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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

These records consist of correspondence between Secretary Robert McC. Adams and various leaders of the United States Congress on matters such as funding for the establishment of the National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI), the repatriation of Native American Indian artifacts at the National Mall, acquisition of the United States Customs House in New York City for its conversion to a museum, and constructing new facilities for the National Air and Space Museum near Dulles International Airport. There are also copies of the Secretary's testimony before congressional committees; memoranda between the Secretary and Mark W. Rodgers, Director, Office of Government Relations; memoranda and notes between the Director and his staff, Senior Government Relations Officers, Pablita Abeyta and A. Bradley Mims; and correspondence between the Secretary and Richard West, Director, National Museum of the American Indian.

Other records include posters and a map showing historical territories of Native Americans, national historical landmarks and parks in the United States, brochures, and newspaper and magazine articles.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Budget
Budget process
Indians of North America
Indians of North America
Indians of North America -- Museums
Legislation
Museum buildings
Museum exhibits
Museum finance

Types of Materials:

Books
Brochures
Clippings
Manuscripts
Maps
Posters

Names:

Abeyta, Pablita
Adams, Robert McC. (Robert McCormick), 1926-
Alexander Hamilton United States Custom House (New York, N.Y.)
All Roads Are Good: Native Voices on Life and Culture (Exhibition) (1994-2000: New York, N.Y.)
Dulles International Airport
Mims, A. Bradley
National Air and Space Museum (U.S.)
National Museum of the American Indian (U.S.)
Pathways to Tradition: Indian Insights into Indian Worlds (Exhibition) (1992-1993: New York, N.Y.)
Rodgers, Mark W.
This Path We Travel: Celebration of Contemporary Native American Creativity (Exhibition) (1994: New York, N.Y.)
United States. Congress
West, W. Richard

Geographic Names:

Mall, The (Washington, D.C.)
National Mall (Washington, D.C.)

Container Listing

Box 1

- Box 1 of 3 Congress/ Senate: Correspondence between SI Secretary & relevant Senators and House of Representative to a bill to establish MAI (Museum of the American Indian)
- Box 1 of 3 Congress/House: Correspondence between SI Secretary and respective members of Congress; Comptroller General Report, "Report to the Chairman, Committee on the Interior and Insular Affairs..."
- Box 1 of 3 Agency: Correspondence between the Secretary and various government Agencies relating to establishing MAI & repatriation of American Indian artifacts
- Box 1 of 3 Legislative Working File
- Box 1 of 3 SI Internal: Correspondence
- Box 1 of 3 SI General: Correspondence
- Box 1 of 3 Public Affairs: Correspondence; newspaper and journal articles; reports; SI press releases; and miscellaneous materials
- Box 1 of 3 National Museum of American Indian: Smithsonian (magazine) 10/1994, brochures, pamphlets, programs, and cards, announcing the opening of MAI
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- Box 1 of 3 NMAI Miscellaneous
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Box 2 of 3	S.978: A Bill to Authorize Establishing NMAI, 101st Congress
Box 2 of 3	S. 1722: A Bill to Establish NMAI within the Smithsonian Institution, 9/20/1988
Box 2 of 3	HR 2668: A Bill to Establish NMAI at the Smithsonian Institution
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- Box 2 of 3 Supreme Court, N. Y., Petition: Museum of American Indian Original Verified Petition w/o Exhibition
- Box 2 of 3 Request for Proposal No. SI-92014-FN for the Construction of NMAI, GGH (George Gustav Heye) Center, 1/1992
- Box 2 of 3 Final Draft to New York City and State Commerce Business Daily Notice & the Request for Proposal for Construction of NMAI at the George Gustav Heye Center
- Box 2 of 3 NMAI: Background Materials for the Implementation of Agreement dated 9/28/1992, Folder 1
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- Box 3 of 3 Agreement of Lease Between the SI and the GSA, Regarding the US Customs House, 10/20/1992, folder 1 of 2
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- Box 3 of 3 NMAI Implementation Agreement for the US Customs House, NY, 1991
- Box 3 of 3 MOU: Memos of Understanding, Background Information
- Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Estimate Prepared for Ehrenkrantz, Eckstut & Whitelaw, SGI Job No. 90-011-D, 2/8/1991
- Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Orientation Exhibition, 1991

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Universal Communications Systems, Fundamental concepts, 7/11/1991

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Exhibition, 1992

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Preview and Points of View (exhibitions) NMAI, NYC, 1992

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Exhibitions Master Plan, Schedule & Budget, 1992

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Specs, 100%, NY, 1991

Box 3 of 3 N.Y./SI Scope of Work, 1991

Box 3 of 3 Construction Contract, Office of Procurement & Property Management, OPPI Form 6, 7/1990

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: George Gustav Heye Center, NY: "Public Furniture", 9/5/1991

Box 3 of 3 GSA Review of Public Furniture & Signage, 10/8/1991

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Floor Plans for George Gustav Heye House, NYC, 1990

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Memo of Understanding Between the SI & GSA for the GGH Center, New York, NY, 6/11/1990

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Proceedings of the Meeting of the Board of Regents, 9/28/1987-1/30/1989

Box 3 of 3 National Board of the Smithsonian Associates, 10/1989

Box 3 of 3 Search Committee . . . , 10/24/1989

Box 3 of 3 Initial Guidelines for the Search for the NMAI Director, n.d.

Box 3 of 3 Prospective Smithsonian NMAI Trustees, Biographical Data

Box 3 of 3 Telephone Directory, Nominees for the Board of Trustees

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Proposed Interior Signage Program, George Gustav Heye Center, NY, New York, 9/5/1991

Box 3 of 3 90% Specifications, Vol. 1 of 2, Office of Design and Construction, 12/14/1990

Box 3 of 3 90% Specifications, Vol. 2 of 2, Office of Design and Construction,
12/14/1990

Box 3 of 3 Supplementary Conditions for Construction, ODC, 6/14/1991

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: Photographs, Customs House, NYC, 1991

Box 3 of 3 NMAI: 2 copies of typed folder lists

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Map & Posters

Oversize Native Americans, A Visitors Guide. 1 map by National Geographic Society,
Showing historical territories of Native Americans, national historical land
marks and parks in the United States, 10/1991

Oversize This Path We Travel: Celebration of Contemporary Native American
Creativity. (2 posters)

Oversize NMAI, 10/30/1994-7/30/1994, All Roads are Good: Native Voices on Life and
Culture. (1 poster) NMAI, NY City, 10/30/1994 - 2/1/1995

Oversize Pathways of Tradition: Indian Insights into Indian Worlds. (1 poster) NMAI,
NY City, 11/15/1992 - 1/24/1993