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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

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## Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of research and reference materials related to the study of the biological impact of a proposed sea level canal through the Isthmus of Panama. In particular, many of the records focus on the sea snake. A large portion of these records were originally compiled by Ernst Mayr, Chairman of the National Research Council, Committee on Ecological Research for the Inter-Oceanic Canal and later given to Ira Rubinoff, Director of the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute. Some of the records compiled by Mayr were originally written by Rubinoff and David Challinor, Smithsonian Institution, Assistant Secretary for Science. Materials include correspondence, reports, meeting materials, clippings, reprints, manuscripts, images, and related materials.

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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:

- Biological stations
- Canal ecology
- Canals, Interoceanic
- Ecological risk assessment
- Ecology
- Sea snakes

Types of Materials:

Clippings  
Color photographs  
Manuscripts

Names:

Challinor, David, 1920-2008  
Mayr, Ernst, 1904-2005  
National Research Council (U.S.). Committee on Ecological Research for the Interoceanic Canal  
Rubinoff, Ira  
Smithsonian Institution. Assistant Secretary for Science

Geographic Names:

Panama, Isthmus of (Panama)

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## Container Listing

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- Box 1 of 2 Atlantic-Pacific Interoceanic Canal Study Commission Quarterly Report - First Quarter, FY 1967
- Box 1 of 2 Major Modernization of the Panama Canal, 1973
- Box 1 of 2 Possible Transfer of Organisms, 1970
- Box 1 of 2 Funding for Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute Canal Research, 1969
- Box 1 of 2 Committee on Ecological Research for the Interoceanic Canal (CERIC) - Correspondence and Documents, 1966-1973
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC - Correspondence and Documents, December 1968-December 1969
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC - Correspondence and Documents, 1969-1972
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC - Correspondence and Documents, October-December 1969
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC - Correspondence and Documents, 1970
- Box 1 of 2 R. R. Baxter - Statement Before the Panama Canal Subcommittee on the Economic and Financial Ramifications of the Proposed Panama Canal Treaties, December 1, 1977
- Box 1 of 2 Senator Mike Gravel Report to the Committee on Environment and Public Works Reexamining the Panama Canal, July 1977
- Box 1 of 2 Panama Studies Report on Canal Improvements - Star and Herald, July 19, 1970
- Box 1 of 2 Smithsonian Suez Canal Study Review Panel Report, 1969
- Box 1 of 2 Atlantic Pacific Interoceanic Canal Study Commission, 1967-1969 (2 folders)
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC Meeting Agendas, Minutes, and Reports, March 1969-January 1970
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC Budget, 1970
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC Meeting, January 15-19, 1970

- Box 1 of 2 Meeting of the Committee on Ecological Effect of a Sea Level Canal, September 1-3, 1977
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC Proposals, 1968-1970
- Box 1 of 2 CERIC Report Outlines, 1969-1970
- Box 1 of 2 Cooperative Investigation of the Caribbean and Adjacent Regions (CICAR) Report Outline, 1969-1970
- Box 1 of 2 Sea Level Canal Controversy, 1966-1971
- Box 1 of 2 Canal Study Commission - Biological Effects of a Sea Level Canal, 1968
- Box 1 of 2 Research Station on the Isthmus of Panama Under Direction of National Research Council (Copies of Documents Written January 1, 1925 through February 29, 1928)
- Box 1 of 2 Panama Canal Treaty Negotiations - Hearings Before the Subcommittee on Panama Canal, 1971-1972
- Box 1 of 2 Feasibility of Thermal Barrier, 1969
- Box 1 of 2 References on the Taxonomy and/or Ecology of Caribbean Forms
- Box 1 of 2 Support for the Sea Level Canal, 1968
- Box 1 of 2 Sea Level Canal Clippings, Reports, and Reprints #1-24, 1968-1970

Box 2

- Box 2 of 2 Sea Level Canal Clippings, Reports, and Reprints #377-388, 1968-1970
- Box 2 of 2 Sea Level Canal Clippings, Reports, and Reprints #393-411, 1968-1970
- Box 2 of 2 Sea Level Canal Clippings, Reports, and Reprints #412-430, 1968-1970
- Box 2 of 2 Sea Level Canal Clippings, Reports, and Reprints #434-462, 1968-1970
- Box 2 of 2 Sea Level Canal Clippings, Reports, and Reprints, unnumbered, 1968-1971