

Interviewee name:

Winston Suite

Interviewer name:

Avah Atherton

Date of Interview:

12th September 2024

Location of Interview:

Valsayn, Trinidad

Short biography of interviewee:

Winston Suite is an educator and civil engineer who co-founded the Universal Movement for Reconstruction of Black Identity (UMROBI), an organisation focused on highlighting the plight of the unemployed and disenfranchised in south Trinidad around 1970.

Short summary of interview:

Winston Suite shares his background in teaching, his involvement in educational reform, and his leadership in organizing movements aimed at addressing youth unemployment in South Trinidad. He talks about the formation of the Universal Movement for Reconstruction of Black Identity (UMROBI), the challenges faced during the 1970s, and his advocacy for the education and advancement of rural communities.

Interview keywords:

Trinidad, Tobago, Revolution, 1970 Revolution, February Revolution, 1970 Black Power Revolution, Social Justice Movement, Caribbean, Social Justice, Trinidad and Tobago, National Joint Action Committee, Black Power Movement, Black Power Revolution, Universal Movement for Reconstruction of Black Identity, Caribbean Civil Rights,

Recorder technical information:

Zoom H4n Pro, Wav 16bit 44.1khz, Stereo

Total no. of tracks:

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Total Duration (HH:MM:SS):

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Recording notes:

Interruptions include the arrival of Suite's wife and her ongoing conversation, check of recorder due to shifting position of narrator, search for newspaper clippings.

Release notes:

Permission granted to use copy of newspaper clipping from the Evening News highlighting his arrest alongside other known personalities.

Additional material:

Photograph of the narrator in his home, photograph of narrator as a young man

Sensitive subjects:

None