

# **George Bush Presidential Library**

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## **Inventory for FOIA Request 1999-0304-F**

## **Records on the Dissolution of the Soviet Union**

#### **Extent**

115 folders

#### Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Bush Presidential Records, Bush Vice Presidential Records, and Quayle Vice Presidential Records is governed by the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)(5 USC 552 as amended) and the Presidential Records Act (PRA)(44 USC 22) 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 Bush's presidency and vice presidency are housed at the George Bush Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

#### **Processed By**

Staff Archivists, August 2000. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

#### **Related Collections**

Related material may be found in FOIA request 1999-0303-F entitled "Moscow Summit (July 1991) and Coup Against Gorbachev (August 1991)."

#### **Scope and Content**

The materials in FOIA 1999-0304-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 1999-0304-F contains materials related to the dissolution of the Soviet Union. On December 21, 1991, following years of reform and upheaval behind the Iron Curtain, eleven Soviet republics joined together to form the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS). Four days later, Mikhail Gorbachev resigned as president of the Soviet Union, and on December 26, 1991, the Soviet Union formally ceased to exist. This request encompasses Bush administration documents that concern the breakup of the Soviet Union and the formation of the CIS during December 1991. Materials processed relate more specifically to issues concerning economic and humanitarian support, diplomatic recognition of the republics, aiding the transition to democratic governments and market economies, and defense issues, particularly the fate and control over the former Soviet Union's vast nuclear arsenal.

These records include suggestions from the public, consultations with Congress, and discussions among federal agencies to formulate American policy concerning the unfolding events in the Soviet Union. Communications between Bush administration officials and corresponding officials in the disintegrating USSR were also processed in response to this FOIA request.

The White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Alphabetical Files contains a letter from, and a response to, a member of general public concerning the situation in the Soviet Union.

The WHORM Subject File categories contain correspondence and memoranda from the general public, Congress, heads of state and the Bush administration. This material deals with proposed humanitarian aid, internal politics, potential immigration and the general situation in the Soviet Union.

The Staff and Office Files contain correspondence, memoranda, press releases, telcons and memcons maintained by individual staff members and offices. The bulk of the material in this FOIA is centered around December of 1991 and relates to the economic situation before, and the preparation for after, the dissolution of the Soviet Union. Memcons and telcons of conversations between President Bush and heads of state are also located in 1999-0304-F; however most of these were classified for national security and still remain closed.

#### **System of Arrangement**

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in three collection areas—Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Alphabetical Files; Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files; and Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files. As policy, WHORM Alphabetical Files and WHORM Subject Files are processed at the document level; whereas, Staff and 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 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 <a href="http://bushlibrary.tamu.edu/research/find/whorm/whorm.html">http://bushlibrary.tamu.edu/research/find/whorm/whorm.html</a>.

Please note that a single asterisk "\*" indicates that the category is entirely processed and open.

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 1999-0304-F.

## **Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Alphabetical Files**

#### Name

Peacock, Oliver L.

## **Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files**

Category CO054*	Case Number C.F.: Case Number 321824
CO165*	Scanned: Case Numbers 289683CU, 292819, 293647, 295015, 296829
CO165*	C.F.: Case Numbers 305468, 320925
CO170*	Scanned: Case Number 294252
FG001-06*	Scanned: Case Number 291688
FO003-02	Scanned: Case Numbers 292521, 292881, 295593
FO003-02	Unscanned: Case Number 295690
FO003-02	C.F.: Case Number 293550
IM*	Scanned: Case Number 297136
ND001-01	C.F.: Case Number 293889
TA	Scanned: Case Number 293345

#### **Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files**

## Counsels Office

Gray, C. Boyden, Files—Subject File Russia (CIS) [OA/ID 45081]

## Council of Economic Advisers

Boskin, Michael, Files—Subject Files

Commonwealth of Independent States [OA/ID 08070]

## Wonnacott, Paul, Files

Country Files: USSR (CIS and NIS), Vol I [1] [OA/ID 08498] Country Files: USSR (CIS and NIS), Vol I [2] [OA/ID 08498] Country Files: USSR (CIS and NIS), Vol II [1] [OA/ID 08498] Country Files: USSR (CIS and NIS), Vol II [2] [OA/ID 08498]

## Wonnacott, Paul, Files—Subject Files

USSR (CIS & NIS) [OA/ID CF01111]

USSR (CIS & NIS): Soviet Humanitarian Aid Meeting, Wednesday, 10/9 and Thursday

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10/17/91 @ State, Zoellick Chair (Joe G. attended 10/17 meeting) [OA/ID CF01111]
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## Intergovernmental Affairs

Snyder, Jim, Files

Aid to CIS [OA/ID 07179]

### Media Affairs

Undeland, John, Files

CIS Media Plan—4/1/92 [Binder] [OA/ID 08889]

### **National Security Council**

Burns, Nicholas, Files—Chronological Files

Chron File: December 1991 [1] [OA/ID CF 01311] Chron File: December 1991 [2] [OA/ID CF 01311] Chron File: December 1991 [3] [OA/ID CF 01311]

## Burns, Nicholas, Files—Subject Files

GB-Gorbachev Correspondence [1] [OA/ID CF01487]

GB-Gorbachev Correspondence [2] [OA/ID CF01487]

GB-Gorbachev Correspondence [3] [OA/ID CF01487]

Russia [OA/ID CF01498]

Commonwealth [OA/ID CF01498]

#### Burns, Nicholas, Files and Ed Hewett Files—Chronological Files

USSR Chron File: December 1991 [1] [OA/ID CF01407] USSR Chron File: December 1991 [2] [OA/ID CF01407]

USSR Chron File: December 1991 [3] [OA/ID CF01407]

#### Burns, Nicholas, Files and Ed Hewett Files—Russia Subject Files

- 1.1.0—Political Situation; Gorbachev [1] [OA/ID CF01613]
- 1.1.0—Political Situation; Gorbachev [2] [OA/ID CF01613]
- 2.5.0—Economic Situation; Economies of the Republics—Russia [OA/ID CF01430]
- 4.3.0—U.S. Relations with Russia; Policy on the Debate Over the Union [OA/ID CF01536]
- 4.3.1—U.S. Relations with Russia; Policy on the Debate Over the Union;

Baltics [OA/ID CF01536]

4.4.0—U.S. Relations with Russia; Relations with Republics [OA/ID CF01536]

4.4.0—U.S. Relations with Russia; Relations with Ukraine [OA/ID CF01536]

6.0.0 - Releasing Frozen Assets of Baltic States [OA/ID CF01536]

[The Republics of the Former Soviet Union and the Baltic States: An

Overview] [OA/ID CF01613]

#### Burns, Nicholas, Files and Ed Hewett Files—Subject Files

Russia—Political [OA/ID CF01408]

Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 12/25/91 [OA/ID CF01422]

Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 12/23/91 [OA/ID CF01422]

Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 12/13/91 [OA/ID CF01422]

Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 12/13/91 [OA/ID CF01422]

Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 12/8/91 [OA/ID CF01422]

Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Kravchuk, 12/3/91 [OA/ID CF01422]

Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 11/30/91 [OA/ID CF01422]

Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 11/30/91 [OA/ID CF01422] Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 10/25/91 [OA/ID CF01422]

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Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 10/8/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 10/5/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 9/27/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 9/27/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 9/25/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbunovs— Latvia, 9/2/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Ruutel—Estonia, 9/2/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Landsbergis—Lithuania,
               8/31/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/ CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev—Soviet Union,
               8/21/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 8/21/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Yeltsin, 8/20/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 6/21/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 5/27/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 5/11/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Telcons w/CIS Leaders 1991: Telcon with Gorbachev, 2/23/91 [OA/ID CF01422]
       Gorbachev Succession [OA/ID CF01486]
       CIS: Country Coordinated Groups [OA/ID CF01756]
Gordon, John A., Files—Subject Files
       Box 64
       Commonwealth, December 1991 [OA/ID CF01656]
       [Commonwealth] New "Commonwealth" [OA/ID CF01656]
       Box 65
       Contingency Group, December 1991 [OA/ID CF01656]
       Box 120
       Russia, December 1991 [OA/ID CF01656]
       Box 142
       Ukraine, December 1991 [OA/ID CF01656]
Holl, Jane, Files—Subject Files
       Soviet Union, General 1991 [OA/ID CF01397]
Poneman, Daniel, Files—Subject Files
       CIS Folder # 1 [1] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 1 [2] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 1 [3] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 2 [1] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 2 [2] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 2 [3] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 3 [1] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 3 [2] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 3 [3] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 4 [1] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 4 [2] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 4 [3] [OA/ID CF01343]
       CIS Folder # 4 [4] [OA/ID CF01343]
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FSU (Former Soviet Union) [OA/ID CF01345] Russia [OA/ID CF01350]

Popadiuk, Roman, Files—Chronological Files

Chron File—December 1991 [OA/ID CF01364]

Popadiuk, Roman, Files-State Department Press Guidance Files

State Department Press Guidance December 1991 [1] [OA/ID CF00863]

State Department Press Guidance December 1991 [2] [OA/ID CF00863]

State Department Press Guidance December 1991 [3] [OA/ID CF00863]

State Department Press Guidance December 1991 [4] [OA/ID CF00863]

State Department Press Guidance December 1991 [5] [OA/ID CF00863]

State Department Press Briefings—December 1991 [OA/ID CF00864]

Popadiuk, Roman, Files—Subject Files

Soviet Union 1991 [OA/ID CF00703]

Rostow, Nicholas, Files—Subject Files

Box 133

USSR (Baltics) [OA/ID CF01328]

USSR (Commonwealth) [OA/ID CF01328]

Zelikow, Phillip, Files—Subject Files

File 51, Implications of Economic Decline for Soviet Security Policy [OA/ID CF00320]

Presidential Memcon File

[Memorandum of Conversations (Memcons)—July 1991–December 1991]: December 1991 [OA/ID CF01728]

Presidential Telcon File

[Memorandum of Telephone Conversations (Telcons)—May 1991–December 1991]: December 1991 [OA/ID CF01730]

White House Situation Room Files—Situation Room AM/PM Summaries Files December 1991 [OA/ID CF01708]

Public Liaison

Schaefer, James, Files

CIS Faxes [OA/ID 07555]

CIS Aid [OA/ID 07555]

Vogt, Jeff, Files

CIS Business [OA/ID 07142] Aid to the CIS [OA/ID 07144]

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