This series contains collected materials concerning both Walt Whitman Rostow and Eugene Victor Debs Rostow. The bulk of this series is composed of subject files (named for each Rostow brother) containing articles, correspondence, newspaper clippings, drafts, and publications authored by Walt Rostow, Eugene Rostow, and others. Some of the correspondence in this series seems to have been originally filed in what is now the Correspondence Series before Bissell’s office staff removed it to this location. These documents (some bearing the numbering that appears on most documents in the Correspondence Series) do not appear to have been copied before they were removed.

The series is arranged by format. Files containing Correspondence and Supporting Materials are arranged alphabetically by folder title and thereunder in reverse chronological order. Drafts and Publications are arranged in reverse chronological order with the exception of the “Ideas and Action” theme book series.

The draft publications in this series were sent to Bissell from Walt Whitman Rostow with the understanding that Bissell would review them and comment on them before publication. Four draft works out of a collection of five on the theme of “Ideas and Actions” are included in the series. The absence of the second of the five draft works is unexplained. The drafts center on events that occurred during the Dwight D. Eisenhower and John F. Kennedy administrations.

This series also includes a 1993 interview of Richard Bissell by David Armstrong regarding the Rostows (primarily Walt Whitman Rostow) and Bissell’s early professional career.

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