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## **CHAPTER 1**

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### **1.0 Introduction**

An archive has always been considered as a special place for reading, study and reference for students, researchers and also public. The word of archive has expended to include computer, disks, documents, and records. The knowledge of preservation in archives building is very important to study as to maintain the originality and value of the materials. (Nelly Balloffet and Jenny Hille, 1992).

Records and document created by government departments have its own national heritage and history to the country. In Malaysia, there is a government agency which has the custody to manage and preserved our national heritage records and documents from being neglected. The government agency is National Archives of Malaysia.