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GRADY, JOHN J.: Papers, 1955-98

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The papers of John J. Grady were deposited in the Dwight D. Eisenhower Library by his widow Mrs. Patricia Grady in February 1998.

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Mrs. Grady signed an instrument of gift for her husband's papers on February 4, 1998. Literary rights in the unpublished writings of John J. Grady in this collection and in all other collections of papers received by the National Archives have been donated to the public. Under terms of the instrument of gift, the following classes of items are withheld from research use:

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

John J. Grady (1920-1997) was born and raised at Springfield, Illinois. He worked for the Federal Bureau of Investigation during World War II, but resigned in 1947 to open a restaurant. He returned to government service in 1951 when he joined the Foreign Operations Administration, the agency that provided aid to Europe under the Marshall Plan.

Grady worked for the FOA until 1955 when he was appointed Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force. In January 1960 Grady was appointed deputy director for management of the International Cooperation Administration, which had succeeded the FOA. He remained with the ICA and its successor the Agency for International Development (AID) for a brief period during the Kennedy administration, but resigned in September 1961 to enter private business.

The papers of John J. Grady provide only fragmentary information on his government activities. Most of the material consists of memorabilia and printed items that Grady collected. An outline of his career, which Grady compiled in 1996, briefly describes some of the government positions he held. In a 1989 interview by Georgetown University he discussed his recollections of the foreign aid program. Two files, one on Executive Placement and one on the implementation of President Kennedy's 1961 message on foreign aid, describe the organization of ICA and AID at the start of the Kennedy administration.

CONTAINER LIST

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- 1 Education and Work History [1996 outline of Grady's career; lists of relatives and famous people he met]
- Executive Placement 1961 [lists of executive level positions in ICA]
- The Grapevine Feb. 1994 [newsletter of Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI]
- The Grapevine Feb. 1998
- Interview 1989 [interview by Georgetown University re Marshall Plan, FOA, AID; reorganization of AID by Kennedy administration; personnel matters]
- Knights of Malta
- Memorabilia (1)-(3) [awards; Gerald Ford letter]
- Obituaries
- Plan for Implementation of President's Message 1961 [plans for study of how to reorganize AID following JFK's 1961 message on foreign aid]

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