

Inventory for FOIA Request 2016-0176-F

Textual Records Related to Proposals to Send U.S. Troops to Georgia in its War with Russia in August 2008

Extent

93 folders, approximately 8,896 pages

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to George W. Bush Presidential records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC 22, as amended) 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 are administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processing by

Staff Archivists, 2020. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 08/12/2020

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2016-0176-F are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of records responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

FOIA 2016-0176-F requested textual materials related to proposals to send U.S. troops to Georgia in its war with Russia in August 2008.

This FOIA primarily contains NSC Profile Sheets, routing forms, routine printed e-mails, routing memoranda, binder tabs, meeting participant lists, and meeting seating charts. Also included are news reports about the fighting in Georgia, press statements, talking points for press conferences, and scheduling materials for meetings with the National Security Council and drafts thereof. A report from the State Department's Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs is also included entitled "Georgia-Russia Crisis Strategic Communications" which was produced in September

2008.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2016-0176-F are a systematic body of records responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

Records responsive to this FOIA were found in these collection areas – Staff Member Office Files.

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.

The following is a list of folders processed in response to FOIA 2016-0176-F:

George W. Bush Textual Records

Box 1

Staff Member Office Files

Communication, White House Office of

Bergman, Cynthia – Confidential Files

Georgia/Russia

Counsel's Office

Fielding, Fred – Confidential Files

Georgia, 08/21/2008

NSC – Georgia, 08/29/2008

National Security Council – Counterproliferation Strategy

Allen, Michael

Georgia-Russia, August 2008

National Security Council – European Affairs

Germano, Maria

Georgia, August 2008

Georgia: August 2008 Crisis

Georgia August Crisis DCs/PCs/NSCs

Georgia DC, May 2008

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Georgia DC, 09/17/2008
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Georgia DC, 09/10/2008

Georgia PCC, September 2008

Georgia Spring 2008

Germano, Maria – Subject Files

Georgia DC, 09/05/2008

Georgia DC, 10/02/2008

Helgerson, Katherine

Georgia August 2008

Wilson, Damon

Base Documents [Georgia-Russia Conflict, 2008]

Deputies Committee Meetings: Georgia, 09/17/2008

Deputies Committee Meetings: [Georgia-Russia Conflict, May 2008 - October 2008] [1]

Deputies Committee Meetings: [Georgia-Russia Conflict, May 2008 - October 2008] [2]

Deputies Committee Meetings: [Georgia-Russia Conflict, May 2008 - October 2008] [3]

Deputies Committee Meetings: [Georgia-Russia Conflict, May 2008 - October 2008] [4]

Box 2

National Security Council – European Affairs

Wilson, Damon

Georgia [Abkhazia and South Ossetia, 2008]

Georgia [August 2008 – January 2009] [1]

Georgia [August 2008 – January 2009] [2]

Georgia [August 2008 – January 2009] [3]

Georgia – Presidential Calls/Meetings [2008] [1]

Georgia – Presidential Calls/Meetings [2008] [2]

Georgia – Presidential Calls/Meetings [2008] [3]

NSC Meetings: [Georgia – Russia Conflict, May 2008 - September 2008] [1]

NSC Meetings: [Georgia – Russia Conflict, May 2008 - September 2008] [2]

Options: Economic and Military [Georgia – Russia Conflict, 2008] [1]

Options: Economic and Military [Georgia – Russia Conflict, 2008] [2]

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Principals Committee Meetings: [Georgia-Russia Conflict, August 2008 –
              November 2008] [1]
              Principals Committee Meetings: [Georgia-Russia Conflict, August 2008 –
              November 2008] [2]
   National Security Council – Global Democracy Strategy
       McDonald, Kara
              Georgia, 2008
   National Security Council – International Economic Affairs
       Posner, Theodore (Ted)
              Russia, Georgia [1]
              Russia, Georgia [2]
   National Security Council – Legal Adviser
       Scudder Jr., Michael (Mike)
              Document: Georgia - Russia
       Sullivan, Dave
              Russia - Georgia
Box 3
   National Security Council – Office of the National Security Advisor
       Hadley, Stephen (Steve)
              Georgia/Abkhazia
       Hadley, Stephen (Steve) – Subject Files
              Georgia, 2008 [1]
              Georgia, 2008 [2]
              Georgia, 2008 [3]
   National Security Council – Records and Access Management
       DC Meetings
              DC001553 - Georgia, 08/12/2008
              DC001555 – Georgia, 08/13/2008
              DC001560 - Georgia, 08/15/2008
              DC001562 – Georgia, 08/19/2008
              DC001569 - Georgia, 08/22/2008
              DC001574 – Georgia, 08/28/2008
              DC001585 - Georgia, 09/17/2008
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Memcons and Telcons

Telcon with President Mikheil Saakashvili of Georgia, 08/09/2008

Telcon with President Mikheil Saakashvili of Georgia, 08/13/2008

Telcon with President Mikheil Saakashvili of Georgia, 08/16/2008

PC Meetings

PC – Georgia, 08/21/2008

National Security Council - Regional Affairs

Ansley, Judith – Subject Files

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[(b)(1)] - 2[2]

Georgia, 2008 [1]

Georgia, 2008 [2]

Box 4

National Security Council - Regional Affairs

Ansley, Judith – Subject Files

Georgia, 2008 [3]

Georgia, 2008 [4]

Georgia – Russia Conflict, Deputies Committee Meetings: JFJ Office, 10-10:30 AM, 08/28/2008

Georgia – Russia Conflict, Deputies Committee Meetings: Pre-Brief, JFJ Office, 8:05-8:30 AM, 09/30/2008 and DC, WHSR, 2:30-3:15 PM, 10/02/2008

Georgia – Russia Conflict, Deputies Committee Meetings: Pre-Brief, Suite, 8:20-8:50 AM, and DC, WHSR, 9:45-10:30 AM 09/10/2008

Georgia – Russia Conflict, Deputies Committee Meetings: [WHSR, 7-8:00 AM, 08/11/2008]

Georgia – Russia Conflict, Deputies Committee Meetings: WHSR, 11-11:45 AM, 08/19/2008

Georgia – Russia Conflict, Deputies Committee Meetings: WHSR, 1:45-2:30 PM, 08/22/2008

Georgia – Russia Conflict, Deputies Committee Meetings: WHSR, 8:45-9:30 AM, 09/05/2008

Georgia – Russia Conflict, Deputies Committee Meetings: Pre-Brief, 8:15-8:45 AM and DC. WHSR, 10:40-11:25 AM, 09/17/2008

Georgia – Russia Conflict, NSC Meetings: [WHSR, 4:30-5:00 PM, 08/11/2008]

Georgia – Russia Conflict, NSC Meetings: WHSR, 9:05-10:05 AM, 08/16/2008

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Georgia – Russia Conflict, NSC Meetings: WHSR, 9:20-10:05 AM, 08/29/2008
              Georgia – Russia Conflict, Principals Committee Meetings: WHSR, 9:30-10:15
              AM, 09/01/2008
   National Security Council - Russia
       Ellison, Janine
              Georgia 1 [1]
              Georgia 1 [2]
              Georgia 1 [3]
              Georgia, 08/10/2008
              Georgia, 08/11/2008
              Georgia, 08/12/2008
Box 5
   National Security Council – Russia
       Ellison, Janine
              Georgia, 08/14/2008 - 08/22/2008
              Georgia, 08/22/2008 - 09/09/2008 [1]
              Georgia, 08/22/2008 - 09/09/2008 [2]
              Georgia Summary of Conclusions, August 2008 – October 2008 [1]
              Georgia Summary of Conclusions, August 2008 – October 2008 [2]
       Hayden, Leslie
              Georgia – Russia Conflict
       Warlick, Mary
              Georgia, April 2008 – May 2008 [1]
              Georgia, April 2008 – May 2008 [2]
              Georgia, April 2008 – May 2008 [3]
              Georgia, 08/09/2008 - 08/13/2008 [1]
              Georgia, 08/09/2008 - 08/13/2008 [2]
              Georgia, 08/14/2008 - 08/21/2008
              Georgia, 08/22/2008 - 08/29/2008 [1]
              Georgia, 08/22/2008 - 08/29/2008 [2]
   National Security Council – Special Advisors
       Lettow, Paul
              Russia/Georgia [August 2008]
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Container List for Previously Opened Folders:

$\label{lem:constraint} \textbf{National Security Advisor, Office of the } \textbf{Ansley, Judith}$

JAA (Judith Ansley) Georgia: [South Ossetia]	2014-0223-F
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JAA (Judith Ansley) Georgia: [Way Forward] 2014-0223-F

JAA (Judith Ansley) Georgia: Georgia: Basic Documents 2014-0223-F