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Summary information

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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

José Ignacio Rasco, Cuban lawyer, intellectual and politician, was a founder and leader of the Partido Democrático Cristiano (Democratic Christian Party) and other Cuban anti-communist organizations, both in Cuba and in exile. Born in Havana, Cuba, Rasco attended Colegio Belén and later graduated from law school at the University of Havana. Leaving Cuba for exile in the United States in 1960, Rasco first worked as an economist at the Interamerican Development Bank and later as Development Director for Colegio Belén in Miami, Florida.

Rasco continued to be very active in the exile version of el Partido Democrático Cristiano and also regularly published on topics of Cuban history, politics and diaspora in newspapers, magazines and journals; and continued Jorge Mañach's work on Radio Martí's Universidad del Aire. Rasco passed away at age 88 in Miami, Florida in October, 2013.

Scope and content

The José Ignacio Rasco papers contain the personal papers of Cuban politician, journalist and exile leader José Ignacio Rasco (1925-2013). Materials include newspaper clippings, correspondence, photographs,

reports, scholarly essays, pamphlets, event documents, and handwritten notes, mostly relating to the Partido Demócrata Cristiano, which he founded in 1959 in Cuba and continued the organization in exile. Other materials include notes and essays that Rasco delivered at conferences, scripts from when he hosted Universidad del Aire on Radio Martí in Miami, and clippings of his articles and those of others published in a variety of newspapers and magazines.

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Physical condition

This collection is housed off-campus and must be requested a minimum of seven calendar days in advance for consultation in the Cuban Heritage Collection Reading Room.

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Gift of Maria Rasco Lytle and Jose Ignacio Rasco Jr., November 2013.

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Related material

CHC5212 Luis J. Botifoll Oral History Project interview with José Ignacio Rasco.

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Access points

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