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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
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Biographical sketch

Hungarian writer and statesman; member of the Hungarian Parliament 1945-1947, Secretary General of the Hungarian National Peasant Party, staff member of the National Committee for a Free Europe in the 1950's and President of the International Center for Social Research from 1962-1963.

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Scope and Content

Correspondence, manuscripts, documents, photographs and printed materials of Imre Kovács. The voluminous correspondence includes letters to and from his family in the U.S. and Hungary. The professional correspondence is primarily concerned with contemporary events in Hungary, Latin America and Asia and covers the years 1947-1980. Correspondents include

many prominent Hungarians such as Belá Varga, Ferenc Nagy, Oscar Jaszi and Albert Szent-György. There are political and literary manuscripts, book reviews and lectures by Kovács, as well as background materials for his books "The Ninety and Nine" and "The Hearing." Subject files reflect Kovác's involvement with Hungarian emigre organizations and his work for Radio Free Europe and their Hungarian service. There are also files on the Free Europe Press and the Free Europe Committee. Kovác's 1957 trip to Asia and the Middle East is documented through correspondence, clippings and photographs. Similar coverage is provided for Kovác's 1963 trip to Latin America for the International Center for Social Research. There are related subject files on Latin American agrarian reform and campesino leadership training. Printed materials include articles by Kovács and others, as well as miscellaneous publications of the Hungarian emigration.

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Arrangement

Selected materials cataloged; remainder arranged.

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Gift of the Trustees of the Imre Kovács Papers, 1985.

Processing Information

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- Near East -- Politics and government -- 20th century

Collection Inventory

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Brzenzinski, Zbigniew	box 1
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Gati, Charles	box 1
Hapsburg, Otto	box 1
Hook, Sidney	box 1
Jaszi, Oscar	box 1
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Lodge, Henry Cabot, Jr.	box 1
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Tabori, Paul	box 1
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Antl, Edmundo	box 1
B	box 1
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Borbandi, Gyula	box 1
Borsody, Istvan	box 1
Boros, Sandor	box 1
C	box 2
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"Marxist Historians Look at the Digger Movement"	box 1
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Fast, Howard	
"Az emberiseg remenye"	box 10
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Gombos, Gyula & Kovacs, Imre -- "Magyar-Amerikai kapcsolatok, 1945-1948"	box 10
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Book Reviews	box 10
Imre Nagy's "A Magyar nép vedelmeben"	box 10
"Challenge at your Gates"	box 10
"The Chinese Family"	box 10
"Columbian Story"	box 10
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"Dilemma [sic] of the Soviet Writer"	box 10
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"For Spiritual Sovereignty"	box 11
"Forces of Natural Progress"	box 11
"Forms and Methods of Collectivization in Hungary"	box 11
"A frontonkivllli nép"	box 11
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"The Hungarian People's Republic"	box 11
"Hungarian Populism-Road to Revolution"	box 11
"Hungarian Program: Political Magazine"	

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