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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Air and Space Museum Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Colonel Alexis B. McMullen Collection
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<b>Extent:</b>	37 Cubic feet ((31 boxes))
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Image(s): Colonel Alexis B. McMullen Collection</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Alexis Brenier McMullen, Gift, Unknown

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical / Historical

Colonel Alexis B. McMullen participated in American aviation activities at the local, state and national level over a period of some 50 years, as well as international activities during two world wars. A. B. McMullen learned to fly during World War I, and he became an Aerobatic Flight Instructor and Base Engineering Officer. After the war, he barnstormed with Mabel Cody and owned/operated flying schools and aviation corporations. In 1933 he became Florida's first State Director of Aviation. Under his leadership in this position, 84 new airports and flight strips were constructed and the first comprehensive state aviation map was published. From 1936-1942 McMullen served as Chief, Airports Section Bureau of Air Division. During World War II he actively served as Deputy Commander North African Division of Air Transport Command (ATC), stationed in Morocco. After the war he established the Washington, DC Headquarters

of the National Association of State Aviation Officials (NASAO) which he continued to serve with until his retirement.

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## Scope and Contents

This collection consists of aeronautical charts of United States territory (ca. 1944-1963), a few specific states (ca. 1965), the Middle East as charted by the U.S. Army during World War II (ca. 1944), and some international flight areas (c. 1947 and 1968). These charts were compiled by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Coast and Geodetic Survey, U.S. Army Maps Service, and Provisional International Civil Aviation Organization. This collection also includes 1968 airline maps of the United States and South America, as well as a 1938 summary of the legislation history of the District of Columbia airport bills.

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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  
Navigation (Aeronautics)

Types of Materials:

Maps