

**FONDS DAVID DIAMANT/UNION DES JUIFS POUR LA RÉSISTANCE ET  
L'ENTRAIDE (JEWISH UNION FOR RESISTANCE AND MUTUAL AID),  
1918–1996**

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**Scope and Content:** This collection contains information about David Diamant (David Erlich), a Communist who remained in Paris during World War II, took part in the Resistance, and after the war worked with the UJRE helping Jewish refugees from Poland. It includes documents concerning Jewish immigrants in the Communist Party; documents of Jewish volunteers in the Spanish Civil War; the final letters of Jewish resistance fighters before their execution; postwar personal files on Polish Jews requesting aid; files on children in Communist-sponsored orphanages (Comité central de l'enfance); books from lending libraries

at internment camps for Jews; minutes of the UJRE; collections of the periodical Naïe Presse and its French-language successor, La Presse Nouvelle; and typed manuscripts of various versions of Diamant's books in Yiddish and French.

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