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PERSONAL PAPERS OF HOWARD R. COTTAM

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Creator: Cottam, Howard R. (Howard Rex), 1910-1984

Biographical sketch:

Howard Rex Cottam (1910-1984) was Deputy Assistant Secretary for North Eastern and South Asian Affairs at the Department of State from 1960 to 1963. He also served as the U.S. Ambassador to Kuwait from 1963 to 1969.

Scope and content note:

This collection contains correspondence, memorandums, and letters collected by Howard R. Cottam during his service as Ambassador to Kuwait from 1963 to 1968. Included are correspondence between Cottam and the Department of State, particularly the Near East-South Asian Affairs Division (NEA), as well as between Cottam and other Ambassadors, such as Philips Talbot. In addition, this collection contains memorandums of conversations between Cottam and various Kuwait leaders, such as Sabah Al-Salim Al-Sabah. Some of the subjects discussed by Cottam and his correspondents include international relations and diplomacy; the Arab-Israeli Conflict (6 Day War); the Arab refugee problem; the relationship between Kuwait and other Arab states, including Saudi Arabia; and the political situation in Kuwait.

This collection also consists of diaries, appointment books, notes, financial records, guest lists, menus, and seating charts pertaining to various functions and dinners held at the Embassy. Other subjects include foreign visitors, international relations, and Cottam's personal administrative records relating to vacation leave and travel.

- Date range of collection: ca. 1963 - ca. 1968
- 1 linear foot, 3 linear inches
- Available for research. (Open 10/2015)
- 2 series

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