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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	American National Standards Institute X3L2 Committee Records
Date:	1969-1975
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0311
Creator:	Clamons, Eric H.
Source:	National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Mathematics
Extent:	3 Cubic feet (10 boxes)
Language:	English .
Summary:	Records from Eric H. Clamons, fifth chairman of the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) X3L2 Standards Committee.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Collection donated by Eric H. Clamons of Honeywell Information Systems, September 1980.

Provenance

These records originated during Mr. Clamons' tenure as chairman of the committee. In June 1979 he was asked by the Division of Mathematics (now Division of Medicine and Science), National Museum of American History, to donate any records of historical value in his possession. The records were donated to the Smithsonian Institution in September 1980 and were kept in the custody of the Division of Mathematics (now Division of Medicine and Science). They were transferred to the Archives Center in August 1988.

Provenance

Collection transferred to the Archives Center from the Division of Mathematics (now Division of Medicine and Science) to the Archives Center August 23, 1988.

Processing Information

Collection processed by Craig A. Orr, 1988.

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Biographical / Historical

The American National Standards Institute (ANSI) X3L2 Standards Committee had responsibility for computer character sets and codes. Eric H. Clamons of Honeywell Information Systems was the fifth chairman of the committee, from 1968 to 1972; the records are from his files.

Scope and Contents

This material includes correspondence, handwritten notes, transcripts of speeches, meeting minutes, reports (in draft and final form) of ANSI X3L2 and other committees and international organizations dealing with computer character sets and codes as well as minutes and agendas of their meetings. There are also some clippings of articles from journals and newspapers. There is no evident classification by subject, committee or chronology; the 10 data boxes each seem to have a random distribution of material, except that box 1 has a broader time span (1969-1979).

Organizations which created some of these documents include:

AFNOR: Association Francaise de Normalisation; ANSI: American National Standards Institute; (C)BEMA: (Computers and) Business Equipment Manufacturers Association; ECMA: European Computers Manufacturers Assn. and ISO: International Organization for Standardization.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Computer software
Standardization

Types of Materials:

Correspondence -- 1930-1950
Minutes
Papers
Reports

Names:

American National Standards Institute.
Honeywell Information Systems.
National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Mathematics

Occupations:

Computer programmers

Container Listing

Box 1	1969-1979
Box 2	1969-1973
Box 3	1971-1972
Box 4	1970-1972
Box 5	1969-1970
Box 6	1970-1973
Box 7	1969-1972
Box 8	1970-1973
Box 9	1969-1971
Box 10	1969-1971