the light of his commitment to the presidential office, was an enormous step, taken only after full consideration of the related factors. In spite of a mass of correspondence urging him to stand for re-nomination his decision to leave public life remained unaltered and he retired to his home in Sneem, Co. Kerry.

Apart from legal and presidential offices, the collection documents various aspects of a wide spectrum of activities which have been included under the term 'culture'.

During the course of his life Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh's correspondence on literary, artistic and musical topics forms a thread which binds together the various sections of his career. There is correspondence, for example, from his chairmanship of the Cultural Relations Committee, with Austin Clarke and Kate O'Brien. Also documented are the activities of the National Theatre Society including a letter from Ulick O'Connor, requesting Judge Ó Dálaigh to intervene in the controversy surrounding Tomás MacAnna and the directorship of the Abbey Theatre.

Charitable organisations in which Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh was active and whose establishment and functions are documented are Péro Péro: Aid for Displaced Persons, and the Cheshire Homes Trust (Int.). (see the appendix to this note for a list of posts and outline of other positions).

The collection has been arranged according to the posts held by Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh, from Attorney General to the President of Ireland. Following the section on his retirement from public office is material relating to his interests.

APPENDIX

Born		12 February 1911
Degrees:	Batchelor of Arts, University College, Dublin Batchelor of Law, Kings Inns, Dublin Doctor in Law, Trinity College Commendatore al Merito (Italy)	
Honorary:	Member of the Royal Irish Academy Fellow of the Royal Academy of Medicine Life Member of the Council of State	
Married:	Mairin Mic Dhiarmada	1934
Posts:	Irish Editor, Irish Press Called to the Bar Senior Counsel Attorney General Judge of the Supreme Court Chief Justice Judge of the Court of Justice of the European Communities President of Ireland	1931-40 1934 1944 1946-48; 1951-3 1953 1963 1973 1974-76
	Cultural Relations Committee, Department of External Affairs Committee of Taxation on Industry Commission on Income Taxation Commission on Higher Education	1947-48; 1953; 1957-72 1957 1957 1960-67
	Cheshire Homes Foundation (Irl.) Council for Overseas Students Irish National Council on Alcoholism Père Pire : Displaced Persons Associations(Irl.)	

A. ATTORNEY GENERAL**I. Appointment**

- 1** 1-2 May 1946 Congratulatory letters received on his appointment as Attorney General including good wishes from Mr Justice James Murnaghan, Supreme Court. (1 May 1946) 3 items

II. Official Documents

- 2** 1947-8 British Nationality Bill (1947)
Draft and copy communications on the Bill with handwritten amendments and notes by the Attorney General, and associated memoranda and reports. 130pp
- 2a** 1947-8 Drafts of the Presidential (International Powers and Functions) Bill (1947) 16pp

B. SUPREME COURT JUDGE**I. Appointment**

- 3** 11 July-
14 December 1953 Congratulatory letters received on his appointment to the post of Supreme Court Judge. Includes letters from Dan Breen T.D.(13 July 1953) and Cahir Davitt, High Court Judge (13 July 1953). 21 items

II. Official Documents

- 4** 11 July 1952 Copy of a letter from P.J. Brennan, Bureau of Military History, to Conor A. Maguire, Chief Justice, acknowledging his evidence in connection with Republican Courts in 1920-21 and enclosing a bound copy of the statements received. 2 items
- 5** 16 May 1957 Letter from Oscar Traynor, Minister for Justice, to Conor A. Maguire Chief Justice enclosing a report conducted by Justice Thomas Teevan into the professional conduct of Michael Lennon, District Justice. 2 items
- 6** 6 April 1961-
21 November 1962 Superior Court Rules Committee correspondence concerning the revision of Superior Court Rules with the intention of eliminating 'dead wood'. 3 items

III. Personal Material

- 7** 28 August 1951-
6 March 1963 Correspondence on a number of topics including a loan bond (27 August 1951), information on the Thomas Davis Statute (1 May 1959), and a booklet sent by Dr. P. Higgins, Cambridge entitled *Wright v Fitzgerald Revisited* (13 July 1962). 21 items

C. CHIEF JUSTICE**I. Correspondence****a. Appointment**

- 8** December 1961-
January 1962 Congratulatory letters received on his
appointment to the post of Chief Justice.
153 items
- 9** December 1961 Folder of congratulatory telegrams
received on appointment to the post of
Chief Justice. 44 items

b. Official Documents

- 10** 18 December 1961 Letter from C.Cremin, Department of
External Affairs concerning the form of
welcome to be extended to Dr Nyerere, Prime Minister of Tanganyika.
In Irish. 1 item
- 11** 10-14 January 1962 Letter from H. Horgan Turner concerning
Judge Ó Dálaigh's membership of the
International Bar Association. Included is a receipt of subscription
and a draft of his speech at the I.B.A. Council Meeting.
3 items
- 12** 2 February 1962 Copy of letter from E.E.C. Micks, S.C.,
Shankill, Co. Dublin concerning the mode
of address to the Superior Courts, in particular the use of 'My Lord'.
1 item
- 13** 21 November 1963 Letter from Cahir Davitt, High Court
Judge, on the question of whether or not a
Garda in Court should sit or stand. 1 item

- 21** 20 April 1962 Original and copy of a letter from Cecil Lavery, High Court Judge, regarding proposals to expel him from his post on age grounds. 2 items
- 22** 20 December 1968 Notice to the Council of State of a meeting to discuss the presidential address to the Houses of the Oireachtas on the 50th anniversary of the first meeting of the First Dáil Éireann. 1 item
- 23** 21 December 1968 Letter from Sean Mhaolalaigh, Private Secretary, Department of Posts & Telegraphs, regarding the use of the accent on the E of 'Eire' on stamp issues. In Irish. 1 item
- 24** 9 January 1969 Letter from John Kenny, Donnybrook, Dublin, regarding his opposition to the signing of the Succession Act Rules. 1 item
- 25** 18 November 1969 Letter from John Kenny, Dublin, concerning the foundation of an association of High Court Judges. 1 item
- 26** 11 March 1970 Letter from Colm Condon, Attorney General, concerning the withdrawal by the Attorney General of charges in a case before Cork District Court. Included are copies of newspaper cuttings on the decision, reporting the District Court Judge's reaction. (11 May 1969) 2 items
- 27** 18 March 1970 Letter from A.A. Norton, Consulate General of Finland, enclosing a copy of Ambassador von Numers's letter about Kivi's Seven Brothers. 2 items
- 28** Ghost number

- 36** 17 November 1972 Letter transmitting a message from Robert Lecourt, President of the European Court of Justice, expressing gratitude on the reception given to E.E.C. Judges in Ireland. 1 item
- 37** 20 November 1972 Letter from Desmond O'Malley, Minister for Justice, concerning admission of members of the Northern Bar to the Irish Bar. 1 item
- 38** [1972] Letter from Robert Richardson, a U.S. citizen requesting information on immigration procedure. 1 item

c. Educational Interests

- 39** 30 January 1963-
22 January 1973 **Commission on Higher Education**
Correspondence regarding the establishment of the Commission, of which Ó Dálaigh was Chairman, its operation, and reactions to its report. 14 items
- 40** 14 November 1972 **Language Teaching: General**
Letter from Edwin J. Cashman concerning innovative educational techniques for use in language teaching. 1 item
- 41** [1960] **Language Teaching: French**
Documentation, mainly circular letters, from the Centre de Recherche et d'Etudes pour la Diffusion du Français, Paris, providing details of the Institute's history, objective and teaching methodology. 8 items
- 42** May 1962-
November 1972 **Legal Education Committee**
Correspondence relating to the question of education for the legal profession, including a report, observations and a memorandum by the Legal Education Committee (8 June 1971) and letters from Seán MacBride. The implications for the legal profession in general, and

- 42 contd.** legal education in particular on Ireland's entry into the European Economic Community are discussed (9 May 1962, 9 September 1972). A copy of the address by M. Pierre Pescatore, President of the European Chamber of Justice to the Irish Judiciary is also included (November 1972). 54pp
- 43** July 1972-March 1973 **United World College:** correspondence on the possibility of establishing a United World College in Ireland, including a letter from Earl Mountbatten of Burma. 11pp
- 44** October 1973-
November 1974 **Law Summer Abroad Programme:** Correspondence on the proposal to establish a Law Summer Abroad Programme in University College Dublin in conjunction with the University of San Francisco. 7pp
- 45** 3 February 1959-
26 January 1965 **Income Tax Committee: Liam Barry** Correspondence concerning Liam Barry, Civil Servant, formerly Secretary to the Commission on Income Tax and his demotion in seniority on transfer from the Department of Revenue to the Department of Finance. 53pp
- 46** 1962-1965 **Administrative Procedures: Committee:** Draft of the Preliminary Report by the Committee set up to establish a code of rules on which administrative procedures and practices should be based and exercised. It is suggested that independent Court of Appeals be established for matters such as compulsory land purchase, town planning and Social Welfare cases. 1 item
- 47** February 1962-
14 September 1972 **Judicial Salaries:** Correspondence on judicial salary revision. Includes rough notes on the Devlin Committee Report. 24pp
- 48** July 1969-
March 1972 **Michael Omo: Investigations** Correspondence concerning Michael Omo, Barrister, Nigeria, including letters from him on his financial situation (16 July 1969) and on the Benchers Tribunal investigating the purchase of second hand wigs

- 48 contd.** and gowns. Also included is acknowledgment for a cheque paid by C.J. Ó Dálaigh on Omo's behalf. 10pp

d. Official Visits

- 49** 6 July 1965-27 June 1972
Meir. (15 August 1962). **Israel:** Correspondence concerning a visit by Chief Justice and Mrs Ó Dálaigh to Israel. Includes a letter from Golda Meir. 10pp
- 50** 1965 **Israel: Notes.** Folder of notes and drafts of speeches delivered in Israel. 4 items
- 51** [1965-1970] **Israel: Printed Material.** Israeli newspaper article on the visit. Programme of visit (annotated). Certificate in honour of trees planted during the visit from the Jewish National Fund. (2 February 1970). 4 items
- 52** August - November 1972 **Australia** Correspondence concerning an invitation extended to C. ÓDálaigh by the Australian Government. Includes the invitation (2 August 1972) and a copy of the refusal because of his E.E.C. appointment (20 November 1972). 4pp

e. On Legal Matters

- 53** February-May 1962 **Diminished Responsibility Question** Correspondence concerning the proposed amendment of the current rules on insanity as a defence in criminal cases and the introduction of the concept of diminished responsibility. 15pp

II. Legal Papers**a. Court Cases**

Judgements, summaries, notes, briefing and background material on the following cases, in chronological order:

54	1955	Caltex (Ireland) Ltd. Summary of payments.
55	1958	Compensation for an unidentified plaintiff.
56	1960	Buckeley <i>v.</i> Healy.
57	1962-5	H.A. Dolan <i>v.</i> Maurice Neligan.
58	1962	Crowley [a solicitor] <i>v.</i> ?.
59	1962	Deaton <i>v.</i> Attorney General & the Revenue Commissioners.
60	1962	The People <i>v.</i> Patrick O'Neill.
61	6 March 1962	Supt. P. Malone <i>v.</i> The International Express Co. (Ireland) Ltd.
62	1962	Whelan <i>v.</i> Shelbourne Hotel.
63	1963	Superintendent O'Callaghan <i>v.</i> Patrick Bourke.
64	1963	Attorney General <i>v.</i> William Chaney.
65	1964	D.C. Bryll [Rough Notes on Appeal].
66	1964	The State (Jones) <i>v.</i> D.J. Moloney.

67	1964	Holohan <i>v.</i> Friends Provident and Century Life Office.
68	1964	P. Dudley Ennis <i>v.</i> D.J. John Farrell.
69	1965	Patrick Hehir <i>v.</i> Minister for Finance.
70	1965	Flynn <i>v.</i> Quigley.
71	1965	National Bank & Bank of Ireland <i>v.</i> George J. Barry.
72	1966	Dwyer <i>v.</i> Ascon Ltd.
73	1966	Sterling – Winthrop Group <i>v.</i> Farbenfabriken.
74	1966	J. Kenny <i>v.</i> Bayer Products.
75	1966	Prendergast <i>v.</i> C.I.E.
76	1966	F. Raymond <i>v.</i> R.T.V.
77	1966	Attorney General <i>v.</i> Shivnan.
78	1967	Simmonds <i>v.</i> Governor, Mountjoy Prison.
79	1969	Bourke <i>v.</i> Attorney General and M.J. Wymes, Commissioner of the Garda Siochana. Includes notes on extradition within Irish and European legal systems. 10 items
80	Undated	G. G. Magee <i>v.</i> Attorney General. Including notes on extradition within Irish and European legal systems. 5 items
81	1971	P. Haughey. Copy Judgment.

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Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh Papers

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| 82 | Undated | Michael McCarthy <i>v.</i> Michael Walsh. |
| 83 | Undated | Kavanagh <i>v.</i> Allen & Hamrogue. |
| 84 | Undated | Tynan. Rough draft of Appeal. |
| 85 | Undated | O'Sullivan <i>v.</i> D.J. Buckley. |
| 86 | | Folder of handwritten notes and typescript pages of unidentified judgements. |
| 87 | May 1945-
March 1952 | 8 notebooks containing handwritten notes on legal matters. |

b. Notes

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| 89-99 | 1959-71 | 11 folders of handwritten notes, often from printed sources; and texts of speeches and lectures, mainly in a legal context, and including reference to the office of ombudsman(89), constitutional issues (90), constitutional and human rights (91-92), Bar Association speeches in U.S.A. (93-95), constitutional and national culture (95), Irish literature and contemporary Ireland (96). |
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c. Other Papers

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| 100 | | Copy of the Irish Constitution (1937), annotated [for revision?], but not in Ó Dálaigh's hand. |
| 101 | 1966-68 | List of Appeals to the Supreme Court in which reserved judgements were given. 3 items |
| 102 | Undated | List of English and Irish Law Reports and Statutes. 1 item |

III. Private Papers**a. Personal Documents**

5 folders of personal correspondence from friends and associates including Eamon de Valera, John Charles McQuaid (Archbishop of Dublin), Bertie McVeagh (Court of Appeal, Northern Ireland), Seán MacBride, Mícheál Ó Saoithín (son of Peig Sayers), William Cardinal Conway, World Zionist Organisation, Lord Hailsham of Saint Marylebone, John D. Sheridan and Billy Graham.

103	November 1963- June 1966	23pp
104	January 1967- December 1969	31pp
105	January 1970- December 1970	21pp
106	June 1971- November 1971	16pp
107	January 1972- December 1972	60pp

b. Cultural Matters

3 folders of correspondence relating to literary, artistic and cultural activities and events. Included are notes and newspaper cuttings on Art Ó Gríofa by 'R.O.D.' [O Dálaigh], letters on the publication of an Evie Hone book, the restoration of the Edward Smyth sculptures at the Four Courts, the conferring of an honorary degree on Ó Dálaigh by Trinity College Dublin and letters from The Arts Council, Seán Ó Riada, G.O. Simms (Archbishop of Dublin), John O'Donovan and Sybil Le Brocquy.

108	January 1954- October 1967	74pp
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- 109** June 1968-
December 1971 43pp
- 110** January 1972-
December 1972 51pp

c. Speeches

- 111-120** 1962-72 10 folders of notes and related material mainly for speeches on literary, artistic and cultural occasions including the opening of a Hap Grieshaber exhibition (111); Young People's Art and Design exhibition (112); St. Patrick's Hospital and Royal College of Surgeons (111); a reception for the French Minister of Justice (112); Charles Harper exhibition and Royal Irish Academy of Music (113); Sencheas Mór; and the Royal Irish Academy (115). Includes notes on Barbara Hepworth and on *Murderous Angels*, a play by Conor Cruise O'Brien (120); and two memoranda on the Public Record Office (114).
- 121-122** Ghost numbers

D. EUROPEAN COURT JUDGE

I. Correspondence

a. Appointment

- 123** 16 August 1972 Draft of letter from Judge Ó Dálaigh to Mr Brian Walsh concerning the disclosure of his appointment to the European Court to the Press without his approval or knowledge. He states 'I had stipulated with the Minister that I should have the opportunity to do this. But however as it happened, it has turned out otherwise.'
1 item
- 124** 25 August 1972 Letter from Mr Justice Brian Walsh, Achill Island, concerning the 'leak in the Press'. He states that 'more likely the Government has not yet made a "formal" decision so that technically the Minister has not acted in breach of any arrangement with you'. He also comments on Judge Ó

- 124 contd.** Dálaigh's personal and professional qualities and the good working relationship which has developed between them.
1 item
- 125** August 1972- April 1973 Correspondence relating to the appointment of individual members of staff to Judge Ó Dálaigh's 'cabinet'.
15 items
- 126** August–October 1972 Congratulatory letters, cards and telegrams received on his appointment as Judge to the European Court. [Each letter is annotated with the name of the addressee underlined. Some have the copy of a reply attached.]
87pp
- 127** August 1972- Judge to the European Court. Congratulatory letters, cards and telegrams received on his appointment as
89pp
- 128** May – November 1972 Letters and telegrams from R. Lecourt, President, European Court of Justice, including one on the accession of Ireland to the E.E.C. and congratulations on his appointment as a Judge at the European Court of Justice.
4 items
- 129** 22 December 1972 Letter from E. de Valera, Úachtaran na hÉireann, acknowledging Ó Dálaigh's retirement from the Office of Chief Justice.
1p
- 130** 29 December 1972 Telegram from M. Calmes, Secretary, General Council of E.E.C., informing Judge Ó Dálaigh of the decision taken at the Conference of Representatives of Member Governments of the E.E.C. to appoint him to the Court of Justice of the European Community.
1 item

- 137** 1973 Reports and statistical analyses of Court business. 3 items
- 138** 1973-74 Folder of printed legislative texts mainly relevant statutes of European Community states, including internal laws allowing for the accession of the U.K. (1972) and Ireland (1972). 7 items
- 139** 1973-74 Folder of photocopied newspaper articles concerning legal matters affecting the E.E.C. during Ó Dálaigh's term of office in the European Court. 50pp
- 140** 1974 List of proceedings in the 'First Chamber' giving details of cases, presiding Judges and additional proceedings. 1 item
- 141** 1974 Text of 'The Powers of the Court of Justice' by A.M. Donner. 1 item
- 142** December 1975 Copy of 'L'Union Européene', the report on the European Council by Leo Tindemans, Bruxelles. French original and unofficial English translation by the Department of Foreign Affairs. 2 items

II. Private Papers**a. Personal Material**

2 folders of correspondence on literary and general cultural activities and events. Included is his nomination as patron of The Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin (4 January 1973); as Honorary Bencher (12 April 1973); requests to sit on the Ossian Prize Panel (12 November, 17 December 1973) and correspondence concerning the presentation of a medal in honour of Mr Justice Murnaghan (13 & 21 May 1974); the Irish Life Drama Award and the Alliance Francaise.

145	January 1973- November 1973	44pp
146	January 1974 November 1974	50pp

b. Notes

147	1973-4	Typescript notes concerning artists whose works are displayed in the Court of Justice of the European Communities. [French]	1 item
148	[December] 1974	Notes and drafts for speeches given at ceremonies held to mark his departure from the European Court. Also included is a handwritten essay [by Judge Ó Dálaigh] entitled 'Une Petite Legende Irlandaise'.	10 items

E. THE PRESIDENCY**I. Correspondence****a. Nomination and Election**

- 149** 29 November 1974- Official correspondence concerning the
3 December 1974 nomination of Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh to
the position of Uachtarán na hÉireann by
the Government and the release of information to the press and
public. 5 items
- 150-160** December 1974 Folders of letters, cards and telegrams
congratulating Ó Dálaigh on his election
as President. 1400 items

b. Presidential Business

- 161** February-June 1975 **Visits to France, Luxembourg and
Belgium:** correspondence and related
material relating to the two visits by President and Mrs Ó Dálaigh to
France (March) and Luxembourg and Belgium (June) in 1975.
Included are notes on protocol and suggested presents for hosts,
and programmes for the French visit. 30pp
- 161a** March 1975 Menus and programmes from the
official visit to France.
8 items
- 162** December 1975 **Intruder in Arás an Uachtaráin:**
correspondence relating to investigations
into the presence of an intruder in the grounds of Áras an
Uachtaráin. 6pp

c. Contemporary Issues

- 163** 22 October 1975 **Dr Herrema: Kidnapping:** Rough draft of a letter to the Taoiseach, Mr Cosgrave, concerning the kidnapping of Dr Tiede Herrema in which President Ó Dálaigh offers himself as a 'substitute hostage for Dr Herrema in the firm knowledge there can be no government compromise with blackmail'. He states 'I do not mind dying. My death will vindicate Ireland's honour.' 1p
- 164** 11 December 1975 **Dr Herrema: Irish Citizenship**
Copy of the speech made at the conferring of Irish Citizenship on Dr & Mrs T. Herrema at Áras an Uachtaráin. Attached is a copy of the Dutch translation. 1 item
- 165** [1975] **Dr Herrema: Attitude of Minister for Defence.** Pages from a notebook containing an account by Mrs Ó Dálaigh of a conversation between herself and Mr Donegan, Minister for Defence, at a dinner in Áras an Uachtaráin, in which he expressed an opinion as to the most desirable course of action to resolve the impasse in the Herrema kidnapping. 3pp
Closed. Not available for consultation.
- 166** 1974 **President Nixon's Impeachment**
Draft of a reply to a query put by U.S. Ambassador Moore regarding President Ó Dálaigh's attitude to the proposed impeachment of President Nixon. 1 item

II. Private Papers

a. General

- 167** January 1975-
October 1976 Correspondence on a variety of subjects including several letters from school children seeking autographs and photographs; requests for assistance from citizens including a request from a father that his son be kept in mind when a King is sought for the throne of Ireland's Eye (11 January 1975). 87pp

b. Personal

2 folders of personal correspondence including birthday and Christmas cards and acknowledgments for gifts (3 December

168	1975	63 items
169	1976	72 items

c. Cultural

2 folders of correspondence relating to literary, artistic and general cultural topics and events including a lecture on the Francini brothers and Inisbofin Arts Week.

170	20 February 1975- 13 August 1976	52pp
171	27 August 1976- 22 October 1976	46pp

d. Notes

172	[1976]	Notebooks containing remarks for an address to Bean de Valera on the death of her husband (1) historical notes on Wolfe Tone and notes on Eamon de Valera. 3 items
173	[1976]	Background history and outline script used for a television documentary on Áras an Uachtaráin. 5pp
174-201	1974-76	Folders of notes, drafts and speeches on various state and cultural occasions including his inauguration as President (174), Royal Institute of Architects, Cobh International Folk Dancing Festival, Mayo Archaeological and Historical Society (176), Diplomatic Corps, Wexford Opera Festival (179), de Valera (180), Scoil Lorcain, North Cork Writers' Festival, European Architectural Heritage Year (182), Delargy <i>Festschrift</i> (186), at the institutions of the European Community (193-4) and in France (195-199). c.2000pp

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Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh Papers

- 202** 19 December 1974 Material relating to the organisation of the ceremony for his inauguration as President. Included are lists of guests, programme and the menu.
7 items
- 203-204** Ghost numbers

F. EMERGENCY POWERS BILL

I. Proposals for Emergency Powers Legislation

- 205** August-September 1976 Correspondence enclosing copies of Dáil Éireann agendas in which the orders of the day include proposals for Emergency Powers legislation.
7 items
- 206** August- October 1976 Correspondence concerning the proposed legislation. Included is a copy of *Torture, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment inflicted by the Security Forces in Northern Ireland*, a report submitted to the European Commission on Human Rights by Rev. B.J. Brady (22 September 1976).
40 items
- 207** 18-20 October 1976- Correspondence concerning the submission of the proposed Bill to the Supreme Court and condemnation of remarks made by Mr Donegan, Minister for Defence, on the President's submission of the Bill.
28 items

II. Notes

- 208** August-October 1976 Folder of notes made from the initial stages of the Emergency Powers Bill, commenting on media reaction to events. Included are notes headed 'Among the facts of the situation are the following' commenting on the Taoiseach, Mr Cosgrave's conduct after the remark made by Mr Donegan. Also included are notes headed 'President by invitation' in which is stated 'I felt the invitation was no longer valid.'
11 items

- 209** [15] October 1976 Notes made after the Supreme Court decision on the constitutionality of the Emergency Powers Bill. 76pp

III. Memoranda

- 210** September-October 1976 Material concerning the Emergency Powers Bill (1976). Included are copies of the proposed amendments (3 & 8 September), notice of the convening of the Council of State to assess the constitutionality of the Bill (23 September) and 2 copies [annotated] of questions to be discussed. Also included are copies of the submission to the Supreme Court in favour and in opposition to the Bill and a manuscript and typescript copy of the Supreme Court's judgement delivered in support of the Bill (15 October 1976). 90pp

G. RESIGNATION

- 211** 19-27 October 1976- Correspondence between President Ó Dálaigh and Mr Donegan including notes and copies of the letter sent to Mr Donegan (19 October 1976); Mr Donegan's reply (22 October 1976); draft notes and copies of a statement on the resignation issued to the Press. 'Further facts on the Resignation' by Bruce Arnold, *Irish Independent*, based on the statement and additional material (27 October 1976). 65pp
- 212** 22 October 1976 Copy of the official submission of resignation from the Office of the President. 1 item
- 213** October-November 1976 8 folders of letters, cards and telegrams sympathising with the President and encouraging him to stand for renomination. [Those in folder (a) are from personal friends and were kept together by President Ó Dálaigh]. c.1100 items

- 214** [October] 1976 Drafts of a letter to Mr E. Heath MP, concerning his remarks about President Ó Dálaigh's submission of the Emergency Powers Bill to the Supreme Court. 9pp
- 215** October 1976 Folder of notes including a detailed description of events leading up to the resignation. 116pp
- 216** October 1976 Folder of notes including a draft in which President Ó Dálaigh characterises the failure of the Taoiseach to keep him informed on matters of government as 'an act of constitutional defiance'. (1) 47 items
- 217** [October 1976] Folder of notes and drafts entitled 'The Last Days of a President'. 189pp
- 218** [October 1976] Folder containing notes and drafts entitled 'The Resignation of a President'. 51pp
- 219** September- November 1976 Reference material relating to the Emergency Powers Bill (September 1976) and the general background to events leading to the President's resignation.. 5 items
- 220** [October] 1976 Unrevised statement of the discussion between Mr O'Malley TD, and the Taoiseach, Mr Cosgrave, on the number of visits paid to the President and the matters discussed on each occasion. 1 item
- 221** 20 October 1976 Notice of motions in Dáil Éireann including a call by Mr Jack Lynch TD, that the Taoiseach requests Mr Donegan's resignation. 1 item

- 227** 1977 Dissociated drafts and notes including draft instructions to his solicitor in an action against Independent Newspapers [227(1)-(4)] and rough notes on a variety of legal and literary matters.
50pp

c. Memoranda

- 228** February 1954- November 1976 Folder of material relating to personal and domestic financial matters Including some routine invoices for Áras an Uachtaráin; and a letter from John Behan, sculptor, concerning Ó Dálaigh's prospective purchase of two bronzes.
20 items
- 229** 26 November- 3 December 1976 **Inauguration of President Patrick Hillery:** material mainly concerning the inauguration as Uachtarán na hÉireann of Patrick J. Hillery. Included is a copy of the speech by President Spenale, Commissioner of the European Communities (17 November 1976), 'Allocution prononcée par le Président Spenale en séance plénière en l'honneur de Président Hillery (2pp); text of a speech by Dr Hillery, Vice-President of the Commission of the European Community to the European Parliament, Luxembourg, 17 November 1976 (2pp); invitations to the inaugural ceremony and luncheon (3 December 1976).
5 items

II Visit to China

- 230** February- September 1977 Correspondence concerning the visit to China (June 1977). Included is the official invitation (9 February 1977) and correspondence and related matter concerning Ó Dálaigh's wish to have some Chinese phrases at his disposal for the visit.
43pp
- 231** [June] 1977 Drafts and notes for speeches to be delivered during the visit.
4 items

- 232** [June] 1977 Photographs of monuments, depicting various outdoor scenes and buildings, mainly Ming tombs. 9 items
- 233** [June] 1977 Briefing notes and programme for the visit. 4pp
- 234** [June] 1977 Printed items and mementoes from the visit including a book of Mao Tsetung poems (1976) and Irish poems written in Chinese. 7 items

J. DEATH

- 235** March-May 1978 Letters of condolence to Bean Uí Dálaigh from personal friends including Lady Longford (21 March 1978), Hilton Edwards (21 March 1978), Eamon de Buitlear (24 March 1978), George Kahn-Ackerman, Secretary General of the Council of Europe (28 March 1978) and Mrs Elizabeth Herrema (25 May 1978). 14pp
- 236-240** March-April 1978 Letters of condolence [P51/236-238] and sympathy and mass cards [P51/239-240]. c.1000 items
- 241-245** Ghost numbers
- 246-247** March-April 1978 General [P51/246] and official [P51/247] telegrams to Bean Uí Dálaigh, offering condolences on the death of her husband. c.200 items
- 248** 2 May 1978 Letter from [O]. Nixon, Chancellor of the Consulate General of Ireland, Bombay, enclosing a book of condolence signed by Representatives of 20 Consulates in India. 3 items

- 249** [March 1978] Lists of attendance at the funeral of Judge Ó Dálaigh including members of Government, State, Council of State and Judiciary. Also included are names of embassies represented. 2 items

K. INTERESTS AND CONCERNS

I. Capital Punishment

- 250** September-December 1976 Case of Noel and Marie Murray : Correspondence regarding the death sentence imposed on Noel and Marie Murray and requests urging that the sentence be commuted. 12 items

II Père Pire (Displaced Persons) Society

a. Correspondence

3 Folders of correspondence concerning the Irish Branch of Aid to Displaced Persons Society, its establishment, activities and visits of Père Pire, the founder, to Ireland. [Père Pire's letters are frequently intermingled in the correspondence].

- 251** August 1959-December 1960 c.51 items
- 252** February 1961-September 1965 c.37 items
- 253** March 1966-November 1972 12 items

b. Notes

- 254** 1959-70 Notes related to the Society's activities, possible rule changes, and Père Pire's visit to Ireland in May 1968. 50pp

c. Related Printed Material

- 255** 1960 *The Problem of the Refugee* Péro Pire OP, Dublin. 18pp
- 256** 1964 *Peace through Dialogue* Péro Pire Society. 80pp
- 257** *Bread of Peace* Péro Pire. English & Irish copies. 4pp
- 258** Dissociated promotional and administrative printed material including notice of the Péro Pire annual dinner dance, and a card for peace in the world. 5 items

d. Photographs

- 259** 15 black and white photographs showing work undertaken by the Society including the building of sheltered accommodation for the elderly and the construction of villages in Germany and Austria.

III. Cheshire Homes (Irish Trust)

- 260** December 1970- November 1976 Correspondence received during his term as Chairman of the Cheshire Homes (Irl.). Included are letters discussing the presentation of the O'Dwyer family home, Bohola, County Mayo (13,16 July 1971) and from Leonard Cheshire, founder, paying tribute to Judge Ó Dálaigh's contribution to the Trust Organisation (4 September 1974). 12 items
- 261** July 1970 Handbook on the Cheshire Homes. 1 item

- P51/** *Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh Papers*
- 268** 1950-51 2nd Annual Report of the Advisory Committee on Cultural Relations.
- 269** 1969 Padraic Pearse Festival Programme
- 270** 1975 Copy of *Arts in Ireland* vol. III, no. 2.

VII. Seán Ó Riada Foundation

- 271** June- September 1974 Folder of material relating to the establishment of the Ó Riada Foundation and its objectives. Included is a copy of Ó Riada's play with music 'Spailpín a Rúin' (Summer 1960). 6 items

VIII. Genealogy

- 272** **1971** **The Ó Dálaigh Ancestry**
Photocopied notes on investigations into the Ó Dálaigh Genealogy, including an extract from *The Journal of the Folklore of Ireland Society*. 20pp
- 273** January 1971- Notes, drafts and the final copy of a biographical entry for Ó Dálaigh in the *The International Who's Who Directory*. 6 items

IX. Irish United Nations Association**a. Correspondence**

- 274** June 1959- August 1968 Correspondence on the formation of the United Nations Association in Ireland. Letters include enquiries from Robert S. Smith, Acting Secretary-General, U.N. Geneva on the outcome of the inaugural meeting (27 July 1959); from Sean MacBride, Minister for External Affairs on U.N. publications (30 December 1959) and also discussion on Irish (26 March 1960) and British (1 June 1960) participation in World Refugee Year.
31pp

b. Printed Matter

- 275** 1946, 1961, 1963 *An Analysis of Our Hopes and Fears*, a pamphlet by Professor Patrick MacGilligan SC TD. Annotated with 'Compliments of the "Spider", P. McG'. (1946).
Ireland and the U.N., by Brian J. O'Connor (1961).
Report to Ireland by the U.N. High Commission for Refugees (1963).
3 items

X. Irish National Council on Alcoholism**a. Correspondence**

- 276** July 1968-June 1974 Correspondence concerning the foundation of the Irish National Council on Alcoholism (December 1966), its organisation and general business (10 October 1973) including correspondence with the Department of Health.
46pp

b. Notes

- 277** January 1967-October 1969 Court book with a few pages used to record routine notes on I.N.C.A. business.
12pp

XII. King's Inns Library**a. Correspondence**

Correspondence concerning the sale of non-legal books from King's Inns Library to raise funds to improve legal and educational facilities and also to improve the library's holding and implement a 'Proper Cataloguing System' (2 July 1971). Included are details of books for sale (12 August 1971); an Taisce's opposition to the sale of rare books of Irish interest (20 April 1972), its offer and that of another institution to purchase them (28 September 1972); letter from Declan Costello, Attorney General (3 July 1973, 1p) and a member of the Library Committee of the Benchers, requesting assistance in identifying worthwhile works on the Court of Justice of the European Community and on European law in general for acquisition by the Library.

282	1969-71	14 items
283	1972-73	19 items

b. Printed Matter

284	1955	Typescript copy of a report on the King's Inns Library. 30pp
285		Typescript copy of extracts from guides to Dublin mentioning the King's Inns Library. 4pp

XIII. Chester Beatty Library

- 286** August-October 1976- Correspondence relating to the library and copies of documents relating to the gift of the collection to the nation including Chester Beatty's will (7 November 1966) and a statement of financial provisions from the Department of the Taoiseach for the inclusion of the library in the Public Capital Education Programme (3 February 1972).
12 items
- 287** 26 March 1976 Typescript notes and drafts for a speech on the opening of the Dublin Oriental Festival in the Chester Beatty Library.
10pp

XIV. The Irish Council for Overseas Students

- 288** October 1970- Correspondence as Chairman of the Irish Council for Overseas Students. Matters discussed include places in Irish Universities for Foreign Students (7, 8, 28 October, 5 November 1951).
14 items

XV. The National Theatre Society Limited

- 289** May 1965- Correspondence received during his trusteeship of the National Theatre Society. Included is a detailed annotated account of capital provision necessary for the establishment of an experimental theatre, the Peacock (8 September 1965); a summary of financial arrangements for the Gandhi Commemoration Programme (22 October 1969) and a request from Ulick O'Connor, Author, that Judge Ó Dálaigh meet Tomas MacAnna regarding the post of Director of the Abbey Theatre. He encloses correspondence on the subject from Tomas MacAnna and George Colley, Minister for Finance February 1972).
c.10 items

L. DIARIES

Irregular series of pocket appointment diaries, used to widely differing degrees, occasionally for notes or to record contact details rather than appointments. The first diary for 1976, P51/294 (5) has very few entries.

294(1)	1952
294(2)	1957
294(3)	1971
294(4)	1974
294(5)	1976
294(6)	1976
294(7)	1977

295	1973	Desk appointments diary.
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Series of Stationery Office desk diaries used for a mixture of appointments and note-taking.

296(1)	1963
296(2)	1964
296(3)	1965
296(4)	1966

Irish Auctioneers' and Valuers' Institute desk diaries with frequent entries for appointments in his capacity as Uachtaran.

297(1)	1975
297(2)	1976

M. PRESS CUTTINGS

- 298** May 1946 Page from *The Leader* with mention of the appointment of Ó Dálaigh to the post of Attorney-General.
- 299** **1963-72** **Chief Justice:** press cuttings related to various events during C. Ó Dálaigh's term of office as Chief Justice.
- 300** **1973-76** **European Court Judge:** press cuttings related to Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh's appointment to the European Court and to various activities and events he attended during his period of office.
- 301** 1974 **Presidency : General:** press cuttings related to his nomination, inauguration and some major events during the initial period of his Presidency including the Herrema kidnapping.
- 302** September 1976 **Emergency Powers Bill :**
Introduction: cuttings on the proposal to introduce an Emergency Powers Bill.
- 303** September 1976 **Emergency Powers Bill :**
Submission to the Supreme Court: cuttings on the decision of President Ó Dálaigh to submit the proposed Bill to the Supreme Court to assess its constitutionality.
- 304** October 1976 **Emergency Powers Bill: Decision.**
Cuttings on the decision of the Supreme Court to declare the proposed Emergency Powers Bill constitutional.
- 305** 19 October 1976 **Remarks made by Mr Donegan, Minister for Defence:** cuttings on the remark made by Mr Donegan on President Ó Dálaigh's submission of the Bill to the Supreme Court. Enclosed are notes

- 305 contd.** made on the event and an [annotated] envelope in which the material was kept. 3 items
- 306** 19-22 October 1976 **Mr Donegan's remark : President's reaction:** cuttings on the 'silence' in Áras an Uachtaráin following Mr Donegan's remark, and the lack of response to the Minister's apology.
- 307** 21 October 1976 **Mr Donegan's remark : Fianna Fail's reaction:** cuttings on the Fianna Fáil motion that Mr Donegan resign.
- 308** October 1976 **Resignation:** cuttings from Irish and British newspapers on the general crisis caused by the resignation of President Ó Dálaigh, the sequence of events, and the drafting of Dr Patrick Hillery.
- 309** November 1976 **Renomination:** samples of 'Draft Ó Dálaigh' cuttings, forms published by the campaign to have him renominated to the Presidency, completed by supporters and sent to him.
- 310** 1976-77 **Post-Resignation:** cuttings of articles mainly written in assessment of the Presidency of Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh and his resignation.
- 311** June 1977 **Visit to China:** cuttings from Irish, Chinese and the international press on the visit of Mr Ó Dálaigh to China.
- 312** July 1977 Presentation binder of newspaper cuttings on the visit to China, from Liam Lonergan, Carrig Public Relations, Dublin.
- 313** 1977 Copy of *Pekin Information*, May 1977, containing the text of a speech by President Houa Kuou-feng, addressing a conference on industrial development. In French. 15pp

- 314** April 1978 **Death:** 2 cuttings paying tribute to Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh after his death.
- 315** 1952-71 **Legal:** cuttings mainly on legal matters. 10 items
- 316** **1948-76** **Politics:** cuttings on general political affairs including two items by Ó Dálaigh. 10 items
- 317** 1944-76 **Arts:** cuttings on language movements, and literary and artistic subjects. 12 items
- 318** 15-22 April 1972 **Kings Inns Library.** Cuttings relating to the Library in general and to the proposed sale of non-legal books 17 items

N. PHOTOGRAPHS

- 319** early 1920s Copy of a school group photo including Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh at approximately 5-7 years of age.
- 320** [1922] Copies of a formal group black and white photograph of the Judiciary of the Irish Free State. 2 items
- 321** [1946/47] Black and white photograph of Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh, Attorney General, standing with Tom Clarke, U.S. Attorney General

- 322** 1951 Group photo of the Irish judiciary including the Taoiseach, Eamon de Valera, Sean Lemass T.D., and Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh, Attorney General.
- 323** [1953-72] 6 black and white photographs of Chief Justice Ó Dálaigh in his judge's wig and gown, with slight variations as to position of the subject.
- 324** [1972] Copy of a black and white press photograph of a group including Eamon de Valera, Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh, Patrick J. Hillery and Professor P.K. Lynch.
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- 325** Undated Copies of press photos taken at the International Bar Association Conference. Judge Ó Dálaigh is seen as part of a group listening to an address by U. Thant. (1). Also group photo of Eamon de Valera, Jack Lynch T.D., and Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh.
2 items
- 326** 1963-72 Group photos including Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh taken during his term of office as Chief Justice, mainly at cultural and tourist events.
4 items
- 327** 19 October 1971 Black and white group photo taken at the Irish International Council on Alcoholism Conference Dinner showing Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh delivering an address.
- 328** 1974-76 Photographs taken during the term of his Presidency, mostly in colour and of an informal nature, but including a black and white photograph alone and in pensive mode outside Áras an Uachtaráin.
5 items

- 329** [1977] Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh standing with his dogs outside a pharmacy in Sneem, County Kerry after his resignation.
- 330** [1977] Passport photo of Cearbhall Ó Dálaigh.