Material at the George W. Bush Presidential Library Pertaining To
The Global War on Terror

Introduction
This guide includes the principle files at the George W. Bush Presidential Library that contain material relating to the Global War on Terror that have been processed and are available for research. It is not definitive, however, and researchers should consult with the Library's archivists about other potentially useful files.

This guide identifies materials that have been opened for research through systematic processing or under a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Check the George W. Bush Presidential Library website, as it is constantly updated with new finding aids and digitized content. If records are available via the Digital Library, a link has been provided.

To key-word search digitized content from across the National Archives and Records Administration, visit the National Archives Catalog. To see material exclusively from the George W. Bush Presidential Library, perform an Advanced Search selecting George W. Bush Presidential Library as the Location of Archival Materials.

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Staff Member Office Files (SMOF)
This collection consists of Presidential records from White House Staff Member Office Files (SMOF), 2001-2009, that served in the Administration of President George W. Bush. Each series is named after the individual staff member and/or office where they worked.

Counsel's Office, White House
Kavanaugh, Brett - Subject Files
Vesting of Iraq Assets 62

Domestic Policy Council
Allen, Claude - Subject Files
Afghanistan [Folder 1] 10
Afghanistan [Folder 2] 10
Materials processed under FOIA
These records are located in the White House Office of Records Management (ORM) or Staff Member Office Files (SMOF) materials. However, these records were processed as part of a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, as submitted by a researcher.
White House Photo System

Entire FOIAs related to the Global War on Terror

2014-0042-F
Drafts of the 2002 State of the Union Address

2014-0043-F
Drafts of the Beginning of the Iraq War Speeches

2014-0044-F
Drafts of the May 1, 2003 Speech Delivered Aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln

2014-0074-F
Records on the Communication with Leaders of Afghanistan between September 11, 2001 and December 31, 2001

2014-0075-F [1]
Records on the Use of Guantanamo Bay as a Detention Facility between 9/11/2001 and 1/20/2009

2014-0078-F [1]
Records on Methods of Interrogation

2014-0079-F [1]
Records on the drafting of the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001

2014-0080-F [1]
Records on the Possession of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) by Iraq

2014-0214-F [1]
Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush Regarding Afghanistan
2014-0215-F [1]
Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush Regarding al Qaeda and Osama Bin Laden

2014-0215-F [2]
Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush Regarding al Qaeda and Osama bin Laden

2014-0220-F
Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush regarding Drones, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV), Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC), and Targeted Killing between January 2004 and January 2009

2014-0224-F
Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush on Hamdan v. Rumsfeld, January 2002 – December 2006

2014-0225-F
Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush Concerning Enhanced Interrogation Techniques, Waterboarding, Torture, Rendition, Egypt, Jordan, Rendition Flights, or the CIA

2014-0227-F [1]
Records sent to, sent by, or received by President George W. Bush Regarding Iraq and Saddam Hussein, January 2001 – March 2003

2014-0229-F
Records related to Jose Padilla between May 2002 and February 2008

2014-0250-F
Records regarding the invasion and subsequent fall of Baghdad to American troops on 04/09/2003

2014-0258-F
Records from the National Security Council related to President George W. Bush’s First Meeting with Prime Minister Maliki on June 13, 2006

2014-0260-F
Records on the December 13, 2006 Meeting with the President George W. Bush and the Joint Chiefs of Staff

2014-0329-F
Notes from Prime Minister Tony Blair to President George W. Bush Concerning the Iraq War
2014-0333-F
Emails within the Bush Administration regarding the revelation of memos regarding torture in June 2004

2014-0411-F
Pakistan’s Role in the War on Terror between January 2005 and December 2006

2014-0412-F
Records Mentioning Pakistan’s Response to the September 11, 2001 World Trade Center Attacks

2014-0457-F
Records on Iraq within the Condoleezza Rice Files between January 2001 and March 2003

2014-0487-F
National Security Council meeting minutes from January 2001 through December 2001

2014-0515-F
November 2006 memorandum written by Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, Steven J. Hadley, and his staff on conditions Mr. Hadley found in Iraq during his visit in October 2006

2014-0555-F
Drafts of President George W. Bush’s Remarks at the United States Military Academy at West Point on June 1, 2002

2014-0223-F
Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush Regarding Guantanamo Bay Prisoners Between January 1, 2002 and January 20, 2009

2015-0235-F
Photographs of George W. Bush’s Address to the Nation from the USS Abraham Lincoln May 1, 2003

2015-0273-F
Records Regarding National Security Council Principals Committee Meetings on Iraq, 02/01/2006 to 05/01/2008

2015-0274-F
Records regarding the Iraq surge from Deputies Committee Meetings of the National Security Council, 02/01/2006 – 05/01/2008

2015-0275-F
Material Related to the Iraq Surge from the Office of the Executive Secretary between February 1, 2006 and May 1, 2008
Material Related to the Iraq Surge from the NSC Records Management Office between February 1, 2006 and May 1, 2008

Iraq Surge from the NSC – Iraq & Afghanistan collection, February 1, 2006 – May 1, 2008

Material Related to the Iraq Surge from the Office of the National Security Advisor between February 1, 2006 and May 1, 2008

Textual Records from the Office Files of Stephen Hadley Related to the Iraq Surge from February 1, 2006 to May 1, 2008

Photographs of President George W. Bush Watching Secretary of State Colin Powell’s Address to the United Nations on February 5, 2003

Speech Drafts of President George W. Bush’s Address to the Nation Announcing Strikes Against al-Qaeda Training Camps and Taliban Military Installations in Afghanistan, 10/07/2001

Remarks at the United Nations General Assembly in New York City on November 10, 2001

Records on the Release of Danish Prisoner Slimane Hadj Abderrahmane from Guantanamo and Negotiations Leading up to his Release

Communications between President George W. Bush and General David Petraeus, May 2003 - December 2006

Individual Folders Processed under FOIA related to the Global War on Terror

Note: White House Office of Records Management (ORM) files are excluded from this list due to limitations in search capabilities. Additionally, physical box numbers are not included in this list. Consult the finding aid for each FOIA request to identify what box the folder is located in.

Staff Secretary, White House Office of the
Kavanaugh, Brett - Speech Files

Updated 04/29/2020

02/09/2006 - Remarks on the Global War on Terror - National Guard Association [771817][1]
02/09/2006 - Remarks on the Global War on Terror - National Guard Association [771817][2]
02/09/2006 - Remarks on the Global War on Terror - National Guard Association [771817][3]
02/17/2006 - Remarks on the War on Terror - Tampa, FL [771740]

2014-0226-F
National Security Council - Iraq and Afghanistan
O'Sullivan, Meghan
Iraq Updates - Night Notes (Duplicate), 05/12/2005 - 07/25/2005 [1]
Iraq Updates - Night Notes (Duplicate), 05/12/2005 - 07/25/2005 [2]
Iraq Updates - Night Notes (Duplicate), 05/12/2005 - 07/25/2005 [3]
Iraq Updates - Night Notes, 07/25/2005 [1]
Iraq Updates - Night Notes, 07/25/2005 [2]

National Security Council - National Security Advisor, Office of the
Jeffrey, James (Jim)
Afghanistan A061: Iran/Afghanistan

National Security Council - Records and Access Management
Memcons and Telcons
Memcon with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, 06/15/2004
Memcon with Prime Minister Ayad Allawi of Iraq, 09/23/2004
Memcon with Adil al-Mahdi, Finance Minister for Iraq, 10/07/2004
Telcon with Prime Minister Ayad Allawi of Iraq, 02/11/2005
Memcon with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, 05/23/2005 [Folder 1]
Memcon with President Jalal Talabani of Iraq, 12/20/2005 [Folder 1]
Telcon with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, 05/31/2006
Telcon with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, 08/22/2006
Telcon with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, 04/19/2007
Telcon with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, 08/14/2007
Telcon with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, 12/18/2007
Telcon with Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki of Iraq, 05/13/2008
Memcon with President Hamid Karzai of Afghanistan, 05/17/2008
Memcon with Iraqi Leaders, 05/18/2008
Telcon with Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki of Iraq, 06/04/2008
Telcon with Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki of Iraq, 06/19/2008
Telcon with Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki of Iraq, 07/03/2008

2014-0234-F
Records Management, White House Office of (ORM)
  Droege, Philip (Phil)
  WILSON/WHIG (White House Iraq Group) 01/2004: Documents Given to Counsel's Office

2014-0235-F
Counsel's Office, White House
  General Files - Confidential Files
  [February 2002 - Determinations: Treaties and Laws to al Qaeda and Taliban Detainees]
  Gonzales, Alberto - Confidential Files
  Humane Treatment of al Qaeda and Taliban Detainees (memo drafts)

2014-0301-F
Counselor's Office
  Gillespie, Edward (Ed) - Confidential Files
  [Iraq, June 2007 - September 2007]
  [Meeting with Iraq Provincial Reconstruction Team Leaders and Brigade Combat Commanders, 01/08/2008, 0809063]
  [Meeting with the President of Iraq, 10/02/2007, 0706635]
  [NSC Meeting, 11/26/2007, 0708145 and Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister of Iraq, 11/26/2007, 0708041]
  [NSC Meeting, 02/06/2008, 0800626 and Secure Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister of Iraq, 02/06/2008, 0800661]
  [Secure Video Teleconference to the President of Afghanistan, 12/18/2007, 0708523]
  [Secure Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister and Presidency Council of Iraq, 07/16/2007]
  [Secure Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister of Iraq, 09/10/2007, 0705946]
  Gillespie Up [Secure Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister of Iraq, 10/11/2007, 0706871]
[Secure Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister of Iraq, 10/22/2007, 0707195]
[Secure Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister of Iraq, 11/06/2007, 0707585]
[Secure Video Teleconference Call to the Prime Minister of Iraq, 12/17/2007, 0708533]
[Secure Video Teleconference Call to the Prime Minister of Iraq, 01/08/2008, 0800019]
[Secure Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister of Iraq, 03/12/2008, 0801569]
[Video Teleconference Call with the President of Afghanistan, 02/05/2008, 0800255]
[Video Teleconference with Afghanistan Provincial Reconstruction Team Leaders and Brigade Combat Commanders, 03/13/2008, 0800707]
[Video Teleconference with the President of Afghanistan, 06/24/2008, 0803779]
[Video Teleconference with the Prime Minister of Iraq, 06/19/2008, 0804330]

2014-0302-F
National Security Council - International Economic Affairs
Sullivan, Daniel (Dan) - Region Files
Afghanistan [1]
Afghanistan [2]
Afghanistan [3]
Afghanistan [4]
Iraq Contracts & Related Issues [1]
Iraq Contracts & Related Issues [2]
Iraq Contracts & Related Issues [3]
Iraq Reconstruction, Trade, Investment, Econ Policy [1]
Iraq Reconstruction, Trade, Investment, Econ Policy [2]
Iraq Reconstruction, Trade, Investment, Econ Policy [3]
Iraq Reconstruction, Trade, Investment, Econ Policy [4]
Iraq Reconstruction, Trade, Investment, Econ Policy [5]

2017-0403-F
Staff Secretary, White House Office of the
Yanes, Raul - Speech Files

09/07/2006 - Remarks on the War on Terror, [757098] [1]
09/07/2006 - Remarks on the War on Terror, [757098] [2]

Online Resources

Sneak Peek Document Gallery
This gallery consists of documents from across the textual record collections at the Library. Selections related to the Global War on Terror:

Select speech cards used by President George W. Bush to announce the invasion of Afghanistan, October 7, 2001.

Statement used by First Lady Laura Bush to deliver a radio address about the treatment of women and children by the Taliban, November 17, 2001.

Note from Condoleezza Rice to President George W. Bush informing him that sovereignty in Iraq had been transferred to the elected Iraqi government, June 28, 2004.

Archived White House website
In January 2009, the White House archived its website as a method of preserving the online presence of the Administration of President George W. Bush. The site is a resource for photographs, press releases, and other public records of the Bush Presidency. (NOTE: This site is no longer updated; some links may no longer work properly.)

Additional Related Materials not held at the George W. Bush Library

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