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President Roosevelt's personal representative in French North Africa, 1940-42; Chief Civil Affairs Officer on staff of Supreme Commander, AFHQ, 1942-43; U.S. Ambassador to Japan, 1952; Assistant Secretary of State for U.N. Affairs, 1953; Deputy Under Secretary of State, 1953-59; Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, 1959.

DESCRIPTION: Interview #1. James Byrnes; Walter Bedell Smith; John J. McCloy; Dwight D. Eisenhower; Lucius Clay; George Marshall; Smith's appointment as chief of staff to General Eisenhower; military control vs civilian control in decision making; General De Gaulle; Julius Holmes; General Adcock; Grigori Zhukov; Berlin; General McNarney; effect of U.S. military wives in Germany; personal recollections about Clay; Clay's relationship with Germans.

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