Founder and Vice Chairman of Citizens for Eisenhower-Nixon Committee in 1952; Special Assistant to Secretary of Commerce, 1953; Special Assistant in the Executive Branch Liaison Office, White House, 1953-54; Chairman of the U.S. Committee for the United Nations, 1957-58.

DESCRIPTION: Interview #1. Rumbough’s role in the organization of Citizens for Eisenhower; comments re the selection of a location for national headquarters and the source of funds for the organization; the original goal of Citizens for Eisenhower; the development of the organization after Eisenhower agreed to run for President; the relationship between the Republican National Committee and Citizens for Eisenhower-Nixon; comments re the various divisions of the organization; Rumbough’s reason for supporting Eisenhower as a presidential candidate; the effect of Rumbough’s work in Citizens for Eisenhower-Nixon upon his business career; Rumbough’s opinion of Eisenhower and his administration; comments re the establishment and functions of the Executive Branch Liaison Office; Rumbough’s achievements in the department of Commerce; comments re the daily White House staff conferences; Rumbough’s attitude toward government employees; comments re the White House Staff; additional functions of the Executive Branch Liaison Office; Rumbough’s responsibilities as chairman of the U.S. Committee for the U.N.

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