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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

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Under the limits established by the Fund, the West Africa Program did not operate as a grant-making agency. At the request of ministries in one of the African governments involved or of a private group of investors and industrialists, the Fund contracted with outside consultants to prepare "feasibility studies." Each of these studies dealt in depth with a specific aspect of the concerned nation's economic potential or needs and was designed to provide a realistic framework for later action. The Fund's responsibility ended with the submission of these studies to the appropriate agencies or private groups.

The Program's main office in Lagos, Nigeria was also a distribution point for these studies. Its director, Robert I. Fleming, acted as a liaison between the governments of Togo, Ghana, and Nigeria and groups of U.S. investors. The Lagos office organized investigative tours for these investors and arranged their contacts with governmental personnel.

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Arrangement

The records of the West Africa Program are divided into three series:

Series 1 - General Files

Series 2 - Projects

Series 3 - Feasibility Studies

Note: These records were reviewed and partially weeded by Rockefeller Brothers Fund officials in 1968. At that time the original filing order of the documents was not retained.

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Administrative Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Collection Inventory

West Africa Program, 1953-1977, bulk 1957-1963 (1957-1963)

Physical Description: 12.4 Cubic Feet 30 boxes

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General Files, 1957-1977, bulk 1957-1963 (1957-1963)

Physical Description: 4 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents note

This series contains correspondence, memoranda, reports, financial and administrative material, personnel correspondence and news releases.

Title/Description	Instances	
Action Affecting the Climate for Investment, 1959-1961	box 1	folder 1-2
Agency for International Development (AID) / Arthur D. Little, Incorporated, 1961-1966	box 1	folder 3
Articles Published, 1958-1962	box 1	folder 4
Budgets and Accounting, 1958-1963	box 1	folder 5-6
Camp, John R. - Survey Trip Correspondence, 1957	box 1	folder 7-8
Camp, John R. - Survey Trip Report, 1957 June	box 2	folder 9
Capital Plant - Equipment and Furnishings for Office and Flat, 1959-1962	box 2	folder 10
Checci and Company - Contract, 1961-1963	box 2	folder 11
Checci Study - Correspondence, 1960 March-1963 June	box 2	folder 12-14
Checci Study - Memoranda, 1961	box 2	folder 15

Checci Study - Report, 1960-1961	box 2	folder 16
Confidential File - Incoming Letters from New York, 1958-1963	box 3	folder 17-23
Confidential File - Outgoing Letters to New York, 1958-1959	box 3	folder 24-25
Confidential File - Outgoing Letters to New York, 1960-1963	box 4	folder 26-28
Correspondence (General), 1958-1963	box 4	folder 29-30
Feasibility Studies - Agency for International Development (AID) Index, 1964-1967	box 4	folder 31
Feasibility Studies - Correspondence with Arthur D. Little, Incorporated, 1962-1967	box 4	folder 32
Feasibility Studies - Requests to New York Office, 1961-1965	box 4	folder 33
Feasibility Studies - Requests to New York Office, 1966-1977	box 5	folder 34
Fleming, Robert I. - Correspondence, 1959-1963	box 5	folder 35-39
Hyde, James N. - Trips, 1967-1970	box 5	folder 39A
Ivory Coast - Correspondence, 1962-1963	box 5	folder 40
Incidental Expenses Associated with Program, 1960	box 5	folder 41
Insurance - Automobile, 1958-1963	box 5	folder 42
Insurance - Personnel - Accident, 1959-1960	box 5	folder 43
Legal Documents, 1958-1960	box 6	folder 44
Library, 1958-1961	box 6	folder 45
May, Stacy - Correspondence with Robert I. Fleming, 1958-1962	box 6	folder 46-48
May, Stacy - Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1958-1961	box 6	folder 49-51
May, Stacy - Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1962-1964	box 7	folder 52
News Releases, 1958-1962	box 7	folder 53-54
New York Files, 1958-1961	box 7	folder 55-59
New York Files, 1962-1968	box 8	folder 60-62
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Office and Flat - Rent, 1958-1965	box 8	folder 64
Personnel - Miscellany, 1958-1963	box 8	folder 65
Personnel - Claire Ackauku, 1959-1964	box 8	folder 66
Personnel - Nicholas G. Carter, 1960-1962	box 8	folder 67
Personnel - James Larkin, 1960	box 8	folder 68
Public Relations and Entertainment, 1959-1963	box 8	folder 69

Stonehill, Harry S., 1960-1968	box 8	folder 70
Togo - Correspondence, 1959-1963	box 8	folder 71
Finance - Correspondence Relating to Finance in General, 1958-1960	box 9	folder 72
Finance - Correspondence Relating to Finance in General, 1961-1963	box 9	folder 73
Finance - Cashbook, 1959-1963	box 9	folder 74
Finance - Voucher Books 2-3, 1960 February 1-March 30	box 9	folder 75
Finance - Voucher Book 4, 1960 April	box 9	folder 76
Final Audits, 1963	box 29	folder 226
Voucher Book 2, 1959 October - 1960 February	box 29	folder 227
Analytical Cash Book for Lagos Office, 1960 January - 1963 January	box 30	folder 230

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Projects, 1953-1965, bulk 1958-1965 (1958-1965)

Physical Description: 6 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents note

This series contains correspondence, memoranda, and reports related to projects undertaken in Togo, Ghana, and Nigeria.

Title/Description	Instances	
Togo - Development Bank - Correspondence, 1959-1963	box 10	folder 80
Togo - Development Bank - Reports, 1961-1962	box 10	folder 81
Togo - Development Bank - Reports, 1962	box 11	folder 82
Togo - Economic Information, 1958-1960	box 11	folder 83
Ghana - Electrical Assembly Plant, 1959	box 11	folder 84
Ghana - Fisheries, 1953, 1959-1960	box 11	folder 85
Ghana - Paradigm Site Material, 1959-1960	box 11	folder 86
Ghana - Poultry, 1958-1961	box 11	folder 87
Ghana - Poultry, 1958-1961	box 11	folder 88
Ghana - Water Project, 1958	box 11	folder 89
Ghana - Water Project, 1959 February-1961 May	box 12	folder 90-94
Nigeria - Bicycle Tire Manufacturing, 1959-1961	box 12	folder 95

Nigeria - Boats (Wooden), 1961	box 12	folder 96
Nigeria - Bornu Province, 1959-1960	box 12	folder 97
Nigeria - Building Costs, 1961	box 12	folder 98
Nigeria - Cable and Wire, 1961-1962	box 13	folder 99
Nigeria - Candle Manufacturing, 1960-1961	box 13	folder 100
Nigeria - Cement, 1960-1962	box 13	folder 101-102
Nigeria - Ceramics (Clay-Tile), 1959-1963	box 13	folder 103-104
Nigeria - Chalk Project, 1962	box 13	folder 105
Nigeria - Cigar Industry, 1960 June-1963 March	box 13	folder 106-107
Nigeria - Cigarette Project, 1960-1962	box 13	folder 108
Nigeria - Cinema Development, 1963	box 13	folder 109
Nigeria - Cinva Ram Project, 1958-1960	box 14	folder 110-111
Nigeria - Cinva Ram Project - International Volunteer Services, 1959-1961	box 14	folder 112
Nigeria - Coal Products, 1960-1961	box 14	folder 113
Nigeria - Coastal Shipping, undated	box 14	folder 114
Nigeria - Coffee, 1960-1963	box 14	folder 115
Nigeria - Concrete Products, 1960-1963	box 14	folder 116
Nigeria - Cooperage, 1959-1960, 1962	box 14	folder 117
Nigeria - Core Stock Veneer, 1962-1965	box 15	folder 118
Nigeria - Cotton Textiles, 1958-1961	box 15	folder 119
Nigeria - Cylinders and Stove Project, 1960	box 15	folder 120
Nigeria - Deep Sea Fishing, 1959-1962	box 15	folder 121
Nigeria - Dry Cleaning Project, 1960-1961	box 15	folder 122
Nigeria - Electrical Assembly Project, 1959-1962	box 15	folder 123-124
Nigeria - Fertilizer, 1960-1963	box 15	folder 125
Nigeria - Fish, 1959, 1963	box 15	folder 126
Nigeria - Flour Mill Project, 1960-1962	box 15	folder 127
Nigeria - Food Processing Project, 1959-1962	box 16	folder 128
Nigeria - Furniture Project, 1957-1961	box 16	folder 129

Nigeria - Glass Project, 1959 May-1961 February	box 16	folder 130-135
Nigeria - Glass Project, 1961-1963	box 17	folder 136-138
Nigeria - Glue and Resin Project, 1962	box 17	folder 139
Nigeria - Gramophone Records, 1961	box 17	folder 140
Nigeria - Gravel Crushing Project, 1960-1963	box 17	folder 141
Nigeria - Gypsum Deposit, 1963	box 17	folder 142
Nigeria - Hotels, 1959-1963	box 17	folder 143
Nigeria - Housing - Correspondence, 1959-1963	box 17	folder 144
Nigeria - Housing - Reports, 1959-1962	box 17	folder 145
Nigeria - Industrial Estate Project, 1960, 1962	box 18	folder 146
Nigeria - Investment Fund, 1961	box 18	folder 147
Nigeria - Iron and Steel, 1960 January-1963 May	box 18	folder 148-152
Nigeria - Kenof Fiber Bag Project, 1960-1963	box 19	folder 153-154
Nigeria - Kerosene Project, 1959	box 19	folder 155
Nigeria - Lead Pencil Project, 1960-1963	box 19	folder 156
Nigeria - Lead Products, 1960-1963	box 19	folder 157
Nigeria - Leather Tanneries, 1959-1963	box 19	folder 158
Nigeria - Lumber, 1958-1960 August	box 19	folder 159-160
Nigeria - Lumber, 1960-1962	box 20	folder 161-162
Nigeria - Lumber - Reports, 1959-1963	box 20	folder 163
Nigeria - Machete Project, 1960-1962	box 20	folder 164
Nigeria - Management Training Project, 1960-1962	box 20	folder 165
Nigeria - Matches, 1960-1961	box 20	folder 166
Nigeria - Meat Packing Project, 1959-1963	box 20	folder 167-168
Nigeria - Motorized Pushcarts, 1961	box 21	folder 169
Nigeria - Nails, 1960-1961, 1963	box 21	folder 170
Nigeria - Natural Gas Transmission, 1959-1962	box 21	folder 171
Nigeria - Nuts and Bolts, 1961-1963	box 21	folder 172

Nigeria - Oil Processing, 1962-1963	box 21	folder 173
Nigeria - Paints, 1960-1961	box 21	folder 174
Nigeria - Paper Cup Project, 1960-1961	box 21	folder 175
Nigeria - Paper Production, 1960-1963	box 21	folder 176
Nigeria - Pharmaceutical Marketing, 1961	box 21	folder 177
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Nigeria - Pharmaceuticals, 1961-1964	box 22	folder 179-180
Nigeria - Plastics, 1959-1963	box 22	folder 181-183
Nigeria - Plastics - Reports, 1959-1962	box 22	folder 184
Nigeria - Poultry, 1960-1961	box 22	folder 185
Nigeria - Printing, 1958-1960	box 22	folder 186
Nigeria - Publications, 1960	box 22	folder 187
Nigeria - Publications, 1961-1963	box 23	folder 188
Nigeria - Publications - Reports, 1961-1963	box 23	folder 189
Nigeria - Refrigerator Project, 1959-1961	box 23	folder 190
Nigeria - Restaurants, 1959-1960, 1963	box 23	folder 191
Nigeria - Rice Production, 1954, 1961-1962	box 23	folder 192
Nigeria - Rubber Products, 1959-1963	box 23	folder 193
Nigeria - Salt, Caustic Soda, and Chlorine, 1960-1962	box 23	folder 194
Nigeria - Salt, Caustic Soda, and Chlorine - Reports, 1958-1961	box 23	folder 195
Nigeria - Shirt Manufacturing, 1960-1961, 1963	box 23	folder 196
Nigeria - Starch Manufacturing, 1962-1963	box 24	folder 197
Nigeria - Textiles, 1959-1963 May	box 24	folder 198-203
Nigeria - Textiles - Reports, 1959-1962	box 24	folder 204
Nigeria - Government - Western Region, 1958-1960, 1962	box 24	folder 205
Nigeria - Government - Eastern Region, 1959-1963	box 25	folder 206
Nigeria - Government - Northern Region, 1959-1963	box 25	folder 207
Ghana - Poultry Breeding Report, 1959	box 29	folder 228
Nigeria - Reports	box 29	folder 229

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Bornu Province, 1956

Glass, 1959

Iron and Steel, 1960

Salt, 1962

Leather, undated

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Feasibilities Studies, 1959-1963

Physical Description: 2 Cubic Feet

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This series contains copies of studies contracted by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund regarding economic development prospects in Togo, Ghana, and Nigeria.

Title/Description	Instances	
Togo - A Development Company for Togo: Economic Growth in a Small Market, 1963 March	box 25	folder 208
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English and French versions.		
Ghana, 1959-1961	box 25	folder 209
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Economic Feasibility of a Poultry Breeding Farm in Ghana, September 1959.		
Pakro Dam on the Kuia River: Project Report, February 1960.		
Economic and Technical Feasibility of a Machete Manufacturing Plant, December 1960.		
Ghana - Feasibility Report on Plastics Industry in Ghana, 1961 February	box 25	folder 210
Ghana - A Program to Accelerate Economic Growth in Ghana, 1961 July	box 25	folder 211
Nigeria - Nigerian Housing Project, 1959 November	box 25	folder 212
Nigeria, 1959	box 26	folder 213

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Economic Feasibility of a Meat Industry in Northern Nigeria, December 1959.

Technological and Economic Feasibility of a Structural Clay Tile Plant for Western Nigeria, December 1959.

Nigeria, 1960

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The Feasibility of Glass Production in Nigeria, Volume I: General Report, March 1960.

The Feasibility of Glass Production in Nigeria, Volume II: Economic Reports, March 1960.

Nigeria, 1960

box 26

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The Feasibility of Glass Production in Nigeria, Volume III: Technical Reports, March 1960.

Nails Plant for Eastern Nigeria, May 1960.

A Study of the Advisability of Building a Plant to Manufacture Electrical Appliances in Nigeria, August 1960.

Nigeria, 1960

box 26

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Poultry and Egg Production for the Area Around Lagos, Nigeria, October 1960.

Feasibility Report on Concrete Masonry Products Industry in the Federation of Nigeria, November 1960.

The Economic and Technological Feasibility of a Machete Manufacturing Plant for Nigeria, November 1960.

Nigeria, 1960

box 27

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Feasibility Report on Plastics Industry in the Federation of Nigeria, November 1960.

The Potential for Lead Utilizing Industries in Nigeria, December 1960.

Nigeria - Prospectus for the Establishment of a Lead-Acid Automotive Storage Battery Company in Nigeria, 1960 December

box 27

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Nigeria - Proposal for Glass Manufacturing Plants for Eastern Region Government of Nigeria, 1961 January	box 27	folder 219
Nigeria - Techno-Economic Evaluation of Opportunities for Establishing a Textile Products Manufacturing Plant in Nigeria, 1961 February	box 27	folder 220
Nigeria, 1961	box 27	folder 221

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Feasibility Report on Integrated Textile Mill in the Eastern Region of the Federation of Nigeria, March 1961.

Report on Possibilities for Cigar Leaf and Cigar Production in Nigeria, June 1961.

Nigeria, 1961	box 28	folder 222
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Feasibility Report on Cement Manufacturing Industry in the Northern Region of the Federation of Nigeria, June 1961.

Review of Feasibility: Nail Manufacturing Industry in the Eastern Region of the Federation of Nigeria, July 1961.

A Feasibility Report on the Establishment of a Phonograph Record and General Plastics Industry in Nigeria, August 1961.

Diversified Nigerian Wood Products Industries, 1961.

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Feasibility Report on Metal Fastener Manufacture and Machine Shop in the Federation of Nigeria, April 1962.

General Feasibility Survey of a Pharmaceutical Production Project for Nigeria, April 1962.

Nigeria - Report on the Feasibility of Establishing an Integrated Steel Mill in Nigeria, 1962 October	box 28	folder 224
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Nigeria, 1963	box 28	folder 225
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Investigation of the Feasibility of Establishing a Gravel Washing-Crushing-Grading Industry in Nigeria, January 1963.

The Feasibility of a Core-Stock Veneer Mill in Eastern
Nigeria, November 1963.

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