

**CONFEDERATE STATES OF  
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Confederate States of America  
Dept. of State records, 1863-1865**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Confederate States of America. Dept. of State.  
**Title:** Confederate States of America Dept. of State records, 1863-1865  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 115  
**Extent:** .25 linear ft. (1 box)  
**Abstract:** Manuscript copies of correspondence between J.P. Benjamin, the third Secretary of State of the Confederate States of America, and J.M. Mason, a Confederate diplomat to Great Britain.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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**Administrative Information**

**Restrictions on Access**

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**Source**

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**Citation**

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## **Collection Description**

### **Scope and Content Note**

The collection contains records of the Confederate States of America Department of State from 1863-1865. The collection consists almost entirely of manuscript copies of letters exchanged between J.P. Benjamin, the third Secretary of State of the Confederacy, and J.M. Mason, Commissioner of the Confederacy to Great Britain and France. This collection of correspondence was probably copied and assembled for distribution to the Confederate legislature. The correspondence concerns diplomatic relations between the Confederacy and other countries, including Great Britain, France, and Mexico. Issues discussed in the correspondence include the rights of Confederate citizens traveling abroad, the attitude of France and Great Britain regarding the Confederate cause, and diplomatic efforts of the United States. The collection also contains letters of transmittal signed by J.P. Benjamin and Jefferson Davis.

### **Arrangement Note**

Arranged in chronological order.

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## Container List

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
1	1	Earl Russell to J.M. Mason, September 25, 1863
1	1	J.M. Mason to J.P. Benjamin, October 19, 1863
1	2	J.P. Benjamin to J.M. Mason, November 13, 1863
1	3	J.P. Benjamin to J.M. Mason, November 14, 1863
1	4	J.P. Benjamin to J.M. Mason, January 25, 1864
1	5	J.M. Mason to J.P. Benjamin, January 25, 1864
1	6	J.M. Mason to J.P. Benjamin, February 8, 1864
1	7	J.M. Mason to J.P. Benjamin, February 18, 1864
1	8	J.M. Mason to J.P. Benjamin, February 18, 1864
1	9	J.M. Mason to J.P. Benjamin, March 16, 1864
1	10	J.M. Mason to J.P. Benjamin, April 12, 1864
1	11	J.P. Benjamin to J.M. Mason, April 18, 1864
1	12	J.P. Benjamin to J.M. Mason, April 22, 1864
1	13	J.M. Mason to J.P. Benjamin, June 1, 1864
1	14	J.M. Mason to unknown, fragment [1864]
1	15	Letter of transmittal signed by Jefferson Davis, December 10, 1863
1	16	Letter of transmittal signed by J.P. Benjamin, December 14, 1864
1	17	List of papers

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