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Collection Summary

Title: Sanford Gottlieb Papers

Span Dates: 1946-1995

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1959-1995)

ID No.: MSS82795

Creator: Gottlieb, Sanford

Extent: 875 items

Extent: 3 containers

Extent: 1 linear foot

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Political activist. Correspondence, writings, speeches, transcripts of radio shows and testimony, clippings, printed matter, and other papers pertaining to Gottlieb's work with public interest organizations in the fields of disarmament and foreign policy, also including his work as a radio and television commentator.

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

Gottlieb, Sanford.

Organizations

National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy (U.S.)

New Directions (Organization)

SANE, Inc.

United Campuses to Prevent Nuclear War.

Subjects

Disarmament.

Labor unions.

National liberation movements--Vietnam.

Vietnam War, 1961-1975.

Places

United States--Foreign relations--1945-1989.

Titles

America's defense monitor (Television program)

In the public interest (Radio program)

Occupations

Political activists.

Provenance

The papers of Sanford Gottlieb, political activist, were given to the Library of Congress by Gottlieb in 1994-1995.

Processing History

The papers of Sanford Gottlieb were arranged and described in 1995. The finding aid was revised in 2009.

Copyright Status

Copyright in the unpublished writings of Sanford Gottlieb in these papers and in other collections of papers in the custody of the Library of Congress has been dedicated to the public.

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Sanford Gottlieb are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Sanford Gottlieb Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Sanford Gottlieb (1926-) span the years 1946-1995, with the bulk of the items concentrated in the period 1959-1995. The collection contains correspondence, writings and speeches, clippings, articles, transcripts of radio shows and testimony, and newsletters and other printed matter relating to Gottlieb's work for several public interest organizations in the fields of disarmament and foreign policy as executive director of SANE (formerly named National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy), 1962-1977, New Directions, 1977-1979, and United Campuses to Prevent Nuclear War, 1984-1987. Included are extensive scripts and transcripts of Gottlieb's commentaries on the public radio show *In the Public Interest* between 1973 and 1983, scripts of his commentaries from 1992 and 1993 as senior producer of the television show *America's Defense Monitor* for the Center for Defense Information, and his writings, predominantly in newspapers and magazines, throughout the period. Publicity files of clippings and articles on Gottlieb and organizations such as SANE are also included in the collection. Gottlieb's work as a union organizer in the 1950s is also reflected in the correspondence and writings.

Gottlieb's activism attracted government scrutiny, and his papers include files provided in 1976 and 1977 by the Central Intelligence Agency, State Department, and Federal Bureau of Investigation at Gottlieb's request under the Freedom of Information Act. The State Department file includes summaries of messages concerning his 1966 meetings with Viet Cong representatives in Europe.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by topic or type of material.

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BOX 1	Central Intelligence Agency file, 1946-1976
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BOX 2	Miscellaneous printed matter, 1960-1986
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