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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Nosik, Boris
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Biographical / Historical

Boris Nosik (March 10, 1931 - February 21, 2015), Russian-French journalist, translator, and writer. A brilliant stylist and true intellectual, he wrote prose, in which sadness and laughter go hand in hand, and where tragedy often coexists with farce. A talented translator of Anglophone literature, a biographer of Akhmatova, Modigliani, Nabokov, and Schweitzer.

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Biographical / Historical

Boris Nosik (variation of last name spelling - Nossik) was born in Moscow in 1931, graduated from Moscow University with MA in Journalism in 1953 and later Moscow Institute of Foreign Languages with concentration in English language.

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Biographical / Historical

In 1954, Nosik was enlisted in the Soviet army and spent two years in Echmiadzin, the city where the main temple of Armenian Gregorian Church is located with the residence of the Catholicos of all Armenians. After coming back to Moscow, Boris started working at the editorial office of the State Radio Committee which broadcast in different languages to various countries.

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Biographical / Historical

In 1961, he completely changed his occupation and worked as a sailor never stopping his writing and translating efforts.

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Biographical / Historical

His first book *Ot Dunaia do Leny (From Danube to Lena)* was published in 1965. He then authored many biographies of prominent Russian and Western intellectuals and writers. His most popular book about German theologian, organist, writer, humanitarian, philosopher, and physician Albert Schweitzer was translated into German and published in Germany 8 times.

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Biographical / Historical

In 1982, he immigrated to France and lived in Paris, Champagne, and Nice. His *Progulki vokrug Parizha (Strolls around Paris)* and other culture and travel guides of France will be read by many generations of travelers.

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Biographical / Historical

Boris Nosik died in Nice in 2015.

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Summary

The collection consists of correspondence, manuscripts, drafts, notes, diaries, notebooks and printed materials of Russian-French journalist, translator, and writer Boris Nosik (Nossik). The materials include published and unpublished writings and translations, by Boris Nosik, materials pertaining to his work on BBC radio broadcasts, as well as reviews, clippings, photographs and digital media.

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Biographical note was written by Tanya Chebotarev and added to the record by Katia Shraga. Authorities updated, ksd 07/14/2020

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