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Collection Overview

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Historical Note

James A. Peters (1922-1972) was born in Iowa and educated at the University of Michigan. He held teaching positions at Brown University, 1952-1958; Universidad Centrale de Ecuador, Fulbright Lecturer, 1958-1959; Southern Illinois University, 1959; and San Fernando Valley State College, 1959-1964. In 1964 Peters joined the Division of Reptiles and Amphibians, United States National Museum, and served as Associate Curator, 1964-1967, and Curator, 1967-1972.

Peters' professional activities included membership in a number of scientific societies, notably the American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists (ASIH). He served the ASIH as Secretary, 1960-1966; Vice-President, 1967; and President, 1970. In 1965, he inaugurated the Smithsonian Herpetological Information Services which distributed material to herpetological labs and individual herpetologists.

Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of correspondence, memoranda, reports, and published materials documenting Peters' work on the Rare and Endangered Species Committee of the Bureau of Sports Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Department of the Interior.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Herpetologists
Herpetology

Types of Materials:

Books
Manuscripts

Names:

Peters, James Arthur, 1922-1972
United States. Department of the Interior. Endangered Species Committee

Container Listing

Box 1

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| Box 1 of 1 | Endangered Species Correspondence |
| Box 1 of 1 | Rare and Endangered Species Committee, Department of the Interior, 1965
(2 folders) |
| Box 1 of 1 | Turtle Group |
| Box 1 of 1 | Rare and Endangered Species - "Red Book" |
| Box 1 of 1 | Rare and Endangered Species - 1968 Revision |