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Collection Summary

Title	Benjamin V. Cohen Papers
Dates	1902-1982 (bulk 1919-1935)
Collection Number	MS-65
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator	Cohen, Benjamin Victor, 1894-1983
Extent	1.2 linear feet (3 Hollinger boxes)
Language of the Material	English, French, and German

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch	Benjamin V. Cohen was born in Muncie, Indiana on September 23, 1894. After graduating from the University of Chicago Cohen joined the Illinois bar and began a long career in government service. Though best known as an advisor to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, Cohen was active in Zionist affairs throughout his career, representing American Zionists at the Paris Peace Conference at the conclusion of World War I. Following his service in the New Deal Cohen was appointed as a member of the United States delegation to the United Nations during the Truman administration. Cohen never married. He died in Washington, D.C. on August 15, 1983 at the age of 88.
Scope and Content	Correspondence, minutes, reports, notes and miscellaneous items, 1902-1982, relating to the members and activities of the World Zionist Organization. The bulk of the materials spans the years 1919-1935 and depicts the activities of the American Zionists with the international Zionist organization.
Arrangement	The series is alphabetically arranged.
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Corporate Names	World Zionist Organization / Zionist Organization of America
Media	Minutes

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