

**THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA ARCHIVES**

**FINDING AID #47**

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### **Introduction**

This accession contains 10 cm of the records of the Secretary of General Assembly's Special Committee on the Financial Structure and Administrative Organization and Procedures of the Presbyterian Church in Canada.

The records were re-catalogued and listed by Elspeth Reid in November 1988.

The finding aid is listed as FA-FINAD.

### **Historical Sketch**

The Special Committee on the Financial Structure and Administrative Organization and Procedures of the Presbyterian Church in Canada was appointed by the 84th General Assembly in 1958 in response to a variety of Overtures concerning the state of the church and its finances and administration. It was empowered to engage a firm of business consultants to examine the financial and administrative practices of the Boards and Committees of the General Assembly, and investigate the situation as the Special Committee saw fit. The Special Committee employed Price Waterhouse and Co. to carry out a survey, and this firm of management consultants produced an interim report on accounting procedures and office practice, and a final report which recommended the setting up of a central administrative council and the re-organization of the Boards and Committees of the Church. These recommendations were accepted in principle by the General Assembly but many changes were made to the details and, indeed, further changes were made once the Administrative Council was inaugurated.

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1973-1016-1-1	1959-1960	Minutes Includes copy minutes of meetings of the Consultative Committee appointed by the 85th General Assembly
1973-1016-1-2	1960	Reports from Presbyteries Correspondence of Secretary and reports of Presbyteries in response to recommendations sent down by General Assembly
1973-1016-1-3	1958 Dec.-1960 Apr.	Secretary - Correspondence
1973-1016-1-4	1959	Report of the Special Committee on the Financial Structure and Administrative Organization and Procedures to General Assembly Includes Schedule A: Price Waterhouse & Co. "Report on a Survey of Organization, Financial Structure, Administrative Procedures and Accounting Practices"