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Member, Business Advisory Council of the Department of Commerce, 1951-72, chairman, 1954-56; member, President's Advisory Committee on Soviet Economic Competition, 1957.

DESCRIPTION: Interview #1. Background information on Boeschenstein; Boeschenstein's first contact with Eisenhower; Boeschenstein's urging of Eisenhower to run for President of the United States; Boeschenstein's work with the Business Advisory Council of the Department of Commerce; Boeschenstein's comments on the Eisenhower campaign; Boeschenstein's observations on wage-price controls; Boeschenstein's view of the state of the economy when Eisenhower took office; Boeschenstein's comments and observations about Eisenhower's stag dinners; Boeschenstein's opinion of Treasury Secretary George Humphrey and his influence in economic affairs; general observations by Boeschenstein of Eisenhower; Boeschenstein's committee work to study validity or probability of Khrushchev burying the U.S. economically; personal reminiscences of Boeschenstein about Eisenhower; Boeschenstein trip to Russia in 1959 with Vice President Nixon; Boeschenstein's recollections of the "Kitchen Debate"; Boeschenstein's view of the Eisenhower-Nixon relationship; Boeschenstein's observations of Sherman Adams; Boeschenstein's comments on U.S. economy following Vietnam War; Boeschenstein's summation of Eisenhower and his grasp of the economy; index.

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