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Special White House Assistant, 1953; Administrative Assistant to the President, 1953-58; Deputy Assistant to the President, 1958-61.

DESCRIPTION: Harlow's role in organizing the White House office (1953); influence of military model; personnel (John Eisenhower, Andrew "Andy" Goodpaster, William "Bill" Hopkins, Wilton B. "Jerry" Persons, Gerald "Gerry" Morgan); function of office; liaison operations within departments; problems of such a system; Harlow's role in development of presidential initiatives; Sherman Adams' responsibilities; changes in White House—government relationship in later administrations; the Secretaries' access to the White House during Eisenhower administration; centralization of White House management in Nixon administration; White House contacts with Roger Jones and Rowland "Sam" Hughes (Bureau of the Budget) concerning legislative affairs; Harlow's observations of function of Office of Management and Budget vs. Bureau of the Budget; writing Eisenhower's speeches; staff involvement with enrolled bills; White House relationship with Congress during Eisenhower administration; Eisenhower's friendship with Lyndon Johnson and Sam Rayburn; the role of Vice-President Nixon; Senator Fulbright and the U-2 incident; Harlow's office for congressional relationship the Nixon administration; Nixon's White House staff (Arthur Burns, John Ehrlichman, Patrick Mohnihan); Harlow's desire to leave government service; Harlow's role in the Nixon administration; the Domestic Council; Harlow's responsibilities as counselor to the President (1969); Harlow's access to the Presidents Eisenhower and Nixon; the importance of the relationship between the White House and Congress.

[Dwight D. Eisenhower Library Oral History, interview by Dr. Stephen J. Wayne and James F.C. Hyde, Jr., May 30, 1974]