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## MATERIAL AT THE LBJ LIBRARY PERTAINING TO AFGHANISTAN

### INTRODUCTION

This list includes the principal files in the Johnson Library that contain material relating to Afghanistan. It is not definitive, however, and researchers should consult with the Library's archivists about other potentially useful files. The guide includes those collections that have been opened for research in part or in whole, and those collections that are currently unprocessed or unavailable.

### NATIONAL SECURITY FILE

This file was the working file of President Johnson's special assistants for national security affairs, McGeorge Bundy and Walt W. Rostow. Documents in the file originated in the offices of Bundy and Rostow and their staffs, in the various executive departments and agencies, especially those having to do with foreign affairs and national defense, and in diplomatic and military posts around the world. More than one-half of the National Security File has been processed. Consult the finding aid in the Reading Room or borrow a lending copy by writing to the Supervisory Archivist, LBJ Library, 2313 Red River Street, Austin, Texas 78705. Those folders whose titles are preceded by an asterisk "\*" or a date have been processed and their contents declassified in whole or in part. Lists of classified documents have been placed in those folders, and you may request mandatory review of individual documents that have not yet been declassified in full. Those folders not preceded by an "\*" or a date are possibly unprocessed and are not subject to mandatory declassification review. Consult with a member of the staff on the processing schedule.

#### NSF, Country File

#### Box #

The Country File is arranged by geographic area and thereunder alphabetically by country. Memos, cables, intelligence reports, correspondence, and special studies were originally bound into heavyweight gray folders arranged in chronological order within each country. Each folder was assigned a volume number. The files have been refoldered and in most cases each volume is now in two folders labeled "Cables" and "Memos and Miscellaneous."

#### Afghanistan

##### Folder Title:

Afghanistan, Volume 1, 12/63 – 4/68	116
Afghanistan, Visit of Prime Minister Maiwandwal, 3/28/67	116
Harriman Israeli Mission 2/65-3/65	145

#### NSF, Special Head of State Correspondence

Included are formal and informal correspondence with heads of state and heads of government arranged by country and thereunder chronologically.

#### Afghanistan

##### Folder Title:

Afghanistan, 11/22/63-10/1/66	2
Afghanistan, 10/2/66-12/31/67	2
Afghanistan, 1/1/68-1/20/69	2
<b>NSF, Name File</b>	
The Name File is composed primarily of folders on the members of the National Security Council staff during the Johnson administration. The file also contains folders on some presidential aides, senators, and former presidents who were involved in national security issues.	
Folder Title:	
Wriggins Memos, 1966	8
Wriggins Memos, 1967	8
<b>NSF, National Intelligence Estimates</b>	
Folder Title:	
37, Afghanistan	6
<b>NSF, Memos to the President</b>	
This chronologically arranged series consists of memoranda with attachments to the President from his national security advisers, McGeorge Bundy (11/63-2/66) and Walt W. Rostow (4/66-1/69). A small amount of material on Afghanistan is scattered throughout this collection.	
<b>NSF, Files of Edward K. Hamilton</b>	
Edward Hamilton was a senior staff member of the NSC on detail from the Bureau of the Budget from October 1965 until December 1968. His areas of responsibility included Africa, South Asia, and aid problems in general.	
Folder Title:	
Afghanistan	1
<b>NSF, Files of Robert W. Komer</b>	
Robert Komer was appointed a NSC staff assistant to McGeorge Bundy in 1961. In 1965 he was named Deputy Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, and the following year he was made Special Assistant to the President. His areas of expertise on the NSC staff included the Middle East, South Asia, and Africa. In 1967, he left the NSC to become Deputy for Pacification in Vietnam.	
Folder Title:	
Afghanistan (including Afghan/Pakistan) – 1964, 1965, 1966	10
Afghanistan Economic 1964 – 1966	10
<b>NSF, Files of Harold H. Saunders</b>	
Harold Saunders was a member of the NSC Staff from 1961 to 1974. He was responsible for the Middle East and North Africa. He compiled the following NSC Histories: the Middle East, the Indian Famine, and South Asia. This collection contains files concerning the Middle East, copies of the NSC Histories for which he was responsible, and a chronological file.	
Folder Title:	
Visit of Prime Minister Maiwandwal of Afghanistan, March 28-30, 1967	1
Afghanistan, 4/1/66-1/20/69	7
<b>NSF, Files of Howard Wriggins</b>	
Howard Wriggins was a senior staff member of the NSC from May 1966 to July 1967.	

His areas of responsibility were the Middle East and South Asia.

Folder Title

Afghanistan June 1966-July 1967

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### WHITE HOUSE CENTRAL FILES (WHCF)

This permanent White House office was the main filing unit during the Johnson presidency, though not the primary file for foreign policy documents. Material was filed under 60 major subject headings, several of which are pertinent to [topic].

	<u>Box #</u>
CO, Countries	
General CO 11, Afghanistan	1
Executive CO 11, Afghanistan	12
Executive CO 164, Libya [contains an AID article on Libya and Afghanistan]	51

### WHITE HOUSE CENTRAL FILES CONFIDENTIAL FILE

Arranged in the same subject categories as the WHCF Subject File, this file contains security classified or otherwise sensitive material. The CF Name File serves as a name index to the CF Subject File. This collection also includes agency reports and oversize attachments. The CF is entirely processed, but portions are still classified.

	<u>Box #</u>
CO 11, Afghanistan	6

### APPOINTMENT FILES

The Diary Cards in the Reading Room provide an alphabetically arranged name index to the President's appointments. Once the date of an appointment has been determined, check the "Diaries and Logs" finding aid for the number of the appropriate boxes in both the Daily Diary and the President's Appointment File [Diary Backup].

The Daily Diary is a log sheet of appointments and phone calls maintained by the White House secretaries.

The Diary Backup contains preparation material, press releases, and schedules for meetings and appointments, as well as some reports and notes from the meeting.

Date	<u>Box #</u>
August 25, 1965	21
July 27, 1966	40
March 17, 1967	58
March 28, 1967, Prime Minister Maiwandwal of Afghanistan	59
March 28, 1968	94

### OFFICE FILES OF THE WHITE HOUSE AIDES

Many White House aides maintained office files of their own, separate physically from the rest of the White House Central Files. The files of each aide reflect his or her responsibilities.

	<u>Box #</u>
<u>Office Files of William R. Sparks</u> "Afghanistan"	1

### **HANDWRITING FILE**

The Handwriting File is a collection that was maintained during the White House years. Documents exhibiting Johnson's handwriting are contained in this file. Often these documents bypassed the White House Central Files Office and went directly to the Handwriting File. Consequently, some material in the Handwriting File is not in WHCF.

	<u>Box #</u>
August 1966 (3 of 4) contains material on the Ambassador to Afghanistan	17

### **STATEMENTS OF LYNDON B. JOHNSON**

Johnson gave several speeches in which he mentions Afghanistan. Researchers should check the index to *The Public Papers of the Presidents* for references to this topic. The Statements File may also contain material pertaining to this topic. This collection is filed chronologically and contains backup material, correspondence, drafts and final copies of speeches. Request by date and subject of speech.

Title	<u>Box #</u>
Remarks of the President upon the Arrival of Prime Minister Maiwandwal of Afghanistan, 3/28/67	233
Exchange of Toasts of the President at the Luncheon for Prime Minister Maiwandwal of Afghanistan, 3/28/67	233
Joint Statement Following Discussions with the Prime Minister of Afghanistan, 3/28/67	233

### **WHITE HOUSE PRESS OFFICE FILES**

For transcripts of background briefings by the White House Press Secretary and others, see the folders noted below and check Section IVa (Background Briefings by Subject/Name) in the finding aid for the White House Press Office Files.

Folder Title	<u>Box #</u>
3/27/67 - Visit of the Prime Minister of Afghanistan	82
3/28/67 - Joint Statement by the President and PM Maiwandwal	82
3/27/67 - Visit of Prime Minister of Afghanistan	87
3/28/67 - Joint Statement by Pres. And Prime Minister Maiwandwal	87
Afghanistan, Visit of the Prime Minister, Wriggins 3/27/67	101
Afghanistan, Joint Statement, Wriggins, Howard 3/28/67	101
Wriggins, Howard, Afghanistan, Visit of the Prime Minister 3/27/67	105
Wriggins, Howard, Afghanistan, Joint Statement, 3/28/67	105

## WHITE HOUSE SOCIAL FILES

These files consist of approximately 1,000 cubic feet of material generated during the White House years. They contain material on the activities of Mrs. Johnson, her daughters, and social activities of the Presidency.

	<u>Box #</u>
Social Files - Alpha File This file contains outgoing correspondence from Mrs. Johnson or her staff and often includes the original incoming correspondence as well. Request by the name of the individual or the organization of interest. Afghanistan (only)	7
Liz Carpenter's Subject Files Elizabeth Carpenter was Mrs. Johnson's Press Secretary during the White House years. These files contain both subject and speech files. Request by folder title and box number. Luncheon – Afghanistan Prime Minister	34
Bess Abell's White House Social Office Files Contains the files of Mrs. Johnson's Social Secretary. Request by the folder title and box number. Afghanistan Luncheon, 3/28/67	20
Social Entertainment Office Files Contains all planning, invitations, programs and guest lists for social events at the White House. Request by folder title and box number. Luncheon – Prime Minister Maiwandwal of Afghanistan 3/28/67	89

## VICE-PRESIDENTIAL PAPERS, 1961-1963

The Vice Presidential Subject File is not currently available for research. Requests for review of individual folders will be accepted for the V.P. Masters File. Advance notice is preferred.

	<u>Box #</u>
Foreign Relations (Afghanistan)	195

## DREW PEARSON PAPERS

Researchers interested in this collection should consult the folder title list in the Reading Room, which is also available by mail through interlibrary loan. The Drew Pearson Papers will be processed upon request, although there is a backlog of researcher requests for this collection.

	<u>Box #</u>
Afghanistan	F59, 3 of 3
Afghanistan	G275, 1 of 3