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Inventory for FOIA Request 2012-3089-F

Selected Records on Columbia and the Drug Enforcement Administration

Extent

16 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 2012. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2012-3089-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 2012-3089-F contains records related to Columbia and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA).

These documents mainly address violence in Colombia, President Virgilio Barco, and John C. Lawn – former DEA Administrator.

The Bush Presidential White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files contain letters and memos primarily addressed to President Bush from private citizens with recommendations on dealing with the violence in Colombia, support for President Barco, U.S. assistance to Columbia in the fight against drug cartels and concern and support for President Bush's trip to the drug summit held in Cartagena, as well as the DEA leadership. Replies to this correspondence are also included. In addition, many government forms are present that track the correspondence by logging in subjects, routing information, actions taken, and disposition. There are printed materials including a newspaper clipping reporting that President Virgilio Barco would be MIT's commencement speaker, and a magazine reprint discussing the leadership of President Cesar Gavaria Trujillo. Publications found in this collection are a Senate Subcommittee report - [United States Government Anti-Narcotics Activities in the Andean Region of South America](#), [The Battle for Colombia: A Report by Colombian Journalists](#), and [Guidelines for the Cleanup of Clandestine Drug Laboratories](#). There are a few drafts of a statement made by President Bush upon the departure of Colombian President Gavaria. The handwritten notes among staffers discuss paperwork for nominations for presidential appointments. Several unclassified papers are present and include examples of citations awarded to federal civilians for distinguished service, verbiage used on the award given to Lawn, a page from President Bush's daily schedule, and resumes of successful candidates for positions in the DEA.

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in one collection areas—Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files. As policy, WHORM Alphabetical Files and WHORM Subject Files are processed at the document level.

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>.

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 2012-3089-F.

Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files

Category	Case Number
CO035*	Entire Category Relevant
FG017-03*	Entire Category Relevant

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