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Lorenzo S. Sabin Papers

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Creator: Vice Admiral Lorenzo S. Sabin, USN

Extent: 1 box
.3 cubic feet

Date Range: 1954-1967

Classification: Unclassified

Access: Open

Scope and Content Notes

This collection contains materials relating to VADM Sabin's service in Southeast Asia (Vietnam) at the end of the French colonial period in 1954 through the end of the administration of President Diem in 1963. From July 1954 to April 1955, he commanded the Sea Forces of Operation PAS SAGE TO FREEDOM in which over 310,000 Vietnamese people and more than 57,000 tons of U.S. origin military equipment were transported in U.S. ships from Communist held Northern Indo-China to free South Vietnam. During this period he had personal contact with leading officials of the U.S., French, and Vietnamese governments, including the President of South Vietnam, Ngo Dinh Diem.

Historical materials in the collection include correspondence, messages, papers and reports on Operation PAS SAGE TO FREEDOM, and newspaper clippings of his naval service in the Dominican Republic in 1957. Miscellany in the collection includes a court decree from the Texas Republic period (1843) and materials relating to World War II.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

SERIES I: Biographical Data

1. Biographical Information on V ADM Sabin

SERIES II: Correspondence and Messages 1954-1967

2. Correspondence, Aug-Sep 1954

3. Correspondence, Oct-Dec 1954

4. Correspondence, 1955

5. Correspondence, 1956-1957, 1964 and 1967

6. Correspondence/Miscellaneous Official Documentation
7. Messages, 24 Aug 1954-May 1955
SERIES III: Papers, undated, 1955 and 1963-1964
8. Papers on Ngo Dinh Diem by VADM Sabin, undated and 1963-1964
9. Papers on Operation PASSAGE TO FREEDOM by V ADM Sabin and CDR Julius M. Amberson, MC, USN, undated and 1955
SERIES IV: Reports, 1955
10. Amphibious Group ONE Report on Passage to Freedom, 16 Nov 1954-18 May 1955, 15 Jun 1955
11. Reports on Evacuation of Refugees and Material from North Vietnam¹, ca. 1955
SERIES V: Newspaper Clippings, undated and 1957-1964
12. Newspaper Clippings, undated and 1957-1964
SERIES VI: Miscellany, 1843 and ca. 1941-1945
13. Court Decree from the Texas Republic, 1843
14. Material relating to World War II