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Biography

Edward J. Savage

1922 - Born, Rochester, New York

1947 - B.A., University of Rochester

1950 - B.S., foreign service, Georgetown University

1950-55 - Foreign Service officer, public affairs, Germany

1956 - Press attache, American Embassy, Colombo, Ceylon

1957-60 - Press officer, State Department

1960-63 - Press attache, American Embassy, Helsinki, Finland

1964-66 - Assistant director, United States Information Agency

1966-69 - Public affairs officer, American Embassy, Beirut, Lebanon

1969-71 - Counselor, press affairs, American Embassy, Saigon, Vietnam

1971-74 - Public affairs adviser, Bureau of European Affairs, State Department

Oct.-Nov. 1974 - Consultant, White House press office

Dec. 1974-June 1975 - Assistant press secretary for foreign affairs, White House press office

Scope and Content Note

A veteran press officer in the foreign affairs field, Edward Savage came to the White House press office as a consultant on detail from the State Department. In December 1974 he was named assistant press secretary for foreign affairs, a position he held until his resignation in June 1975. In this capacity Savage met daily with press secretary Ron Nessen to discuss developments in foreign affairs and served as liaison with the foreign press. He worked closely with foreign embassies on details of visits by heads of their governments and in press arrangements when President Ford traveled abroad. Savage's resignation was due at least in part to his frustration over the National Security Council's refusal to allow him a more significant role in foreign policy news guidance.

The Savage files consist of correspondence, memoranda, press releases, transcripts of interviews and testimony, briefing guidance, briefing books, presidential press guidance, printed material, and clippings. These materials relate to various foreign policy issues, President Ford's trips abroad, visits of heads of foreign governments, and the operation of the White House press office. Open materials on presidential trips and visits of foreign leaders include correspondence and memoranda relating to arrangements for the press corps, press releases, public statements, briefing materials, and schedules. The bulk of the more substantive briefing materials, which concern Ford's meetings with foreign officials,

are currently security classified and closed to research.

Related Materials (August 1986)

Related materials can be found in the files of press office colleagues and the Ron Nessen papers.

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OPEN	Foreign Assistance Programs
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OPEN	France - French National Television filming at White House, 1975/05/22
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OPEN	Military - World Military Expenditures and Arms Trade 1963-1973
OPEN	Mutual and Balanced Force Reduction
OPEN	NATO
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OPEN	Portugal
OPEN	Presidential Interview with Foreign Press, 1975/05/23
OPEN	Presidential Interview with Los Angeles Times, 1975/03/23
OPEN	Presidential Interview with Pierre Salinger, 1975/06/09
OPEN	Presidential Interview with Tom Brokaw and John Chancellor, 1975/01/23
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OPEN	Senegal - Visit of President Senghor, 1975/05/22-23 - Briefing Book
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OPEN	Yugoslavia - Visit of Prime Minister Bijedic, 1975/03/19-21 - Briefing Book
OPEN	Zambia - Visit of President Kaunda, 1975/04/01 - Briefing Book