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Title:
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Date(s):
1628-1633

Level of description:
Collection (fonds)

Extent and medium of the unit of description (quantity, bulk, or size):
1 volume

Context

Name of creator(s):
Ataíde, António de, 1567-1647, 1st Count of Castro-Daire

Administrative / Biographical history:
Born 1567; participated in the expedition of the Marquês de Santa Cruz to the island of Terceira, 1587; served under Don Martinho de Rivera, General of the Galleys of Spain; served as Captain of Horse; Frontier Commander of Alcobaça; General of the Armada of the Coast; Colonel of Infantry; Captain Major of the Indian Fleets, 1611-1612, undertook round voyage from Lisbon to Goa; Captain General of the Portuguese Home Fleet, 1618-1621; removed from command due to the loss of the ship NOSSA SENHORA DA CONCEIÇÃO to Algerine warships in 1621, subsequently absolved of blame; Gentleman of the Chamber of Philip IV, King of Spain, and Steward to Queen Isabella; Councillor of the State Council of Portugal; President of the Council of Aragon; Ambassador Extraordinary to Ferdinand II, Holy Roman Emperor, 1629; appointed with the Conde de Vale de Reis as joint Governor of Portugal under the Spanish Crown, 1631-1633; President of the Board of Conscience and Military Orders; imprisoned in 1641 on suspicion of involvement in pro-Spanish activities, subsequently acquitted and released; died 1647; buried in the Church of San Francisco, Lisbon.

Publications: Cargos que resultaram da devassa que os governadores de Portugal mandaram tirar a D Antonio de Ataide da nau da India 'Nossa Senhora da Conceição' que os inimigos queimaram no ano de 1621, e reposta de D Antonio nos argos (Lisbon, 1622); Sentenças dadas sobre a devassa que se tirou de Dom A. de Atayde Capitão General da armada de Portugal (P Crasbeek, Lisbon, 1624); Viagens do Reino para a Índia e da Índia para o Reino, 1608-1612. Diários de navegação coligidos por D. António de Ataíde no século XVII . With introduction and notes by Comandante Humberto Leitão (3 vols, Lisbon, 1957).

Archival history:
Following Ataíde's death in 1647, his large collection of books and manuscripts were passed by inheritance to his cousins of the Castel-Melhor family. The collection was dispersed in 1878-1879 when the majority of items were sold at auction. The volume described, sometimes known as the 'Codex Companhia das Indias', was also titled the 'Codex Lynch' following its presentation to King's College London, and is identical with lot 242 of the Castel-Melhor catalogue of 1878.

Immediate source of acquisition or transfer:
Presented to the Library of King's College London by Sir Henry Joseph Lynch, Kt, via Professor Charles Ralph Boxer, 1949.
Content & structure

Scope and content:
Bound volume containing papers relating to the activities of the Portuguese East India Company, 1628-1633, collected and annotated by Ataíde, and including letters from company representatives at Goa, papers relating to the fitting out and repair of company ships at Lisbon and Goa; memoranda of company export purchases, particularly pepper and indigo, price lists and balance sheets, 1629-1633, and report of judicial court of enquiry held at Goa in 1630 in connection with the fitting out of the carracks SANTO IGNÁCIO DE LOYOLA and BOM JESUS DO MONTE CALVÁRIO.

System of arrangement:
1 volume.

Conditions of access & use

Conditions governing access:
Open, subject to signature of Reader’s undertaking form, and appropriate provision of two forms of identification, to include one photographic ID.

Conditions governing reproduction:
Copies, subject to the condition of the original, may be provided for research use only. Requests to publish original material should be submitted to the Director of Archive Services of King’s College London.

Language/scripts of material:
Portuguese.

Finding aids:
See publication note

Allied materials

Existence and location of originals:
King’s College London College Archives

Existence and location of copies:
The College Archives, King’s College London, also holds a microfilm copy of the text.

Related units of description:
The British Library, London, holds various papers of Ataíde relating to Portuguese naval activity, including his letters to the Conde-Duque de Olivaries, 1626, and papers relating to Ataíde's trial for the loss of the CONCEIÇÃO, 1621 (refs: MS Egerton 1133, 1136, Add MS 20,902, 28,487); The Lisbon Academy of Sciences and the Arquivo Histórico Militar, Lisbon, hold pilots’ journals of Indian voyages annotated by Ataíde; the Library of Harvard College, USA, holds three codices of Ataíde containing papers relating to Portuguese naval activity and commercial voyages to India, 1618-1633 (ref: Harvard FMS Port 4794); the National Library of Brazil, Rio de Janeiro, holds two volumes of papers relating to Portuguese naval matters and colonial administration of Brazil annotated by Ataíde (ref: Pernambuco, I-1-2, 44-45); the National Library of Portugal, Lisbon, holds various manuscripts of Ataíde including his 'Diário da jornada que fêz à Alemanha no fim de Dezembro de 1628', 'Várias poesias', 'Arte poética' and 'Tratado de Séneca'.

Publication note:
The manuscripts of Ataíde have been extensively described by Professor Charles Ralph Boxer in his article 'The naval and colonial papers of Dom António de Ataíde', republished in Boxer’s From Lisbon to Goa, 1500-1750, Studies in Portuguese maritime enterprise (Variorum reprints, London, 1984).

Description control

Archivist’s Note:
Sources: Boxer, op. cit; British Library OPAC; Grande enciclopédia Portuguesa e Brasileira. Compiled by Robert Baxter.

Rules or conventions:

Date(s) of descriptions:
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