



Ford Foundation records, International Division, Office Files of John S. Nagel

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	The International Division Papers of John S. Nagel document his activities and a number of those of the International Division's Latin America and Caribbean (ID/LAC) office for the period 1966 to 1975. The papers were accessioned into the Archives in two stages: Series I, Population Files, 1966-1972, were transferred to the Archives in February 1982; Series II, Correspondence Files, 1968-1975, were removed from terminated office files shipped to New York for permanent storage from the Mexico City field office in March 1978. These papers consist of copies of correspondence, inter-office memoranda, and reports. Arrangement within each series corresponds as closely as possible to the original order established by Nagel's New York and Mexico City offices.

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Biographical / Historical

John S. Nagel, Ford Foundation Program Advisor in Population for the Latin America and Caribbean office of the International Division, was a member of the Foundation staff from 1962 until his retirement in 1977. During this period, he held the following positions: • April 1973, Program Advisor, LA&C, Mexico City, ID • September 1968, Deputy and Program Officer, LA&C, New York, ID • June 1966,

Representative, LA&C, Argentina, ID • June 1965, Representative, LA&C, Argentina and Chile, OD • July 1962, Representative, LA&C, Mexico and Central America, Mexico City, OD • January 1962, Associate Director, LA&C, New York, OD Mr. Nagel also served as a consultant to the Ford Foundation on two separate occasions following his retirement. From June 1977 until December 1978, he monitored and evaluated program activities in the field of population for the LA&C office; and from November 1979 until September 1980, he served in the Population Program on communications projects. John Nagel was born June 5, 1913. He received his B.S. degree in Commerce from Northwestern University in 1934. Prior to Nagel's career with the Ford Foundation, he held the following positions: • 1953-1961, Needham, Louis & Brorby, Director of Marketing; V.P. and Account Supervisor • 1948-1953, Young & Rubicam, Marketing and Account Executive • 1943-1948, Booz, Allen & Hamilton, Staff Manager and Director of Executive Personnel Recruitment • 1941-1943, Zurich Insurance, Sales Promotion Manager and Assistant Director of Public Relations • 1936-1941, Northwestern University, Director of Alumni Relations and Assistant to Vice President in Charge of Production After his retirement and consultantcies with the Foundation, Mr. Nagel moved to Naples, Florida.

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Biographical / Historical

Segment One: International Activities of the Ford Foundation: An Overview

The Foundation's aspiration to become a national and international philanthropy for the advancement of human welfare was first formally expressed in the seminal 1949 report of the Gaither Study Committee, *Report of the Study for the Ford Foundation on Policy and Program* (RAC Library, call letters 361.7 GAI), which was commissioned by the Board of Trustees to chart the Foundation's future. Foundation Trustees launched Ford's international grantmaking activities in 1950 when they approved the committee's report and its embrace of peace, democracy, and freedom. Since then, the Foundation has tackled these goals using a variety of strategies and responding to changing contexts, from the Cold War to the 1989 fall of the Berlin Wall and beyond.

Toward the Foundation's aspirational goal, "the establishment of peace", its international activities have comprised a wide range of conceptual approaches and focus areas. These include international affairs, international studies, international understanding, arms control and disarmament, international law, international economic concerns, and overseas development in nearly every region of the world. Three distinct periods emerge for the international grantmaking defined by external contextual changes and internal changes in Foundation leadership and structures: the expansion era of 1950-1965; the transition and restructuring years of 1966-1988; and the post-1989 shift away from Cold War dichotomies. During each of the distinct historical periods the consistent objectives were: 1) to ensure freedom and democracy in developed countries; 2) to foster education and international understanding in all countries; and 3) to contribute to the social, economic, and political development of less developed countries.

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Scope and Contents

The three boxes of correspondence, inter-office memoranda, and reports which constitute the International Division Papers of John S. Nagel, document his activities and a number of those of the Foundation's Latin America and Caribbean (LAC) office for the years 1966 to 1975.

The papers, which are broad in scope, yet lacking in quantity and depth, contain material on Foundation sponsored population projects including the Bellagio Population Group; the International Agency for Contraceptive Research and Development; the International Planned Parenthood Federation; and the Pan American Health Organization. The material consists of reports and related correspondence. The papers are indicative of the role Nagel played within the Latin America and Caribbean program.

The correspondence files document the day-to-day program activity and other Foundation related correspondence of Nagel for the period 1966 to 1975.

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Arrangement

The International Division Papers of John S. Nagel are divided into two series:

I. Population Files, 1966-1972 II. Chronological Files, 1968-1975

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Ford Foundation archive was deposited at RAC in 2011. Ford Foundation records, correspondence, reports, program files and officers papers were transferred to, and accessioned by, RAC beginning in 2011. Accessions continue as necessary.

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Related Materials

Separated Materials

Staff and consultant reports and publications have been pulled and accessioned into the FF Archives. A cross-reference sheet located within the folders denotes accessioned reports. A list of titles removed from the papers is appended to this register. Papers not related to Ford Foundation activities have been removed.

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Collection Inventory

Population Files, 1966-1972

Arrangement

Series I, Population Files (1966-1972), is the most substantive. It contains population files arranged in alphabetical order by subject. Printed matter consists of correspondence, inter-office memoranda, and reports. Within each folder, the files are arranged in reverse chronological order.

Title/Description	Instances	
ACORD - International Agency for Contraceptive Research and Development, 1970 May - 1969 December	box 1	folder 1
Bellagio Population Group, 1971 July - 1969 July	box 1	folder 2-5
Ford Foundation Program in Reproductive Biology, 1972 January	box 1	folder 6
Inter-American Development Bank, 1971 March - 1969 November	box 1	folder 7
International Planned Parenthood Federation, 1971 May - 1969 September	box 1	folder 8
Nutrition, 1970 December	box 1	folder 9
OAS - PAHO, 1970 May - 1969 February	box 1	folder 10
Population Advisor Mailings, 1972 September - 1971 December	box 1	folder 11
Population Council, 1970 June - 1969 April	box 1	folder 12
Population Strategy - Trustees, 1970 November - July	box 1	folder 13
University of California, 1968 August	box 1	folder 14
University of Chicago, 1971 June - 1966 February	box 1	folder 15
University of Michigan, 1969 January - 1967 December	box 1	folder 16
UNC Population Center, 1970 October - 1969 May	box 1	folder 17

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Chronological Files, 1968-1975

Arrangement

Series II, Chronological Files (1968-1975), is the most extensive. It contains two subject files and copies of Nagel's outgoing correspondence and inter-office memoranda with FF colleagues, grantee organizations, and individuals and

organizations seeking grants. The files are arranged in reverse calendar order. Within each folder, the papers are arranged in reverse chronological order.

Title/Description	Instances	
Grant Action Guidelines, 1972 November - June	box 2	folder 18
Legal Basis for Overseas Activities, 1970 November - September	box 2	folder 19
1975 May - April	box 2	folder 20-21
1974 February	box 2	folder 22
1973	box 2	folder 23-34
1972	box 2	folder 35-46
1971	box 3	folder 47-58
1970	box 3	folder 59-70
1969	box 3	folder 71-81
1968	box 3	folder 82-87

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