



## George Bush Presidential Library

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### Inventory for FOIA Request 2011-0296-F

## Selected Nicholas Burns Chronological Files

#### **Extent**

37 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-August 2011. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

#### **Related Collections**

Additional Nicholas Burns Chronological files may be found in FOIA request 1999-0301-F entitled "Records on US-USSR Summit [June 1990]" and FOIA request 1999-0304-F entitled "Records on the Dissolution of the Soviet Union."

#### **Scope and Content**

FOIA 2011-0296-F includes selected records from the chronological files of Nicholas Burns, Director of European and Soviet Affairs for the National Security Council. These files date from July 1990 through November 1991. The documents consist of correspondence, reports, press releases and speeches.

Internal National Security Council correspondence relates to administrative matters, such as travel and meeting arrangements. External correspondence includes letters from Congressman and from U.S. citizens. The Congressional correspondence offers opinions and advice to the president on topics such as assistance to the USSR, the situation in the Baltics, Soviet-Israeli relations, anti-Semitism in the USSR, post-coup policy towards the Soviet Union, US-Greek relations, and diplomatic relations with the Former Soviet Republics. Letters to the president from U.S. citizens address human rights concerns in Turkey and the USSR, the Chernobyl explosions, the situation in Cyprus, the USSR blockade of the Baltics, and recognition of Former Soviet Republics. Also included are memoranda of conversations with European heads of state discussing issues such as sanctions against Iraq, relations with the USSR, NATO, the Gulf crisis, Soviet reforms, and recognition of the Baltics.

Reports include bimonthly updates from the administration to Congress and from the United Nations on the Cyprus dispute, a presidential report to Congress on the administration's actions to support Baltic Independence, a report from the Peace Corps regarding establishing volunteers in the USSR, a report by a CSCE delegation to the Baltic States, and reports by U.S. citizens on Soviet-American economic relations and on relations with Greece, Turkey, and Cyprus.

The enclosed press releases contain fact sheets on U.S. aid the Soviet Union, trade agreements and space cooperation with the Soviet Union, press statements after meetings with various Heads of State, and proclamations for initiatives such as Irish-American Heritage Month and Baltic Freedom Day. Also included are speeches and remarks by President Bush, Vice President Quayle, and Mrs. Quayle regarding US-Soviet Relations, US-Turkish relations, the Gulf War, and other topics of interest.

It should be noted that many of the documents listed here have been closed for National Security classification and/or other exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.

### **System of Arrangement**

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in the following 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. Staff and Office Files are arranged alphabetically by office.

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2011-0296-F.

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

#### National Security Council

##### Burns, R. Nicholas—Chronological Files

- July 1990-August 1990 [1] [OA/ID CF01309]
- July 1990-August 1990 [2] [OA/ID CF01309]
- September 1990-October 1990 [1] [OA/ID CF01309]
- September 1990-October 1990 [2] [OA/ID CF01309]
- September 1990-October 1990 [3] [OA/ID CF01309]
- November 1990-December 1990 [1] [OA/ID CF01309]
- November 1990-December 1990 [2] [OA/ID CF01309]
- November 1990-December 1990 [3] [OA/ID CF01309]
- January 1991 [1] [OA/ID CF01309]
- January 1991 [2] [OA/ID CF01309]
- February 1991 [1] [OA/ID CF01309]
- February 1991 [2] [OA/ID CF01309]
- March 1991 [1] [OA/ID CF01309]
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May 1991 [2] [OA/ID CF01310]  
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