

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

Historical Studies - Social Science Library

ITEMS REMOVED : GEORGE KENNAN - PRE 1956 MEMBER

- 1) "Acheson Seeking Best Men," New York Times, April 4, 1950.

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elected Prof. IAS - at 11-15-55 vote. - Ed. Dir. effective Jan. 1 - 1956

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Secretary's salary \$4,000 (\$4,800 per year)

1957-58. Lve. without pay (Eastman Prof. at Oxford)

1959 - Apr. - May - Lectures at Harvard

7/1961 to 7/63 - Lve. of absence - Ambassador to Yugoslavia

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CROSS REFERENCE

SEE ALSO: IAS General File - Ford Foundation
RO General File - Kennan, George

March 12, 1951 letter from Paul
Hoffman of Ford Foundation - I.A.S.
General File.

Kennan

8 March 1956

Memorandum to Mr. Morgan:

As authorized by Dr. Oppenheimer's memorandum to Miss Trinterud dated 26 October 1953, will you please transfer charges of \$1,052.97 from Mr. Kennan's account to the Director's Fund. These charges are for travel and other professional expenses incurred by Mr. Kennan in the period from July 1, 1954 to August 31st, 1955.

Verna Hobson

Kennan

14 June 1954

Memorandum to Mr. Morgan:

As authorized by Dr. Oppenheimer's memorandum to Miss Trinterud dated 26 October 1953, will you please transfer the charge of \$58.75 for Miss Taquey's professional services from Mr. Kennan's account to the Director's Fund.

Verna Hobson

Kennan

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Jan. 19.

Robert:

Would you be kind enough to glance over these pages - a draft of the epilogue to the first volume of my work. They are not many; and I feel that some eye other than my own should rest on them before they go to the printer.

Woodward was good enough to give me his comments, and they have been taken into account in the present draft. I think he was not enthusiastic about having any epilogue; but I feel that I owe it to some of my characters, who otherwise are left without an adequate appraisal of their motives and actions.

These pages are, of course, the ones that the reviewers and commentators will take their quotes from.

No hurry. The publisher doesn't even want to see it ~~until the end~~ before the galley proof is all in.

GF Kennan.

For Dr. Oppenheimer's
information.

AMS.

Kennan

November 15, 1955

Dear Mr. Rothschild:

I have considered very carefully, over the weekend, the invitation to address the Annual Meeting of the American Jewish Committee.

I must tell you that the voice of honest conscience still tells me that I should not do this. For one thing, during the present calendar year I have declined other invitations of this nature running literally into the hundreds. These have included such events as lectures at the National War College and other service schools, the Academy of Political Science dinner, the Philadelphia Bulletin Forum, Harvard Law School Forum, etc. It is hard for me to find a rationale which would permit me to make exceptions in the face of such pressures.

You said -- and I recognize the force of this observation -- that I have been given an unusual measure of confidence by many people and that I have no right not to take part from time to time in the discussion of public issues. I know this, and I have tried to do justice to it in the brief intervals between sessions of scholarly work. But fact is that scholarship is the central task to which I have set my hand at this period of my life, and useful work in this field is simply not compatible with ulterior activities that require extensive interruptions of life and work in Princeton. This reality is so relentless that I have come to think of my own possibilities for accomplishment in the scholarly field as being related primarily to the degree in which I have the strength of character to rule out other interests. You may argue that this is something I should not have set my hand to; but I have done so, for better or worse; and I have never regretted the decision. It will have to stand for the foreseeable future.

I do not find it easy to give this sort of reply, and can only hope that you and your associates will understand how cruel the problem is for anyone whose accomplishment in his chosen professional field is dependent on his ability to resist the constant pull of our hectic and gregarious and competitive contemporary life.

Sincerely yours,

George Kennan

Mr. Walter Rothschild,
The American-Jewish Committee.

PREVIOUS SPEAKERS AT AJC ANNUAL MEETINGS

1955

Judge Learned Hand

1954

Senator Herbert H. Lehman
Hon. Henry A. Byroade

1953

Hon. John J. McCloy

1952

Dwight R. G. Palmer

1951

Dr. Isador Lubin
Hon. Jacob K. Javitz

1950

Justice Hugo L. Black

1949

Benjamin V. Cohen
Samuel D. Leidesdorf

1948

James B. Carey, Secy-Treas., CIO
Gen. Omar N. Bradley
Hon. Tom C. Clark

Attendance Saturday evening totals approximately 550 people drawn from cities throughout the country. The heads of other important citizen organizations are often invited as guests. Considerable press space is devoted to the meeting so that it can serve as a useful forum on Mr. Kennan's views. Mr. Kennan's expenses can be defrayed of course.

Kennan

April 12, 1955

Mr. Morgan:

Following is the accounting of the expenses incurred by George F. Kennan on his recent trip to St. Louis and Palo Alto for research in connection with his manuscript:

Fare, Princeton to St. Louis to San Francisco	\$180.36
" Excess baggage, St. Louis to San Francisco	18.91
" San Francisco to St. Louis, rail & Pullman	109.52
" St. Louis to Harrisburg, rail & Pullman	61.42
" Harrisburg to Princeton	8.69
Hotel, St. Louis	103.44
" Palo Alto	32.08
Meals	72.37
Taxis, tips and incidentals	<u>34.86</u>
Total	\$621.65

Mr. Kennan had drawn two advances, one for \$500.00 and one for \$150.00. The attached check for \$28.35 covers the overpayment.

DMSH.

Dorothy M. Hessman

Attachment

Copy to Mrs. Hobson.

THE



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C O P Y

December 24, 1952

My dear Ambassador Kennan:

On behalf of the officers and members of the American Jewish Committee, I have the privilege of inviting you to be the Guest of Honor and principal speaker at the main event of our 46th Annual Meeting. It will be a dinner Saturday evening, January 31, 1953 in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Commodore, New York City.

Last year we were hopeful that you would join us but unfortunately the date of our Annual Meeting conflicted with your departure from the United States.

This Committee, as you may know, is the oldest American Jewish organization devoted to the preservation of civil and religious rights of Jews here and abroad, and to the advancement of human rights throughout the world. Exposing the Communist threat to all Americans, regardless of race or creed, has long been a major task of this Committee, just as previously we helped expose the nature of Nazism and Fascism. You may be familiar with the Committee's widely published protests against the persecution of Cardinal Mindszenty and against the deportation of Hungarian Jews, to cite two examples. The Voice of America has made frequent use of our materials, including special broadcasts by our President, Jacob Blaustein, and articles from COMMENTARY, which is published by this Committee. To rebut Communist claims to defend minority rights, we sponsored JEWS IN THE SOVIET UNION, published by the Syracuse University Press, which will soon be followed by JEWS IN THE SATELLITE COUNTRIES.

49th Annual Meeting, Jan. 27-29, 1956
Hotel Commodore, New York City



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Honorable George F. Kennan

December 24, 1952

These are but a few instances which can be ranged alongside of our work in support of the United States' position in the United Nations in behalf of peace, dignity, and the preservation of human rights.

We are hopeful that you will see in our Annual Meeting an opportune platform and a responsive audience to deliver a message which will help all of us to mobilize more effectively the spiritual and intellectual resources of free men against the threat of Soviet tyranny.

Needless to say, we shall, of course, defray all your expenses. Our more than 500 communal leaders join me in hoping that our deliberations at this important event will be enriched by a speech from you out of the wealth of your knowledge and experience.

Sincerely yours,

s/ Benjamin J. Bутtenwieser

Benjamin J. Bутtenwieser
Chairman, 46th Annual Meeting

Honorable George F. Kennan
East Berlin, Pennsylvania

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THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

February 16, 1950

Dear George:

This letter will tell you formally what we have already told you with such pleasure. It is to offer you a membership in the Institute for Advanced Study for the academic year 1950-51, together with a grant-in-aid of \$15,000. This grant is to make it possible for you to pursue your studies at the Institute, and carries with it no obligation on your part. It is not subject to Federal income tax.

President Dodds has discussed with me his desire to have you participate to some extent in the life of the University. We are, however, agreed that this can best be achieved without any formal arrangements, and with the full understanding that the Institute will welcome any such participation which will contribute to and not interfere with the primary purposes of your study here.

If this letter reaches you before you leave the country, you may wish to tell Mrs. Kennan that we will welcome her to Princeton at any time, and try to help make suitable arrangements for your visit here. I hope that she will let me know when she is coming; and I would then introduce her to Mrs. Leary who is our expert in these matters.

Let me add a personal word to say how glad I am that you are coming here. I think it was a wise decision; and I hope that in the years to come, you will agree with that. Have a good trip; and do not get too tired. The life of the graduate student is not an easy one.

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. George F. Kennan
3707, 33rd Fl., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

PRESS RELEASE
Institute for Advanced Study
for Tuesday morning release
February 20, 1951 (Mon. 6 p.m.)
Princeton, N. J.

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, Director of the Institute for Advanced Study, today issued the following statement:

The Institute for Advanced Study is happy to announce three invitations to its School of Historical Studies:

Professor E. L. Woodward, Professor of Modern History at Oxford, and Editor of Documents on British Foreign Policy, and Professor Ernst H. Kantorowicz, Professor of History at the University of California, and Visiting Professor at Harvard University, Dumbarton Oaks, have been offered Professorships at the Institute for Advanced Study. Mr. George Kennan, who has served the Department of State as Counselor and as head of the Policy and Planning Staff, and who is to be a consultant to the Ford Foundation, has been offered an extension of his Membership in the School of Historical Studies for a term of five years, to continue his investigations of the historical development of United States foreign policy.

PRESS RELEASE
Ford Foundation
for Tuesday morning release
February 20, 1951

Paul G. Hoffman, President and Director of the Ford Foundation announced today that George F. Kennan will be associated with the Ford Foundation as a consultant in order to permit him to continue and extend his studies of international affairs.

In making this announcement, Mr. Hoffman said: "I am gratified that Mr. Kennan is associated with the Foundation. He has made a significant contribution in the field of international relations and my associates and I believe his future contribution will be even more important."

Mr. Kennan is at present on extended leave of absence from the Department of State and is a Member of the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, N. J. By arrangement with the Foundation and the Institute, he will continue as a Member of the Institute to carry on his studies there.

copy to Mr. Fleming
Miss Trinterud
Miss Horton

May 22, 1951

Dear Mr. Kennan:

It is a pleasure formally to appoint you a Member of the School of Historical Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study for the coming five years, from July 1, 1951 to June 30, 1956. This membership has the unanimous approval of both Faculties of the Institute, and of the Board of Trustees. We hope that the Institute will provide for you those resources of understanding, of tranquillity, and of encouragement that may bring to fulfillment the high promise of the work you have before you.

With every warm good wish,

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ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON



May 14, 1953

Dear Robert:

As you may know, I saw Dean Rusk last Saturday morning and discussed with him my plans for next year. If I understood him correctly, I believe he felt that there would be little difficulty in presenting to their Board of Trustees a request for a grant of \$20,000 to cover my work at the Institute next year -- \$15,000 for the work itself and \$5,000 as a contribution toward the expenses. I pointed out to him that the \$5,000 would not fully cover this in my own case, and told him why. He indicated understanding of this, but thought it would be difficult to ask for a larger grant and hoped that the Institute would be able to help in making up whatever gap might remain. It does not seem to me that this should constitute a serious problem, and I indicated to him that I thought it would be entirely satisfactory if the Foundation could make available \$20,000.

Dean asked whether I felt there was any hurry about it or whether it could go before the June meeting of the Board. I told him that I thought June would be early enough, and saw no reason for trying to rush it.

I said that I would like to consult you about the manner in which the request should be placed, since I thought it possible that you might wish the request to come formally from the Institute, as was done the last time. I would prefer this, myself, but would be prepared to make the request personally if you feel this would be better.

I am now engaged just about full time on the researches of which I spoke to you, and find them most interesting and profitable. I am beginning to question, however, whether they are fit stuff for scholarly activity outside of government. I am not sure that we want to reveal to others the full measure of either our knowledge or our ignorance on these subjects. Perhaps we will have a chance to talk about this sometime.

Sincerely,

George Kennan

Doctors' Theses, 1955

- SAMUEL ABRAHAMSEN — Sweden's Foreign Policy since World War I
- GERTRUDE J. AULL — Sentence Completion Testing — A Descriptive Analysis
- IRVING CRESPI — A Functional Analysis of Card Playing as a Leisure-Time Activity
- NASROLLAH SAIFPOUR FATEMI — The Case of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Dispute
- ZENIA ODES FLIEGEL — Stability and Change In Perceptual Performance of A Late Adolescent Group in Relation to Personality Variables
- ESTI D. FREUD — The Social Implications of Language Disturbances
- MARVIN MICHAEL KRISTEIN — The Effects of United States Tariff Concessions, under the General Agreement of Tariffs and Trade, on the Volume of United States Imports: A Case Study
- SIDNEY JACK KRONISH — Planning and Unionism: A Case Study of the Men's Clothing Industry
- SAYRE P. SCHATZ — Inflation and Economic Development: A Theoretical Analysis
- HELMUT R. WAGNER — Social and Religious Outlooks of a Young Labor Elite
- ALEXANDER WEISZ — Visual Determinants in Perceiving Movement of the Self

New Scholarships

THE NEW WORLD CLUB-AUFBAU, an association of immigrants from continental Europe, has generously established a scholarship fund at the New School to help other immigrants to continue their education. One of the main purposes of the association, made up of men and women who have themselves settled in the United States is to assist other immigrants to find roots in this country. Immigrants from continental Europe may apply for New World Club-Aufbau Scholarships in all courses in all departments of the New School. Applications for the academic year 1955-56 may be made up to September 15, 1955 to Dean Hans Staudinger, and will be forwarded for decision to Mr. Ludwig Loewenstein, chairman of the New World Club-Aufbau.

MISS RUTH ARMOUR has provided a tuition scholarship of \$500 a year for two academic years for an Israeli student in memory of her father Bernard R. Armour. Her mother is an active member of the New School Associates. Address applications to Dean Hans Staudinger.

Course Notes

ERNST POMERANZ and SUBODH CHANDRA ROY will not teach this summer. Mr. Pomeranz's Latin courses #179, 181, 183, will be taught by LEO PAP; MISS JANE HENLE will teach Greek courses #187, 189, 191. MR. ROY's courses will be given by the following:

- 33 INDIA IN CONTACT WITH THE WEST
ANAND MOHAN, Editor *New India*
Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:00-7:50 P.M. \$21*
- 91 INDIAN PHILOSOPHY: HINDU AND BUDDHIST ETHICS
MAURICE S. FRIEDMAN
Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:20-10:00 P.M. \$21.*
- 93 INTRODUCTION TO INDIAN PHILOSOPHY
SACHIN MAJUMDAR, lecturer, Columbia Univ.
Mondays and Wednesdays, 8:20-10:00 P.M. \$21*
(For course outlines, address Registrar).

A Summer Novel Workshop by Hiram Haydn

Tuesdays, 6:00-7:50 P.M. and Thursdays, 8:20-10:10 P.M. \$60. (Reg. fee, \$6)* (N.S.)
Beginning June 21. Limited to 15 students interested in becoming professional novelists and, in the opinion of the instructor, having a fair chance of succeeding. Most of the sessions are devoted to intensive study of the work of members of the class. Style, construction, characterization and other aspects of novel writing are given consideration both from the point of view of literary merit and the market. From time to time, editors, writers, critics visit the classes. Admission only after submitting part of a novel or some short stories to Dr. Haydn, c/o Random House, 457 Madison Avenue, N.Y.C.

* Add registration fee of \$6 for one or more courses

Dr. Padover on Leave of Absence

Dr. Padover is on leave of absence from June 15, 1955 to Sept. 15, 1956. He will be Project Director at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace for research on American information about the United Nations.

The Edward L. Bernays \$500 Award

The deadline for entries for the EDWARD L. BERNAYS prize award for 1954 has been extended to November 30. The winner will be announced at a PRANS dinner on December 15. For further information, address PRANS president, Mrs. Esther Speyer, 53 West 57 Street, N. Y. 19.

Faculty and Student Awards

JULIAN LEVI was honored by the National Institute of Arts and Letters with a \$1000 grant . . . WILLIAM TROY has been appointed Fulbright professor for the coming academic year at the Universities of Bordeaux and Reims. He will also lecture at the University of Paris . . . MARVIN KRISTEIN (M.A. '55) has a Fulbright grant to study economics in Rotterdam next year . . . ETA HARICH-SCHNEIDER (M.A. '55) now in Tokyo received a second Guggenheim scholarship to carry forward her study of Japanese music.

Photography Show

An exhibit of photographs by students of BERENICE ABBOTT is being held on the third floor through June 30.

NEW SCHOOL BULLETIN. Published weekly from September through the first week in June by the NEW SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH at 66 West 12th Street, New York 11, N. Y. Reentered as second class matter July 14, 1950, at the Post Office at New York, N. Y., under the Act of August 24, 1912.



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New Jersey

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66 WEST 12TH STREET, N. Y. 11, N. Y.
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Commencement 1955

LEADING EVENTS

George F. Kennan
Commencement Address

Honorary Degrees

GEORGE F. KENNAN, LL. D.
BENJAMIN A. COHEN, Litt. D.
PAUL J. TILLICH, L.H.D.

94 Academic Degrees

11 Ph.D.'s, 58 M.A.'s, 25 B.A.'s

Awards, Prizes, Scholarships

Hiram J. Halle Fellowships
THOMAS LUCKMANN
ALFRED JUNZ
JOHN CERASO, alternate

**Graduate Faculty
Alumni Association Prizes**

Best theses: SAYRE P. SCHATZ, Ph.D.,
Mrs. ETA HARICH-SCHNEIDER, M.A.

The Oliver Goldman Prize

ARTHUR H. BLOCK
Best essay on literature

Valedictorian

DR. SAYRE P. SCHATZ

COMMENCEMENT: June 7, 1955

by Hans Simons

When I remember my happy student days before the first World War, I realize how much more difficult it is today to concentrate on academic work and to be confident about its rewards. Those were the days of blithe security in a parochial setting. Today a whole world with its frightening uncertainties is pressing in on us, brought to our attention daily and almost hourly by new means which make us witness within minutes what happens to others in far-away lands. Life and experience all over the globe have become potentially simultaneous. We here in America insist on this co-incidence, and we are suffering from it. If we disregard the world we feel guilty; but if we don't we are likely to get lost in its complexities and contradictions.

Not only can everybody and everything from everywhere reach us right in our living room if the waves are opened and the knob is turned. What we are reading, hearing and seeing is a human spectacle not in remote places where time has stood still but of events which have suddenly become simultaneous also in the historic sense. More than half of the earth's population has entered history within our lifetime and is clamoring for attention, sympathy and support. Obviously these new societies have not yet caught up technologically, and this affects their economies and their institutions. But ideologically they are our true contemporaries. Their hopes and ambitions are like ours, and the slogans by which they express their nationalist and socialist ideas we know from our own current vocabulary.

On many issues they even seem to be more assured than we are. Their insistent challenge reaches us at a time when we are plunged into a morass of doubts and reconsiderations, compunctions and re-evaluations. The more information we get the more numerous and uneasy are our questions. And the more questions we feel we have to ask the greater becomes our uncertainty. We of the Western world are more troubled about human self-interpretation, both philosophical and psychological, than our newly emerged contemporaries in history on the Asian and African continents.

Can education, acquired under so many handicaps, under this pressure for time and of the times, con-

tribute something that will stand you in good stead in the future? The answer can hardly be found in those tangible results of your work which have earned you your degrees. It is no reflection on them if I wonder whether the time-honored methods of examinations, term papers and theses are really the ones by which your academic achievement can best be tested.

Be that as it may — what your studies should have given you is an attitude rather than answers. What each of us can contribute regardless of his influence — if any — on the larger affairs of the world, is concentration on his task and confidence in his competence to discharge it. He who immerses himself in his immediate responsibilities and meets them well is not an escapist, even if he does not read all the news every day. The real escapists are those who run away from their assigned tasks and rush around worrying about every trouble which they glean from their morning paper (or, still worse, from the afternoon tabloid), scattering their interests, frittering away their imaginative capacity, and squandering their intellectual resources.

However, concentration does not mean closing one's mind. If academic studies amount to more than professional training, they must enable you to see and weigh alternatives, to respect choices which differ from yours, and to check and re-check your premises. One cannot do so without questioning — questioning oneself as well as others, authority as well as anarchy, the claims of tradition as well as of revolution. But in doing so one has to realize that there are insoluble problems, unanswerable questions, and extra-rational forces in human affairs.

To acquire such an attitude is an academic achievement, yet it should not stand in the way of social action. However contemplative one has to be in analysing problems and issues, he is called upon to make decisions and act accordingly. The most important and the most difficult task for all of us is to combine the qualities of the scholar and of the partisan, and to bring both to bear simultaneously on what we have to do.

Such a task is never finished. Commencement is the proper time for you who are graduating and for the institution which you are leaving, to remember how much there remains to be learned, how much there remains to be built!

HONORARY DEGREES:

Text of Citations

GEORGE FROST KENNAN

a man of action and thought in the field of foreign relations, a diplomat, historian and author.

In his career he exemplifies what high intelligence and complete devotion can accomplish in the service of our country at home and abroad.

As Ambassador to a powerful and alien realm he has displayed the poise of a philosopher and the judgment of a statesman.

As Chief of the State Department's policy planning staff he has pioneered in developing and applying long range principles and ideas to our nation's foreign policy.

In his writings he has shown wisdom, restraint and moral courage; through them and through his lectures he has established himself as a discerning teacher and a steadfast guide in a time of uncertainty.

Such a record of research into the political and moral forces which move our world, and of showing them in perspective and manageable relations, arouses the admiration and appreciation which the New School expresses by conferring upon him the honorary degree of *Doctor of Laws*.

BENJAMIN ALBERTO COHEN

a citizen of Chile, of the Americas, and of the world, a gifted newspaper man, accomplished diplomat, successful educator and able administrator.

His devotion to international understanding has inspired his work within the Inter-American system and with friendly neighbors in this hemisphere, whether dealing with conflicts endangering peace or with common interests promising better relations.

He has given the full measure of his great capacities to enthusiastic service in the United Nations Secretariat from its very beginnings, and through indefatigable efforts far beyond the call of any official duty has contributed greatly to making the United Nations better understood and more realistically appraised.

He amply deserves the gratitude which the New School shows on behalf of his world-wide audience by conferring upon him the honorary degree of *Doctor of Letters*.

PAUL JOHANNES TILLICH

As a philosopher and theologian whose teaching and preaching have shown how human self-determination leads to God as the ground of being, he is a living bridge between religion and humanism.

He has warned against the fallacy of man's claim to be self-sufficient, and has revealed to him the demonic element in personal as well as social life.

He has mastered the language of secular art, poetry and the sciences sufficiently to decipher their hidden religious meanings, and has built a system of thought as comprehensive as it is unique in constructive power.

To his students, his audiences here and in Europe, and to his readers all over the world he has been an inspiring leader towards The New Being.

His outstanding achievement is respectfully recognized as the New School confers upon him the honorary degree of *Doctor of Humane Letters*.

March 11, 1954

Sehr verehrter Dr. Hennis:

Ihren Liebenswürdigen Brief vom 25/2/54 habe ich erhalten, und bin Ihnen für Ihre freundliche Auskunft sehr dankbar.

Ich hoffe, vor dem 12 Juli in Frankfurt zu sein, und werde es so einrichten, dass ich die Vorträge in der darauffolgenden Woche beginnen kann. Wenn es der Universität recht ist, werde ich im ganzen vier Vorträge halten, und möchte die folgenden Daten vor schlagen:

No. 1	-	13	Juli
2	-	14	Juli
3	-	20	Juli
4	-	21	Juli

Ich wäre dann gerne bereit, am 15.-16., 22.-23., oder 25.-26., ein privates Seminar zu halten, wie Sie es vorgeschlagen haben. Das Thema könnten wir vielleicht nach meiner Ankunft in Frankfurt besprechen.

So viel ich weiss, ist Ihnen von seiten der Ford Foundation eine Antwort wegen der Finanzierung schon zugegangen.

Ich wäre der Universität sehr dankbar, wenn sie für ein Hotelzimmer sorgen würde. Wenn Sie es für besser halten, könnte es im Stadtzentrum sein; ich würde aber vorziehen, etwas ausserhalb (vielleicht in Bad Homburg) zu wohnen, vorausgesetzt, dass es ein Ort ist, wo die Verbindungen zur Stadt bequem sind, und wo nicht zu viele Amerikaner sich aufhalten. Es fällt mir nicht leicht, die Gastfreundlichkeit meiner Landsmänner mit akademischen Verpflichtungen zu vereinbaren. Da meine Frau mich vermutlich begleiten wird, müsste es eigentlich ein Doppelzimmer sein.

Mit vorzüglicher Hochachtung,

Ihr ergebener,

George Kennan

Dr. Wilhelm Hennis,
Institut für Politische Wissenschaft,
Kettenhofweg 135,
Frankfurt am Main, GERMANY.

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Nov. 22.

Robert:

I thought you might like to see this. It is the book of the Frankfurt lectures, as it is appearing in Germany. There is ^{now} no English translation, and there will be no English edition.

For the lurid remarks on the cover, of which I had no fore warning, I must disclaim responsibility.

George K.

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

June 17, 1954

Dr. Oppenheimer:

You might be interested just to glance at the attached manuscript, which represents as much as I have been able to do in this academic year of actual drafting on the subject of Soviet-American relations. The research, which has been a much greater task than the writing, has been carried several months beyond the period treated in the manuscript, so the manuscript itself represents only a minor portion of the year's work.

This document has not been prepared with a view to eventual publication as it stands, but rather as an attempt to bring together all the relevant documentation from an extraordinarily wide variety of sources and to put it in some sort of coherent order. It is probably considerably more detailed than anything that will finally emerge for publication.

Also, this does not yet represent the fruit of a completed research effort. Almost the entire range of Soviet and other Russian-language sources remains yet to be studied. I did not do this this year because very little of this material is available in Princeton and I thought it better to get a clear picture of what is available from other sources before sailing into the extremely confused and unreliable material available in the Russian language.

Please don't feel that I am asking you to read this; I just thought you might like to peruse it and get an idea of the material.

George Kennan
George Kennan

Kennan

6 May 1954

Mr. Kennan called to say that he has heard from the University of Frankfurt that they cannot offer him any money. Since the \$3000 from the Ford Foundation will go for passage and steno services, he is finding out if the Foundation would increase his grant. If they are agreeable (he will let us know) then we should make formal application.

VH

8 June

Asked Dorothy Hessman, who said that Mr. Kennan had heard from the Ford Foundation that it was too late to change the grant.

Copy to Mr. Morgan
Mr. Kennan

11 May 1954

Dear Mr. May:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 10th, enclosing a check in the amount of \$3,000 payable to the Institute for Advanced Study. We understand that this represents payment of the grant to cover travel expenses of Mr. George Kennan in connection with a series of lectures at the University of Frankfurt.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. Oliver May, Treasurer
The Ford Foundation
655 Madison Avenue
New York 21, New York

*check sent to Mr. Morgan
5/11*

THE FORD FOUNDATION

655 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

May 10, 1954

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, Director
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

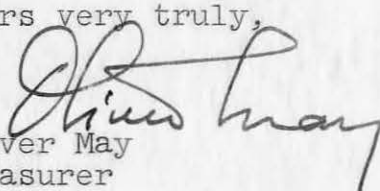
Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

As requested by Mr. Minot C. Morgan we enclose
The Ford Foundation check in the amount of \$3,000
payable to the Institute for Advanced Study.

This remittance represents payment with
respect to the grant to cover travel expenses of
Mr. George Kennan in connection with a series of
lectures at the University of Frankfurt. The terms
of this grant were set forth in Mr. McDaniel's
letter to you dated March 15, 1954.

We would appreciate receiving acknowledgment
of this payment at your convenience.

Yours very truly,


Oliver May
Treasurer

OM:L
Enclosure

12 May

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Mr. Kennan called to say that he had lunched with President Dodds today and settled his matters with him. He would like to stay at the Institute for another year, under the same arrangement, if that is possible.

VH

get out correspondence

INSTITUT FÜR POLITISCHE WISSENSCHAFT
DER JOHANN - WOLFGANG - GOETHE - UNIVERSITÄT

- DER DIREKTOR -

FRANKFURT AM MAIN 6.2.1954
KETTENHOFWEG 135
TELEFON: 77013

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, Director
Institute for Advanced Studies
Princeton N.J.

Sehr verehrter Herr Dr. Oppenheimer !

Unser gemeinsamer Bekannter, Mr. Shepard Stone, veranlaßt mich, Ihnen eine große Bitte vorzutragen.

In meiner Eigenschaft als Professor der Politischen Wissenschaft an der Universität Frankfurt möchte ich gern Mr. George Kennan zum kommenden Sommersemester für eine Vorlesung nach Frankfurt einladen.

Die Ford Foundation ist sehr wahrscheinlich bereit, die Reise und den Aufenthalt von Mr. Kennan in Deutschland zu finanzieren. Da die Ford Foundation es jedoch vermeidet, Spenden an einzelne Personen zu geben, hat Mr. Stone mir vorgeschlagen, Ihr Institut zu bitten, formell dieses Projekt gutzuheißen und der Ford Foundation zur Billigung vorzulegen.

Ich habe mit gleicher Post Mr. Kennan unsere Einladung übermittelt.

Ich selbst bin völlig unerfahren in der bürokratischen Geheimkunst, eine amerikanische Foundation zur Unterstützung eines Projektes zu bewegen. Ob ich Sie wohl bitten darf, sich dieser Sache anzunehmen ? Vielleicht sprechen Sie einmal mit Mr. Kennan über die Angelegenheit. Mr. Stone hat mir versichert, daß ein Antrag von Ihnen von der Ford Foundation wohlwollend behandelt würde.

Ihnen für Ihre Bemühungen vielmals dankend bin ich

mit vorzüglicher Hochachtung

Ihr sehr ergebener



23 March 1954

Memorandum to Mr. Morgan:

Attached are the terms of the Ford Foundation Grant to the Institute to cover the expenses of Mr. George Kennan's trip this summer to give a series of lectures at the Institute for Political Science at the University of Frankfurt.

Their covering letter says: "It is our understanding that these funds will be used in accordance with the plans indicated in your letter of application dated February 23, 1954."

V. Hobson

THE FORD FOUNDATION
655 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

GFK

* return please to RD

Noted
GFK.

JOSEPH M. McDANIEL, JR.
SECRETARY

March 15, 1954

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer, Director
The Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

I am pleased to inform you that the Ford Foundation has approved a grant of \$3,000 to the Institute for Advanced Study to cover the expenses of a trip by George Kennan this summer to give a series of lectures at the Institute for Political Science at the University of Frankfurt.

It is our understanding that these funds will be used in accordance with the plans indicated in your letter of application dated February 23, 1954. The terms of the grant are contained in the attached sheet. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to write us.

On behalf of the Trustees and Officers, may I express my best wishes for the success of Mr. Kennan's lecture series.

Sincerely yours,


Joseph M. McDaniel, Jr.
Secretary

e.c.

Professor George Kennan
Graduate Institute of Int.
Studies

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For the Last of the Women's

TEAS and LECTURES

WE INVITE ALL THE MEN OF THE INSTITUTE

TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 1954

8 p. m.

MR. GEORGE F. KENNAN

Soviet-American Relations

1917 - 1918

THE INSTITUTE - COMMON ROOM

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Wednesday morning, 3/17

Dear Robert:

I informed the Pennsylvania organization last night that I was withdrawing my candidacy, and the announcement will be made to the papers of the district this morning at 10 a.m. The metropolitan press will get it from them.

I appreciated your willingness to give further consideration to the question of my future relationship to the Institute, in the event that I were to run for office, but felt that I had no choice but to act as ^{well} when I did. Not only was the situation in Pennsylvania red hot, with strong possibilities that anything might happen at any time that would make withdrawal practically impossible, but it was evident that things were developing in such a way that there would be a considerable conflict, if only in my own conscience, between one set of demands and the other. Furthermore, as concerns the Institute and the Foundation, the mere fact that ~~that~~ there should be a serious question about the compatibility of the two things is more than I ~~am~~ had anticipated and sufficient grounds, in my own feeling, for not going ahead with the ~~xxx~~ election.

(Over)

The phrase being used in the announcement is something like like this:

~~It has become clear that it would not be possible to reconcile my existing personal commitments with the requirements of a primary contest.~~

"It has become clear that it would not be possible to reconcile my existing personal commitments with the requirements of a primary contest."

This, I think, does not point the finger either at the Institute or the Foundation; and to the extent that I may have to give further explanations to people, I am ~~more~~ prepared to say that the situation was shaping up in such a way that it would not have been possible for me to give adequate attention to my existing academic commitments and undertakings; that this was more than I had bargained for; and that the decision was my own.

GFK

Copy to Mr. Morgan
Mrs. Barnett
Miss Horton

4 October 1954

Dear Mr. Kennan:

It gives me great pleasure to write to you that upon vote of the Faculty, and with the concurrence of the Trustees of the Institute for Advanced Study, your membership in the School of Historical Studies has been extended to June 30, 1961. The Trustees expressed the hope that adequate financial support for your work could be made available.

In the light of the uncertainties of schedule of the research on which you are now engaged, and of the larger uncertainties that may attend the next years of your life, I think it important that I assure you that neither Faculty nor Trustees, in approving your membership, expect of you any commitment as to the extent to which you may be able to avail yourself of it; and that our action in extending your membership is solely to grant you full freedom of choice in this matter, and to express confidence in your work in the future and appreciation of what you have done in the past.

With every good wish,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. George F. Kennan
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

October 5, 1954

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

I am writing to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of October 4 and to express my deep appreciation for the action of the Faculty and Trustees of the Institute in extending my membership in the School of Historical Studies to June 30, 1961. To me, as one who has turned to scholarship relatively late in life, this mark of confidence has special meaning.

I would be grateful if you could communicate to the Faculty and the Trustees at some convenient time the expression of my appreciation for this action.

Very sincerely,


George Kennan

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer,
Director, The Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, New Jersey.

Kennan

15 March 1954

MEMORANDUM TO FILE:

Dr. Oppenheimer telephoned Mr. Maass this afternoon to call his attention to the fact that Mr. Kennan was filing as Democratic candidate for Congress from his Pennsylvania district; Mr. Maass said he knew about it.

Dr. Oppenheimer explained that Kennan was here for a five-year membership; that he was engaged in an interesting study of the first year of Soviet-American relations, and that he intended to continue these studies until he left for Germany in mid-June. Mr. Kennan's work has been supported by \$15,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation and supplemented by \$5,000 from the Institute. Mr. Kennan will not formally be a candidate until the Democratic primary in Pennsylvania on May 18th.

The Rockefeller Foundation took the position that it could not support the work of a candidate for public office and were concerned to maintain this position, particularly in view of the investigation by the Reece Committee. It seemed to Dr. Oppenheimer that the Institute might take a similar position but might interpret 'candidacy' quite strictly, so that Kennan could work here as planned until the Democratic primary. Mr. Maass fully concurred.

Dr. Oppenheimer pointed out that, since the primary was uncontested, Mr. Kennan might be presented as a candidate before May 18th. Mr. Maass said he understood this and was not troubled by it.

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23 February 1954

Dear Mr. Stone:

As you perhaps know, I have had a letter from Dr. Karl Schmid, Director of the Institute for Political Science in Frankfurt. He informs me that he would like to have Mr. George Kennan visit the Institute this summer in order to give some lectures.

I understand from Mr. Kennan that he would like to undertake this, provided funds can be found to cover the expenses of his trip; and I further understand that there is a good chance that the Ford Foundation would be willing to grant such funds in the amount of \$3,000, provided that the Institute for Advanced Study would be willing to accept the responsibility for the administration and reimbursement of these funds.

This letter is a formal notification on the part of the Institute that it would be willing to do this and that it is applying to the Ford Foundation for such grant.

With every warm good wish,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. Shepard Stone
The Ford Foundation
655 Madison Avenue
New York, New York

cc: Mr. Kennan

27 February 1954

Dear Mr. Cronin:

Thank you for your letter of February 24th, inquiring about Mr. Kennan's lectures.

Although Mr. Kennan is a member of the Institute for Advanced Study, these lectures are being given under the auspices of Princeton University. Each year the University invites a speaker prominent in international and public affairs to deliver these lectures, which are known as the Stafford Little Lectures. Mr. Kennan has chosen for his subject, "Basic Factors in America's Foreign Relations." The lectures are open to the public.

If there is any other information you would like to have, please do not hesitate to let me know. We shall be glad to help if we can.

Sincerely yours,

Rosanna W. Jaffin
Secretary to the Director

Mr. Walter F. Cronin, External
Research Staff
Office of Intelligence Research
Department of State
Washington 25, D. C.

ADDRESS OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

February 24, 1954

Dear Sir:

Several officers of the Department have inquired at this office about a series of lectures which Mr. George Kennan is to deliver on March 23 and 24 and March 30 and 31. They would be interested to learn the general nature of the lectures to be delivered, and to determine whether the lectures are to be open to the public.

This office is charged with the responsibility of maintaining liaison with universities, foundations and scholars who are concerned with the social sciences, and particularly with those who concern themselves with foreign areas and international relations. Since this office does not have adequate information about the program of the Institute, we should be happy to receive any brochure or other information about it which you may have available for distribution.

We shall be glad to have any information which you may care to send us.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Walter F. Cronin".

Walter F. Cronin

External Research Staff
Office of Intelligence Research

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer,
Director, Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, New Jersey.

THE FORD FOUNDATION
655 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

March 11, 1954

Dr. Robert Oppenheimer
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer:

Thank you for your letter of February 23rd. Within the next week or so you will receive formal notification of the grant for George Kennan -- or at least I think you will. This is merely to acknowledge your letter.

Sincerely,


Shepard Stone

SS:m

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

*Copy for Dr Oppenheimer
File Kennan*

den 15 Februar, 1954

An Herrn Professor Dr. Karl Schmid,
Institut für Politische Wissenschaft,
Der Johann-Wolfgang-Goethe-Universität,
Frankfurt-am-Main, Germany.

Sehr verehrter Prof. Dr. Schmid:

Ihren liebenswürdigen Brief vom 6/2/54 habe ich eben erhalten. Ich brauche Ihnen kaum zu sagen, dass ich es als eine besondere Ehre schätzen würde, an der Universität Frankfurt Vorträge zu halten, und ich bin gerne bereit, der freundlichen Einladung Folge zu leisten.

Nur möchte ich zunächst ganz sicher sein, dass das, was ich anzubieten habe, die Ansprüche Ihrer Hörer befriedigen würde. Hier zu Hause habe ich öfters über zeitgemässe Fragen der amerikanischen Aussenpolitik gesprochen, und einmal -- wie Sie wissen -- eine längere Vortragsserie über die Geschichte der amerikanischen Diplomatie gehalten. Diese Vorträge waren fast ausschliesslich auf amerikanische Hörer zugeschnitten, und würden sich daher für ein deutsches Publikum nicht so gut eignen. Hier am Institut befasse ich mich zur Zeit mit der Geschichte der amerikanisch-sowjetischen Beziehungen, und vorwiegend der früheren Periode. Ich könnte eventuell, wenn Sie es für geeignet halten, drei oder vier Vorträge über dieses Thema halten. Ich würde denken, solche Vorträge könnten eventuell also Illustration der Problematik und Grundmotive der amerikanischen Aussenpolitik für Ihre Hörer von Nutzen sein.

Falls Ihnen dies passt, habe ich vor, gegen Ende Juni nach Europa zu fahren und ungefähr vom 4. Juli ab in Frankfurt zu sein. Am liebsten möchte ich dann eine kleine Ruhezeit haben und erst Mitte des Monats mit den Vorträgen anfangen. Ginge das? Und wenn nicht, welche Termine würden Sie dann vorziehen? Wenn es sein müsste, könnte ich mit dem Flugzeug fahren und etwas früher ankommen; aber ich ziehe im Prinzip die Seereise vor, wenn keine zu grosse Eile vorliegt. Vor dem 17. Juni kann ich unter keinen Umständen von hier wegkommen.

Die Vorträge würde ich, wenn das Ihnen recht ist, in deutscher Sprache halten.

Mit besten Grüssen,

Ihr sehr ergebener

George H. Kennan

INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

REQUISITION FOR PAYMENT

Voucher No.

Date February 10, 1954

Pay to Mrs. Charles Taquey

Address 318 Second Street, S. E., Washington 3, D. C.

Approved by (Signature) Amount \$ 58.75

To be charged to Director's Fund (per JE 100 6/15/54)

In payment of (Itemize)

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To be filled in by accounting department.

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PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

REQUISITION FOR PAYMENT

Voucher No.

Date February 1, 1954

Pay to George F. Kennan

Address

Approved by (Signature) Amount \$ 161.34

To be charged to Director's Fund

In payment of (Itemize) Reimbursement of travel expenses..

To consult archives in the Wisconsin State Historical Society in Madison and in the Harper Memorial Library in Chicago.

1/18/54	Airplane ticket, New York to Milwaukee	\$51.87
	Bus, Milwaukee to Madison	1.76
1/20/54	Hotel, Madison	12.00
	Tips, arrival and departure	1.00
	Taxi to station	.50
	Rail fare to Chicago	6.55
	Tips on train	.50
	Taxi to Chicago hotel	2.25
	Tip at hotel	.50
1/22/54	Taxi to station	1.50
	Tips, hotel and station	1.25
	Hotel, Chicago	24.00
	Rail fare, Chicago to Philadelphia	55.20
	Tip on pullman	1.00
	Rail fare, Philadelphia to Princeton	1.46
		<u>\$161.34</u>

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MF Kennan

26 October 1953

Memorandum to Miss Trinterud:

From time to time during the year, Mr. Kennan will require various professional services, such as special research in Washington and consultation with foreign specialists. The total of these expenses is not expected to exceed the sum of \$2,000; they should be charged against Mr. Kennan's account, and at the end of the year the Institute will transfer from the ~~general account~~ ^{Director's} Funds necessary to make up these charges.

Robert Oppenheimer

cc: Mr. Kennan

G Kennan

I. American Diplomacy

1. An amplification of those passages of the Chicago lectures that were cryptic and controversial and drew particular criticism from the reviewers.

(This might be a long article or a short book, more probably the latter. I can't tell until I write it.)

2. A short history of the American experiment with professional diplomacy, beginning in the time of Grover Cleveland and continuing down through the recent democratic administration.

9 (This project has been discussed by a group of senior Foreign Service Officers. We are all convinced of the necessity of the appearance of such a work, as a foundation for the drafting of any sound program for reform and re-birth of the Foreign Service. There is literally no one else we can think of who could do it at this time.)

II. Soviet Studies

1. An internal political history of the Stalin regime.

(This is obviously a major project, and would take two, possibly three, terms. However, I have done considerable work already on the period 1945 to 1952 and have fairly extensive time charts and card index material for this period. At an earlier date I did some work on the 1934 to 1938 purges, but no longer have my materials for that period.

(Ruth Fischer is working on a history of the "oppositions" under Stalin, and there would be some duplication of subject matter.

(People in government feel strongly that it would be useful to them if I would work in this ~~field~~ field.)

2. A study of Soviet-American relations, 1917 to 1951, designed particularly to bring out the problems of principle involved for U.S. statesmen and the various ways in which they responded to these problems.

(This is a study for which I feel that I have special qualifications, having worked in this field in all the major periods involved except the initial period of "civil war and intervention." This subject is manageable and could,

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I think, be encompassed within the term of the present Rockefeller grant, i.e., by next September.)

3. An independent study of German-Soviet relations in the period 1918 to 1941.

(While I have not made any adequate bibliographical research, I do not believe there is any comprehensive and readable work in this field. Having spent five years in Berlin during this period, but with a special interest in Soviet affairs and knowing both languages, I feel especially drawn to this subject.)

4. A review of Gustav Hilger's forthcoming book: "The Incompatible Allies: German-Soviet Relations 1918-1941 Through the Eyes of a Diplomat who Helped Make Them."

(Hilger, for many years Counselor of the German Embassy in Moscow and dean of all "experts" on Soviet affairs, is a close personal friend of mine. I have examined the manuscript at his request and have promised to review the book, when it appears, as a matter of friendship and respect for him. I would like to make this a scholarly and competent review, of some importance in its own right, and for this reason expect to do some supplementary reading for it and to put in a week or two on the preparation of it.)

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE
FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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TO : Institute for Advanced Study

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FROM: George F. Kennan

DATE: June 3, 1952

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May 9, 1952

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Foreign Relations of the United States,
The Soviet Union, 1933-1939

The Department of State released today Foreign Relations of the United States, The Soviet Union, 1933-1939. This collection of documents is now being published because of the vital importance of the relations of the United States with the Soviet Union. This mass of documentation, relatively little of which has hitherto been published, is of utmost significance if an accurate understanding is to be reached concerning these relations. By publication in a separate volume rather than in several annual volumes of the regular Foreign Relations series, the background from the diplomatic recognition of the Soviet Union by the United States in November 1933 to the end of the year 1939, after the outbreak of the Second World War, can be presented in one place. Therefore the documents for 1933, which have been previously published (Foreign Relations, 1933, volume II. pp, 778-840), are reproduced here without change.

With the coming of the Roosevelt administration, preparations were soon underway regarding recognition of the Soviet Government, and several documents illustrate the problems involved which the policy advisers recommended should be settled before formal recognition was accorded. Arrangements were made in due time for Foreign Commissar Litvinov to come to Washington for negotiations, where intensive conversations between him and President Roosevelt and his personal advisers between November 8 - November 16 culminated in an agreement by means of a series of exchanges of notes. All these agreements are contained in this volume (pp. 26-37).

After the establishment of the Embassies, the first negotiations undertaken were for obtaining a settlement of the debts and claims due to the United States in accordance with the "gentlemen's agreement" which had been initialed by President Roosevelt and Litvinov. The papers collected in this volume illustrate for the first time in detail the course of these long, frequently acrimonious negotiations, begun in February 1934. No success whatever was achieved by the end of January 1935 and the matter was dropped, to the bitter disappointment of the United States. The failure to come to an understanding with the Soviet Union on how to carry out this agreement adversely affected all other relations between the United States and the Soviet Union. A much less favorable solution, broached by Stalin and Molotov, Chairman of the Council of People's Commissars, to Ambassador Davies in June 1938, turned out to be equally barren, and this problem of the American debts and claims has remained without settlement (pp. 63-173; 567-582; 594-600).

Other disappointments and irritations in relations with the Soviet Union first appeared in 1934 and persisted throughout the period covered by this volume. The Embassy in Moscow began to encounter administrative difficulties from Soviet authorities which impaired its functioning (pp. 440-457; 624-699; 837-869). The construction of an Embassy building had to be

abandoned because it could not be done according to American standards in the face of Soviet restrictions, non-cooperation, and excessively heavy expenses (pp. 268-278).

The onerous customs practices and examinations inflicted upon American officials by Soviet customs authorities were so exasperating that Secretary of State Hull exclaimed that like procedure were not encountered in other civilized, or even uncivilized countries so far as he knew. When the campaign against foreigners was well under way in the Soviet Union by 1937, the Embassy was seriously hampered in its endeavors to look after the welfare and whereabouts of American citizens arrested and detained by the Soviet Government in contravention of the provisions of another of Litvinov's agreements of 1933. Strong and repeated representations against the evasions and concealments of "the competent Soviet authorities" gained some occasional, but long-delayed ameliorations (pp. 491-503; 708-726; 904-918).

One agreement had been insisted upon at the time of the recognition conversations, that there should be no communist interference in the internal affairs of the United States by the Soviet Government or by any institution under its control. All too quickly, however, evidence accumulated that this agreement was not being kept. When the VII Congress of the Communist International was held in Moscow between July 25 and August 20, 1935, communists from the United States made boastful speeches and the organization interested itself in American affairs. A formal, written protest against the violation of Litvinov's pledge was lodged with the Soviet Union (pp. 218-268) but was rejected. Indications still persisted in later years of Soviet interest in communist progress and activities in the United States.

Recognition of the Soviet Union had been somewhat popularized in the United States by the belief that a large expansion of trade would follow. Negotiations were undertaken for a commercial agreement, which was successfully effected by an exchange of notes first signed on July 13, 1935. Hereafter the commercial agreement was renewed annually, and these negotiations are documented in this volume, including the various demands brought forward by the Soviet Union which complicated the process (pp. 192-218; 322-345; 405-440; 601-624; 809-837). A somewhat analogous trade venture was the peculiar efforts of Soviet agencies to acquire war materials and armaments, particularly the construction of warships, in the United States. These attempts, with their unconventional business methods, ran into a succession of political and economic difficulties which, despite the President's favorable attitude toward the project, had not been overcome before the outbreak of war in Europe (pp. 457-491; 670-708; 869-903).

Among the documents included in this volume there is a limited number not solely concerned with relations between the United States and the Soviet Union. These papers refer to significant internal conditions within the Soviet Union, to statements of policy, or to other incidents which had influence upon foreign affairs (pp. 281-322; 357-404; 504-601; 731-809*).

Correspondence on other subjects, especially multilateral in nature, is reserved for the Foreign Relations volumes for 1939 concerned with the origins and the outbreak of the Second World War. A number of reports on the conflicting interest of the Soviet Union and Japan is to be published in the regular annual volumes for the Far East. An article, describing in

detail the subjects contained in this volume, has been prepared for publication in the Department of State Bulletin for May 26, 1952.

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April 22, 1952

Mr. Robert Oppenheimer
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Robert:

The review of George Kennan's book that I liked so much was the leading review in the Times Literary Supplement of February 8, 1952.

I am sending you a copy of Bennett's Baudelaire. A number of competent people have told me it is good, but I wouldn't know because French literary criticism is one of the fields in which I have a special feeling of inadequacy.

Sincerely yours,

Datus

Datus C. Smith Jr.

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Kennan

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

*M. F.
Kennan*

SCHOOL OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

April 22, 1952

Dear Robert:

In completing my second term here at the Institute and preparing to resume my work in Government, I wish to tell you how much I have appreciated the privileges of membership in the Institute and the helpfulness shown at every turn to myself and my associates by the management and personnel of the Institute. I cannot conceive of better facilities than I have enjoyed here for the accomplishment of the work I had in hand, and I come away from this period of association with the Institute more than ever impressed with the importance of the service it is rendering in providing such facilities.

For reasons wholly external to the Institute I have not been able to finish the entire program of work I had hoped to accomplish here in Princeton, but I feel that I have done what I could in the face of various difficulties, and I know that from my own standpoint the time has not been wasted. I hope that at some time the results of these efforts can be so ordered and disposed as to be of value to a wider circle of persons; but for reasons with which you are familiar this cannot be done just now.

I want particularly to express my thanks for the many personal kindnesses I have received from yourself, from Mr. Fleming and from the staff of the Institute. These have gone far to make our residence here in Princeton pleasant and to unburden my own time and attention for scholarly purposes.

Very sincerely,

George Kennan
George Kennan

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer,
Director, The Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, New Jersey.

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

AMF Kennan

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

February 16, 1951

Dear Mr. Hutchins:

This letter will put on paper the proposals which we discussed on February 16th for the support of work on international relations and the history and development of foreign policy at the Institute for Advanced Study. These proposals depend essentially on the prospect that Mr. George Kennan will himself work at the Institute for Advanced Study, and will desire to associate with himself a few other qualified workers. Should Mr. Kennan find that he is not in a position to remain at the Institute, or should he for one reason or another come to the conclusion that his undertakings here are without adequate promise, we should be prepared to reconsider the proposals in their entirety. I know that you hope, as I do, that this situation will not arise.

The proposals themselves involve a five-year grant from the Ford Foundation to the Institute for Advanced Study of \$45,000.00 a year. We broke down this grant into a sum of \$20,000, available for grants-in-aid to members working at the Institute, a sum of \$10,000 for secretarial services, a sum of \$5,000 for defraying the expenses of conferences, consultations and travel, and a sum of \$10,000 as overhead reimbursement to the Institute. Since we normally give grants of some three or four thousand dollars a year to members, the sum of \$20,000 should enable us to work on a reasonable scale unless there are exceptional needs for support on the part of individual members whom we might wish to have here. The sum of \$10,000 for overhead corresponds to a rough estimate that it costs us about \$1,500 in general academic, administrative and housekeeping expenses to support a member for a year.

It is understood that Mr. Kennan's salary, and reimbursement for his own travel and his own personal expenses, will not be paid by the Institute out of these funds, but will be paid directly by the Ford Foundation. It is also understood that admission to membership in the Institute must be made with the concurrence of the Faculty in the School of Historical Studies, and, in the case of protracted memberships, of the Faculty of the Institute as a whole. I am nevertheless confident that Mr. Kennan's interests and sympathies are such that the men he desires to bring here will meet with Faculty approval, and that Faculty suggestions in turn will often prove helpful to him.

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We have offered Mr. Kennan a five-year membership in the Institute to start July 1, 1951. It would seem appropriate that the grants proposed in this letter should run concurrently. We should be glad to be guided, in such reports as the Ford Foundation may desire on the disposition of funds, by any general practices that the Foundation establishes. Quite apart from such formal reports, we will of course keep the Foundation informed as to whether the scope of the work actually undertaken exceeds, corresponds to, or falls short of that contemplated in these proposals.

Should the Foundation wish to propose modifications in any aspect of these proposals, it must of course feel free to ask us to consider them. Should the proposals as they stand appear reasonable to the Foundation, they may be taken as an official expression of willingness on the part of the Institute to undertake the work and to administer the funds. In fact, the word willingness quite inadequately gives the view of the Faculty and the Trustees of the Institute, and my own views. We regard this as a truly hopeful opportunity, and shall be grateful to the Foundation for its support.

With every warm good wish,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. Robert M. Hutchins
care of Mr. Paul G. Hoffmann
Ford Foundation
Huntington Estate
Pasadena, California

Dr. Oppenheimer

NOV 26 1951

FROM: THE FORD FOUNDATION
655 Madison Avenue
New York 21, New York

FOR RELEASE
Saturday
November 24: Noon

INFORMATION COPY

NOV 24 1951

ORIGINAL RELEASE MADE IN PASADENA, CALIF.

Pasadena California, Nov. 24: Mr. Paul G. Hoffman, Director of The Ford Foundation, today announced with regret the resignation of Mr. George F. Kennan as President of The East European Fund. Mr. Kennan has served as President of the Fund (formerly known as The Free Russia Fund) since its creation by the Foundation in April of this year. His resignation, effective December 1, 1951, was occasioned by his pending return to active duty in the government.

"I deeply regret that we can no longer have Mr. Kennan's services for the Foundation in this field," Mr. Hoffman said. "Unfortunately, however, it is plain that his return to the government makes it impossible for the Foundation to continue to have the benefit of his leadership in this activity."

M E M O R A N D U M

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Kennan

TO: Dr. Oppenheimer

FROM: Mr. Strunsky

SUBJECT:

DATE: November 21, 1951

George Kennan wanted me to get this information into your hands before your talk with him on Friday. Obviously, you will not have the time to read it all or even perhaps a representative portion of it. It is, however, a slight indication of the group's activity since the project began on September 24th* and a harbinger of greater fruits to come. Since in some instances the enclosed papers represent our only copies, I would be very grateful if you would send the folder back when you are through with it.

RS

RS:mjd
Enclosures

*Exception: the Twentieth Century Fund paper which, as you know, was completed during the summer.

M E M O R A N D U M

F Kennan

TO: Dr. Robert Oppenheimer

FROM: R. Strunsky

SUBJECT: Book purchasing for Kennan Group

DATE: November 8, 1951

Following our conversation on Tuesday about the matter of purchasing books for the Kennan group, I spoke to Miss Trinterud. I said that in accordance with your suggestion we would like to follow whatever procedures would be most useful to her and to the Institute. She seemed surprised that there had been any question raised about the matter and led me to believe that she was fully satisfied with the procedures that were being followed currently. I suggested that she talk to you about it so that if there was any misunderstanding it might be cleared up. In any event I made it clear that we would like to do whatever was in the best interests of the Institute. Until further instruction as to what alternative procedures to use, we will go along as we have been.

Incidentally, I checked with Miss Trinterud and learned that our monthly book account averages approximately \$50.

RS

RS:mjd

cc: Miss Trinterud
Mr. Kennan

For Dr. Oppenheimer

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Kennan*

Abstract from letter, Walter Millis of New York Herald Tribune
to E. M. Earle, dated February 23, 1951

"Kennan is certainly one of the best in the business --- I have
just been re-reading some old papers of his and am impressed
by the remarkable strength and lucidity of his thought."

9/14
Newman

January 5, 1951

MEMORANDUM

from G.F. Kennan

During the period January 8 to February 1, inclusive, I will be officially "not available in Princeton".

From February 2 to 7, inclusive, I expect to be "available" again, here, after which I will have to be "unavailable" again for a further period.

During the time that I am unavailable, mail and phone calls will have to be handled in three categories, as follows:

- (1) Persons who know my whereabouts and with whom I am prepared to communicate personally. These include:

family, here in Princeton and elsewhere
Dr. Oppenheimer and members and staff of the
Institute with whom I am in touch in matters
pertaining to my work
President Dodds
Mr. Barklie Henry or his wife
Senior officials of the Department of State or the
Central Intelligence Agency
Miss Hessman of the Department of State
Mr. Paul Hoffman or anyone speaking for him
The Bank in East Berlin, Pa., or anyone wishing to
communicate urgently about the farm

- (2) Persons and organizations with which I will communicate (initially at least) through Miss Marshall.

This group is composed of those who have legitimate reasons to communicate with me, flowing from appointments or standing obligations I have assumed. These include:

Committee for Promotion of Advanced Slavic Studies
University of Chicago (with respect to lecture series)
Undergraduate student-faculty group, Princeton Uni-
versity. Other people at the University.
Woodrow Wilson Foundation
Council on Foreign Relations (with respect to member-
ship on Advisory Board)
Mr. Hamilton Armstrong (with respect to article for
Foreign Affairs)
Northwestern University

Harvard University (concerning my position as member
of Advisory Board to Department of Advanced Slavic
Slavic Studies)
Foreign Service Association (with respect to my
position as President)
Approaches from subordinate levels of Department of
State or governmental agencies.

(3) Persons and organizations with which I would not wish to
communicate at all during the period of "unavailability".

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The handling of these categories would be as follows:

Group (1) Phone calls to be put through at any time.
Mail to be delivered to me. (This should include all
purely personal mail which has no relation to
work, appointments or obligations).

Group (2) Phone callers to be told that I am "not available in
Princeton" and will not be until the beginning of
February; but Miss Marshall will undertake to trans-
mit to me any information they wish to communicate
and to get an answer from me if one is urgently re-
quired. If they get through to other people, they
should be referred to Miss Marshall.

Mail should be answered accordingly -- the corres-
pondence to be handled and signed by Miss Marshall.

Group (3) Phone callers to be told that I am "not available in
Princeton" and will not be until the beginning of
February; that they may put their messages to me
in writing, if they wish, to be held for my return;
but that I have requested that no mail be forwarded
to me, during this period of "unavailability" which
does not bear on the studies in which I am engaged.

Mail in this category should be answered accordingly,
with a statement that it will be held for my re-
turn.

Miss Marshall may use her judgment in advancing Group
(3) approaches to Group (2), if she thinks the sub-
ject matter rates it.

Memorandum

7 M - Kennan
146 Hodge Road

To Business Office Date September 27, 1951

From Mrs. Leary Re Mr. Kennan - 1A Goodman Road

Please charge Mr. George Kennan rent on 1A Goodman Road from September 18th through October 3rd at the rate of \$77.50 plus \$10.00 for utilities per month.

Left 10/3/51 for own home - 146 Hodge

Copy: Miss Hessman

9/13/51

Mr. Strunsky:

1A Goodman Road - bungalow with three bedrooms, bath, and dining-living room and kitchen, will be ready and open on Saturday, September 15th, for the Kennan's.

There are five single beds which will be made up; towels, dishes, kitchen utensils will be in - all of these are minisss supply, as I told you. But I think it will be all right for a few weeks.

If you have any idea whether it is necessary to have a crib, will you let me know. I don't think we have one on the project not in use, but we might be able to borrow one.] no

What about a telephone - do you think we should order one? It probably could be connected by Monday.] yes

Kleanor Leary

Copy: Miss Haseman

7 - Kennan
Houses downtown

9/8/51

Mr. Fleming:

Mr. Strunsky asked yesterday if Kennan's can have apartment 9/13 through 9/27. They land 13th and their house not ready. Five in family.

Two possibilities:

1. LA Maxwell - reserved for Leray. Last I heard he was expected 13th; but believe there is chance he did not make the ship. Strunsky tried to get Kay to ask about latest information but could not reach her.
2. LA Goodman - present tenants, the Platten's, friends of Kay's. Told them they could have it first 2 weeks of Sept. If they go by 15th, Kennan would go to his farm on 13th and take LA Goodman on 15th.

out arriving
9/24/51

given
dishes
materials

EWL

146 Hodge Rd.

THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

copy to Mr. Fleming
Miss Trinterud
Miss Horton

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

May 22, 1951

Dear Mr. Kennan:

It is a pleasure formally to appoint you a Member of the School of Historical Studies of the Institute for Advanced Study for the coming five years, from July 1, 1951 to June 30, 1956. This membership has the unanimous approval of both Faculties of the Institute, and of the Board of Trustees. We hope that the Institute will provide for you those resources of understanding, of tranquillity, and of encouragement that may bring to fulfillment the high promise of the work you have before you.

With every warm good wish,

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. George Kennan
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, N. J.

1/16/51

Ad for Kennan room:

Princeton Herald - 1/18 and 1/20
Packet - 1/18

\$1.20
.60

*1/24/51
Bill sent
to office
2/5*

Room exclusive convenient neighborhood.
Woman only. Share kitchen, living room
with two other women. Telephone 9 to 5
Mrs. Leary 2580.

EWL

To be billed to George Kennan - bill c/o Mrs.
Leary, Institute.

Room rented

August 25, 1950

Dear Mrs. Kennan:

After several conversations with Miss Norris, I have the following information for you:

She is sending you on Monday a lease for the house at 59 Bayard Lane, owner, Mr. Gerald Anas Bramwell, covering the period October 1, 1950 through June 30, 1951, at a monthly rental of \$425. It will be noted in the lease that if the house is ready before October 1 you can go in, and the rent will be prorated for that period. Mrs. Bramwell apparently has not been well, and she is very doubtful if she can have the house ready before October 1. Also they do not accept a June 15th termination date, but, of course, by next summer, summer rentals might change this. I doubt it because the summer rental is not as high as in the winter.

Mrs. Bramwell is writing the three girl tenants in order to give them some warning, and I am sending off notes to them today saying that the rent will now be \$50. a month each and \$5. a month for one car in the garage.

As for furnishings, the china and kitchen utensils you saw will be left at the house. Pillows for the beds will be supplied; one dozen navy blue blankets, which were used for the beds downstairs will also be left at the house. These probably are not very fancy since they were used for the cots over weekends.

The Bramwells have no double bed, and I am sorry to say that we do not have any extra ones at the Institute.

The Bramwells would want to stress that in the spring there will be some care of the grounds needed since they have new plantings.

I hope this answers all your questions, and more than hope that everything will turn out well.

Sincerely,

Mrs. George F. Kennan
R.D. 2
East Berlin, Pennsylvania

(Mrs. John D. Leary)

August 4, 1950

Dear Mr. Kennan:

In talking to me by telephone the other day, Dr. Oppenheimer mentioned that he had recently seen Mrs. Smythe and that she had mentioned the possibility of your taking their Princeton house. I do not, of course, know whether you plan to do this or are seriously considering it; but this is primarily to say that we can easily make other arrangements for the Dickinson Street house. If your plans do remain the same, I wonder if you or Mrs. Kennan could let me know when you expect your furniture to arrive. The Chernisses can have their things moved out on the morning of Friday, September 1st, if that is a convenient time for you. On the other hand, if your things come early that day they can make other arrangements.

Please do not hesitate on our account to make a change about the house if you wish to do so. It will be no problem to make another arrangement here.

Professor Earle asked me to enclose the material on his Seminar on Modern France. He would like you to feel welcome to join any of the sessions; I believe he hopes to be in touch with you before September.

My best to you and Mrs. Kennan.

Sincerely,

(Mrs. John D. Leary)

George F. Kennan, Esq.
R. D. 2
East Berlin, Pennsylvania

May 9, 1950

Dear Mr. Kennan:

Thank you for your letter of May fourth. We will hold the house at 14 Dickinson Street for you. As you know, the rent is \$150. a month, plus heat and utilities. The Institute's lease on the house will run to July 1, 1951; and you can have the house as of September 1, 1950.

Later on in the summer we will be glad to check with you about the exact date of your arrival. Professor Cherniss will arrange to move by September 1st, of course, but if it proves convenient for you to take the house even a few days later, it will be most helpful for them.

It was very nice meeting three of the Kennan's.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs. John D. Leary)

George F. Kennan, Esq.
The Counselor
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Copy: Mr. Bradley



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
THE COUNSELOR
WASHINGTON

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Return EWZ

May 4, 1950

Dear Mrs. Leary:

This is to tell you that we will be happy to take the house on Dickinson Street, and we are very grateful to you for your help in finding it and showing it to us.

We will check up in the summer about the exact date when it will become available.

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

George F. Kennan
George F. Kennan

Mrs. Leary,

Institute of Advanced Study,
Princeton, New Jersey.

*AK
Kennan*

M E M O R A N D U M

October 20, 1950

TO: Dr. Oppenheimer

FROM: Mr. Kennan

I am leaving tomorrow morning for a week in the country, where I have to put the house in moth balls and fix up farm business for the winter. I expect to be back about October 30th.

GFK.

Summer address for George Kennan:

R.D. 2

East Berlin, Pennsylvania

→ Mr - Kennan

September 6, 1950

next check → October

Dear Mr. Kennan:

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This is in acknowledgment of your letter of September 1st. The enclosed check in the amount of \$1500. is the first installment on your grant-in-aid which will be paid in ten installments, as you have requested.

copy
Mrs.
Bradley

Your apartment, 4A Maxwell Lane, will be open when you arrive on this coming Sunday. I am still in the Stone House, so that if Mrs. Kennan needs any help, I hope she will let me know. The apartment rents for \$85. a month; we can prorate the rent, of course, since it is not certain just what date your house will be ready. The essentials will be in the apartment, as Mrs. Kennan knows; but our equipment is not very fancy. We have linen, blankets, some china and kitchen utensils.

We have not turned up anyone promising in the secretarial line for you as yet. But there will be one secretary here by September 18th whom you may be interested in, Miss Jocelyn Farr. Mrs. Kennan met her. She is in her forties, and came to the Economics department of the Institute two years ago. Her experience before that was executive secretary to the Director of the Metropolitan Museum in New York; varied administrative secretarial work, including setting up a section with OSS during the war. With some people she is rather tense; but she is a cultivated and knowing person. No one who has applied through the agencies or colleges, as yet, is as good. For the past two years here she has done a great deal of typing and shorthand. I do not think, however, she is particularly speedy in either. So far as research is concerned, I am sure she can handle it. At any rate, I have not spoken to her about the job; I rather thought you could try her out and if it does not work I can call on what applicants we have.

Dr. Oppenheimer will be in Washington when you arrive. But he will return during next week.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs. John D. Leary)

George F. Kennan, Esq.
R. D. 2
East Berlin, Pennsylvania

George F. Kennan
R. D. 2
East Berlin, Pa.

September 1, 1950.

Dear Mrs. Leary:

Thank you for your letter of August 25. What a bore we must all be - we scholars - with our various paraphernalia and arrangements.

We have received the lease from Miss Norris, and will return it to her in a day or two.

Now about money: Here is what I would like to do. Could I consider my period of residence at the Institute as a ten-month period, and draw the grant-in-aid in ten installments? Of these, I would like to draw the first at once, to help with the moving and the initial installation at Princeton. The second could be paid on November 1, and thereafter one on the first of each month until next July. If this is acceptable, would it be possible for you to send me the first installment here in the coming days? I am trying to get a maximum of practical arrangements - schools, colleges, etc. - accomplished, and payments made, before we move.

You have been tremendously helpful, and we are both full of gratitude.

Sincerely,

George Kennan

P.S. We are planning to drive to Princeton from here on Sunday, September 10. I would suggest that the apartment just be left unlocked; then we won't have to bother anyone. Otherwise, please let us know where to pick up a key. Annelise remembers well enough where the place is; so no one need be on hand on our account.

14 Dickinson St.

April 26, 1950

Saw 4/29/50
Will let us know house
re Cherniss house
Stone House
EHL

Dear Mrs. Kennan:

The Princeton Inn is booked up for Friday night, so I have reserved you and Mr. Kennan a double room at the Nassau Tavern. Somebody from the Institute will meet the 2 o'clock train from Washington at Trenton; if by any chance you do not see us right away, please go to the Information Desk, and whoever drives over will be there.

Mrs. Oppenheimer hopes ^{she} see will see you while you are here. We can see the house I told you about on Saturday morning if that is convenient with you.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. John D. Leary)
Aide to the Director

Mrs. George F. Kennan
3707 - 33rd Place N.W.
Washington, D.C.

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THE INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY

PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

Application for Membership

School of Historical Studies Academic Year 1950-51 First or Second Term Only both

Name in Full KENNAN, GEORGE FROST Date of Application _____

Permanent Address R.D. 2, East Berlin, Pa. Citizenship USA

Present Address 77 Bayard Lane, Princeton, N.J. Place of Birth Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Academic Degrees (Please give date and place received) Date of Birth 2/16/04

B.S./A.B. Princeton University, 1925 Marital Status married

M. A. Diploma - Berlin Seminary for Number of Children 3

Ph.D. Oriental Languages, 1930 Ages of Children 18, 14, 10mos

Major Subject _____ Please indicate whether your wife and/or children will accompany you:

Minor Subjects _____ Wife; Children 2 youngest

Proposed Field of Work To be determined by Oct. 1 - probably U.S. diplomatic history

Former Fellowships or Scholarships Held (Please give name, dates and places of study)

Dates	Name	Place

Former and Present Teaching Positions (Please give dates, place and rank)

Dates	Place	Rank
<u>1946-47</u>	<u>National War College, Washington, D.C.</u>	<u>Deputy for Foreign Affairs</u>
<u>1942</u>	<u>Lectured to fellow-prisoners at Bad Nauheim, Germany, on Russian history</u>	

References (Names of three professors under whom you have worked or studied. The applicant himself must ask that letters of recommendation from these individuals, testifying as to character and scientific abilities, be directed to the individual at the Institute with whom application directly is being made.)

Name	Address

Honors and Societies

Honorary Ll.D. from Dartmouth College and Yale University, 1950

Intended Research: Please submit with this application, in duplicate, a brief outline of your previous and intended research.

Publications: A list of publications, with titles and complete references, should be attached in duplicate. Copies of your thesis should be sent to us, as well as reprints of publications that are available. (Copy of thesis not required for School of Historical Studies.)

Grant-in-aid Only a limited number of memberships are available each year with grants-in-aid. It would therefore be helpful to us to know: (please check)

- Whether you will require financial assistance;
- Whether you are able to accept a membership without a grant; or
- Whether you plan to come to the Institute under a fellowship from another source: (please indicate source)

(Please return this form in duplicate to the individual with whom applicant has been in contact.)

CARNEGIE CORPORATION OF NEW YORK
522 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 18, N. Y.

*9/11/4
Kennan*

CHARLES DOLLARD
PRESIDENT

March 6, 1950

J. Robert Oppenheimer, Esq.
Institute for Advanced Study
Princeton, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Oppenheimer

Since my return to the office on Tuesday, Mr. Gardner has brought me up to date on his several conversations with you and Edward Earle concerning the appointment of George Kennan to the staff of the Institute. I am delighted that you and he have achieved a meeting of minds. Although I have met him only once, I have the impression that he is one of the statesmen of our time and should be placed high on the list of our national assets. I cannot think of a better sanctuary for him than the Institute.

When I talked to Mr. Kennan in Washington on January 10, he told me of his preliminary conversations with you. At that time I told him that if, after he got settled, he needed money above and beyond his regular stipend to call us up. I now have a letter from him confirming his agreement with you which reads in part as follows: "I will be receiving my basic salary from the Institute, and feel that with a certain supplementation through lectures, etc., it should be adequate. Should there be special expenditures stemming from the nature of the work I undertake, as for travel or assistance, etc., I might conceivably have to ask for some sort of support along these lines. But I will not know about that definitely until a later date. In any case, such items would be only subsidiary to the main expenditure, which is being carried by the Institute."

All in all I think we would prefer to stand on the record as quoted, particularly in view of your assurances to Mr. Gardner that any part of Mr. Kennan's stipend that the Institute cannot carry may easily be secured from other sources. In the happy event that, during his tenure with you, Mr. Kennan develops research plans which require financing beyond the Institute's means, we shall, of course, be delighted to discuss his needs with what Frederick Keppel used to call "a rising inflection".

I should like to send a copy of this letter to

J. Robert Oppenheimer, Esq.

Page 2

Mr. Kennan since he did me the courtesy of reviewing his plans in some detail during our January conversation and since he was also kind enough to write me as to his final decision. I shall not do so without your permission.

With good wishes,

Sincerely

Walter Rosen

CD:dh

Mrs. Kennan

MRS. GEORGE F. KENNAN

3707 THIRTY-THIRD PLAGE, N. W. WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 3rd 1950

Dear Dr. Oppenheimer,

I won't be able to come up to Princeton tomorrow as all my children have colds, including the baby.

I am very sorry to cause all this trouble, and hope to come up in a week or two. I'll get in touch with you as soon as I know.

Very sincerely
Annabris Kennan

9/17
Kennan

Kennan message:

Had a talk with Dodds, who came to see Kennan, and who wanted him to do something along the lines of a joint sponsorship of his residence. Kennan told Dodds that he doubted you would like that. Kennan told Dodds the contribution he could make would be very very small because of the restrictions of time.

Kennan's call is only to keep you informed, and so that you will not think he made the contact with Dodds, when Dodds brings it up to you.

I asked Kennan what his wishes were. He said it was hard to oppose Dodds' request since he had been an undergraduate at Princeton and they had been so nice to him. He would not ~~mand~~ talk to the Woodrow Wilson School once or twice a month; and if they did not put too many strings on such an arrangement.

Kennan has not been to Cambridge and cannot make a definite decision until he has been there.

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PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

PRINCETON NEW JERSEY

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

January 25th, 1950

Dear Oppenheimer:

I recently had a conversation with George Kennan about coming to Princeton to spend his leave from the State Department at the University. Several years ago we tried to induce him to join our faculty but were unable to pry him loose from the State Department. I have always entertained the hope that some day he might decide to cast in his lot with academia as a permanent arrangement, but the time has not come when he seems willing to do so.

He was frank to tell me that the two invitations now before him for the next year or two which he is weighing most carefully are those from Harvard and the Institute for Advanced Study. He said that if he came to the Institute he would hope to be welcome at the University, and implied that if the two institutions were to join in a proposal to him he would be glad to entertain it.

So far as any teaching obligations in the University are concerned, Kennan would be completely free to decide what and how much teaching he would want to do. I am sure that he would enjoy some contacts with our graduate students and our more advanced undergraduates, and his participation in any course could be focussed to his interest. There are advanced courses possible having to do with Russian institutions, ideology, political behavior, and literature, in which his help would be welcome. But if he prefers other fields they would be open to him.

I told him, of course, that as a member of the Institute he would have free access to our Library and other University facilities. I ventured the thought however that he would enjoy the stimulation that comes from contact with students in the University. This prospect seemed to appeal to him.

It is true that our two corporations have studiously refrained in the past from joint engagement of personnel at the same time, although we have worked out arrangements in the past by which a man was on the Institute's staff for one period and on the University's staff for another. Would you consider the

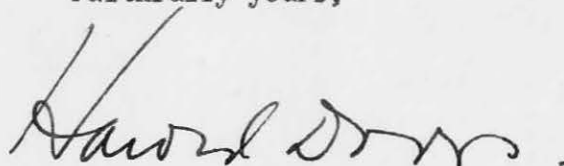
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the University joining in an invitation to Kennan in some way that would enable us to have some part in him without disturbing his relationship to the Institute or your purpose in bringing him on?

I had hoped to talk to you about this but it seems to be but rarely that we are both in town on one and the same day.

With all good wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Harold Dorn". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name "Harold Dorn".

Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer,
Director, The Institute for Advanced Study,
Princeton, N. J.

P.S. Because of Kennan's desire to have some time to do nothing but read and think, I assume he would want to do little or no teaching the first term.

February 16, 1950

Memorandum to Miss Trinterud

From the Director

Mr. George F. Kennan has formally been appointed to membership for the academic year 1950-51 with a non-taxable grant-in-aid of \$15,000. This grant is to be charged against the Director's Fund.

Robert Oppenheimer

February 16, 1950

Dear George:

This letter will tell you formally what we have already told you with such pleasure. It is to offer you a membership in the Institute for Advanced Study for the academic year 1950-51, together with a grant-in-aid of \$15,000. This grant is to make it possible for you to pursue your studies at the Institute, and carries with it no obligation on your part. It is not subject to Federal income tax.

President Dodds has discussed with me his desire to have you participate to some extent in the life of the University. We are, however, agreed that this can best be achieved without any formal arrangements, and with the full understanding that the Institute will welcome any such participation which will contribute to and not interfere with the primary purposes of your study here.

If this letter reaches you before you leave the country, you may wish to tell Mrs. Kennan that we will welcome her to Princeton at any time, and try to help make suitable arrangements for your visit here. I hope that she will let me know when she is coming; and I would then introduce her to Mrs. Laary who is our expert in these matters.

Let me add a personal word to say how glad I am that you are coming here. I think it was a wise decision; and I hope that in the years to come, you will agree with that. Have a good trip; and do not get too tired. The life of the graduate student is not an easy one.

Robert Oppenheimer

Mr. George F. Kennan
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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

February 16, 1950

Mr. George F. Kennan
~~Department of State~~ 3707, 33rd Pl., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Formal letter of appointment in the mails. Dodds quite happy with present
arrangements.

Robert Oppenheimer