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SUMMARY: The papers consist of correspondence, diplomatic papers, writings,

publications, and other documents detailing the political career of T'ang Wu,

a Chinese diplomat and ambassador.

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b. box

f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

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Brief Vita of T'ang Wu, 1906-1977

T'ang Wu was born in Hupeh, China, in 1906. He attended Yale High School in China, received the B.A. from the University of Washington (1930), and the J.D. from the University of Oregon (1932). He was a career diplomat, holding positions at Chinese embassies in Egypt, Chile, Korea, Ecuador, and Liberia. T'ang also taught at the Chinese Military Academy (1932), was a professor of international law at Soochow University in Taiwan (1953), and was director of the Chinese Foreign Institute, Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He died in 1977.

Key events in T'ang Wu's life:

| 1906 | o Born in Hupeh, China |
|------|--|
| 1930 | $_{\odot}$ Received B. A. from the University of Washington. |
| 1932 | $_{\odot}$ Received J. D. from the University of Oregon |
| 1932 | $_{\odot}$ Worked in the Chinese Ministry of Justice under Chu Chen, one of the founders of the Chinese Republic with Sun Yat-sen |
| 1932 | $_{\odot}$ Instructor of political science at the Chinese Military Academy by appointment of Chiang Kai-shek |
| 1939 | $_{\odot}$ Deputy Director of European Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs under Dr. Hsu Mo, later Justice in the International Court of Justice, Hague/*Negotiated China-Burma boundary with the United Kingdom |
| 1941 | Chargé d'Affaires of the Chinese Legation, Cairo, Egypt/*Established first diplomatic mission in Egypt/*Was a participant in the Cairo Conference/ *Established diplomatic relations with Greece |
| 1944 | o Chargé d'Affaires of the Chinese Legation, Santiago, Chile |

Key events in T'ang Wu's life:

| 1953 | Member of Secretariat, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Taiwan, China/Member of China-U. S. defense treaty negotiations/Professor of International Law, Soochow University, Taiwan | |
|---------------|--|--|
| 1955 | o Minister-Counsellor at the Chinese Embassy, Seoul, Korea | |
| 1956 | o China and International Law (in Chinese) published | |
| 1958 | Envoy Extraordinary and Ambassador Plenipotentiary to Liberia/*Established first diplomatic mission in Liberia/*Special envoy to numerous African countries establish diplomatic relations with China/*Established first Agricultural Assistar Program in Africa | |
| 1962 | $_{\odot}$ Envoy Extraordinary and Ambassador plenipotentiary to Chile | |
| 1963 and 1965 | O Delegate/Ambassador to the United Nations General Assembly | |
| 1966 | $_{\odot}$ Director of North American Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs/*Responsible for China relations with the United States and Canada/*Broke diplomatic relations with Canada | |
| 1969 | $_{\odot}$ Envoy Extraordinary and Ambassador Plenipotentiary to Ecuador/*Negotiated agricultural and commercial assistance programs/*Broke diplomatic relations with Canada | |
| 1972 | Director, Foreign Service Institute, Ministry of Foreign Affairs/Information provided by Victor T'ang | |

Scope and Contents

The papers consist of correspondence, diplomatic papers, writings, publications, and other documents detailing the political career of T'ang Wu, a Chinese diplomat and ambassador.

Collection Contents Inventory, 1932-1975, undated

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Ecuador

| b.1 | China to Ecuador Agricultural Assistance Program | 1969-1971 |
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| b.1 | China economic trade visit to Ecuador | 1971 |
| b.1 | China/Ecuador: United Nations China representation question | 1969-1971 |
| b.1 | Diplomatic correspondence | 1969-1971 |
| b.1 | Diplomatic cables | 1969-1971 |
| b.1 | China/Ecuador diplomatic papers | 1969-1971 |
| b.1 | Ecuador overseas Chinese cases and issues | 1970-1971 |
| b.1 | <u>Chile</u> | |
| b. 2 | Chinese Communist activities in Chile | 1963-1966 |
| b. 2 | Commercial Chinese Communist activities in Chile | 1964 |
| b. 2 | Diplomatic papers: China/Chile relations | 1944-1949, 1964-1966 |
| | <u>United States</u> | |
| b. 3 | United States/China defense treaty | 1954-1955 |
| b. 3 | Diplomatic papers: China/United States relations | 1963-1968 |
| b. 3 | United States military bases in China | 1966-1969, 1973-1974 |
| | <u>Liberia</u> | |
| b. 4 | Diplomatic papers: China/Liberia relations | 1956-1965 |
| b. 4 | Diplomatic cables | 1960-1962 |
| b. 4 | China to Liberia Agricultural Assistance Program | 1959-1961 |
| b. 4 | Liberia University centennial speech | 1960 |
| | Other Countries | |
| b. 4 | China/Canada relations | 1969 |
| b. 4 | China/Belgium relations | 1969 |
| b. 4 | Okinawa (Ryukyus Islands) issues | 1943-1944, 1962, 1967-1968 |

Other Countries (continued)

| b. 4 | "Source of the Chien Tao [island] Problems" by Shen, Chishuo English | undated | | |
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| b. 4 | Foreign Technical Assistance Program | 1962, 1965-1969, 1971 | | |
| | United Nations: China representation issue | | | |
| b. 5 | General | 1958, 1966-1969 | | |
| b. 5 | Legal status of Taiwan | 1960, 1967, 1969 | | |
| b. 5 | United Nations General Assembly speeches | 1963-1965 | | |
| | Chinese Foreign Service Institute | | | |
| b. 5 | Records and publications | 1962, 1965–1967 1970–1975 | | |
| | Miscellaneous topical materials | | | |
| b. 6, f. 1 | Chinese Agricultural Assistance Program (agricultural cooperation with foreign countries) | 1958 | | |
| b. 6, f. 2 | Chinese Nationalist Party (Kuo Min Tang) | 1970-1971 | | |
| b. 6, f. 3-4 | Yeh, Kung-ch'ao: notes | 1957, 1972-1974 | | |
| b. 6, f. 5 | Cairo Conference | 1944 | | |
| | Reference and research materials | | | |
| b. 6, f. 6 | Chinese international relations | 1966-1969 | | |
| b. 6, f. 7 | Foreign Service Institute of Language and Area Studies [in Taichung] | 1968-1969 | | |
| b. 6, f. 8 | Treaties | 1932-1955 | | |
| b. 6, f. 9 | Miscellaneous | 1952, 1958, 1962-1964, 1967-1971 | | |
| <u>Writings</u> | | | | |
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| b. 6, f. 10-12 | Diaries | 1970-1974 | | |
| b. 6, f. 13 | Speeches and articles | 1970-1974 1958, 1961, 1969-1971 | | |

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Geographic Names

Chile -- Foreign relations -- China China -- Foreign relations -- Chile China -- Foreign relations -- Ecuador China -- Foreign relations -- Liberia China -- Foreign relations -- United States Ecuador -- Foreign relations -- China Liberia -- Foreign relations -- China United States -- Foreign relations -- China

Names

T'ang, Wu, 1906-1977