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The Bureau of the Budget, under the immediate direction of the President, was established in the Department of the Treasury by an act of June 10, 1921. Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1939 transferred the Bureau to the Executive Office of the President. The Bureau assists the President in formulating government fiscal programs, clearing legislative proposals from federal agencies, and preparing the U.S. annual budget, executive orders, and presidential proclamations. It develops plans to improve the efficiency and administrative management of the government; improves, develops, and coordinates federal and other statistical services; and informs the President about the progress of activities in government agencies. The Bureau of the Budget was superseded by the Office of Management and Budget pursuant to Reorganization Plan 2 of 1970, effective July 1, 1970.

This segment of the Bureau's records consists of the Director's Chronological file, containing carbon copies of out-going correspondence and memoranda from either Elmer Staats, Maurice Stans, or other BOB staff members to other members of the Administration, members of the Congress and the general public. The file covers the period from January 1960 to January 1961, although there are a few items from the 1957-1959 period. This material primarily reflects the development and administration of budgetary policy and the Bureau's relations with Congress during the last year of the Eisenhower Administration.

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