

**JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY**

**HERITAGE ASSESSMENT SURVEYING FORM**

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**NAME OF PLACE: SA EAGLE HOUSE**



Photograph: Catharina JM Bruwer.

Above: View of east elevation of *SA Eagle House*, with the popular Nino's Coffee Shop to the left of the Main Entrance to the building.

Previous/alternative name/s :  
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**LOCATION:** Street : bounded by Fox, Sauer, Main, and Hollard  
 Street number :  
 : (64, 66, 68 Fox; 20, 22, 24, 26 Sauer; 63, 65, 67 Main)  
 Stand Number : 1/1219, RE/1219  
 Previous Stand Number:  
 Block number : BP  
 Suburb : Marshallstown  
 GIS reference :

**ZONING:** Current use/s :  
 Previous use/s :

**DESCRIPTION OF PLACE:**

Height :  
Levels above street level :  
Levels below street level :  
On-site parking :

**CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS:**

Walls:

Roof:

Windows:

**SITE FEATURES:**

**ALTERATIONS:**

**INTEGRITY:**

**INSCRIPTION:**

**ARCHITECT:**

**BUILDER:**

**CONSTRUCTION DATE:**

Date on plans :  
Approval of plans :  
Completion date :

**BUILDING STYLE:**

**BUILDING TYPE:**

Bank and office building. (CJMB)

**ENVIRONMENT:**

**CONDITION:**

The exterior of the building appears to be in good condition. (CJMB)

**URGENT ACTION:**

**SAHRA RECORD REGARDING ALTERATIONS, RENOVATIONS, RESTORATION:**

**PROTECTION STATUS:** (under National Heritage Resources Act, 1999)

General protection:	Section 34(1) structure/s	<input type="checkbox"/>
Formal protection:	provincial heritage site	<input type="checkbox"/>
	national heritage site	<input type="checkbox"/>
	provisional protection	<input type="checkbox"/>
	heritage area	<input type="checkbox"/>
	listed in provincial heritage resources register	<input type="checkbox"/>

Relevant Gazette Notice:

Gazette description:

**FORMER PROTECTION STATUS:** (under National Monuments Act, 1969)

**NOTES:**

**DEEDS INFORMATION:**

Original ownership:

**PRE-HISTORY OF SITE:**

**HISTORY:**

'Mining Main Street

Neil Fraser

February 23, 2004

"North of the Chamber of Mines building, on the opposite side of Main Street, is another building whose original occupants had mining origins. Now known as Eagle House, it originally housed the third Johannesburg Stock Exchange. Hannes Meiring 'Early Johannesburg' describes the birth of the JSE: 'Shares first changed hands in a miner's tent on the Ferreira and Wemmer claims and still later in a livery stable in Sauer Street. The Johannesburg Stock Exchange, officially, established on 8 November 1887, moved into its first building on 16 January 1888 but by 1890 a larger building was erected next to it at a cost of seventy thousand pounds. It was a marvel of progress with electric lights - but no telephone! Trading was often so brisk that it continued in the street after the Exchange had closed and Von Brandis was asked to close off a section of Simmonds Street for this purpose between Market and Commissioner Streets. He had posts erected, with chains hung between them, which gave rise to the phrase 'Between the Chains' with which press reports were sometimes headed.'

In 1912 the interior of the second Stock Exchange building was converted into a theatre 'whilst the exterior was altered to such an extent that it was no longer recognisable.'

The third Exchange Building was built in Hollard Street in 1902/04: 'the exclusivity of the elite group who used this building was underscored by severe repetition as well as by the application of classicist building elements, such as the portico with temple façade, arched pediments, cornices and rustic work.'

Today, the building is owned by the same group who purchased 60 Main Street and is let as commercial space."

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**GENERAL NOTES:**

Estimated cost of building	:
Estimated cost of drainage	:
Accommodation approved	:
Valuation at completion	:
Occupied	:

PREVIOUS TENANT/S:

CURRENT TENANT/S:

By 2006:

First National Bank

Nino's

**SOURCES:**

Unpublished Sources

Plans records of surveyed buildings, Marshallstown and City of Johannesburg: Archives, Building Control, Development Management, City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality.

Internet sources

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## **ASSESSMENT OF CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE:**

Historic Value:

- Associated with historic person, group or organisation
- Associated with historic event or activity

Architectural/Aesthetic value:

- Important example of building type
- Important example of a style or period
- Fine details, workmanship or aesthetics
- Work of a major architect or builder

Social/Spiritual/Linguistic value:

- Associated with social, spiritual, linguistic, economic or political activity
- Illustrates an historical period

Scientific/Technological value:

- Example of industrial, technical or engineering development/achievement
- New, rare or experimental building techniques

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