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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of a selective fragment of the total professional papers of Paul N. Perrot. They are concerned chiefly with his activities in international organizations and projects related to museums and the preservation/conservation of cultural property. The papers cover his career from Directorship in the Corning Museum, through his service as Assistant Secretary for Museum Programs of the Smithsonian Institution, and to his service as Director of Virginia Museum of Fine Arts.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:
Conservation and restoration

Types of Materials:
Architectural drawings
Brochures
Manuscripts
Maps
Motion pictures (visual works)

Names:
Corning Museum of Glass
Danilov, Victor J.
Erder, Cevat
Greenway, Eftychia
Guichen, Gael de
International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and the Restoration of Cultural Property
International Council of Monuments and Sites
International Council of Museums
International Council on Monuments and Sites. U.S. Committee
Matohaf al-Miosr I (Cairo)
Museum Computer Network
National Museum of Man (Canada)
Perrot, Paul N.
Prevention in the Museums of Africa (Program)
Saudi Arabian National Center for Science and Technology
Smithsonian Institution. Assistant Secretary for Museum Programs
Tomaszewski, Andrzej
Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
World Monuments Fund

Geographic Names:
Mohenjo-Daro Site (Pakistan)
Senegal

Preferred Titles:

Standards for the care of museum collections: technical reference file (Monograph)
## Container Listing

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Box 2 of 13  UNESCO: Goree. Correspondence and other materials dated 1981-1989 relating to safeguarding the island of Goree, Senegal.


Box 2 of 13  UNESCO: Asian Cultural Centre for UNESCO (ACCU), a few items of correspondence etc. re the ACCU.


Box 3 of 13  UNESCO/Museum. Material dated 1986-1989 relating to Perrot's tenure on the editorial board of the UNESCO periodical, MUSEUM.
Kathmandu. "For the Safeguarding of Kathmandu Valley," appeal by Mr. Amadou-Mahtar M'Bow, Director-General of UNESCO.


UAR MUSEUMS, containing the following:


UNESCO: Egyptian Museum, Cairo.

Iran: Ispahan.


Correspondence of Perrot in his capacity as U. S. Representative and President of the Council of the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and the Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM), and continuing after his departure from the Council in 1988. [He was replaced as American representative by Lambertus van Zelst.]

ICCCROM - Director. Correspondence, 1984-1988 with ICCROM Director, Dr. Cevat Erder, and correspondence, 1988-1990 with his successor, Dr. Andrej Tomaszewski.

ICCCROM - de Guichen, Gael. Correspondence, 1983-1990, with Mr. de Guichen, Special Assistant to the Director of ICCROM.

ICCCROM - Diafuku, Hiroshi. Correspondence, 1984-1988, with Diafuku, retired Chief of the Monuments and Sites Division of UNESCO, and sometime consultant for the development of international programs in conservation. Also in the folder is a small packet of materials sent to Perrot from Congresswoman Millicent Fenwick in 1975.


ICCCROM - General. Six sub-folders as follows:
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| Box 6 of 13 | UNESCO - Director-General. Correspondence, 1984-1988, between Perrot and Amadou-Mahtar M'Bow and Federico Mayor, successive directors-general of UNESCO. |
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ICOM - Secretary General. Correspondence, 1984-1990 between Perrot and Patrick D. Cardon and Luis Monreal.

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Intergovernmental Committee for Promoting the Return of Cultural Property to its Countries of Origin or its Restitution in Case of Illicit Appropriations, reports, meeting materials, and correspondence; bulk of the material from 1985 with scattered items from earlier and later dates.

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ICOM - President. Correspondence, 1984-1989, with Geoffrey Lewis, president of ICOM, and Simon H. Levie, president of the ICOM Foundation.

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American Association of Museums (AAM) - Mexico. Correspondence and other material, 1970-1972, including but not limited to the Council meeting of AAM in Mexico City, June 1972.

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ICOMOS - Future. US/ICOMOS "long range planning session" at Decatur House, Washington, DC, September 8, 1984; a 1985 proposal to establish a national historic preservation library or international documentation center; and US/ICOMOS paper: "ICOMOS: A Quarter of a Century - Achievements and Future Prospects."

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World Cultural Heritage Information Bulletins (UNESCO) #16, #18, #19-20 (2 copies), #21-22, #23-24 (2 copies).

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Box 8 of 13  "Conservation Information Network." Descriptive brochure.

Box 8 of 13  "National Arts Stabilization Fund: The First Phase." Brochure. 1981

Box 8 of 13  Annual Report, 1989-1990 of the Cultural Property Export and Import Act, Canada.

Box 8 of 13  Catalog: "L'Archivio e la ricerca" ["Archives and Research"] (part II) of the Archivio di Stato in Rome, the School of Archivistics, Paleography, and Diplomatics. 1986.


"Conservation of Mural Paintings Coures." 1985. 12 FEE - 7 June. ICCROM.

ICCROM annual bulletin, Newsletter, January 10, 1984.

"International Architectural Conservation Course." 1985. ICCROM.


"PREMA 87: Prevention Dans Les Musees Africains" End-of-course report. ICCROM.


"Statutes of the International Centre for the Study of the Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property." (ICCROM)

ICCROM Bulletins and Newsletters:


- copy of article from SPAFA Digets 1, 1981(2?). (SPAFA = SEAMO Project in Archaeology and Fine Arts).

A series of items related to Moenjodaro, all prepared by Ascon-Bolan and Associates, consulting engineers, Hyderabad, and all under the general heading of "Authority for Preservation of Moenjodaro."

Box 8 of 13  "Project Report." (2 folders)
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Items of the West Pakistan Water and Power Development Authority, Groundwater and Reclamation Program, Salinity Control and Reclamation Project, related to Moenjodaro.

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Box 10 of 13  Museum Computer Network, Executive Director Position.

Box 10 of 13  CHIN, 22-23 June 1987 ("CHIN" = "Canadian Heritage Information Network" in Ottawa, where the meeting was held; but the meeting was of the Conservation Information Network Steering Committee).

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Copies of transcripts of letters from Mrs. Jerediah Horsford to her children regarding Washington, DC in the period 1851-1852, including some references to the Smithsonian. Given by Mrs. Robert Ames Norton to James M. Goode, by letter of January 30, 1975.

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Cooper Union - 1963 exchange of correspondence between Paul N. Perrot and Richard F. Humphries on the state/fate of the Cooper Union museum.

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Danilov, Victor - Correspondence (FEE 1989) and copies of the preliminary report of the AAM's Museum Studies Task Force re: museum studies courses in U. S. colleges and universities.

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National Park Service: Folder and binder re "Skills Development Plan for Historical Architects in the National Park Service." (2 folders)

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"Volunteer! O Volunteer!" - A Salute to the Smithsonian's Unpaid Legions (SI Press for VIARC).

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"The Anacostia Story, 1608-1930."

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"A Walk Through 'Old' Anacostia," by Zora Martin Felton.


Box 11 of 13  Construction Progress Reports for "The Quadrangle: A Center for African, Near Eastern, and Asian Cultures at the Smithsonian Institution" - reports for periods ending April, June, August, October, and December 1985.

Box 11 of 13  Smithsonian Institution - Correspondence, circa 1984-1985, 1989, with various SI office heads and S. D. Ripley.

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Box 12 of 13  Kellogg Project (Smithsonian Institution) - Correspondence, circa 1984-1988.

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