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Dwight D. Eisenhower: Records as President
(White House Central Files), 1953-61

BULK MAIL FILES

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This series of the White House Central Files consists of letters, telegrams and post cards from the general public commenting on various issues which arose during the Eisenhower administrations. The material is arranged by issue, but the files for each issue are usually not indexed or alphabetized. Consequently, correspondence from specific individuals cannot easily be located and the material is best suited for statistical analyses of public reaction to various issues. The volume of mail on specific issues varied widely, from less than one box on minor issues, to over one hundred boxes on major issues such as McCarthyism or segregation. Correspondence was often marked "Ack'd" to indicate that it was unacknowledged by White House staff.

Correspondence re: Sherman Adams

- Boxes 1-2 Letters, telegrams, postcards regarding the Sherman Adams controversy. May – July 1958. Unarranged.
- Box 3 Correspondence addressed to Mr. Hagerty regarding the Sherman Adams controversy, June – July 1958. Unarranged.

Correspondence re: Serving Alcoholic Beverages at 1957 Inaugural Ball

- Box 1 Unacknowledged. Unarranged.

Correspondence re: Birth Control

- Box 1-2 Pro and Con President's statement on 12/2/59 regarding birth control. Clipped together in small bunches with note attached indicating count and whether pro or con. File memo in Box 1. Unacknowledged.

Birthday Greetings, 1959

- Boxes 1-56 Greeting cards and letters, usually banded in small bunches with note attached indicating number of cards in each bunch and categorized as "children", "regular", "mutual birthday," etc. Usually marked "Ack'd". No other arrangement.

Birthday Greetings, 1960

- Boxes 1-129 Greeting cards, letters, post cards and telegrams. Usually stamped "Ack'd by card." Usually banded in small bunches. Some bunches have notes attached indicating number of cards in bunch, and categorized as "children," "regular," etc. No other arrangement.

Correspondence re: Bricker Amendment

- Boxes 1-5 Unarranged. Unacknowledged. Often marked "Insufficient Address."

Correspondence re: Brownell, Truman and Harry Dexter White, 1953

- Boxes 1-4 Unacknowledged. Unarranged.

Correspondence re: Reducing the Budget and Reducing Taxes, 1957

Box 1 thru 4 Unarranged. No indication of acknowledgement.

Pro and Con Correspondence re: President's Speech on the Budget, 1957

Boxes 1-2 Con President's Budget
3 Pro President's Budget

Letters re: 1956 Campaign, Referred to RNC

These letters were generally acknowledged at White House and then referred to the Republican National Committee for further acknowledgement and later returned to the White House for filing. Letters are filed alphabetically by first letter of the last name.

Box 1 A – I
Box 2 J – Z
Folder: "Chauncey Robbins". These are copies of acknowledgements by Mr. Robbins of RNC.

Carbons of Letters Addressed to Other than the President, 1960

Box 1 Carbon copies of letters sent by individuals to their congressmen or other persons. These copies were sent to the President for his information. Wide variety of subjects. Unacknowledged. Rough chronological order from January- February, 1960.

Box 2 Feb 1960

Box 3 Feb. – Mar. 1960

Box 4 Mar. 1960

Box 5 Mar. – April 1960

Box 6 Apr. – May 1960

Box 7 May – June 1960

Box 8 May – July 1960

Box 9 June - Aug. 1960

Box 10 July – Sept. 1960

Box 11 July – Sept. 1960

Box 12 Sept. 1960

Box 13 Sept. – Oct. 1960

Box 14 Oct. – Nov. 1960

Box 15 Oct. – Nov. 1960
Box 16 Nov. – Dec. 1960

Christmas Greetings, 1959

Boxes 1-31 Most items are greeting cards with some letters. Some cards have notations of favorable comment on President's Goodwill Tour. Unarranged. Items are loose in boxes.

Christmas Greetings, 1960

Boxes 1-12 Greeting cards and letters usually banded in small bunches with note attached indicating number of cards in each bunch and categorized as "adult," "children," "personal," etc. No other arrangement.

Correspondence re: Civil Rights, Bill to Establish a Commission

Box 1 July – Sept. 1959. Unacknowledged. One folder.

Requests for a Special Session of Congress, 1958

Box 1-12 The bulk of this material consists of news clippings that were printed in newspapers as advertisements in September, 1958. These clippings were sent to the White House by individuals and are in the form of a letter to the president protesting U.S.-China policy and asking that he put the issue before Congress by calling Congress into special session. The clippings were apparently sponsored by James P. Warburg. Bunches often have a note attached indicating number. Some notes indicate "counted on report." No other arrangement.

Box 13-15 These are news clippings similar to the above, but more widely critical of U.S. foreign policy and asking that President consult with Senate Foreign Relations Committee to shape proposals to be laid before Congress at earliest opportunity. Printed in Nov. 1958, clippings were apparently sponsored by James P. Warburg. Bunches often have a note attached indicating number. Some notes indicate "counted on report." No other arrangement.

Correspondence re: Removal of Edward J. Corsi

Box 1 April – May 1955. Generally con removal. Unacknowledged.

Correspondence con Dulles, 1957

Box 1 3 letters only. Unacknowledged.

Correspondence re: Death of Arthur Eisenhower

Box 1-4 Greeting cards and letters expressing sympathy on death of Arthur Eisenhower. January February, 1958. Usually stamped “Ack’d by card.” Banded in bunches without arrangement.

Correspondence re: President’s Veto of 1956 Farm Bill

Box 1 April 1956. Unacknowledged. One folder.

Correspondence re: Formosa, 1955

Box 1-5 Unacknowledged. Unarranged.

Petitions and Scrolls re: William Girard Case

Box 1 One large scroll or set of sheets with signatures. Unacknowledged.

Box 2 One scroll and one petition. Unacknowledged.

Letters Protesting Intervention in Indo-China, 1954

Box 1 February – May 1954. One folder. Unacknowledged.

Copies of Telegrams Protesting Proposed Sanctions against Israel by UN, 1957

Box 1-4 Original telegrams were referred to State Department.

Correspondence re: Mail Service Stoppage on April 13, 1957

Box 1 April 1957. Unacknowledged. One folder.

Bulk Mail Relating to Senator Joseph R. McCarthy, 1953-1957

(Note: All material is unacknowledged. Notes and markings on groups of material indicate that the material was counted. Some loose grouping as to pro or con.)

- Box 1 McCarthy's Remarks about General Marshall (Pro and Con), August 1954
 McCarthy – Gov. Adams correspondence on McCarthy-Stevens Investigation, May and June 1954
 McCarthy –Hagerty correspondence on McCarthy-Stevens investigation, February-June, 1954
- Box 2-188 Unacknowledged mail relating to Senator McCarthy – arranged by month and year.

Correspondence re: Clinton Melton's Murder in Mississippi

- Box 1 April, 1956. One item. Unacknowledged.

Correspondence re: Middle East, 1958

- Box 1 Unacknowledged. Unarranged.

Correspondence re: Minimum Wage Bill, 1955

- Box 1 Separated as to Pro or Con. Unacknowledged.

Open Letter to the President by Frank Kirkpatrick on US Missile Program

- Box 1-2 Unacknowledged. January-March, 1958 Cross Reference: GF 150-J-1

Cards of Welcome to Newport, Rhode Island

- Box 1 July – August, 1957. Unarranged. File memo attached.

Correspondence re: Richard Nixon, 1956

- Box 1 Letters, telegrams and post cards regarding Richard Nixon running for Vice-President in 1956. Unarranged. Folder titled: Stassen-Nixon

Letters. No indication of acknowledgement.

Correspondence Pro and Con Nixon Speech for Republican Party

Box 1 March, 1954. Unacknowledged. One folder.

Correspondence re: 1954 Postal Pay Bill and 1954 Federal Pay Bill

Box 1 Telegrams pro and con signing bill.

Folders: Federal Pay Raise – Individuals – against veto
Federal Pay Raise – Individuals – for veto
Federal Pay Raise – Organizations – against veto
Federal Pay Raise – Organizations – for veto

Correspondence re: 1958 Postal Pay Bill

Box 1 Unacknowledged. Unarranged.

Correspondence re: Government Employees Pay Raise, 1960

Box 1-4 Letters, telegrams and post cards regarding Government employee pay raise, June – July, 1960. Banded or clipped together in bunches, often with note attached indicating number in bunch and categorized pro or con. No other arrangement.

Correspondence re: Prayer for Peace and Peace Efforts at Geneva in 1955

Box 1 Petitions advocating “Pray for Peace Week” and daily prayer for peace, 1954. Also, post cards re: peace stand at Geneva, 1955. One folder. Unacknowledged.

Correspondence re: from Peace Research Society

Box 1 Fourteen pamphlets proposing “Armed Disarmament,” addressed to the President and various members of the Administration, March, 1958. No indication of acknowledgement.

Correspondence re: Quemoy and Far East, 1958

Box 1 September-October, 1958. Unacknowledged. Unarranged.

Post Cards re: Robert Eastman's Plan to End the Recession, 1958

Box 1 Unacknowledged. Unarranged. Cross Reference attached.

Correspondence re: Admiral H. G. Rickover

Box 1 August-September, 1958. Unacknowledged. One folder.

Correspondence re: Russian Satellites

Box 1 October-December, 1957. Unarranged. No indication of acknowledgement.

Little Rock School and Governor Faubus' Action [Segregation]

Box 1-14 Pro and Con, 1957. Unarranged. Unacknowledged.

Box 15 Little Rock Correspondence addressed to Mr. Hagerty. 1957. Unacknowledged.

Correspondence re: Segregation and Integration

Box 1-11 1956-1957. Unarranged. Unacknowledged.

Acknowledged Letters re: Little Rock School [Segregation]

Arranged alphabetically by first letter of last name, 1957 Pro and Con.

Box 1 A
Box 2 A-B
Box 3 B
Box 4 B
Box 5 B-C

Box 6	C
Box 7	D
Box 8	D – E
Box 9	F
Box 10	G
Box 11	G – H
Box 12	H
Box 13	H – I
Box 14	J
Box 15	K
Box 16	L
Box 17	L – M
Box 18	M
Box 19	M
Box 20	N- O
Box 21	P
Box 22	P – R
Box 23	R
Box 24	S
Box 25	S
Box 26	S – T
Box 27	T – U
Box 28	V – W
Box 29	W
Box 30	W – XYZ
	Folder: Little Rock – Judge’s Decision
	Folder: Little Rock – Judge’s Decision – Pro
Box 31	Little Rock – Judge’s Decision – Con. Arranged alphabetically by first letter of last name, 1958
	A - Z

Correspondence re: Supreme Court Ruling on Segregation

Box 1	Some correspondence clipped together in small bunches with note attached indicating count and whether pro or con. No indication of acknowledgement.
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Little Rock and Other Schools: Segregation

Box 1-4	1958-1959. Some grouping as to pro or con integration.
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Unacknowledged.

Correspondence re: Shooting in House of Representatives, 1954

Box 1 Mostly telegrams. Unacknowledged.

Request for Space Reports, Sent but Not Acknowledged

Box 1-17 Letters and post cards requesting copies of, "Introduction to Outer Space" or "Outer Space Report" prepared by President's Science Advisory Committee. Some letters indicate the report was publicized in "Kiplinger's Washington Letter." Correspondence dated March – May, 1958. Correspondence is banded or clipped together in small bunches. Bunches are usually marked "Ack'd," apparently meaning that copies of reports were sent. No other arrangement.

Correspondence re: President's Speech, November 7 and November, 1957

Box 1 Unacknowledged. Unarranged.

Correspondence re: President's Speech Incident

Box 1 March- April, 1957. Unarranged. No indication of acknowledgement.

**Bulk Mail Relating to President Eisenhower's Stand on the Paris Summit Meeting,
May 15-18, 1960**

Letters arranged by state. Acknowledged by card. May-June 1960:

Box 1 Alabama – Louisiana
Box 2 Maine – New York (1)
Box 3 New York (2) – New York (6)
Box 4 North Carolina – Texas (2)
Box 5 Utah – Wyoming

Letters arranged alphabetically by first letter of last name. Acknowledged by card. May-June 1960: A (1) – C (1)

Box 6 C (2) – F
Box 7 G (1) – J

Box 8	K – M (3)
Box 9	N – S (2)
Box 10	S (3) – W (2)
Box 11	X-Y-Z (1)-(2)
	Letters pro Summit Stand that include get-well wishes for Mrs. Eisenhower. Acknowledged by card. May-June 1960 (1)-(2)
	Telegrams arranged alphabetically by first letter of last name. Acknowledged by card. May-June 1960:
	A – B (2)
Box 12	B (3) – C (4)
Box 13	D (1) – G (3)
Box 14	H (1) – L (2)
Box 15	M (1) – Q
Box 16	R (1) – T (4)
Box 17	T (5) – X-Y-Z (3)
Box 18	X-Y-Z (4)-(5)
	Telegrams arranged alphabetically by first letter of last name. Unacknowledged. May – June 1960: A – Q
Box 19	R – X-Y-Z
	Letters arranged alphabetically by first letter of last name. Not acknowledged. May – June 1960: A – E
Box 20	F – Q
Box 21	R – Z
	Letters arranged by state. Not acknowledged. May-June 1960: Alabama – Wyoming (Last folder “X-Y-Z”)
Box 22	Letters arranged alphabetically by first letter of last name. Acknowledged by card. May-June 1960: A (1) – A (6)
Box 23	B (1) – B (6)
Box 24	B (7) – B (12)
Box 25	B (13) – B (18)
Box 26	B (19) – C (4)
Box 27	C (5) – C (10)
Box 28	C (11) – C (17)
Box 29	D (1) – D (6)

Box 30	D (7) – D (13)
Box 31	E (1) – F (2)
Box 32	F (3) – F (9)
Box 33	F (10) – G (5)
Box 34	G (6) – G (12)
Box 35	H (1) – H (7)
Box 36	H (8) – H (13)
Box 37	H (14) – I
Box 38	J (1) – K (2)
Box 39	K (3) – K (9)
Box 40	L (1) – L (7)
Box 41	L (8) – M (2)
Box 42	M (3) – M (9)
Box 43	M (10) – M (16)
Box 44	M (17) – M (23)
Box 45	N (1) – O (3)
Box 46	O (4) – P (6)
Box 47	P (7) – R (1)
Box 48	R (2) – R (8)
Box 49	R (9) – S (3)
Box 50	S (4) – S (10)
Box 51	S (11) – S (17)
Box 52	S (18) – S (24)
Box 53	S (25) – T (5)
Box 54	T (6) – W (1)
Box 55	W (2) – W (8)
Box 56	W (9) – W (14)
Box 57	X – Y – Z (1)-(3)

Support Letters

Box 1-3 Letters, greeting cards, expressing appreciation for President's service to nation, commending him for job he did. Acknowledged by card. June – Nov. 1960. Unarranged.

Additional support letters acknowledged by card. December 1960 – January 1961. Filed alphabetically by name.

Box 4	A – Buz
Box 5	C – Dye

Box 6	E – Gla
Box 7	Gle – Hyn
Box 8	I – Lyo
Box 9	M – Ozm
Box 10	P – Schm
Box 11	Schn – Tys
Box 12	U - Z

Correspondence re: Supreme Court Decision on Communists and FBI Rules

Box 1 June – July, 1957. Unacknowledged.

Correspondence re: Secretary Talbot

Box 1 July – August, 1955. Unacknowledged.

Correspondence re: Proposed California Tax on Schools, 1958

Box 1-2 Letters, telegrams and post cards from California, prior to the 1958 election concerning Proposition 16 on the California ballot which would impose a tax on parochial and private schools in that state. Unacknowledged. Unarranged. Cross Referenced to GF 109-A-2 California, November 8, 1958.

Correspondence re: Tide Lands Oil Bill, 1953

Box 1 Telegrams and letters arranged alphabetically by first letter of last name. Unacknowledged. A- Z

Box 2-3 Post cards generally arranged pro or con veto of bill. Unacknowledged.

Box 4-6 Letters. Unarranged. Unacknowledged.

Letters Requesting That the Administrator of the VA be Raised to Cabinet Rank

Box 1 January-February, 1957. Mostly form letters.

Correspondence re: Cutting Veterans' Benefits, 1958

Box 1 Unarranged. Unacknowledged.

Correspondence re: 1960 White House Office Budget

Box 1 Unacknowledged. One folder.

Correspondence re: Squirrels on White House Lawn

Box 1 March – April, 1955. One folder. Unacknowledged.

Letters and Petitions re: President's Appearance before the World Council of Churches

Box 1 August, 1954. Unarranged. Unacknowledged. Cross referenced to GF 1198-I-1.