

UNITED STATES EMBASSY-AUSTRIA COLLECTION

Introduction

The collection contains papers and printed material concerning the European Recovery Program (Marshall Plan) in Austria from 1951 to 1968. The material was donated by the U. S. Embassy in Vienna, Austria in 1979 and accessioned as collection number 421.

The collection is arranged into two series according to forms of material. Series one contains handwritten ledgers which record loans made to companies and projects through the Austrian Counterpart Investment Program from 1957 to 1960. Series two includes printed material arranged alphabetically.

Ten publications have been added to the holdings of the library.

Access to the collection, which occupies one document box, is unrestricted.

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Scope and Content Note

The United States Embassy-Austria Collection describes the implementation and functions of the European Recovery Program (Marshall Plan) in Austria from 1951 to 1968. ERP funds helped revive Austrian industry and commerce by financing and furnishing goods for projects which prompted economic stability and a higher employment rate. The collection is divided into two series.

Handwritten ledgers comprise the first series. The ledgers record loans made to Austrian industries and projects through the Austrian Counterpart Investment Program. According to provisions under the Marshall Plan, Austria deposited local currency in counterpart funds equaling the amount received in U. S. aid. The U. S. government had the right to approve of all counterpart-funded projects. In 1953, the United States relinquished this authority to the Austrian government.

The ledgers are arranged in their original order according to industry code. The codes number ten to two-hundred-thirty-nine; however, only twenty-three of the original ledgers are in the collection. The ledgers are in English.

Series two contains printed material dealing with the ERP in Austria. Included are leaflets and mimeographed, typed, and photocopied documents. Four of the items are written in German, three in English, and one has both English and German translations. Of special interest in this series is a chart showing the distribution of U. S. financed commodities according to occupation zones. This material is arranged alphabetically.

Several publications have been transferred to the library and included in the book and periodical holdings. Publications in English include quarterly reports on the ERP in Austria, 1951-1954, THE AUSTRIAN INVESTMENT PROGRAM, 1951; ECA SPECIAL MISSION TO AUSTRIA; and TEN YEARS OF AUSTRIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, 1945-1955. German publications include ÖSTERREICH HANDBUCH, ERP NEUREGELUNG IN ÖSTERREICH, and ZEHN JAHRE ERP IN ÖSTERREICH 1948/1958.

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| Folder | 1 | Ledgers. Agriculture and Natural Resources, 1957-1960. |
| | 2 | Power and Communication, 1957-1960. |
| | 3 | Engineering and Construction, 1957-1960. |
| | 4 | All Other, 1957-1960. |
| | 5 | Transportation, 1957-1960. |
| | 6 | Labor, 1957-1960. |
| | 7 | Health and Sanitation, 1957-1960. |
| | 8 | Education, 1957-1960. |
| | 9 | Community Development, Social Welfare, and Housing, 1957-1960. |
| | 10 | General and Miscellaneous, 1957-1960. |
| | 11 | Coal Mining, 1957-1960. |
| | 12 | Metal Mining, 1957-1960. |
| | 13 | Other Mining and Quarrying, 1957-1960. |
| | 14 | Basic Textiles, 1957-1960. |
| | 15 | Primary Metals, 1957-1960. |
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| | 17 | Chemical and Chemical Products excluding Fertilizer, 1957-1960. |
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| | 19 | Electrical Machinery, 1957-1960. |
| | 20 | Machinery excluding Electrical, 1957-1960. |
| | 21 | Miscellaneous Manufacturers, 1957-1958. |
| | 22 | Miscellaneous Manufacturers, 1959-1960. |
| | 23 | Small Business - list of projects, 1953. |
| | 24 | Miscellaneous Small Projects, 1957-1960. |
| | 25 | Printed Material. <u>ERP Counterpart Settlement Agreement, April 11, 1961.</u> |
| | 26 | Printed Material. <u>ERP Sonderkonto (The ERP Special Account), 1951.</u> |
| | 27 | Printed Material. <u>Final Summary of Reported Distribution of U.S. Financed Commodities by Occupation Zones, March 30, 1956.</u> |
| | 28 | Printed Material. <u>Kreditmöglichkeiten für die gewerbliche Wirtschaft. (Credit Sources for Trade and Small Business).</u> |
| | 29 | Printed Material. <u>Österreich und die ERP-Hilfe. (Austria and the ERP-1st quarter, 1954).</u> |
| | 30 | Printed Material. <u>Summary of Releases, PL-84, PL-389, PL-472, June 30, 1955.</u> |
| | 31 | Printed Material. Surplus Agriculture Commodities, mimeographed agreement, 1955-1957. |
| | 32 | Printed Material. 20 Jahre Marshallplan (Twenty Years of the Marshall Plan), 1968. |