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Inventory for FOIA Request 2009-0785-F

Selected Records on the European Community (EC)

Extent

13 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, September 2010. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Related Collections

Related material may be found in FOIA requests 1999-0128-F entitled "Records on the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED)", 1999-0471-F "15th Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations (Paris Economic Summit) Paris, France 7/14/89-7/16/89", 2000-1332-F "USSR/Russia Economic Aid", 2000-1333-F "Munich Economic Summit 1992", 2003-0371-F "Records on 16th Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations (Houston, Texas)", and 2003-1388-F "Selected Files Related to the Uruguay Round and GATT".

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2009-0785-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 2009-0785-F contains selected records on the negotiations to create a partnership between the United States and the European Community as impacted by its integration of economies, politics, trade, and enlargement.

Material responsive to this FOIA is contained in the files of the National Security Council (NSC). Although these files are listed, it should be noted that portions of these documents are security classified and have been closed under the restrictions of the Presidential Records Act and the Freedom of Information Act. These records will be added when they are released.

The George Bush Presidential Staff and Office Files, which are maintained by individual staff members and offices, contain routine government documents, memos, press releases, a conference announcement and program, schedules, lists, agendas, a report, a newsletter, newspaper clipping, and the text of a speech. The majority of the material consists of documents related to President Bush's meetings in Washington, DC and The Hague with European Community representatives such as arrangements for the meetings, memorandums of conversations, schedules, and lists of attendees. Press releases and joint statements address various topics related to the negotiations at the meetings. An announcement and program of a conference coordinated by The American-European Community Association International is included in these holdings. The meeting addressed developments in the US/EC relationship and was held on September 20–22, 1991. This packet also includes a summary of the discussions from a similar conference held in September of 1990. A report compiled and written by a Department of State employee discusses U.S. trade relations with the European Community from 1958 through 1988. Two notable newsletters are present in the collection. One, a State Department communication, is entitled, "The New Europe in a New Age: Insular, Itinerant, or International? Prospects For an Alliance of Values." The other newsletter, "The Challenge of the European Landscape of the 1990s" contains a statement made by Lawrence S. Eagleburger before the Subcommittee on European Affairs of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in Washington, DC on June 22, 1989. An interesting newspaper clipping present in this collection is an English translation of an article written by Hans-Dietrich Genscher who served as Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Federal Republic of Germany. The article, published by the German media and foreign newspapers/news agencies located in Germany, outlined Genscher's stance that the European Community and the United States needed to cooperate and establish a partnership for their mutual benefit. Lastly, a transcript of a speech made by President Delors and delivered to the European Parliament presenting the Commission's program for 1990 is present.

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in one collection area—Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files. As policy, 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 following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2009-0785-F.

Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files

National Security Council

David C. Gompert Files—Subject Files

U.S.-EC [European Community] Summit [OA/ID CF01306]

Nicholas Rostow Files—Subject Files

U.S.-EC [European Community] [OA/ID CF01328]

Earl Wayne Files—Subject Files

EC [European Community]—EMU [European Monetary Union] [OA/ID CF01088]

EC [European Community]—Presidential Visits [1] [OA/ID CF01089]

EC [European Community]—Presidential Visits [2] [OA/ID CF01089]

EC [European Community]—Presidential Visits [3] [OA/ID CF01089]

EC [European Community]—Presidential Visits [4] [OA/ID CF01089]

EC [European Community]—United States [1] [OA/ID CF01089]

EC [European Community]—United States [2] [OA/ID CF01089]

EC [European Community]—United States [3] [OA/ID CF01089]

EC [European Community]—United States [4] [OA/ID CF01089]

EC [European Community]—United States [5] [OA/ID CF01089]

Philip D. Zelikow—Subject Files

File 307, Changes in EC [European Community] Governing Institutions: 'Democratic Deficit' [OA/ID CF00325]

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