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Description: The accession consists of records generated and kept by the secretary of the Eastern Pacific Oceanic Council during the period 1954-1994. During this period Joseph Reid, Marston Sargent, Michael Laurs and Jack A. Barth served as secretaries of EPOC. The accession includes correspondence dated 1972-1976, Minutes of meetings dated 1954-1994, and subject files.

The Eastern Pacific Oceanic Council was established in November 1994 “to further oceanographic and biological investigations in the Eastern Pacific for the benefit of fisheries.” Its functions as stated in 1954 are to “assist in coordinated planning and execution of work at sea” and “exchange information on research program results.” EPOC was modeled on ICES, but was not a governmental organization. EPOC planned annual conferences. Initially EPOC members included heads of oceanographic institutions, fisheries biologists and federal officials interested in fisheries. The group discussed and influenced national policy on fisheries research, planned cruises and coordinated oceanographic research in the Eastern Pacific. The organization changed in the 1970’s. Its membership expanded and included more individual scientists rather than institutional representatives. Research grants were increasingly given to individual scientists rather than institutions, and so the organization had less to do with the planning of specific cruises. The main work of the EPOC leadership was to plan the annual EPOC conference. During its recent history, EPOC includes individual scientists as members and concentrated on regional projects and planning.

Oceanography Research Pacific Ocean; Barth, John Alexander ; Laurs, Michael ; Reid, Joseph L.
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