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Scope and content note:

This series consists of the working files of C. V. Clifton during his time as Military Aide to the President under President John F. Kennedy and President Lyndon B. Johnson. The files reflect the subject matters for which Clifton was responsible. This series includes correspondence, telegrams, memorandums, articles, reports, charts, and press releases.

Specific subjects covered in this material include the United States Air Force; situation reports in the aftermath of the 1964 earthquake in Alaska; the United States Army; clearance for Canadian overflight by B-47 units; material regarding the Central Intelligence Agency; safety rules; military exercises; the President's Intelligence Checklist; written material concerning defense-related topics; material related to Emergency Plans; situation reports from the Dominican Republic; situation reports from Vietnam; communication exercises of the Department of Defense Emergency Plans as reported by the Joint Chiefs of Staff; other written material concerning the Joint Chiefs of Staff; material generated in relation to meetings with the President; the Jack Dunlap Case concerning the National Security Agency; the Single Integrated Operations Plan (SIOP); Defense Intelligence Agency Comparative Data and Force Tabs Handbooks from July and November 1964; Report on the 1963 and 1964 Annual Review and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Defense Outlook.

The documents in this series are a mixture of originals, carbon copies, and photocopies.

- Date range: 1961-1965 (coverage)
- About 1 linear foot
- Available for research (Open)

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1 Air Force

Information regarding the U.S. Air Force including a new Air Force Basic Doctrine Manual and the upcoming retirement of General LeMay as Chief of Staff of the Air Force [12/20/63-4/9/65]

1 Alaska Situation Reports

Situation Reports from March 28-April 11, 1964 concerning the damage caused by an earthquake in Alaska

1 Army

A press release dated 1/20/64 containing the President's remarks to the Senior Army Commanders and a chart showing the Department of the Army Chiefs and Executives

1 Cables

Cables dated 9/3/64 to 11/7/64 concerning a variety of topics including a documentary film project on the Alaska earthquake; a planning directive for possible disturbances in Jackson, Mississippi due to the integration of segregated schools; and travel plans for attendance at the wedding of King Constantine II and Queen Anne-Marie of Greece

1 Canadian Overflights

Correspondence dated 2/26/65 to 3/4/65 concerning clearance for Canadian overflight by B-47 units

1 Central Intelligence Agency

Correspondence and memos dated 12/4/63 to 5/12/64

1 Chron File

Memos and correspondence dated 10/3/62 to 3/2/65 concerning a variety of topics including personnel; the President's Intelligence Checklist [later known as the President's Daily Brief]; safety rules; military exercises; and other military-related material

1 CIA and DIA Briefing Officers' Biographies

1 Defense-General, Vol. 1

Memos, correspondence, and written material dated 1/4/64 to 2/27/65 concerning various military-related topics including personnel; changes and additions to Joint Dictionary; outline plan for DOD military manpower policy study; manned aircraft; a comparison between U.S. and Soviet military strengths; military cuts in South Korea; and policies and procedures for implementing approved National and Military Urgency Determinations

1 Defense-General Officer Lists

Lists dated July 3-December 1, 1964

1 Defense-SAC Exercises

Correspondence, memos, and other written material related to the Strategic Air Command Airborne Alert Indoctrination training program for FY 1965

1 Defense-Special Warfare

Correspondence and memos dated 7/15/63 to 4/10/64 concerning Special Warfare including counterinsurgency

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1 Emergency Plans Briefing

Correspondence and material dated 2/6/64 to 2/10/64

1 Gold Book

1 Hold for CVC [vol. 1]

Correspondence and memos dated 12/4/64 to 6/29/65 concerning a variety of defense-related material including documents related to a telegram received at the White House expressing concerns about U.S. soldiers in Vietnam and their ability to defend themselves with weaponry provided; documents containing reports and operating instructions for the Military Aide and the Emergency Operation Plan satchel locations in relation to the President, required personnel surrounding the President, and communications aboard the VC-140 JetStar aircraft

1 [Hold for CVC, Vol. 2]

Correspondence, memos, and cables dated 6/27/65 to 7/12/65 regarding situation reports in the Dominican Republic and Vietnam; Technical Manual No. 164, Ready I Summary Analysis Program from the National Resource Evaluation Center dated 7/7/65; magazine from 1965 titled The People of Viet Nam Will Triumph! U.S. Aggressors Will Be Defeated!; Press release dated 7/10/65 concerning the retirement of Major General Chester V. Clifton; White House Fact Sheet on Civic Action in Guatemala dated 3/18/64; and handwritten notes of a conversation between the President and two pilots regarding aircraft

2 JCS-Periodic Exercises (DODEP), Vol. 1

Reports on Monthly Communication Exercises of the Department of Defense Emergency Plans dated 11/27/63 to 8/20/65; Memo dated 3/23/64 concerning a recommended small-scale Command Post Exercise; Presidential/SECDEF/JCS/Commanders Conference Test dated 10/10/63

2 Joint Chiefs of Staff, Vol. 1

Correspondence, memos, and other written material dated 1/4/64 to 12/4/64 concerning the Joint Chiefs of Staff (JCS); national defense including the Improved Manned Interceptor and the Advanced Manned strategic Aircraft; A Doctrine for Air Defense from Oversea Land Areas; a talking paper concerning differing views within the JCS on the course of action in South Vietnam; around-the-world CVA Task Force Deployment; seismic sea wave warning system; General Maxwell Taylor's retirement; and cost consciousness within departments

2 Medals and Decorations

An April 11, 1964 memo concerning the Presidential Medal of Freedom

2 Meetings with the President, Vol. 1

Memos of conferences with the President between 11/29/63 and 3/15/65; Reports, lists and other information on the status of women within the Defense Department and other federal employment positions; Memo on Instructions for Expenditure of Nuclear Weapons in Emergency Conditions; and other materials that were created as a result of or in preparation for meetings with the President

2 National Security Agency

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Material concerning the Jack Dunlap case

2 Office of Emergency Planning

2 Operation Double Caution

2 Project Casper

2 SIOP

Correspondence and memos dated 3/25/64 to 8/21/64 concerning the Single Integrated Operations Plan (SIOP)

2 U.S. Information Agency

A U.S. Information Agency report from 12/9/63 titled, "Foreign Reaction to the Presidential Succession"

2 DIA Comparative Data and Force Tabs Handbook, 1 July 1964

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3 The Blue Book: Report on the 1963 Annual Review and the NATO Defense Outlook

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