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Propositions

- The indiscriminate claim of the record continuum model's universality makes it inherently difficult to disprove, but must be continually pursued if we are to believe it to be true.
- There is no agreed upon right test of the records continuum model. Instead, there is only the most appropriate for the case at hand.
- Creating the shadow continuum effectively links continuum concepts to unseen, hidden, secret or classified documents that left no other trace.
- The records of the *Djogdja Documenten* and Migrated Archives are a prime example of the idea that the record continuum model's dimensions can take place at any time in any order.
- There is no distinction in Dutch between 'record' and 'archive', which, while being the first hurdle an American writing an archival science dissertation in the Netherlands must conquer, is also a linguistic form of continuum thinking.
- Describing archives using terms such as collective memory or heritage brings us no closer to understanding or defining collective memory, heritage, or archives.
- An unrecognizable first draft of a dissertation is the truest symbol of the PhD journey.
- The so-called *schertsstellingen* can cause more stress than writing one's own dissertation.