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Inventory for FOIA Request 2008-1274-F

Records on the August 1990 Trip of Secretary of State James Baker to the Soviet Union

Extent

7 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, July, 2010. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Related Collections

Related material may be found in FOIA requests 2008-1257-F entitled "September 1990 Wyoming Ministerial Meeting Between James Baker and Eduard Shevardnadze" and 2008-1259-F entitled "September 1990 Bilateral Meeting Between James Baker and Eduard Shevardnadze".

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2008-1274-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 2008-1274-F contains materials regarding consultations between Secretary of State James Baker and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in Irkutsk, USSR, from agencies and individuals including National Security Adviser Brent Scowcroft and staff of the National Security Council (NSC), the United States Department of State, Secretary of State James Baker, and Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze.

The WHORM Subject File category contains memoranda, talking points, lists, and routing forms. The documents from WHORM Subject File FO005-02 concern a Presidential Business Development Mission to the USSR.

The Staff and Office Files contain cables, letters, notes, papers, press releases, and talking points. Files maintained by NSC Directors of Defense Policy and Arms Control Richard A. Davis, John A. Gordon, and Susan Koch relate to arms control issues discussed in Irkutsk and a joint statement made by Secretary of State James Baker and Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze at the conclusion of the meetings. NSC PA and PRS Files contain talking points and correspondence on the withdrawal of Soviet equipment from Europe and arms control issues.

Please note that a large portion of the records described above remain national security classified. Documents will be added as they are released after declassification.

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in two collection areas—Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files and Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files. As policy, 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 <http://bushlibrary.tamu.edu/research/find/whorm/whorm.html>.

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 2008-1274-F.

Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files

Category	Case Number
FO005-02	C.F.: Case Number 176885

Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files

National Security Council
Richard A. Davis Files—Subject Files
U.S.-Soviet Ministerials: Irkutsk [OA/ID CF01586]

John A. Gordon Files—Subject Files
Irkutsk: August 1990 [OA/ID CF01654]

Susan Koch Files—Subject Files
Irkutsk [OA/ID CF01337]

NSC PA Files

9006042 [OA/ID CF00915]

9007993 [OA/ID CF00918]

NSC PRS Files

9006008 [OA/ID CF00808]

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