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DILLON, C. DOUGLAS (OH-211) 94 pages PRCQ per COHP 8/28/06

U.S. Ambassador to France, 1953-57; Deputy Under Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, 1957-58; Under Secretary of State 1959-61; Secretary of the Treasury, 1961-65.

Interview #1. Personal background. Comment on '52 campaign. Service as ambassador to France: appointment; working relationship with J.F. Dulles; '56 Suez crisis Indochina; Algeria. Economic responsibilities as Under Secretary of State. John Foster Dulles: understanding of international economics; relationship with DDE, H. Hoover, Jr., G. Humphrey. State Department international economic policies under Dillon: aid to Latin America; trade in strategic goods with Soviet Union; bureaucratic problems with the Treasury Department in administering the policies. Milton Eisenhower and Latin America. '60 campaign: N. Rockefeller; R. Nixon. Treasury Secretary in J.F. Kennedy Administration: appointment; DDE's opinion of probable Kennedy economic plans.

Interview #2. U-2 incident: cover story bungling; DDE accepting responsibility; effect on Paris summit; general information on U-2 flights. Dillon's supervision of AID: Development Loan Fund; effectiveness of AID. U.S. policy towards the Congo. U.S. gold drain and pressure on Germany to help alleviate it. DDE's views on foreign aid, and his grasp of economics. Secretary of the Treasury R. Anderson. Dillon's economic philosophy. Relationship between economic stabilization policies of the 1950's and the economic expansion of the 1960's. DDE's use of the Council of Economic Advisors. Dulles' opinion of summit meetings. Dillon's estimation of DDE as President.

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