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Guide to the

MAJOR JOSEPH CASTRO COLLECTION

Accession # 9081



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ARCHIVE OF CONTEMPORARY HISTORY  
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PRELIMINARY INVENTORY

The Major Joseph Castro Collection #9081-85-09-16

Donor: Major Joseph Castro, USMC, (Ret.)  
Inventory Date: 3-17-87/3-24-87  
Number of Containers: 3  
Type of Containers: Record Storage Boxes  
Linear Feet: 3  
Location: American Heritage Center, Annex II  
Subject: Archive of Contemporary History  
Date Received: September 16, 1985  
Restrictions: None  
Inventoried by: Robin G. B. Tully

Box 1:

Biographical Information, 1937-1970

Concerns Major Joseph Castro's military career, USMC, from 1937-1970. Includes original orders, memorandum, published documents, claim forms, restricted security information, medical history, vouchers, identification cards, invoices, citations, reports and printed material:

- "Enlisted Service, 1937-1952", 1 folder.
- "Captain Castro, 1952-1954", 1 folder.
- "Captain Castro, 1955-1957", 1 folder.
- "Captain Castro, 1958-1960", 1 folder.
- "Major Castro, 1961-1966", 3 folders.
- "Major Castro, 1967-1970", 2 folders.

Currency, 1945-1968

Currency was loose inside photograph albums organized by Major Joseph Castro.

- Landsbanki Islands, 1 item.
- "1945-1946, North China", 15 items.
- "1953-1954, Korea", 7 items.
- "1967-1968, Vietnam", 7 items.
- Military currency, 7 items.

Originals transferred to safe.

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Box 1, (continued):

Documents, Published, n.d.

Department of the Navy, n.d., 1 item.

Maps, 1968

Mechanically reproduced:

Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, n.d., 1968

Chesapeake Bay, n.d.

Box 2:

Periodicals, 1964-1969

The Underseer

Sikorsky News

Tester, 4 issues

Stars and Stripes, 4 issues (separated from photograph album organized by Major Joseph Castro, titled, "Vietnam, 1967-1968")

Sea Tiger, (separated from photograph album organized by Major Joseph Castro, titled, "Vietnam, 1967-1968")

Personal Files, 1940-1970

Material was loose inside photograph albums organized by Major Joseph Castro. The material was removed and put into folders with labels corresponding to the photograph albums. Includes correspondence, programs, insignia patches, printed material, newspaper clippings, license plates, identification cards, receipts, maps and other items:

"1940-1945, World War II", 4 folders.

"1945-1946, North China", 2 folders.

"1948-1953", 1 folder.

"1953-1954, Korea", 1 folder.

"1955-1957", 1 folder.

"1961-1962, Okinawa", 1 folder.

"1967-1968, Vietnam", 3 folders.

1963-1970, 1 folder.

Box 3:

Photograph Albums, 1953-1968

Photographs were removed from the photograph albums because of preservation policies, however, because several of the album covers are ornamental they have been left with the collection because of association value:

- "1953-1954, Korea"
- "1961-1962, Okinawa"
- "1967-1968, Vietnam"

Photograph Albums, 1940-1968

Preservation policies warranted the removal of photographic materials from the photograph albums organized by Major Joseph Castro. The photographs have been separated to Photo Archives for additional preservation procedures:

- "1940-1945, World War II", 3 folders.
- "1945-1946, North China", 1 album, (this album was sent to the Photo Archives intact due to the association value of the writing within the album)
- "1948-1953", 1 folder.
- "1953-1954, Korea", 1 folder; (album cover in with collection, box #3).
- "1955-1957", 1 folder.
- "1961-1962, Okinawa", 1 folder; (album cover in with collection, box #3).
- "1967-1968, Vietnam", 1 folder; (album cover in with collection, box #3).
- Miscellaneous, negatives and photographs, 1 folder.
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Transferred to Photo Archives.

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