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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Ellsworth, A. Whitney, 1936-2011
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Biographical / Historical

A. Whitney Ellsworth (1936-2011) was the chairman of Amnesty International USA between 1976-1978 and also served as the organization's treasurer. Ellsworth was an active and influential force in the development of AIUSA's administrative structure in the 1970s and he is credited with establishing the organization's early financial security. Ellsworth was also the first publisher of the New York Review of Books and served in this role from 1963 until his retirement in 1986. In 1986 he became a managing partner in the Lakeville Journal Company, publisher of weekly newspapers in Connecticut and New York.

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Summary

The Ellsworth papers are an important complement to the AIUSA archives at Columbia, and will be especially valuable for the study of the early years and genesis of AIUSA's organizational and operational structures. This accession fills our collecting objective of acquiring personal papers of human rights advocates that align closely with the organizational archives in the CHRDR collections.

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