

# Sources

## *Sources for the Foreign Relations Series*

The editors of the *Foreign Relations* series have complete access to all the retired records and papers of the Department of State: the central files of the Department; the special decentralized files (“lot files”) of the Department at the bureau, office, and division levels; the files of the Department’s Executive Secretariat, which contain the records of international conferences and high-level official visits, correspondence with foreign leads by the President and Secretary of State, and the memoranda of conversations between the President and the Secretary of State and foreign officials; and the files of overseas diplomatic posts. All of the Department’s indexed central files for 1969–1972 have been permanently transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (Archives II) at College Park, Maryland. Almost all the Department’s decentralized office (or lot) files covering this period, which the National Archives deems worthy of permanent retention, have been transferred or are in the process of being transferred from the Department’s custody to Archives II.

The editors of the *Foreign Relations* series also have full access to the papers of President Nixon and other White House foreign policy records. Presidential papers maintained and preserved at the Nixon Presidential Materials Project at Archives II include some of the most significant foreign affairs-related documentation from the Department of State and other Federal agencies including the National Security Council, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Department of Defense, and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Department of State historians also have full access to records of the Department of Defense, particularly the records of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Secretaries of Defense and their major assistants. The Central Intelligence Agency has provided full access to its files.

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In preparing this volume the editors made extensive use of Presidential papers and other White House records held by the Nixon Presidential Materials Project. Those have proved to be the best source of documentation on President Nixon’s and the National Security Council’s role in the Middle East. Within the National Security Files, the Country Files, the files of Harold Saunders, the Institutional (or H-Files), Presidential Correspondence files, and VIP visits files, were particularly valuable. Of these, the H-Files were most significant,

providing documentation from the highest levels of White House and National Security Council policy formation and decision making. Transcripts of Henry Kissinger's telephone conversations, originally at the Library of Congress and now at the Nixon Presidential Materials Project, were also valuable.

Thanks to the Nixon Presidential Materials Staff, Department of State historians have full access to the audiotapes of President Nixon's telephone conversations. The editor of the portion of this volume pertaining to Middle East and Indian Ocean regional affairs and relations with Persian Gulf states, including Saudi Arabia, found almost no tapes that dealt substantively with those issues. One tape is used in a footnote to a memorandum of conversation between Rogers and Nixon after Rogers's trip to the Middle East.

Second in importance to the records held by the Nixon Presidential Materials Staff were the records of the Department of State. The Department's central files contain the cable traffic recording U.S. diplomatic relations with the countries of the Middle East, memoranda of diplomatic conversations, and memoranda proposing action or providing information. For this volume, the lot files provided some value.

The Central Intelligence Agency provides access to Department of State historians to high-level intelligence documents from those records in the custody of that agency and at the Nixon Presidential Materials Project. This access is arranged and facilitated by the History Staff of the Center for the Study of Intelligence, Central Intelligence Agency, pursuant to a May 2002 memorandum of understanding. Among the intelligence records reviewed for the volume were files of the Director and Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, the CIA Registry of National Intelligence Estimates and Special National Intelligence Estimates, DCI Executive Registry Files, Files of the Office of Research and Reports, and Files of the Office of Current Intelligence.

Almost all of this documentation has been made available for use in the *Foreign Relations* series thanks to the consent of the agencies mentioned, the assistance of their staffs, and especially the cooperation and support of the National Archives and Records Administration.

The following list identifies the particular files and collections used in the preparation of this volume. The declassification and transfer to the National Archives of these records is in process. Most of the records are already available for public review at the National Archives.

### Unpublished Sources

#### Department of State

**Central Files.** See National Archives and Records Administration below.

**Lot Files.** For other lot files already transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration at College Park, Maryland, Record Group 59, see National Archives and Records Administration below.

**INR/IL Historical Files**

Files of the Office of Intelligence Coordination, including records of the 303 Committee, from the 1950s through the 1970s, maintained by the Office of Intelligence Liaison, Bureau of Intelligence and Research

**National Archives and Records Administration, College Park, Maryland**

**Record Group 59, Records of the Department of State**

*Central Files*

AID(IRAN) YEMEN, bilateral aid relations between Iran and Yemen  
 AID(US) 8-7 SAUD, bilateral aid relations in the area of public safety, U.S.-Saudi Arabia  
 AV 12, aircraft and aeronautical equipment  
 AV 12 US, aircraft and aeronautical equipment  
 CENTO 3, organization and conferences of the alliance  
 CENTO 3 US(WA), U.S. role in the organization and conferences of the alliance  
 CENTO 6-2 PAK, naval defense affairs pertaining to Pakistan's role in the alliance  
 DEF 15-4 BAHRAIN-US, negotiation on agreements and base leases  
 DEF 4 CENTO, multilateral agreements and organization of the alliance  
 DEF 12-5 FAA, procurement and sale of armaments  
 DEF 15 IND-UK, bases and installations, Indian Ocean  
 DEF 15 IND-US, bases and installations, Indian Ocean  
 DEF 19 IRAN-YEMEN, military assistance, Yemen  
 DEF 12-5 ISR, procurement and sale of armaments, Israel  
 DEF 12-5 JORDAN, procurement and sale of armaments, Jordan  
 DEF 1 KUW, general defense policy, Kuwait  
 DEF 6 KUW, armed forces, Kuwait  
 DEF 12 KUW, armaments, Kuwait  
 DEF 12-5 KUW, procurement and sale of armaments, Kuwait  
 DEF 1 NEAR E, general defense policy, the Near East  
 DEF 12-5 NEAR E, procurement and sale of armaments, the Near East  
 DEF 1 SAUD, general defense policy, Saudi Arabia  
 DEF 6-2 SAUD, navy, Saudi Arabia  
 DEF 6-4 SAUD, military and reserves, Saudi Arabia  
 DEF 12-5 SAUD, procurement and sale of armaments, Saudi Arabia  
 DEF 19-6 SYEMEN, communist bloc assistance, South Yemen  
 DEF 6 TRUCIAL STATES, armed forces, the Trucial States  
 DEF 12-5 UAE, procurement and sale of armaments, United Arab Emirates  
 DEF 19-8 US-SAUD, military assistance, Saudi Arabia  
 DEF 19-8 US-YEMEN, military assistance, Yemen  
 E 2-4 SAUD, economic growth and development issues in Saudi Arabia  
 ORG 7 S, organization and administration, visits of the Secretary of State  
 PET SAUD, general petroleum issues, Saudi Arabia  
 PET 6 SAUD, refineries, Saudi Arabia  
 PET 17 SAUD, Saudi trade in oil, including communist penetration of petroleum market  
 PET 1 SAUD-US, general policy and plans in the oil industry, Saudi Arabia  
 PET 17 US-SAUD, trade in oil, including communist penetration, U.S.-Saudi Arabia  
 POL 13-6, religious groups  
 POL 23-10, travel control  
 POL 7 ARAB, visits and meetings, Arab world

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- POL 13–10 ARAB, extremist organizations
- POL 27 ARAB–ISR, military operations, Arab–Israeli dispute
- POL 27–4 ARAB–ISR, use of international force, Arab–Israeli dispute
- POL 7 BAHRAIN IS, visits and meetings, Bahrain
- POL 16 BAHRAIN IS, independence and recognition, Bahrain
- POL 19 BAHRAIN IS, government of dependencies and self-determination, Bahrain
- POL 15–1 CEYLON, heads of state, Ceylon
- POL CEYLON–US, general policy and trends, Ceylon–U.S.
- POL 19 FAA, government of dependencies and self-determination, FAA
- POL 33–6 IND, navigation and the high seas, Indian Ocean
- POL 27 INDIA–PAK, military operations, India–Pakistan
- POL IRAN–UAE, general policy and trends, Iran–UAE
- POL 19 IRAN–YEMEN, government of dependencies and self-determination
- POL JORDAN–US, general policy and trends
- POL 23 JORDAN, internal security and counterinsurgency, Jordan
- POL 23–9 JORDAN, rebellion and coups, Jordan
- POL 23 KUW, internal security and counterinsurgency, Kuwait
- POL KUW–US, general policy and trends, Kuwait–U.S.
- POL 23–9 LIBYA, rebellions and coups, Libya
- POL 23–9 MUSCAT & OMAN, rebellions and coups, Muscat & Oman
- POL 1 NEAR E–SAUD, general policy and trends, Near East–Saudi Arabia
- POL 1 NEAR E–US, general policy and trends, the Near East–U.S.
- POL NEAR E–USSR, general policy and trends, the Near East–USSR
- POL 33 PERSIAN GULF, water and boundary issues, Persian Gulf
- POL 15–1 QATAR, heads of state, Qatar
- POL 19 RAS AL KHAIMAH, government of dependencies and self-determination
- POL 7 SAUD, visits and meetings, Saudi Arabia
- POL 15–1 SAUD, heads of state, Saudi Arabia
- POL 23 SAUD, internal security and counterinsurgency, Saudi Arabia
- POL 32–1 SAUD–SYEMEN, territory and boundary disputes, Saudi Arabia–South Yemen
- POL SAUD–UAE, general policy and trends, Saudi Arabia–UAE
- POL 32–1 SAUD–UAE, territory and boundary disputes, Saudi Arabia–UAE
- POL SAUD–US, general trends and policy, Saudi Arabia–U.S.
- POL SAUD–YEMEN, general trends and policy, Saudi Arabia–Yemen
- POL 2 SYEMEN, reports and statistics, South Yemen
- POL 12 SYEMEN, political parties, South Yemen
- POL 13 SYEMEN, non-party blocs, South Yemen
- POL 15–1 SYEMEN, head of state, South Yemen
- POL 23–9 SYEMEN, rebellions and coups, South Yemen
- POL 33 SYEMEN, water and boundary issues, South Yemen
- POL SYEMEN–US, general policy and trends
- POL SYEMEN–YEMEN, general policy and trends
- POL TRUCIAL ST–US, general policy and trends
- POL UAE, general policy and trends
- POL 3 UAE, organizations and alignments
- POL 7 UAE, visits and meetings
- POL 16 UAE, independence and recognition
- POL 23–9 UAE, rebellions and coups
- POL UAE–US, general policy and trends
- POL 17 UK–FAA, diplomatic and consular representation
- POL UK–US, general policy and trends
- POL 15–1 UK, head of state
- POL 17 US–KUW, diplomatic and consular representation, U.S.–Kuwait
- POL 17–1 US–QATAR, acceptability and accreditation

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POL US–YEMEN, general policy and trends  
POL YEMEN, general policy and trends  
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PS 7–6 JORDAN, welfare and whereabouts, Jordan  
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Files of the Deputy Director of Intelligence, Robert E. Cushman, Jr. (1969–1971), and Vernon Walters (1972–1976): Job 79–T00832A

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Alexander M. Haig Chronological Files: Memorandum of Conversations

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National Security Council Files: Backchannel Messages, Europe, Middle East, and Latin America; Hijackings

NSC Institutional Files (H-Files)

Draft National Security Council Minutes

National Security Council Meeting Files

National Security Council Minutes of Meeting Files

National Security Decision Memorandum Files

National Security Study Memorandum Files

Senior Review Group Files

Senior Review Group Meeting Files

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