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**Inventory of the
York International fonds**

Inventory #F0089

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Fonds/Collection Number: F0089

Title: York International fonds

Dates: 1965-2003

Extent: 4.36 m of textual records
19 photographs
113 negatives
5 contact sheets

**Biographical Sketch/
Administrative History:** York International began operations in 1969 as the Office of International Services. Until 1972 its role was limited to acting as the internal administrative office for the York-Kenya Project. The expenses of the Office were paid out of the Kenya budget. In 1972 the Office of International Services received a new mandate from the university. A full-time Director was appointed reporting directly to the President. Its new mandate was to administer the York-Kenya Project, to obtain other international contracts, and to investigate the desirability of student and faculty exchanges with overseas institutions. In 1984 the Office of International Services became York International. Its responsibilities include representing the University to government and international agencies (CIDA, Department of External Affairs, the International Division of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, the World Bank, the United Nations) as well as liaison with embassies and consulates of countries in which projects are going on. In addition, it monitors and assesses projects, co-ordinates visits, student and faculty exchanges between York and international institutions, provides central policy advice on international aspects of university life, promotes the use of special skills developed at York for international projects, provides contacts (with the Robarts Centre) with various Centres for Canadian Studies overseas, and encourages the business community to become involved in international educational and skills exchange programmes. In the period covered by these records the following individuals have served as Director of the York-Kenya Project/Office of International Services and York International: Tillo Kuhn (1970), James Gillies (1971-1972), Gordon Lowther (1972-1974), John Saywell (1974-1978), William Found (1978-1982), Rodger Schwass (1982-1984) and Ian Macdonald (1984-1993), Maria Cioni (1994-2001).

Scope and Content: The fonds consists of the records of the Office of International Services, 1970-1978, and the York-Kenya Project, 1969-1987.

**Restrictions on
Access and Use:** Some access restrictions apply. Consult the University Archives for details. Files containing personnel, personal or personally sensitive material are closed for 40 years after the last date on the file. All other files, which were not made available to the public, are closed for 10 years from the last date on the file. Written permission to view closed files must be obtained from the President of the University or the President's delegate, and be directed to the Archivist, York University.

Finding Aid: This is a DRAFT version of the high-level description. This high level description does not yet include the extent information for accessions received after 1997, specifically: 2002-029 and 2004-042.

Finding Aid: File lists available for all accessions.

URL of Finding Aid: <http://archivesfa.library.yorku.ca/fonds/ON00370-f0000089.htm>

Accruals: The fonds comprises the following accessions: 1982-022, 1989-015, 1997-016, 2002-029, 2004-042. Further accruals are expected.

Related Records: In addition to archival records, Archives and Special Collections has gathered other material from York International which is housed in the Ephemera collection. This material consists of printed material and ephemera, including reports of projects and background material.

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York University Kenya Project

Provenance Access Points: York University (Toronto, Ont.). York International

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