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HENRY A. BYROADE:
Papers, 1937-94

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The papers of Henry A. Byroade were deposited in the Eisenhower Library by his son Alan Byroade in August 1995.

Linear feet:	-1
Approximate number of pages:	600
Approximate number of items:	200

Alan Byroade signed an instrument of gift for the papers on January 16, 2006. Literary rights in the unpublished writings of Henry A. Byroade in this collection and in all other collections of papers received by the National Archives have been donated to the public. Under terms of the instrument of gift, the following classes of items are withheld from research use:

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Scope and Content Note

Henry A. Byroade, soldier and diplomat, was born in Indiana on July 24, 1913. He graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 1937 and spent most of World War II in the China-Burma-India Theater of Operations. After the war he served as attaché to General George Marshall during Marshall's negotiations between the Communist and Nationalist Chinese forces.

In 1949 Byroade was assigned to the Department of State as a foreign policy expert. He resigned from the Army in 1952 when President Truman appointed him Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern, South Asian and African Affairs. In 1955 President Eisenhower appointed him Ambassador to Egypt, where he served during the Suez Canal crisis of 1956. He later served as ambassador to the Union of South Africa, Afghanistan, the Philippines and Pakistan.

After retiring from the Department of State in 1977 he worked for two years for a private company in Saudi Arabia, after which he settled in the Washington, DC, area. He died on December 31, 1994.

The papers of Henry Byroade consist primarily of memorabilia and printed material. These include awards and certificates he received, newspaper articles on his public activities, copies of his public speeches, and a copy of his 1940 masters thesis on timber joints. The collection also contains a small quantity of social correspondence with his friends and family. Byroade appears to have saved no material on his diplomatic activities.

Container List

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Contents</u>
1	Items Transferred Awards & Certificates Correspondence 1957 [game hunting in Africa] Correspondence Sept. 5, 1959 [game hunting in northeast Afghanistan] Correspondence Miscellaneous [1967 Christmas card from Gamal Nasser; social letters from relatives in Indiana] Death & Eulogy Family History Master of Science Thesis 1940 (1) (2) [“An Investigation of Multiple Split Ring Timber Joints in Tension”] News Articles May 1952 News Articles Miscellaneous Printed Material [history of US Embassy residence, Kabul, Afghanistan] Speeches [re Afghanistan, 1960; Middle East, 1954; colonialism, 1953]
2	Oversized Items (half-suit box)

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