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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

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Biographical / Historical

The Rocket-Sonde Research Section of the Naval Research Laboratory (NAR) participated in the V-2 Panel (ACA V-2 Upper Atmosphere Research Panel), which, with the use of captured German V-2 rockets, conducted in the 1940s and 1950s a long series of experiments which sought to to further our understanding of the upper atmosphere and the nature of solar radiation, as well as the technology utilized in the V-2 itself.

Scope and Contents

This collection is comprised mostly of administrative memoranda of the portion of the V-2 Panel which represented the Rocket-Sonde Research Section of NAR. The thirty-four files from Rocket-Sonde members are roughly chronological and are followed by files from other entities such as the Ad Hoc

Committee on Rocket, Satellite and Space Research. The material in this collection was gathered by David DeVorkin while he conducted research for his book, *Science with a Vengeance*.

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:

- Artificial satellites
- Astronautics
- Atmosphere, Upper -- Rocket observations
- Ballistic missiles
- Rocketry
- Rockets (Aeronautics)
- V-2 rocket

Types of Materials:

- Charts
- Memoranda

Names:

- DeVorkin, David H., 1944-
- Naval Research Laboratory (Washington, D.C.)
- Naval Research Laboratory (Washington, D.C.). Rocket Sonde Branch

Preferred Titles:

- Science with a Vengeance*