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Historical Note

This collection contains the interviews for the RAND History Project Interviews. These interviews explore the non-profit research firm's efforts to study the various problems of U.S. national security during the Cold War, in particular, from the perspective of the U.S. Air force (USAF). RAND brought together physical scientists, political scientists, sociologists, engineers and mathematicians and organized them within this single institution to pursue such research efforts. The RAND Project constitutes one of a number of oral history endeavors conducted by the National Air and Space Museum's (NASM) Department of Space History. The principal (though, by no means the only) interviewer for this project was Martin Collins and the interview set consists of 104 hours of interviews with 38 individuals. The following were interviewed for this project: Bruno Augenstein; Robert Bacher (with Lee DuBridge); Edward Barlow; Robert Belzer; Paul Blasingame; Edward Bowles; Charles Carey; Frank Collbohm; Merton Davies; Robert Davis; James Digby; Gene Fisher; Richard Frick; Olaf Helmer; Lawrence Henderson; Charles Hitch; Victor Jackson; Amrom Katz; Scott King; Burt Klein; Charles Lindblom; Hugh Miser; David Novick; Malcolm Palmatier; Ernst Plesssett; Edward Quade; Arthur Raymond; Ben Rumph; Robert Salter; Bernard Schriever; Lloyd Shapley; Gustave Shubert; Robert Specht; Hans Speier; George Tanham; Crawford Thompson and Albert Wohlstetter.

Scope and Content Note

The RAND History Project Interviews is arranged alphabetically by interviewee. The audio cassette tapes of these interviews have yet to be remastered and, due to their fragility, are unavailable to researchers. Transcripts are available to researchers though, there are restrictions placed on a number of them. A NASM staff member will advise the patron which transcripts are available for copying or viewing and how to order copies of transcripts and/or CDs.

CONTAINER LIST

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