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### The Rhodesian Conflict 1970 – 1979 Reading List

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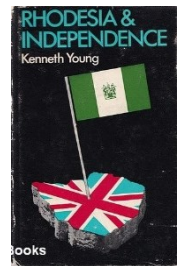
The conflict pitted three forces against one another: the Rhodesian white minority-led government of Ian Smith (later the Zimbabwe-Rhodesian government of Bishop Abel Muzorewa); and militant African guerillas organisations such as Zimbabwe African National Liberation Army, the military wing of Robert Mugabe's Zimbabwe African National Union; and the Zimbabwe People's Revolutionary Army of Joshua Nkomo's Zimbabwe African People's Union.

The war and its subsequent Internal Settlement, signed in 1978 by Smith and Muzorewa, led to the implementation of universal suffrage in June 1979 and the end of white minority rule in Rhodesia, which was renamed Zimbabwe Rhodesia under a black majority government. However, this new order failed to win international recognition and the war continued. Neither side achieved a military victory and a compromise was later reached. [Source Wikipedia](#)

**Rhodesia and independence : a study in British colonial policy** by YOUNG, Kenneth.

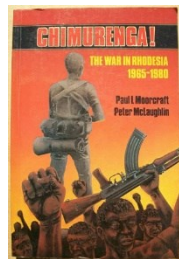
A thorough and revealing account of Zimbabwean politics and government from 1889 to 1969. We learn of Rhodesia's history from the days of Cecil Rhodes, and a survey of the events leading up to and surrounding Rhodesia's unilateral declaration of independence (UDI) from what was then still seen as 'the mother country,' the former colonial power that was Great Britain. Edition: New ed. Published: London : J. M. Dent, 1969.

**Call no: 444 YOUN 1969**



**Chimurenga! the war in Rhodesia, 1965-1980 : a military history** by: MOORCRAFT, Paul L. and MCLAUGHLIN, Peter. Examines guerrilla warfare in Zimbabwe. The Chimurenga War 1966-1980 is described as a series of scattered skirmishes rather than conventional battles. A frank illustration of military, social and political events and effects that shaped Zimbabwe. Published: Marshalltown, South Africa : Sygma/Collins, 1982

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**The Great betrayal: the memoirs of Ian Douglas Smith** by: SMITH, Ian Douglas. The memoirs of Ian Smith, Prime minister of Rhodesia 1964 – 1979, standing up to the British Prime Minister, Wilson, Smith took Rhodesia through the unilateral Declaration of Independence in 1965, and the agreement with African nationalists in 1978. He continues an analysis, through his eyes, of international politics and the Mugabe years.

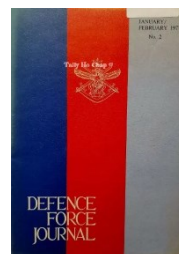
Published: London : Blake Publishers, 1997.

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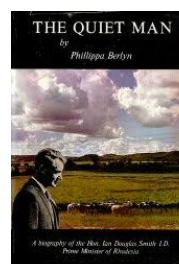
**Slotting the floppies: the Rhodesian response to sanctions and insurgency 1974-1977** by: BARCLAY, Glen St. J This article explores how sanctions (embargo) were imposed by Britain and endorsed by member states of the United Nations after Rhodesia's Unilateral Declaration of Independence (UDI) from Britain on 11 November 1965. The embargo meant that Rhodesia was hampered by a lack of modern equipment, but it used other means to receive vital war supplies such as oil, munitions, and arms via the apartheid government of South Africa and Portugal.

Journal Article **Australian Journal of Defence Studies** vol. 1, no. 2, Oct. 1977, pp. 110-120



**The Quiet man: a biography of the Hon. Ian Douglas Smith, I.D. Prime Minister of Rhodesia** by: BERLYN, Phillippa. The Biography of Rhodesia's Prime Minister, Ian Douglas Smith, and the development of Rhodesia towards a possible pattern of racial peace in an age of tribal and racial intolerance. Written by a journalist with a patriotic understanding of Rhodesia. Published: Salisbury, Rhodesia : M.O. Collins, 1978.

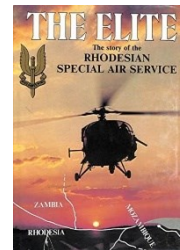
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**The elite : the story of the Rhodesian Special Air Service** by: COLE, Barbara. An account of the Rhodesian war from the military point of view, highlighting the secret missions carried out by the Rhodesian Special Air Service. This unit history also lists their roll of honour, and a chronology of political and military events from 1888 to 1989.

Edition: 3rd ed. Published: Transkei, [South Africa] : Three Knights, 1985.

Call no: 810.1 COLE 1985



**Insignia worn by Australian members of the Commonwealth Cease Fire Force in Rhodesia, December, 1979 to March, 1980** by: WHITE, K.R. For easy reference: a short article detailing the insignia worn by the Australian Members of the Commonwealth Cease Fire Force in Rhodesia, December, 1979 to March, 1980.

Journal Article **Sabretache** vol. 21, no. 2, Apr.-June 1980, pp. 50-51

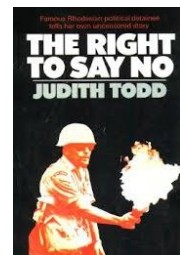


**The Right to say No** by: TODD, Judith.

The author opposed the minority government of Ian Smith and campaigned internationally against the minority white rule in Rhodesia. This is Todd's diary written in 1972 while she and her father, Garfield Todd, former Rhodesian Prime Minister, were goaled for five weeks in 1972 during the Ian Douglas Smith government.

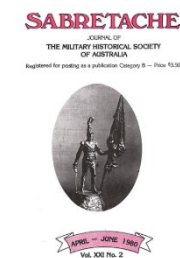
Published: London : Sidgwick & Jackson, 1972.

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**The Rhodesia Medal 1980** by: FAGG, Christopher A brief article, with notes, detailing the Rhodesia Medal instituted by Queen Elizabeth II in August 1980 for issue to all members of the Commonwealth Monitoring Force (C.M.F.) who took part in the supervision of the ceasefire and independent elections in Rhodesia, (Zimbabwe) in 1980.

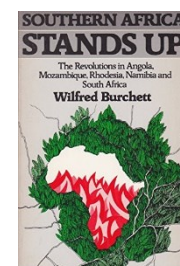
Journal Article **Sabretache** vol. 23, no. 4, Oct.-Dec. 1982, pp. 30-31



**Southern Africa stands up: the revolutions in Angola, Mozambique, Zimbabwe, Namibia and South Africa** by: BURCHETT, Wilfred Graham. A political analysis of the revolutions that swept through the southern African continent in the 1950 1970's

Published: Melbourne : Outback Press, 1978.

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**Total onslaught : war and revolution in southern Africa since 1945** by: MOORCRAFT, Paul Documents the wars and revolutions in Southern Africa from 1945 to 2016. This is an account of events after WWII, when colonial rule was challenged, independence was tested, conflicting tribal, political, and corruption tore through Angola, Mozambique, Namibia, Rhodesia, and South Africa.

Published: Barnsley, South Yorkshire : Pen & Sword Military

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