Aileen Moore Topping Collection Concerning a Spanish Diplomatic Mission to the United States

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Collection Summary
Title: Aileen Moore Topping collection concerning a Spanish diplomatic mission to the United States
Span Dates: 1777-1785
ID No.: MSS83055
Creator: Topping, Aileen Moore
Extent: 450 items
Extent: 2 containers
Extent: .6 linear feet
Language: Collection material in English
Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
LC Catalog record: https://lccn.loc.gov/mm95083055
Summary: English translation by Topping of Spanish reports on the U.S. Continental Congress during the American Revolution from originals in the Archivo General de Indias and the Archivo Histórico Nacional, Spain.

Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People
Miralles, Juan de.
Rendón, Francisco.
Topping, Aileen Moore.

Organizations
United States. Continental Congress.

Subjects
Diplomatic and consular service, Spanish--United States.

Places
Spain--Foreign relations--United States.
United States--Foreign relations--Spain.
United States--History--Revolution, 1775-1783.

Provenance

Processing History
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Preferred Citation
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Scope and Content Note
The Aileen Moore Topping Collection Concerning a Spanish Diplomatic Mission to the United States contains typewritten English translations of reports of Spanish agents sent to the United States during the American Revolution to observe the Continental Congress. These reports span the years 1777-1785 and relate to missions led by Juan de Miralles (1777-1780) and Francisco Rendon (1780-1785). The translations were made by Topping from originals located in the Archivo Histórico Nacional and the Archivo General de Indias.

Arrangement of the Papers
This collection is arranged chronologically.
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           | (4 folders) |
| BOX 1     | Mission of Francisco Rendón |
| BOX 1     | May 1780-Aug. 1781  
           | (2 folders) |
| BOX 2     | Sept. 1781-June 1785  
           | (4 folders) |