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Summary Information

Repository:	Rockefeller Archive Center
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Biographical / Historical

The Population Council was founded by John D. Rockefeller 3rd in 1952 to undertake "significant activities in the broad field of population." Its goal has been to bring about a reduction in the number of births that occur in the world. In its early years, the business of the Population Council was conducted by a Demographic Division and a Biomedical Division. Through its Demographic Division, the Council sought to document what it conceived to be an overpopulation problem threatening many areas of the world. To accomplish this purpose, the Division facilitated research on the economic, social, and psychological factors which affect the growth and decline of human population. This Council-assisted research effort was conducted not only by staff of the Demographic Division but also by other institutions and scholars, some of whom received Council grants and fellowships and some of whom received informal advice and consultation on how to design and execute studies.

The Biomedical Division, which, beginning in 1959, occupied a laboratory at The Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research (now The Rockefeller University), has conducted pure and applied research on plant, animal, and human reproductive physiology and on the development, the physiological action, and the safety and effectiveness of contraceptive methods. The Council facilitated similar types of

medical research by non-Council scientists at other institutions by giving grants and fellowships for such research. The Council's biomedical research and its support for research by non-Council scientists were instrumental in the development of the modern intrauterine coil and the birth control pill.

In about 1960, the scope of Population Council activities expanded. The Council began to render practical and technical aid to foreign nations. Beginning in that year, the Demographic Division, in addition to supervising research, became involved in Pakistan's family planning program, extending practical and technical aid in organizing and running a national family planning program. By 1964 the Council's Demographic Division had assisted in organizing family planning programs in South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Tunisia, and Turkey. In that year, the Council created the Technical Assistance Division. This division, in ensuing years, continued the assistance of the Council in the countries where it had already become involved and also helped start and run programs in India, Morocco, the Philippines, and Puerto Rico.

An underlying aim of the Council's grant programs has been to encourage the development and growth of institutions that would promote family planning programs. To this end, the Council has given grants and advice to various universities and research centers for starting and upgrading programs for demographic and biomedical training and research programs; has assisted the United Nations to set up and expand regional Demographic Training and Research Centres in Bombay, India, Santiago, Chile, and Cairo, Egypt; has worked with the Ford Foundation on family planning programs in Pakistan, India, and North Africa.

In addition to rendering technical aid and sponsoring research, the Council has undertaken several complementary public relations efforts. To reach the general populations of the United States and of foreign nations, Council officers have worked to inform the mass media about population issues and to encourage magazine articles, movies, and books dealing with population matters. Council officers and representatives have also made trips and prepared reports to convince various foreign government leaders of the importance and the desirability of promulgating family planning programs. In addition, Council officers participated in and helped organize and finance conferences for demographers and medical scientists active in population work.

The Population Council has obtained its financial support through large contributions. The Ford and Rockefeller Foundations and the Rockefeller Brothers Fund have been the principal institutional supporters of the Council. John D. Rockefeller 3rd has been the single most significant individual backer of the Council.

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Scope and Contents

The Miscellaneous Files document a wide variety of subject matter and file types including but not limited to meeting records, lectures, receptions and events, real estate files, planning and proposal documents, field staff and trip files.

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Arrangement

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Conditions Governing Access

Open for research with select materials restricted as noted. Brittle or damaged items are available at the discretion of RAC.

Processing Information

Minimal processing, 2018. Some records remain in original file folders.

Conditions Governing Use

Collection is open for scholarly research. If accessing the records of the Population Council, I understand that I am given access to these records on condition that I will not identify by name, either in my research notes or in publication or recording, the names of individuals who received or apparently received medical diagnoses and/or treatments, whose case(s), may be documented or mentioned by personal name in the Population Council records.

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Collection Inventory

Miscellaneous Files, 1964-1986

Title/Description	Instances	
Experiment in International Living (EIL) - Correspondence and General Material, 1984-1986	box 1	folder 1
Experiment in International Living (EIL) - Board of Trustees, 1986	box 1	folder 2
Experiment in International Living (EIL) - Executive Committee, 1986	box 1	folder 3
Experiment in International Living (EIL) - Finance Committee, 1986	box 1	folder 4
Population Council - Real Estate Research, 1984	box 1	folder 5
Sample Brochures, 1970s	box 2	folder 6
Population Council Brochure, 1980-1984	box 2	folder 7
China - Qian Dinner, 1983 October	box 2	folder 8-9
Qian Lecture - Qian Speech, George Zeidenstein Introduction, Question and Answer Session, 1983 October	box 2	folder 10
Qian Lecture - Recipients of Qian Speech, 1983 September-November	box 2	folder 11
Qian Lecture - Logistics, 1983 October	box 2	folder 12
Qian Lecture - Correspondence, 1983 September-October	box 2	folder 13

Qian Lecture - Samples, 1983 October	box 2	folder 14
Qian Lecture - List of Invitees, 1983	box 2	folder 15
One Dag Correspondence - Vendors, 1976-1984	box 2	folder 16
Environetics, 1976-1978	box 3	folder 17
One Times Square, 1980	box 3	folder 18
Sandy Perlowin Associates, 1980	box 3	folder 19
United Nations Population Commission Reception, 1983-1984	box 3	folder 20
United Nations Population Commission Reception, 1985	box 3	folder 21
Public Issues Papers, 1978-1982	box 3	folder 22
Public Issues Papers - U.S. Immigration Policy: Foreign and Domestic Implications, 1979 May 9	box 3	folder 23
Sato Dinner Reception, 1985 September 23	box 3	folder 24
Social Security and the Population Council, 1983	box 3	folder 25
Studies in Family Planning, 1974-1980	box 3	folder 26
Space and Location, 1973-1981	box 4	folder 27
Support Services, 1976-1981	box 4	folder 28
Research and Evaluation - Thailand - Field Staff, 1975-1976	box 4	folder 29
Lippes Loops - Purchase Orders, 1977-1978	box 4	folder 30
Ford Foundation-Population Council - Asia Meetings, 1976	box 4	folder 31
Hoogenboom - Trip - East and Southeast Asia, 1970 June	box 4	folder 32
Personnel and Payroll	box 5	folder 33
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Population Council New Headquarters, 1976	box 5	folder 35
Asia Meetings, 1975-1976	box 5	folder 36
Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) Medical School Program, 1969	box 5	folder 37
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Population Policy - Law Proposals, 1970-1974	box 5	folder 39
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