

Guide to Materials on Modern & Contemporary History of Korea collected from the US in the National Institute of Korean History

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“... It has to be established through a reading of the documentary and other fragments which the real world of the past has left behind. Yet these are not arbitrarily configured discourses either, but were themselves created in a much more direct interaction with reality”

(Richard J. Evans, *In Defence of History*, 1999)



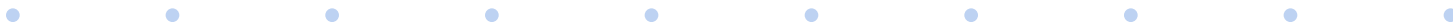
Introduction of the NIKH

- History
 - Established as Guksagwan on March 23 in 1946
 - Reorganized as the NIKH in 1949
- Organization
 - Dept. of History Compilation Planning
 - Dept. of Historical Material
 - Dept. of Research and Compilation
 - Dept. of Information Services
 - General Affairs Division



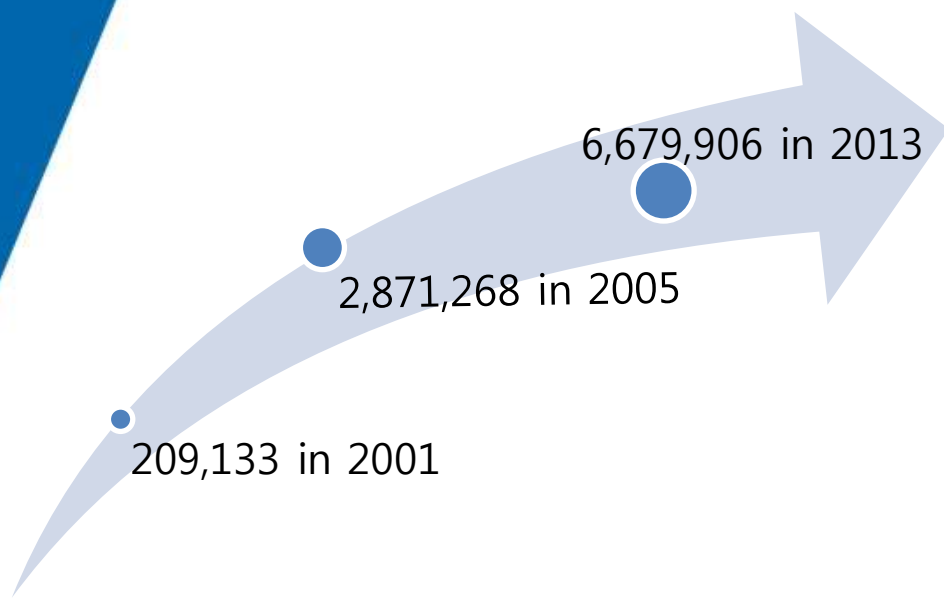
Collection of overseas historical materials at the NIKH

- Progress
 - Starting to collect overseas historical materials in 1976
 - Appointing personnel who was in charge of the work in 1987
 - Launched a five year project in 2001 with about \$ 9.3 million (1 USD= approx. 1,080 KRW as of Dec. 2013)

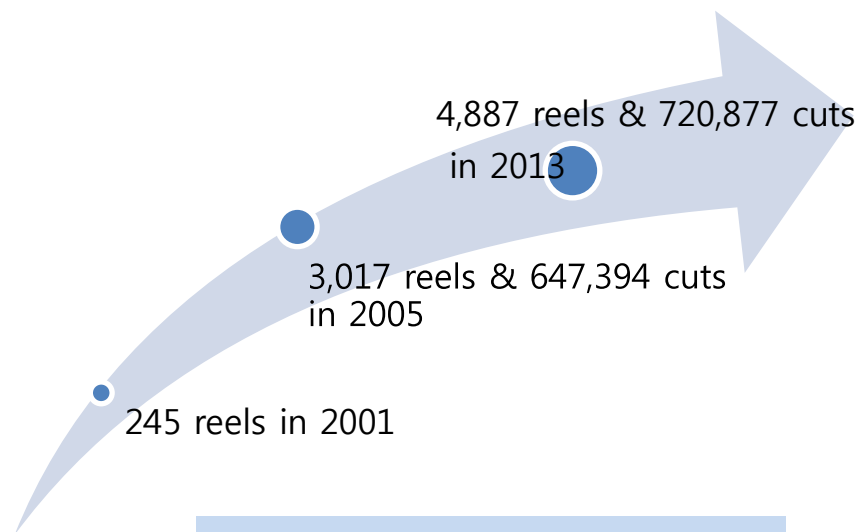


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- Accomplishments : overseas materials' volume



Sheets of document



Microfilm & Microfiche

Overseas historical materials at the NIKH by country

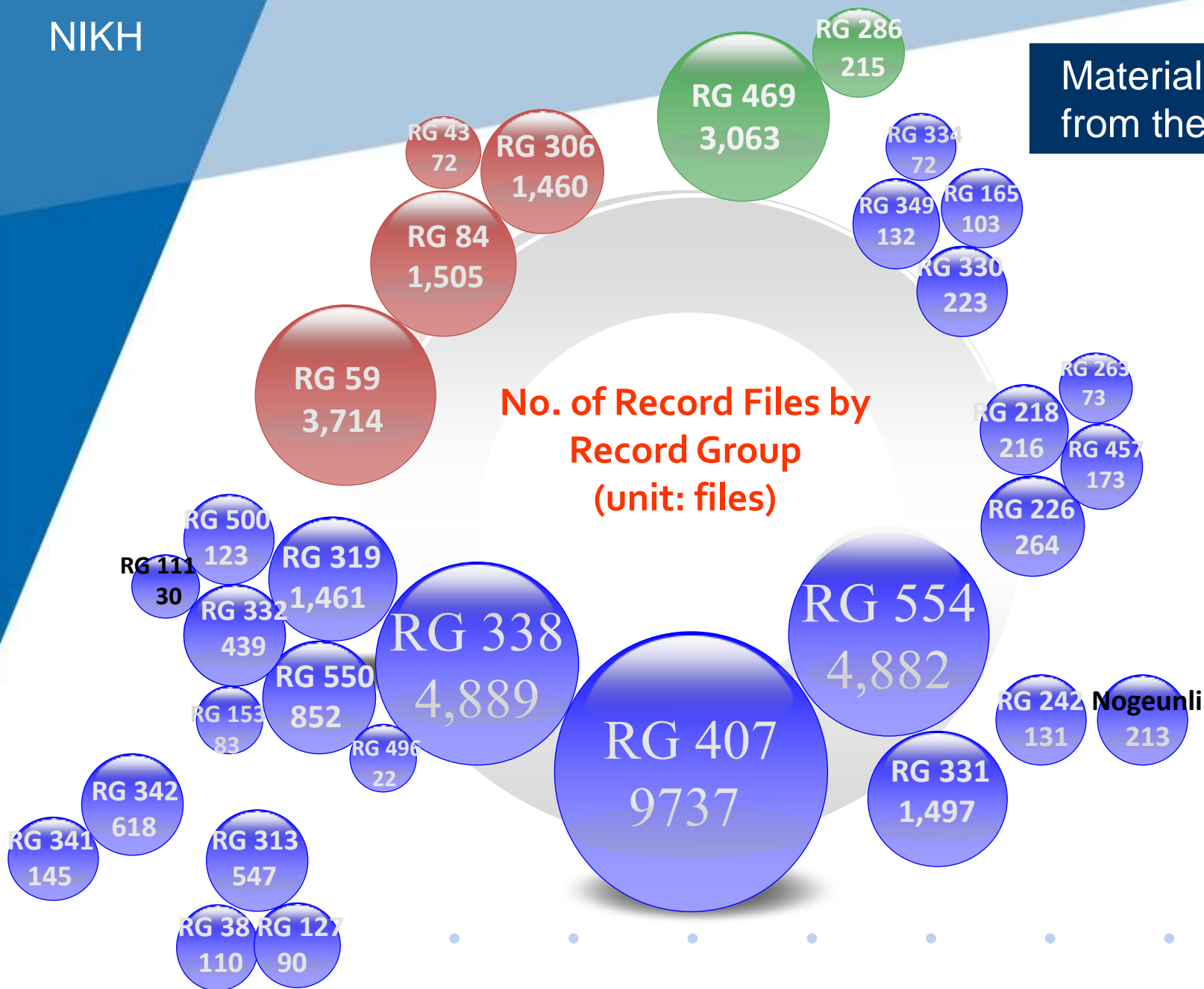
Country	No. of record files	Country	No. of record files
USA	51885 (48%)	Uzbekistan	732
Japan	37027(35%)	Canada	678
UK	4520(4%)	Kazakhstan	600
Russia	4235(3.9%)	Australia	261
China	3832(3.6%)	Poland	224
Germany	1667	Italy	67
Taiwan	1355	India	28
France	736	Mexico	2

Korean Historical Materials collected from the US

- 51,885 record files from 44 organizations
 - 16 Archives & Libraries operated by the US government : National Archives at College Park, New York, and the Laguna Niguel_37,718 files, 8 Presidential libraries & museums_1,065 files, 1 Congress Library_94 files, etc._449 files
 - Purchased from ProQuest & LexisNexis_5,586 files
 - Privately owned_5,088 files
 - Archives & Libraries in 18 universities_1,300 files
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 - etc. : 585 files

Materials collected
from the NARA

No. of Record Files by
Record Group
(unit: files)





Publications with materials collected from the U.S.

- *Daehanminkuksa Jaryojip* (The Sources of the Republic of Korea's History, 42 vols. since 1987)
 - Vols 1-7 : Docs of the UN Temporary Commission on Korea (RG 59)
 - Vols 8-17 : Docs of the Foreign Office of the UK
 - Vols 18-27 : Docs of the US Army Military Advisers to Korea and Japan (RG 59)
 - Vols 28-37 : Letters relating to Dr. Syngman Rhee (Oliver Papers, McArthur Memorial Archive, Hoover Institute, UN Archives)
 - Vols 38-42 : Docs the UNCOK (RG 59)

Publications with materials collected from the U.S.

- *Hankuk Hyeondaesa Jaryo Jipseong* (22 vols)
(Sourcebook of Korean Contemporary History)
 - Vols 43-44 : Docs the UNCOK (RG 59)
 - Vol. 45 : Docs on a lawsuit in Hawaii between the Korean National Association and Syngman Rhee (Roberta Chang)
 - Vol. 46 : Docs of the Korea Military Advisory Group (RG 334)
 - Vols 47-51 : Docs on the US military forces deployed to the provinces of South Korea and provincial military gov. during the US military gov. era (RG 407)
 - Vols 52: Docs of the US State Dept's policies toward South Korea during the 1960's (RG 59)

Publications with materials collected from the U.S.

- Vols 53-57: OIR reports on Korea (RG 59)
- Vols 58-59: Docs of the US aids to South Korea (RG 469)
- Vols 60-66 : Docs on the Korea-Japan talks (RG 84)
- *Nambukhan Gwangye Saryo Jip* (Sources on two Koreas relations, 25 vols)
 - Docs on the armistice talks during the Korean War (Vols 1-10), Korea-related docs created by the US State Dept. focusing on political affairs, and the CIA's daily report of Pyeongyang radio intercepts, docs on North Korean POWs during the Korean War, etc. (Vols 11-25)
 - Docs selected from RGs 333, 59, and 262 of the NARA, McArthur Memorial Archive and Library.

Publications with materials collected from the U.S.

- *Haewae Saryo Chongseo* (Series of Overseas Materials)
 - Vols 17, 20: Docs on the Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA)



