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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
<b>Creator:</b>	Goldberg, Charlotte, 1936-
<b>Title:</b>	Amnesty International of the USA Inc. Charlotte Goldberg Papers
<b>ID:</b>	11002250
<b>ID:</b>	HR#0001.45
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1972-1978
<b>Physical Description:</b>	.21 linear feet 1 half-size document box
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .
<b>Abstract:</b>	This collection documents the work of AIUSA human rights activist Charlotte Goldberg and concerns human rights violations and prisoners of conscience in Chile, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, and Vietnam.

### Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); AIUSA Charlotte Goldberg Papers, 1972-1978; Box and Folder; Center for Human Rights Documentation and Research, Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

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Charlotte Goldberg worked with AIUSA on human rights violations and prisoners of conscience cases in Chile, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Vietnam, and the US during the 1970s. Goldberg visited and corresponded with Imari A. Obadele, also known as Richard Henry, who was serving a 12-year term after being convicted of unlawful possession of a firearm and conspiracy. Obadele maintained that he was a political prisoner, targeted by the FBI's COINTELPRO operation. Goldberg is based in Massachusetts.

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## Summary

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The collection contains a small group of folders arranged by country, concerning Vietnam, Chile, Czechoslovakia, East Germany, and Vietnam, as well as one file on Imari A. Obadele. Materials include correspondence, clippings, and publications.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged in one series.

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## Administrative Information

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### Revision Description

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### **Restrictions on Access**

This collection is located off-site. You will need to request this material at least three business days in advance to use the collection in the Rare Book and Manuscript Library reading room.

### **Restrictions on Access**

This collection has restrictions. Restrictions for boxes and folders are noted in the series descriptions and may also be found within the contents list.

### **Terms Governing Use and Reproduction**

Reproductions may be made for research purposes. Permission to publish material from the collection must be requested from Amnesty International of the USA, Inc.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Source of acquisition--Unknown donor. Method of acquisition--Deposit at University of Colorado Boulder.

### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Source of acquisition--AIUSA. Method of acquisition--Deposit; Date of acquisition--2006.

### **Ownership and Custodial History**

The papers were originally donated to the University of Colorado Boulder as part of the AIUSA collection. In 2006 the AIUSA collection was transferred to RBML.

### **Processing Information**

Processed by Carolyn Smith in 2014. Finding aid written by Carolyn Smith in July 2018.

### **Accruals**

Materials may have been added to the collection since this finding aid was prepared. Contact [rbml@columbia.edu](mailto:rbml@columbia.edu) for more information.

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## Related Materials

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### Related Materials

See Center for Human Rights Documentation and Research (CHRDR) page for more information about all AIUSA collections: [https://library.columbia.edu/libraries/chrdr/archive\\_collections/aiusa.html](https://library.columbia.edu/libraries/chrdr/archive_collections/aiusa.html)

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Human rights
  - Political prisoners
  - Chile
  - Czechoslovakia
  - Germany (East)
  - Vietnam
  - Goldberg, Charlotte, 1936-
  - Amnesty International
  - Amnesty International USA
  - Obadele, Imari Abubakari
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## Collection Inventory

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### Series I: Country Files, 1972-1978

#### Scope and Contents

The collection remains in its original order. Included are letters urging the release of prisoners in Vietnam plus clippings, background information from AIUSA; letter writing and background information on prisoners in Chile; Uruguay and Czechoslovakia campaign information consisting mostly of background information and contact instructions; and correspondence on the case of Detlef Seyfarth, who was accused of failing to report an attempted escape into West Germany. There is also one folder on Imari A. Obadele, which contains correspondence between him and Goldberg as well as clippings and other information on his case.

Title/Description	Instances	
Political Prisoners in South Vietnam--Booklet, 1973	box 1	folder 1
Chile--General, 1974	box 1	folder 2

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Czechoslovakia--General, 1972	box 1	folder 3
<u>Conditions Governing Access:</u> <b>Conditions Governing Access</b>		
Restricted until 2056		

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East Germany--Correspondence (Detlef Seyfarth), 1976-1977	box 1	folder 4
<u>Conditions Governing Access:</u> <b>Conditions Governing Access</b>		
Restricted until 2061.		

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Imari Obadele--Clippings and Correspondence, 1973-1978	box 1	folder 5
<u>Conditions Governing Access:</u> <b>Conditions Governing Access</b>		
Restricted until 2062.		

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Vietnam--General, 1973	box 1	folder 6
<u>Conditions Governing Access:</u> <b>Conditions Governing Access</b>		
Restricted until 2057		

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