The papers of Philip Heller were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in January of 1973 by Fania Reuther and opened for research in July of 1984.

Philip Heller was born in Austria on August 6, 1911. He received his A.B. degree from New York University in 1959. He served as Educational Director of the Knit-goods Workers Union, N.Y.C from 1937 to 1945. In 1945 he assumed the post of Executive Director of the International Solidary Committee and served in this capacity until 1949. He was in the Information Office of the E.C.A. Mission to Austria and the U.S. High Commission to Germany from 1949 to 1953. In 1954 and 1955 he was Assistant to the President of the International Upholster's Union. He subsequently served in various capacities with the U.S. Department of State.

The papers of Mr. Heller consist of announcements, flyers; memoranda, and reports relating to the International Solidarity Committee (I.S.C.) of which Mr. Heller was Executive Director from 1945 to 1949. The I.S.C. was founded in 1945 by a group of Socialists, progressive and trade unionists with a program of aiding democratic anti-fascist groups and individuals in post-war Europe. It solicited funds, food, medical supplies, and books to "aid the victims of war and totalitarianism."

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