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Inventory for FOIA Request 2015-0099-F

Records Related to President George W. Bush's Letter to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon on April 14, 2004

Extent

26 folders, approximately 1,069 pages / 112 assets

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, 2018. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 07/21/2020.

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2015-0099-F 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 2015-0099-F requested records related to President George W. Bush's letter to Prime Minister Ariel Sharon on April 14, 2004.

This FOIA primarily contains the final version of the following publically released documents: a letter from President Bush to Prime Minister Sharon on April 14, 2004, a letter from Prime Minister Sharon to President Bush on April 14, 2004, a letter from Dov Weissglas to Condoleezza Rice, and documents from Israel regarding the nation's disengagement from Gaza. Also included in this request are drafts of the publically released letter from President Bush to

Prime Minister Sharon on April 14, 2004 with capitalization and spacing edits, the final draft of the press availability with President Bush and Prime Minister Sharon, a transcript of the press availability with President Bush and Prime Minister Sharon, a transcript of a press background briefing, and speeches given by Prime Minister Sharon. Additionally, scheduling material regarding Prime Minister Sharon's April 2004 visit, a participant list and seating chart from a National Security Council meeting, routing memoranda, cover sheets, printed news articles, administrative notes, and a barcode scanning sheet are included.

Electronic records consist of the final version of the letters between President Bush and Prime Minister Sharon. Additionally, transcripts of press conferences, speeches, and news articles referencing these letters are also included.

It should be noted that many of the documents in this FOIA have been closed due to National Security classification and/or exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.

Please also note that a portion of classified records related to this request has not yet been processed. Additional records will be provided as they become available.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2015-0099-F 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 – White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files, Staff Member Office Files, and George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records.

Staff Member Office Files are maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity.

Staff Member Office Files are processed at the folder level, that is, individual documents are not selected and removed from a folder for processing. While this method maintains folder integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of documents that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

WHORM Subject Files are processed at the document level.

The WHORM Subject File compiled by the White House Office of Records Management is comprised of a series of documents assigned a letter/number combination and filed in a subject category. A complete listing of the subject categories including a detailed description of each category is available in our research room and on our website at www.georgewbushlibrary.smu.edu

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

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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 electronic search results lists (SRLs) and folders processed in response to FOIA 2015-0099-F:

George W. Bush Electronic Records

ARMS contains 10 assets Exchange contains 101 assets NSC contains 1 asset

George W. Bush Textual Records

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Records Management, White House Office of

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Subject Files - CO082 (Israel)
617803
638272
658721
Subject Files - MC (Meetings - Conferences)
619147 - 619162
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Staff Member Office Files

National Security Council - Records and Access Management

PRS Originals Files

0402530

0402570

0402705

PRS Chron Files

0402530

0402570

0402705

National Security Council - Media Communications and Speechwriting

Burgess, Paul - Subject Files

Sharon Press Avail, 04/14/2004

National Security Council - Near East and North African Affairs

Danin, Robert

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement &

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Sharon Visit) [1]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [2]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [3]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [4]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [5]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [6]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [7]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [8]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [9]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [10]

January 2004 - April 2004 Israel & Palestinians (Including Disengagement & Sharon Visit) [11]

Press Office, White House

McClellan, Scott

Israel (Sharon's Plan)

Speechwriting, White House Office of

Drouin, Lindsey

Press Availability with Sharon, 04/14/2004

Kropp, Emily

Sharon Press Availability, 04/14/2004

Staff Secretary, White House Office of the

Kavanaugh, Brett - Speech Files

04/14/2004 - Press Availability with Prime Minister Sharon [767578]

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