Email Petitions Sent to president@whitehouse.gov Protesting the Start of the Iraq War Between January 1, 2003 and March 31, 2003

Extent
12,701 pages; 14 Hollinger boxes

Access
Collection is open to all researchers. Access to George W. Bush Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC 2201) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 USC 552, as amended) and therefore records may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

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Provenance
Official records of George W. Bush’s presidency are housed at the George W. Bush Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processing by
Staff Archivists, 2015. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 02/01/2015

Scope and Content
The materials in FOIA appeal 2014-0480-G are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials.

FOIA appeal 2014-0480-G contains portions of email records sent to the president@whitehouse.gov email address between the dates of January 1, 2003 and March 31, 2003. These records consist of petitions containing any of the phrases “500 names,” “Stand for Peace,” “Islam is not the enemy,” “War is not the answer,” or the surname “Dathe.” These petitions were sent in protest against the war in Iraq. The petitions are all similar in format and content, and instruct the recipients to add their names to the list, send copies of the petition to others, and to submit complete petitions to the White House and the United Nations for consideration.
This FOIA appeal primarily contains excerpts from 22 “Yesterday’s Mail” email messages, which are compilations of incoming messages sent to public White House email accounts. Only the Iraq war petitions found in the “Yesterday’s Mail” email messages have been processed as part of this appeal. The remaining content within the “Yesterday’s Mail” has not been processed.

**System of Arrangement**

The materials in FOIA appeal 2014-0480-G are a systematic body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

Documents responsive to this FOIA were found in these collection areas – George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records.

The Executive Office of the President (EOP) instance of the Electronic Records Archive (ERA) contains electronic records created or received by President George W. Bush. These records are stored in Search and Access Sets (SAS) that represent their originating computer program, such as Exchange Email or the Worker and Visitor Entry System (WAVES). In addition to records captured from the White House’s electronic systems, EOP-ERA also contains records from the home and shared drives used by White House staff.

The following is a list of email messages processed in response to FOIA appeal 2014-0480-G:

- P_1JBYC003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_3YHED003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_45M0E003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_5S4WE003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_64J5F003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_BJO5D003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_CMXAE003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_DEW2D003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_E0F1D003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_E2RAE003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_E31EE003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_L4AJD003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_N06YD003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_OPTTC003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_PM1BD003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_RE55E003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_TM18E003.WHO.TXT.eml
- P_TOC5F003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_TU94D003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_V07VC003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_VVQWC003_WHO.TXT.eml
- P_WV86D003_WHO.TXT.eml