
A Register of the Jacques Benoist-Méchin Papers

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Jacques Benoist-Méchin Papers

Dates: 1909-1994

Collection number: 2007C70

Creator: Jacques Benoist-Méchin

Collection Size: 26 manuscript boxes1 oversize box10.8 linear feet

Repository: Hoover Institution Archives

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Abstract: Acquired in 2007, the Jacques Benoist-Méchin Papers represent a significant addition to the existing holdings in the Hoover Institution Archives relating to the collaborationist Vichy government in France during World War II. Although the papers are only part of the extant Benoist-Méchin materials in various depositories and private collections, the collection in the Hoover Institution Archives contains important documents from all major phases of Benoist-Méchin's multifaceted career as a literary figure, politician, and historian.

Physical location: Hoover Institution Archives

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: FreGerEnglish

Access

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Acquisition Information

Materials were acquired by the Hoover Institution Archives in 2007

Accruals

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1901	Born, Paris, France
1921	Served as interpreter, French occupation forces in the Ruhr, Germany
1925-1927	Director, Paris bureau, International News Service
1929-1930	Editor, <i>l'Europe Nouvelle</i>
1936	Author, <i>Histoire de l'armée allemande</i> (5 volumes) Joined pro-fascist party of Jacques Doriot, the Parti Populaire Français

1939	Author, <i>Eclaircissements sur Mein Kampf d'Adolphe Hitler, le livre qui a changé la face du monde</i>
1939	Mobilized into French army. Taken prisoner by German forces and interned in Voves, France
1940	Released from P.O.W. camp, and enters service of Vichy government of Philippe Pétain
1940-1942	Serves in various ministerial posts, under Darlan and Laval, in Vichy government
1944	Arrested as a collaborator after the Liberation of France and incarcerated
1947	Sentenced to death by French court. Death penalty is commuted to one of prison with hard labor
1947-1953	In prison, including in Fresnes, France. Released in an act of clemency by the government of Vincent Auriol
1954	Author, <i>Mustapha Kemal</i>
1956	Author, <i>Soixante jours qui ébranlèrent l'occident: 10 mai—10 juillet 1940</i>
1957-1976	Traveled widely as a journalist and author in the Middle East and North Africa, making the acquaintance of various Arab rulers. Served as an occasional private envoy of the French government in the same region
1959	Author, <i>Un printemps arabe</i>
1983	Died

Scope and Content of Collection

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The papers will be of particular interest to historians of the Vichy period. The Speeches and Writings series shows Benoist-Méchin's evolution from cultivated *littérateur* to an ardently Germanophile historian and politician, one who enthusiastically embraced Nazi Germany's vision of a New Europe. Benoist-Méchin's writings also reveal his reinvention after World War II as an analyst and historian of Middle East and North African affairs.

The Vichy government file series includes a compilation of materials (called by Benoist-Méchin "notes politiques") that relate directly to his service, including a period as minister, in the Vichy regime. These document his work for Admiral François Darlan, his collaboration with the German ambassador to France, Otto Abetz, as well memoranda and reports, including an important letter sent to Philippe Pétain by Adolf Hitler to mark the first anniversary of France's surrender to Germany in 1940.

The Trial and imprisonment file series provides an intimate look at the judicial proceedings against Vichy collaborators and their subsequent experiences in prison. In this series, there is correspondence among Benoist-Méchin and his fellow prisoners, including Robert Brasillach in the period leading up to his execution. There are also art works in this file that depict prison life and the viewpoint of Vichy collaborators concerning the violence surrounding the liberation of France.

The extensive Correspondence series records Benoist-Méchin's enduring connections to collaborationist and ex-Nazi milieus in France, Germany, and elsewhere. Among these friends and acquaintances of Benoist-Méchin figure Fritz von Papen, Wolf Rüdiger Hess, Oswald and Diana Mosley, René de Chambrun, and Saint-Paulien (the pseudonym of Maurice-Ivan Sicard). There is also correspondence between Benoist-Méchin and French officials in the 1960s and 1970s, including Jacques Chirac and Georges Pompidou. Among other matters, these reveal Benoist-Méchin's behind-the-scenes role as an envoy of the French government to various Arab rulers in this period. The series also includes correspondence with some of these rulers, including Muammar Khadafi (Muammar al-Gaddafi), who commissioned Benoist-Méchin to arrange the French publication of the Libyan leader's so-called Green Book. More materials on Benoist-Méchin's many travels and high-placed connections in the Arab world can be found in the Middle East and North Africa file series of the papers.

The extensive Photograph series contains hundreds of prints, many personally selected and arranged by Benoist-Méchin, that illustrate his career and what he considered to be its highlights, including his collaboration with the Nazis. There are some additional materials revealing of Benoist-Méchin's assessment of his wartime role in the Biographical file series.

Arrangement

The collection is organized into 10 series: Biographical file, correspondence, speeches and writings, Vichy government file, Trial and imprisonment file, Middle East and North Africa file, subject file, writings by others, photographs, and oversize materials.

Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in Stanford University's online catalog.

Subjects

National socialism.

World War, 1939-1945--France.

World War, 1939-1945--Prisoners and prisons.

World War, 1939-1945--Collaborationists.

Prisoners of war.

France--Politics and government--20th century.

France--Politics and government--1940-1945.

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France--History--Occupation, 1940-1945.

Middle East--History.

Middle East--Politics and government.

Related Material

Gaston Bergery Papers, Hoover Institution Archives

René de Chambrun Papers, Hoover Institution Archives

Marcel Déat Papers, Hoover Institution Archives

Georges Scapini Papers, Hoover Institution Archives

Box/Folder: 1 **Biographical file, 1926-1982.**

Scope and Content Note

Includes biography, clippings, legal records, memorandum, and scrapbook materials

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Airline menus, undated

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Biography covering Vichy period, undated.

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Scrapbook materials, 1934-1981.

Scope and Content Note

Includes commemorative circular relating to the thirtieth anniversary of the execution of Hermann Goering and other Nazi leaders, 1976

Correspondence, 1919-1982.**Scope and Content Note**

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Box/Folder: 17 **Vichy government file, 1940-1944.**

Scope and Content Note

Contains aide-mémoire, correspondence, memorandum, and other materials compiled by Benoist-Méchin as "notes politiques", arranged by physical form

Box/Folder: 17 : 1

Aide-mémoire, 1941

Correspondence

Box/Folder: 17 : 2

Brécard, Charles, 1942

Box/Folder: 17 : 3

Darnand, Joseph, 1943

Box/Folder: 17 : 4

Krug von Nidda, Roland, 1942

Box/Folder: 17 : 5

Monzie, Anatole de, 1943

Box/Folder: 17 : 6

Papen, Fritz von, 1942

Box/Folder: 17 : 7

List of government expenses, 1944

Box/Folder: 17 : 8

Memorandum from François Darlan, 1941

"Notes politiques" compiled by Benoist-Méchin.

Scope and Content Note

Includes correspondence and memoranda

undated

Box/Folder: 17 : 9

1941

Box/Folder: 17 : 10

March-May

Box/Folder: 17 : 11

June

Box/Folder: 17 : 12

July

Box/Folder: 17 : 13

August

Box/Folder: 17 : 14

October

Box/Folder: 17 : 15

November

Box/Folder: 17 : 16

December

Box/Folder: 17 : 17

1942

Box/Folder: 17 : 18

January-February

Box/Folder: 17 : 19

March

Box/Folder: 17 : 20

Reports, 1940

Box/Folder: 18 **Trial and imprisonment file, 1935—1954.**

Scope and Content Note

Contains art works, correspondence, legal and police records, medical records, printed matter, and writings by others, arranged by physical form

Art works, 1946-1947

Box/Folder: 18 : 1

Drawings by unknown artist, circa 1946

Box/Folder: 18 : 2

Sketch of Benoist-Méchin, circa 1946

Box/Folder: 18 : 3

Watercolors, 1946 and circa 1947

Box/Folder: 18 : 4

Calendar, 1947

Correspondence, 1945-1953

Box/Folder: 18 : 5

Unidentified, 1947-1953

Box/Folder: 18 : 6

Aujol, Jean-Louis, 1947

Box/Folder: 18 : 7

Brasillach, Robert, 1946

Box/Folder: 18 : 8

Garel, Pierre, 1945

Box/Folder: 18 : 9

Jouen, René, 1946

Box/Folder: 18 : 10

Klein, Walter, 1947

Box/Folder: 18 : 11

Legal and police records, 1946-1954

Box/Folder: 18 : 12

Medical records, 1946-1951

Printed matter

Box/Folder: 18 : 13

Monograph, 1947.

Scope and Content Note

First edition of *Rio* (Ralph Soupault), *Fresnes*

Box/Folder: 18 : 14

Serial issues, 1947.

Scope and Content Note

Photostats of pages with articles concerning the trial of Benoist-Méchin

Box/Folder: 18 : 15

Speech introducing Benoist-Méchin to a prison audience, circa 1947

Box/Folder: 18 : 16

Reading notes, circa 1946-1947

Writings by others

Box/Folder: 18 : 17

Anonymous, 1945

Box/Folder: 18 : 18

Brasillach, Robert, 1944

Box/Folder: 18 : 19

Combelle, Lucien, 1944

Box/Folder: 18 : 20

Crouzet, Guy, 1935-1945

Box/Folder: 18 : 21

Ducrocq, Pierre, 1944

Box/Folder: 19 : **Middle East and North Africa file, 1956-1979.**

Scope and Content Note

Contains clippings, correspondence, reports, and printed matter, organized by name of country and by physical form thereunder

Box/Folder: 19 : 1

General, 1957-1967

Algeria, 1957-1979

Box/Folder: 19 : 2

Aide-mémoire and letter sent to Raymond Barre, 1978-1979

Box/Folder: 19 : 3

Clippings, 1978

Box/Folder: 19 : 4

Correspondence, 1978

Box/Folder: 19 : 5

Itineraries, 1978

Box/Folder: 19 : 6

Notes, circa 1978

Box/Folder: 19 : 7

Reports, 1957

Box/Folder: 19 : 8

Egypt, 1956-1971.

Scope and Content Note

Printed matter

Box/Folder: 19 : 9

Jordan, 1967.

Scope and Content Note

Printed matter

Box/Folder: 19 : 10

Notes and report, 1968-1969

Box/Folder: 19 : 11

Printed matter, 1957-1976

Box/Folder: 19 : 12

Libya, 1957-1976

Scope and Content Note

Itineraries and printed matter

Box/Folder: 19 : 13

Morocco, 1956-1970

Aide-mémoire, 1969

Box/Folder: 19 : 14

Annexes to declaration of protocol, 1956

Box/Folder: 19 : 15

Clippings, 1969-1970

Box/Folder: 19 : 16

Letter, 1961

Box/Folder: 19 : 17

Notes, 1956-1969

Box/Folder: 19 : 18

Postcards, circa 1969

Box/Folder: 19 : 19

Report, circa 1969

Box/Folder: 19 : 20

Speech, circa 1969

Box/Folder: 19 : 21

Transcripts of meetings and telephone conversation, 1969

Saudi Arabia, circa 1960

Box/Folder: 19 : 22

Clipping, circa 1960

Box/Folder: 19 : 23

Postcards, circa 1960

Box/Folder: 19 : 24

Tunisia, 1969-1970

Clippings, 1969

Box/Folder: 19 : 25

Correspondence, 1969-1970

**Lakhdar, Chedly,
1969-1970**

Box/Folder: 19 : 26

**Lakhdar, Tahar,
1969**

Box/Folder: 19 : 27

**Suarez, George,
1969**

Turkey, circa 1960

Box/Folder: 19 : 28

Clipping, circa 1960

Box/Folder: 19 : 29

Notes, circa 1960

Box/Folder: 19 : 30

Postcards, circa 1960

Subject file, 1918-1970.

Scope and Content Note

Contains clippings arranged alphabetically by subject

Box/Folder: 19 : 31	France—History—German occupation, 1940-1945
Box/Folder: 19 : 32	Germany—Armed forces, 1946-1947
Box/Folder: 19 : 33	Laval, Pierre, 1969
Box/Folder: 19 : 34	Napoleon II, 1940-1970
Box/Folder: 19 : 35	Pétain, Philippe, 1941-1964
Box/Folder: 19 : 36	Unruh, Fritz von, 1911-1925
Box/Folder: 19 : 37	Wilson, Woodrow, 1918

Box/Folder: 20 **Writings by others, 1911-1960.**

Scope and Content Note

Arranged alphabetically by author

Box/Folder: 20 : 1 **Aron, Robert, circa 1950**
Box/Folder: 20 : 2 **Bergh, Hendrik van, 1958**
Box/Folder: 20 : 3 **Cressac, Charles de, 1945**
Box/Folder: 20 : 4 **Benani, Ahmed, circa 1960**
Box/Folder: 20 : 5 **Déat, Marcel, 1940.**

Scope and Content Note

Inscribed to Benoist-Méchin by Déat

Box/Folder: 20 : 6

Fenet, Henri, 1945

Jacquemin, Paul-Firmin

Box/Folder: 20 : 7 **1940**

Box/Folder: 20 : 8 **1940-1942**

Box/Folder: 20 : 9 **1944**

Box/Folder: 20 : 10 **Kaiser, Friedhelm, 1940.**

Scope and Content Note

Inscribed to Benoist-Méchin by Kaiser

Box/Folder: 20 :
11-13

Kosarenko-Kosarewytch, Wasyl, 1951-1954

Box/Folder: 20 : 14

Nasser, Gamar Abdel, 1960.

Scope and Content Note

Inscribed to Benoist-Méchin by Nasser

Box/Folder: 20 : 15

Prade, Georges, 1955.

Scope and Content Note

Inscribed to Benoist-Méchin by Prade

Box/Folder: 21

Unruh, Fritz von. French translations by Benoist-Méchin

Box/Folder: 21 : 1-3 **1911**

Box/Folder: 21 : 4-5 **1919**

Box/Folder: 21 : 6-8 **1921**

Box/Folder: 22 : 1-2 **1925**

Photographs, 1909-1980.

Scope and Content Note

Arranged in two series and chronologically thereunder

Prints depicting Benoist-Méchin

Box/Folder: 22 : 3	Portrait, circa 1925
Box/Folder: 22 : 4	With other French prisoners of war, 1940
Box/Folder: 22 : 5	With François Darlan, 1940
Box/Folder: 22 : 6-7	As Vichy minister, 1940-1942
Box/Folder: 22 : 8	With German officers, as well as Vichy and Nazi officials, 1941-1942
Box/Folder: 22 : 9	With unknown Vichy official, circa 1942
Box/Folder: 22 : 10	Visiting wounded patients, circa 1942
Box/Folder: 22 : 11	With Robert Brasillach, circa 1942
Box/Folder: 22 : 12	At a religious ceremony commemorating the Légion des Volontaires Français, circa 1942
Box/Folder: 22 : 13	At the funeral of Prince Amédée de Savoie, 1942 March 11
Box/Folder: 22 : 14	At the opening of an exhibit of sculpture by Arno Brekner, 1942 May 15
Box/Folder: 22 : 15	At his trial, 1947
Box/Folder: 22 : 16	In his prison cell, circa 1950
Box/Folder: 22 : 17	Portrait, circa 1950
Box/Folder: 23 : 1	With Gamal Abdel Nasser, 1957
Box/Folder: 23 : 2	With King Hassan II of Morocco, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 23 : 3	Visiting Greece, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 23 : 4	With Dino Buzzati, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 23 : 5	Visiting Ankara, Turkey, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 23 : 6	With King Faisal of Saudi Arabia, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 23 : 7	Portraits, circa 1965
Box/Folder: 23 : 8	In Vézelay, France, 1968 May 5
Box/Folder: 23 : 9	With Tunisian officials, circa 1969
Box/Folder: 23 : 10	With Muamar Khadaffi (Muammar al-Gaddafi), 1969
Box/Folder: 23 : 11	With General Hoffmann and Erich von Manstein, circa 1970
Box/Folder: 23 : 12	Portrait, circa 1975
Box/Folder: 23 : 13	Portrait done for <i>l'Express</i> , circa 1975
Box/Folder: 23 : 14	Being interviewed by Italian journalists, circa 1975
Box/Folder: 23 : 15	With his mother, circa 1975
Box/Folder: 23 : 16	Portrait of bust done by Arno Brekner, circa 1980
Box/Folder: 23 : 17	With Houari Boumedienne and other Algerian officials, 1976
Box/Folder: 23 : 18	With relative, circa 1980
Other prints, 1909-1976	
Box/Folder: 23 : 19	Unknown individual on his deathbed(?), undated
Box/Folder: 23 : 20	Adolphe and Isabelle Ferrière, circa 1909
Box/Folder: 23 : 21	Fritz von Unruh, 1914-1925
Box/Folder: 23 : 22	Scenes in Germany, including Trier and Aachen, circa 1920
Box/Folder: 23 : 23	Christian Bérard, circa 1922
Box/Folder: 23 : 24	Otto von Habsburg, circa 1932 and 1962
Box/Folder: 23 : 25	Mass ceremony of German soldiers, Tannenberg, Germany, circa 1940
Box/Folder: 23 : 26	Castle in North Africa, circa 1940
Box/Folder: 23 : 27	French agricultural workers in a field, circa 1940
Box/Folder: 23 : 28	Olympic trials, circa 1940
Box/Folder: 23 : 29	French Foreign Legion and colonial troops, circa 1940
Box/Folder: 23 : 30	François Darlan, circa 1940
Box/Folder: 23 : 31	Reburial of Napoleon II, 1940 December 15
Box/Folder: 23 : 32	Pierre Laval, circa 1941
Box/Folder: 23 : 33	Returning French prisoners of war, circa 1941

Box/Folder: 23 : 34	Prisoners of war, probably French colonial soldiers, circa 1941
Box/Folder: 23 : 35	Cover of book by Benoist-Méchin, circa 1941
Box/Folder: 23 : 36	Philippe Pétain, 1941-1942
Box/Folder: 23 : 37	Palmyra, Syria, 1941-1960
Box/Folder: 23 : 38	Portrait of Philippe Pétain, inscribed to Benoist-Méchin, 1941 April 17
Box/Folder: 23 : 39	François Darlan being received by German officers and Nazi officials, 1941 May
Box/Folder: 23 : 40	Portrait of François Darlan, inscribed to Benoist-Méchin, 1941 May 27
Box/Folder: 23 : 41	Vichy and German officials at a reception, 1941 June 27
Box/Folder: 23 : 42	Portrait of Maxime Weygand, inscribed to Benoist-Méchin, 1941 September 5
Box/Folder: 24 : 1	Vichy soldiers or militia, circa 1942
Box/Folder: 24 : 2	Vichy officials boarding a plane, circa 1942
Box/Folder: 24 : 3	Hitler's villa, Berchtesgaden, Germany, circa 1942
Box/Folder: 24 : 4	Joseph Darnand, circa 1942
Box/Folder: 24 : 5	Journée de la Légion tricolore, Paris, France, 1942 August
Box/Folder: 24 : 6	Bombed building, circa 1944
Box/Folder: 24 : 7	Philippe Henriot on his deathbed, 1944 June 28
Box/Folder: 24 : 8	Scenes relating to street battles during the liberation of Paris, 1944 August
Box/Folder: 24 : 9	Charles de Gaulle, with Free French officials and Allied soldiers, Champs Elysées, Paris, 1944 August
Box/Folder: 24 : 10	Philippe Pétain at his trial, 1946
Box/Folder: 24 : 11	Fresnes prison, circa 1947
Box/Folder: 24 : 12	Charles Maurras and Robert Brasillach, 1947
Box/Folder: 24 : 13	Henri, comte de Paris, circa 1948
Box/Folder: 24 : 14	Scenes of Nuremburg, West Germany, 1950-1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 15	King Hussein of Jordan, 1950
Box/Folder: 24 : 16	Gamal Abdel Nasser, Saudi Arabia, 1956 September 25
Box/Folder: 24 : 17	Portrait of Shukri al-Kuwatli, inscribed to Benoist-Méchin, 1958
Box/Folder: 24 : 18	Crowd scenes, possibly relating to a visit by Gamal Abdel Nasser, Damascus, Syria, 1958
Box/Folder: 24 : 19	Michihiko Hachiya, 1958-1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 20	Gamal Abdel Nasser, circa 1960-1970
Box/Folder: 24 : 21	Statue of Kemal Atatürk, Ankara, Turkey, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 22	Gamal Abdel Nasser, Morocco, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 23	Scenes in Syria, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 24	Scenes in Iraq, 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 25	Scenes in Cairo, Egypt, 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 26	Scenes in Persepolis, Iran, 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 27	Scenes in Turkey, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 28	Scenes in Jordan, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 29	Scenes in Lebanon, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 30	Classical temples, Greece, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 24 : 31	Scenes in Saudi Arabia, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 1	L'Hotel-Dieu, Beaune, France, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 2	Bust of King Hassan II and scenes in Morocco, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 3	Scenes in Mauritania, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 4	Men harvesting grapes, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 5	Mystère 20 jet, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 6	Pearl divers, Persian Gulf, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 7	Scenes in Egypt, circa 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 8	Portrait of Louis-Ferdinand Céline, 1960
Box/Folder: 25 : 9	Portrait of King Hussein II of Jordan, inscribed to Benoist-Méchin, 1960

Box/Folder: 25 : 10	Reburial of Marshal Lyautey, Invalides, Paris, France, 1961 May 10
Box/Folder: 25 : 11	Jean Benvuar, circa 1965
Box/Folder: 25 : 12	King Hussein II of Jordan with King Faisal of Saudi Arabia, circa 1965
Box/Folder: 25 : 13	King Hassan II of Morocco, circa 1965
Box/Folder: 25 : 14	Steelworks, Tunisia, circa 1965
Box/Folder: 25 : 15	Scenes relating to attacks by Palestinian commandos, Israel, 1968-1974
Box/Folder: 25 : 16	Scenes in Beirut, Lebanon, 1969-1976
Box/Folder: 25 : 17	Moroccan horsemen, 1969
Box/Folder: 25 : 18	Marcel Schumann and Abdelaziz Bouteflika, Algeria, 1969 October
Box/Folder: 25 : 19	Muamar Khadaffi (Muammar al-Gaddafi), circa 1970
Box/Folder: 25 : 20	Oil industry, Kuwait, circa 1970
Box/Folder: 25 : 21	Oil installations, Middle East, circa 1970
Box/Folder: 25 : 22	Muamar Khadaffi (Muammar al-Gaddafi), circa 1972
Box/Folder: 25 : 23	Houari Boumedienne, King Hassan II of Morocco, and Mokhtar Ould Daddah, summit conference, Agadir, Morocco, 1973 July 23-24
Box/Folder: 25 : 24	Portrait of Muamar Khadaffi (Muammar al-Gaddafi), inscribed to Benoist-Méchin, 1974
Box/Folder: 25 : 25	Portrait of Mokhtar Ould Daddah, 1975 December 9
Box/Folder: 25 : 26	Portrait of Ismet İnönü and scenes in Turkey, 1976
	Photo albums arranged by Benoist-Méchin, 1957-1976
Box/Folder: 25 : 27-28	Untitled (Middle East and North Africa), circa 1957-1976
Box/Folder: 26 : 1-2	"La route reprend," 1957-1976
Box/Folder: 26 : 3	"Turquie," circa 1970
Box/Folder: 26 : 4-5	"Arabie," circa 1960-1970
Box/Folder: 26 : 6	"Arabie II," circa 1960-1970
Box/Folder: 26 : 7-8	"Arabie III," circa 1960-1970
Box/Folder: 26 : 9-10	"Maroc—Voyage," 1971
Box/Folder: 26 : 11	Miscellany. Three negatives depicting Joseph Darnand and Pierre Laval, circa 1941

Box/Folder: 27 **Oversize materials, 1920-1972.**

Scope and Content Note

Includes art works, translation, posters, and memorabilia

Box/Folder: 27 : 1

French translation by Benoist-Méchin of a play by Fritz von Unruh, circa 1920

Box/Folder: 27 : 2

Self-portrait by Fritz von Unruh, inscribed to Benoist-Méchin, 1924

Box/Folder: 27 : 3

Sketch of a house, undated

Box/Folder: 27 : 4

Portrait of Benoist-Méchin at his desk, circa 1941

Box/Folder: 27 : 5-7

Reproductions of photographs of Philippe Pétain and François Darlan, circa 1941

Box/Folder: 27 : 8

Prison duffle bag given to Benoist-Méchin by Charles Maurras, circa 1953

Box/Folder: 27 : 9-11

Posters publicizing lectures and a magazine article by Benoit-Méchin, circa 1960-1972