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**Inventory of the
Robert Presthus fonds**

Inventory #F0383

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Fonds/Collection Number: F0383

Title: Robert Presthus fonds

Dates: 1968-1970

Extent: 20.0 m of textual records

**Biographical Sketch/
Administrative History:** Robert Presthus (1917-), educator and author, was a member of the Political Science Department at York University, 1968-1982, following teaching assignments at the University of California, the University of Michigan and Cornell (1948-1967). He is the author of several works dealing with administrative and policy issues as they relate to government, including 'Men at the top,' (1964), 'Elite accommodation in Canadian politics,' (1973), 'Elites in the policy process,' (1974), and 'The organizational society,' (1978 - 2nd ed).

Scope and Content: The fonds consists of research materials of Robert Presthus, including completed questionnaires, research notes, index cards with names and addresses of interviewees, computer print-out sheets and related material for the study that resulted in his publication, 'Elites in the policy process,' (1974). Interviews were conducted with politicians, civil servants and members of interest groups in Canadian provincial legislatures, American state legislatures and Congress, public servants in Ottawa and Canadian provinces, Washington and American states, and with interest groups in both countries.

**Restrictions on
Access and Use:** No restrictions on access.

Finding Aid: File list available.

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