



Guide to the Balkans Postcards Collection, approximately 1900s-1960s

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Summary

Collection Title:

Balkans postcards collection, approximately 1900s-1960s

Abstract:

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Extent:

0.25 Linear Feet

Language:

Materials in Bulgarian, English, French, Romanian, Serbian.

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Scope and Content

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