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Collection Overview

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| Repository: | National Air and Space Museum Archives |
| Title: | Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services Collection |
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| Creator: | Scheffelin, Margaret Merrick |
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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Margaret M. Scheffelin, Gift, 1985, 1986-0007, NASM

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Biographical / Historical

The Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS) was established in 1951 by Department of Defense Directive 110.09-2 to advise and assist the Secretary of Defense on policy relating to women in the armed forces. The major objectives of the committee were to inform the public of the need for women in the services, the responsibility assumed by the military to provide for the welfare of women, and to accelerate the recruitment of women. By the 1980s DACOWITS had become involved in a wide variety of military issues relating to women.

Scope and Contents

This accession primarily documents Dr. Margaret Merrick Scheffelin's membership to DACOWITS (March 1982 - December 1984). This material consists of published articles, newspaper clippings, and manuscripts, as well as DACOWITS meeting minutes and reports for the period of Dr. Scheffelin's tenure, as well as some personal correspondence and photographs.

Arrangement

Arrangement: 1) Publications 2) visitation packets 3) DACOWITS meetings 4) published articles 5) newspaper & periodical clippings 6) personal correspondence 7) miscellaneous

General

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Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Aeronautics, Military
- Women and the military
- Women in aeronautics

Types of Materials:

- Articles
- Clippings
- Correspondence
- Manuscripts
- Minutes
- Photographs
- Reports

Names:

- Scheffelin, Margaret Merrick
- United States. Department of Defense
- United States. Dept. of Defense. Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)