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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Museum of the American Indian
<b>Title:</b>	G. Edward Montgomery papers
<b>Date:</b>	1951-1976
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAI.AC.011
<b>Creator:</b>	Montgomery, G. Edward (Author)
<b>Extent:</b>	0.83 Linear feet (2 boxes)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	The Montgomery Papers consists of research collected by Dr. G. Edward Montgomery on his 1973 research trip to study the Machiguenga people of Lima, Peru. This material includes information regarding his pre-trip activities, data collected on his trip and research collected for use in various publications based on his research.

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## Administrative Information

### Provenance

The collections were donated by Dr. G. Edward Montgomery in 2006.

### Related Materials

In 2005 a collection of slides and negatives were donated to NMAI by G. Edward Montgomery relating to his work in Peru. These photo materials were item level catalogued and added to the ethnohisotic photo collection. Their associated numbers are S11905 - S12115 (slides) and N41870 - N41889 (negatives).

### Related Collections Materials

As part of the 2006 donation, 40 objects were added to the NMAI object collection. Their associated numbers are 26/5534 through 26/5573.

### Processing Information

Processed by Jordan Ferraro in 2007.

### Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); G. Edward Montgomery Papers, Box and Folder Number; National Museum of the American Indian Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

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## Biographical / Historical

Dr. G. Edward Montgomery is an Associate Professor of Ethnology at Washington University in St. Louis, MO. He received an A.B from Stanford University in 1964 and a PhD from Columbia University in 1972. His research focuses on the Washu Indians of Nevada, the Machiguenga Indians in Peru and the Northern Tamil Nadu area in India. He has focused on five fields of study: human ecology; the old medical anthropology; southern Asian regional interests (especially southeastern India); food and nutritional anthropology; and analyses of the complexities of U.S. American cultures.

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## Scope and Contents

During his 1973 trip to Peru, G. Edward Montgomery conducted a study of how human behavior is influenced by human understanding of the world in which they live. The data collected on this trip includes, environmental readings, vital statistics, calculations on energy intake and expenditure by gender, and technology used by the tribes. The collection includes correspondence, research materials, equipment manuals, proposals, original data and presentations and publications.

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## Arrangement

The papers begin with materials used by Montgomery in the preparation of his trip to Peru, and follow the progress of the research from trip planning to final publication of his findings. In accordance with Montgomery's original order, folders are divided by research topic. This begins with information regarding the planning of the trip, followed by data collected during his time in Peru. Research presentations and publications are divided by topic. Larger topics are divided further into correspondence and reference papers by date.

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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:

Indians of South America -- Peru  
Machiguenga

Cultures:

Machiguenga

Types of Materials:

Correspondence  
Manuals  
Proposals  
Publications

Places:

Peru

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## Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1	Grant Preparation and Trip Planning, 1971 - 1974
Box 1, Folder 2	Equipment and Manuals, 1972 - 1973
Box 1, Folder 3	Travel Expenses, Summer 1973
Box 1, Folder 4	Peruvian Contact and Introduction Materials, 1973
Box 1, Folder 5	Original Data, 1973 - 1975
Box 1, Folder 6	Presentation of Research, 1973 - 1978
Box 1, Folder 7	Bow and Arrow Paper, 1973 - 1975
Box 2, Folder 1	A Portable Unit for Anthropological Research on Energy Expenditures, 1973 - 1974
Box 2, Folder 2	Coca Paper, 1973 - 1982
Box 2, Folder 3	Machiguenga Research and References, 1974
Box 2, Folder 4	Machiguenga Energy Expenditure - Manuscript and Correspondence, 1975
Box 2, Folder 5	Machiguenga Energy Expenditure - Manuscript and Correspondence, 1976 - 1977
Box 2, Folder 6	Machiguenga Energy Expenditure - Data, Correspondence and Manuscripts, 1974 - 1976
Box 2, Folder 7	Machiguenga Energy Expenditure - Reference Papers, 1951 - 1969
Box 2, Folder 8	Machiguenga Energy Expenditure - Reference Papers, 1970 - 1976