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Abstract: Correspondence, memoranda, reports, printed matter, and sound recordings, relating to Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. Used as research material for the book by A. Puddington, *Broadcasting Freedom: The Cold War Triumph of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty* (Lexington, Ky., 2000). Includes records and photocopies of records of RFE/RL.

Physical location: Hoover Institution Archives

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

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1944
February 10 Born, Louisville, Kentucky

1966 B.A., University of Missouri, Kansas City

1966-1968 Reporter, *Lebanon Daily News*, Pennsylvania

1968-1971 Political reporter, *Bayonne Times*, New Jersey

1971-1976 Program director, A. Philip Randolph Institute, New York City

1976-1985 Executive director, League for Industrial Democracy, New York City

1985-1993 Assistant director, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, New York office

1988 Author, *Failed Utopias: Methods of Coercion in Communist Regimes*

1993 Senior scholar, Freedom House, New York City
1994- Vice president for research, Freedom House, New York City
2000 Author, *Broadcasting Freedom: The Cold War Triumph of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty*
2005 Author, *Lane Kirkland: Champion of American Labor*

Scope and Content of Collection

The Arch Puddington papers, acquired in 2001, consist of correspondence, memoranda, microfiche, photographs, printed matter, reports, and sound recordings relating to Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty. They were used as research material for the book by Arch Puddington, *Broadcasting Freedom: The Cold War Triumph of Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty* (Lexington, Kentucky, 2000). The collection includes records and photocopies of records of RFE/RL.

The bulk of the papers, contained in the Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty File, focus on the history of RFE/RL and its broadcasting policy. The effectiveness of its programs, as determined by governments and listeners in different countries, is reflected in Clippings and Printed Matter. Research Materials contains information relating to such issues as the beginnings, purpose, and future of RFE/RL, waves of internal dissent weakening RFE/RL as an instrument of U.S. policy, the question of its funding by the Central Intelligence Agency, and the role played by individuals and organizations in the activities of RFE/RL.

The inclusion of a substantial number of sound recordings complement the series previously mentioned.

Arrangement

The collection is organized into 6 series: Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty File, Clippings and Printed Matter, Research Materials, Photographs, Microfiche from Congressional Information Service Microfiche Library, and Sound Recordings.

Indexing Terms

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

Subjects

Radio Free Europe.
Radio Liberty (Munich, Germany)
Radio broadcasting--Europe, Eastern.
Radio broadcasting--Soviet Union.
Phonotapes.
RFE/RL, inc.

Box: 1	Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty File, 1949-2000. Scope and Content Note Briefing and fact books, correspondence, interview transcripts, memoranda, minutes of meetings, reports, statement, and subject files relating to RFE/RL history, broadcasting policy, strategic planning, and programs set up to target listeners in different countries, arranged alphabetically by physical form
Box/Folder: 1 : 1-9	General files, 1949 July – 1992 October. Scope and Content Note Includes clippings and printed matter, correspondence, memoranda, minutes of meetings, and survey reports relating to RFE/RL programs and their effectiveness, and the future of RFE/RL
Box/Folder: 1 : 10 Box/Folder: 2 : 1-7	Briefing book, 1974 July 4 Correspondence, 1971-1975. Scope and Content Note Includes related materials
Box/Folder: 2 : 8 Box/Folder: 2 : 9 Box/Folder: 2 : 10 Box/Folder: 3 : 1-2 Box/Folder: 3 : 3-4 Box/Folder: 3 : 5 Box/Folder: 3 : 6-8	Fact Book, 1950-1973 Interview with W. Griffith, Bonn, Germany, 1986 May 13 Memoranda, 1951-1953 Minutes of Planning Committee meetings, 1950-1959 Policy and publicity manuals, 1959-1976 Proceedings of conference on policy matters, 1961 Records of the Department of Information Services, 1950-1973

Reports

General

Box/Folder: 3 : 9-10 **1951-1956**
Box/Folder: 4 : 1 **1967-1968**
Box/Folder: 4 : 2-5 **Annual, 1968-1993**
Box/Folder: 4 : 6 **Financial, 1973**
Box/Folder: 4 : 7-8 **Kersten Committee on Communist aggression, 1954**
Box/Folder: 4 : 9-10 **Media, 1971-1974**
Box/Folder: 5 : 1 **President of the United States Task Force on U.S. Government International Broadcasting, 1991**
December
Box/Folder: 5 : 2 **Publications and Special Projects Division, 1967-1969**
Box/Folder: 5 : 3 **Watergate, 1973**
Box/Folder: 5 : 4 **Weekly, 1958-1970**
Box/Folder: 5 : 5 **West European Operations Report (WEOR), 1965**
Box/Folder: 5 : 6 **Statement, "East Europe and Radio Free Europe in an 'Era of Negotiation'," submitted by William P. Durkee, 1971 June 14**

Subject file

General

Box/Folder: 5 : 7-11 **1950-1951.**
Scope and Content Note
Consists of correspondence, memoranda, reports, and telegrams illustrating RFE/RL broadcasting policy guidelines and summary, record of monitoring broadcasts, and personnel records

Box/Folder: 6 : 1-6 **1952-1993**
Box/Folder: 6 : 7 **Anti-Semitism, 1977-1986**
Box/Folder: 6 : 8-9 **Bombing of Munich office, 1981**
Box/Folder: 6 : 10 **London Program Center, 1950-1959**
Box/Folder: 7 : 1 **Pentagon Papers, 1971(?)**
Box/Folder: 7 : 2-3 **Public relations, 1955-1958**
Box/Folder: 7 : 4-9 **Radio programs rating and audience research.**
Scope and Content Note
Includes East European Area Audience and Opinion Research (EEAOR), 1953-1982

Box/Folder: 8 : 1-3 **Research materials and some chapters written for a book on Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty, 1950-1996**
Box/Folder: 8 : 4-7 **Strategic planning, 1967-1993**
United States Congress
Box/Folder: 8 : 8 **1949-1999**
Box/Folder: 9 : 1-8 **1949-1999**
Box/Folder: 9 : 9 **Winter Olympic Games (14th: 1984: Sarajevo, Bosnia and Hercegovina), 1984 February-April**
Box: 10 **Countries**
Box/Folder: 10 : 1 **General, 1974**
Box/Folder: 10 : 2 **Albania, 1958**
Box/Folder: 10 : 3 **Azerbaijan, 1990**
Box/Folder: 10 : 4 **Baltic States, 1952-1991**
Box/Folder: 10 : 5 **Cuba, 1962**
Czechoslovakia.
Note
See also Hungary

Box/Folder: 10 : 6-16 **1950-1966**
Box/Folder: 11 : 1-9 **1967-1998**
Box/Folder: 11 :
10-11 **East Europe, 1963-1964**
Box: 12 **Germany**
Box/Folder: 12 : 1-10 **1951-1970**

Box/Folder: 13 : 1-8	1970-2000
	Hungary.
	Note
	See also Czechoslovakia
Box/Folder: 13 : 9-10	1950-1951
Box/Folder: 14 : 1-12	1951-1956
Box/Folder: 15 : 1-10	1956-1957
Box/Folder: 16 : 1-8	1956-1986
Box/Folder: 16 : 9	Latin America, 1960-1961
	Poland
Box/Folder: 16 : 10-12	1950-1951
Box/Folder: 17 : 1-10	1952-1956
Box/Folder: 18 : 1-9	1956-1958
Box/Folder: 19 : 1-12	1958-1996
Box/Folder: 19 : 13	Romania, 1964-1974
Box/Folder: 20 : 1	Serbia and Montenegro (former Yugoslavia), 1953-1962
Box/Folder: 20 : 2-6	Soviet Union, 1953-1988

Clippings and Printed Matter, 1952-1995.

Scope and Content Note

Arranged alphabetically by language of material

English.

Scope and Content Note

Includes related materials

Box/Folder: 20 : 7	1952-1961
Box/Folder: 20 : 8-9	1954-1969
Box/Folder: 20 : 10	1957-1971
Box/Folder: 21 : 1	1970-1971
Box/Folder: 21 : 2	1972
Box/Folder: 21 : 3-5	1973-1976
Box/Folder: 21 : 6	1976-1977
Box/Folder: 21 : 7	1978-1979
Box/Folder: 21 : 8	1980-1981
Box/Folder: 21 : 9	1982
Box/Folder: 21 : 10-11	1983
Box/Folder: 22 : 1-3	1984
Box/Folder: 22 : 4-5	1985
Box/Folder: 22 : 6-7	1986
Box/Folder: 22 : 8	1987
Box/Folder: 22 : 9	1987-1988
Box/Folder: 23 : 1-2	1988
Box/Folder: 23 : 3-4	1989
Box/Folder: 23 : 5-7	1990
Box/Folder: 23 : 8-10	1991
Box/Folder: 24 : 1-6	1991-1994
Box/Folder: 24 : 7	French, 1970-1995
Box/Folder: 24 : 8	German, 1952-1989
Box/Folder: 24 : 9	Polish, 1971-1979
	Russian
Box/Folder: 24 : 10-13	1954-1970
Box/Folder: 25 : 1-12	1970-1984

Box/Folder: 26 : 1-12	1985-1994
Box: 27	Research Materials, 1947-1996.
	Scope and Content Note
	Correspondence, interview transcripts, memoranda, messages, minutes of meetings, printed matter, remarks, and speeches by or about individuals and organizations familiar with issues affecting Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty, arranged alphabetically by name of individual or organization
Box/Folder: 27 : 1-4	Altschul, Frank, 1949-1956
Box/Folder: 27 : 5	American Committee for Liberation from Bolshevism, 1951-1954
Box/Folder: 27 : 6	Berle, Adolf A., 1949-1959
Box/Folder: 27 : 7	Bialer, Seweryn, 1956-1963
Box/Folder: 27 : 8	Brzezinski, Zbigniew, 1961
Box/Folder: 27 : 9	Buckley, James, 1981-1985
Box/Folder: 27 : 10	Clay, Lucius D., 1949-1951
Box/Folder: 28 : 1	Collins, Larry D., 1973
Box/Folder: 28 : 2	Cummings, Richard S., 1987-1996
Box/Folder: 28 : 3	Dulles, Allen W., 1949-1961
Box/Folder: 28 : 4	Dulles, John Foster, 1948-1959
Box/Folder: 28 : 5	Eidlin, Fred, 1970-1995
Box/Folder: 28 : 6	Freedom House, 1973
Box/Folder: 28 : 7	Free Europe Committee, 1956-1964
Box/Folder: 29 : 1-6	Fulbright, J. William, 1967-1979
Box/Folder: 29 : 7	Galantiere, Lewis, 1951-1964
Box/Folder: 29 : 8	Gornicki, Wieslaw, 1960-1965
Box/Folder: 30 : 1-4	Grew, Joseph C., 1949-1965
	Griffith, William E., 1961.
	Note
	See Zbigniew Brzezinski/box 27
Box/Folder: 30 : 5-8	Jackson, C. D., 1950-1966
Box/Folder: 30 : 9	Jackson, Henry M., 1973-1987
	Kennan, George F.
Box/Folder: 30 :	1953-1966
10-11	
Box/Folder: 31 : 1-3	1967-1993
Box/Folder: 31 : 4	Kohler, Foy, 1950-1990
Box/Folder: 31 : 5	Lewis, Fulton, 1958
Box/Folder: 31 : 6	Michie, Allan A, 1963
Box/Folder: 31 : 7	Mickelson, Sig, 1975-1977
Box/Folder: 31 : 8	National Committee for a Free Europe, 1952-1954
Box/Folder: 32 : 1-6	Peroutka, Ferdinand, 1950-1964
Box/Folder: 32 : 7-8	Poole, Dewitt C., 1949-1959
Box/Folder: 32 : 9-11	Ramparts, 1967-1979
Box/Folder: 33 : 1-3	Reagan, Ronald, 1978-1987
Box/Folder: 33 : 4	Sargeant, Howland H., 1957-1984
Box/Folder: 33 : 5	Shakespeare, Frank J., 1969-1986
Box/Folder: 33 : 6-8	United States Information Agency (USIA), 1961-1993
	Voice of America (VOA)
Box/Folder: 33 : 9-11	1947-1982
Box/Folder: 34 : 1-3	1982-1993
Box/Folder: 34 : 4-5	Walter, Ralph E., 1952-1982

Photographs, 1950-1970s.

Scope and Content Note

20 prints depicting personalities such as James F. Brown, Eleanor Daniels, Juliette Greco, Tom Jones, Martin Luther King, Jan Mekota, Francis Ronalds, Nikolai Safonow, C. Rodney Smith, Peter Zaboji, arranged chronologically

- Box/Folder: 34 : 6 **7 prints depicting unidentified individuals, undated**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 7 **1 print depicting C. Rodney Smith, president of Radio Free Europe, possibly giving a speech, undated**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 8 **1 print depicting Radio Liberty editor Francis Ronalds interviewing Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., undated**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 9 **1 print depicting refugee interviews with Fehlhaber, undated**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 10 **1 print depicting Eleanor Daniels, secretary to special deputy for Soviet affairs, Munich, undated**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 11 **1 print depicting Nougzar Sharia of Radio Liberty's Georgian desk broadcasting news from the West to the listeners in his former homeland in their own language, undated**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 12 **1 print depicting unidentified Radio Free Europe editors preparing for the initial broadcast to Romania, 1950 July 14**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 13 **1 print depicting an unidentified Bulgarian announcer at Radio Free Europe during the 1960s**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 14 **1 print depicting Archbishop Alexander, head of the Independent Russian Orthodox Church for West Germany and Berlin, having a discussion with Radio Liberty director Richard Bertrandias, while Nikolai Safonow, Press and Public Relations Office, Munich, interprets, during the Archbishop's visit to the Oberwiesenfeld Building, 1961 December 6**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 15 **1 print depicting Talbot Hood interviewing a typical cab driver, with Big Ben and the Parliament building behind them, 1963 February**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 16 **1 print depicting Peter Zaboji, Radio Free Europe's Hungarian disc jockey, interviewing Tom Jones during the British singing star's visit to Munich, 1968 March**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 17 **1 print depicting Jan Mekota, a Radio Free Europe disc jockey, interviewing Juliette Greco during the French singing star's visit to Munich, 1968 March**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 18 **1 print depicting James F. Brown conducting one of Radio Free Europe's daily policy meetings during the 1970s**
- Box/Folder: 34 : 19 **1 print depicting an unidentified Kyrgyz broadcaster delivering a news commentary during the 1970s**

Microfiche from Congressional Information Service Microfiche Library, 1977-1979.

Scope and Content Note

Arranged chronologically

- Box/Folder: 34 : 20 **8 microfiche relating to international affairs, and U.S. Department of State and congressional matters regarding Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty**

Box: 35 **Sound Recordings, 1951-1996.**

Scope and Content Note

93 compact sound cassettes recording interviews and speeches of individuals associated with Radio Free Europe and Radio Liberty, arranged alphabetically by name of individual or organization

Unidentified sound recording, undated

Andras, Charles, sound recording 1996 July

Andreesev(?), Gabriel, sound recording 1994 May 4

Bailey, George, sound recording undated

Barthelemy, Tom, sound recording undated

Bellus, Sam (interviewed by Russell Poole), sound recording undated and 1996 July

Scope and Content Note

(3 cassettes)

Bensi, Giovanni, sound recording 1996 July

Berle, P.(?), sound recording 1996 June 19

Borbandi, Gyula, sound recording 1996 July

Brown, James, III, sound recording undated and 1996 April 10**Scope and Content Note**

The 10 April 1996 phone interview concerns Jim Brown's career with Radio Free Europe, beginning with Brown's start in February 1957 through his directorship. Brown describes the circumstance in which he started at RFE. He says he did not intend to be an expert on Eastern European history; that he "stumbled into RFE," having left an academic magazine and simply needing a job. Remarking that he started in the aftermath of the Hungarian Revolution in 1956, he says that event changed a lot of things in RFE. Among other cultural changes, RFE became more interested in research. It wanted to get more facts, rather than propaganda. RFE believed that if a similar debacle ever happened again, it would be the end of RFE. Moreover, he mentions that after 1956, the atmosphere of the programming moved from liberation to gradualism. Eventually, years later, RFE would be really proud of its research product and advertised the academics, etc., that used its information. Much of the time is spent describing the internal culture of the organization. Brown remembers that employees would discuss amongst themselves their opinions about the various issues of the day. However, he notes that there were a series of interdepartmental "cold wars." When he became director, Brown credits himself with making RFE's approach more regional. That is, he thought the various services had been very provincial and only focused on its particular country. He tried to get them to emphasize that all those countries was a part of Europe just as the Western European democracies were. He says the Polish service was the most important service and set the pace for the rest of the organization. Another topic discussed in depth is RFE's connection to the Polish solidarity movement. Within that discussion, Brown credits the Polish church--among other organizations--as acting as a calming agent, as opposed to the more "incendiary" solidarity movement. He feels that together with the solidarity movement and calming agents, RFE helped to exploit cracks in the communist system. The men often discuss their colleagues from the organization, especially Robert Novak. Other items are mentioned in the discussion. RFE had a small Soviet section before the merger with Radio Liberty. Brown knew very little about the connection between RFE and the CIA, but says RFE had a lot of independence. At one point, Brown never thought RFE would bring down the Soviet empire. Finally, RFE had good relations with the consulate.

The undated/1996 phone interview picks up where the April 1996 discussion left off. They discuss Brown's tenure as RFE director in the 1980s. Topics cover the Polish service; Shakespeare, James Buckley, William F. Buckley, and the BIB; why Brown left RFE over a disagreement over the Czechoslovakia desk; RFE's criticism of previous presidents as compared to Reagan; and various directors of RFE.

(3 cassettes)

Buckley, James, sound recording undated**Buell, Bill, and Sig Mickelson sound recording undated****Bush, Keith, sound recording undated****Carnes, Lord, sound recording 1994 May 16****Carp, Mircea, sound recording 1996 July****Corti, Mavic, and Uldis Grava(?), sound recording 1996 July****Crusade for Freedom, sound recording 1951-1952****Scope and Content Note**

Program describes Radio Free Europe and Crusade For Freedom, fighting the Cold War via radio. Includes a dramatization of what it is like to listen to radio in the USSR, an example of Communist radio jamming, a popular song produced by RFE, a freedomgram, reports from the heads of different RFE services

Cummings, Richard, sound recording 1996 July**Davies, Richard, sound recording 1996 May 22****Davis, John R., and Robert Byenes(?) sound recording undated****Deák, István(?) sound recording 1996 April 2****Scope and Content Note**

(Committee for the Free World)

Deming, Gerd von, sound recording 1994 June 6

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Dunning, John, sound recording undated
Ekecs, Geza, sound recording 1996 July
Ekmanis(?), sound recording 1996 May 30
Fedoseyev, Rachel, sound recording undated
Ferguson, Glen, sound recording undated
Floda, Liviu, sound recording 1996 June 13
Forbes, Steve, sound recording undated
Goble, Paul, sound recording undated
Gawlikowski, Leszek(?), sound recording 1996 July
Gavebav, Isztvon(?), sound recording undated
Gillette, Robert and David Abshire sound recording undated
Ginius, Kestutis(?), and Nestor Ratesh sound recording undated
Griffith, Bill, sound recording undated
Handler, Yuri, sound recording 1996 July
Henze, Paul, sound recording undated and 1994 April 20

Scope and Content Note

(3 cassettes)

Hutchings, Robert, sound recording 1996 April 19
Ilves, Tom, sound recording 1996 April 16
Jezdinski(?), sound recording 1994 May 2
Johnson, A. Ross, sound recording 1996 April 18
Kalabianski(?), Jack, sound recording 1996 April 3
Kanpinski(?), sound recording 1996 April 1
Kastner, Al, sound recording 1996 April 4
Keri, Thomas, sound recording undated, 1956, and 1994 March 10

Scope and Content Note

(3 cassettes)

Box: 38

Latynski, Marek, sound recording undated
Leinwoll, Stanley, sound recording 1994 March 23
Losata(?), sound recording undated
Marks, Leonard, sound recording 1996 June 6
Marsh, Bill, sound recording 1996 June 5
Mathews, John(?), sound recording undated
Matlock, Jack, sound recording undated
Matusevich, Vladimir, sound recording 1996 June 7
McCargov(?), sound recording 1994 April 19
Mullervey(?), Mary, sound recording undated
Nowak, Jan, sound recording 1996 April 19
Palous, Martin, sound recording 1994 May 2
Panoff, Kyrill, sound recording undated
Parta, Gene, sound recording undated
Pechacek and Ludmila Rakusan sound recording 1996 July
Pell, Gene, sound recording 1996 June 5
Pomar, Mark, sound recording undated
Poole, Russell, sound recording undated
Raymond, Walt, sound recording undated
Revmgu(?) sound recording undated
Reyman, Karl, sound recording 1994 April 6
Richardson, John, sound recording 1996 June 4
Roitman, Lev, and Fred Eidlin sound recording undated
Ronalds, Francis, Jr., sound recording undated
Ronalds, Ronnie, sound recording 1996 June 6
Rowson sound recording undated
Rubin, Gene, sound recording 1994 April 4
Ruszar(?), Joseph, sound recording undated

Box: 39

Steibel(?), Gerald, sound recording 1996 March 27
Szabados(?) sound recording 1996 May 15
Tigrd, Pavel, sound recording undated
Traycey, Roman, sound recording undated
Valleus(?) sound recording 1996 March 22
Vasiliev, Rosen, sound recording 1996 April 12
Washu(?) sound recording 1996 June 7
Wierzbiecki, Zbigniew, sound recording undated
Wimbush, Enders, sound recording undated
Zaprudnik(?) sound recording 1994 March 29
ZBIG(?) sound recording 1996 May 16