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### Inventory for Systematic Request 2023-0133-S

## Records on Cabinet Affairs, Gary R. Blumenthal Subject Files

#### **Extent**

17 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, November 2022. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

#### **System of Arrangement**

Records for this systematic project were found in the following collection area—Bush Presidential Records: Staff and Office Files. 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.

## **Biographical Note**

The Office of Cabinet Affairs served as the administrative arm of the Office of the Cabinet Secretary. The Director of Cabinet Affairs was responsible for the day-to-day operations of the office, including personnel issues and staff activities. In June 1991, Gary R. Blumenthal was named Deputy Assistant to the President for Cabinet Liaison and Special Assistant to the President for Agricultural Trade and Food Assistance. He remained in that position until January 20, 1993.

## **Related Collections**

Related material may be found in 1999-0581-F entitled "U.S.-Japan Structural Impediments Initiative (SII)" and 2011-1613-F[1] entitled "Oil, Gas and Energy Policy."

## **Scope and Content**

The materials in Case Number 2023-0133-S are a systematically processed body of documents responsive to the topic. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials.

These records consist of memos, letters, notes, documents, news releases, magazine and newspaper articles, and White House forms.

The bulk of this collection consists of memos covering a variety of topics including accomplishments related to the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Ministerial held in Seoul, President Bush's views on Uruguay Round issues, USTR and Commerce trade determinations on international products, intellectual property negotiations, Uruguay Round reports, agricultural export credit guarantees, international market access barriers, U.S. patent infringements, meetings with foreign heads of state and trade officials, GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade) and NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement) discussions, trade enhancement issues, international consensus against the trafficking and use of drugs, an Export Enhancement Package for Central and Eastern Europe, Economic Policy Council meetings and the topics of discussion, the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988, environmental issues, the automobile industry, the President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service, border security, impacts of fuel prices on the aviation industry, and the Agency for International Development programs in Central America. The letters are mainly ones between President Bush and leaders of the United States House of Representatives regarding the administration's stance on NAFTA. The notes are between staffers discussing routed documents and recommended actions. The documents include issue papers on U.S. trade policies, economic impacts of a NAFTA, free trade negotiation points, Enterprise for the Americas, and a trade issues fact sheet. The news releases announce international trade determinations, trade enhancement initiatives, and information about the Uruguay Round. The magazine and newspaper articles cover fuel price hikes effects on airlines and international economic policy. The White House forms consist of routing slips which track who send and receive forwarded documents, and Staffing Memoranda that request comments and recommendations from White House officials on attached documents.

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

Cabinet Affairs, White House Office of

Blumenthal, Gary R., Files—Subject Files

USTR Reports to the President [OA/ID CF01278]

GRB—Uruguay Round File [OA/ID CF01278]

[International Trade Issues] [1] [OA/ID CF01278]

[International Trade Issues] [2] [OA/ID CF01278]

[International Trade Issues] [3] [OA/ID CF01278]

[International Trade Issues] [4] [OA/ID CF01278]

[Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 as amended in 1988] [OA/ID CF01278]

[Economic Policy Council package on the proposal of the sub-Cabinet strategy Group chaired by USTR] [OA/ID CF01278]

[Correspondence on NAFTA, Telecommunications, Environment, and Automotive Industry]  
[OA/ID CF01278]  
[Correspondence on Trade Act of 1988 Fast-Track Authority, Uruguay Round, and Free  
Trade Agreement] [OA/ID CF01278]  
[Pan Am 103 Investigation] [OA/ID CF01278]  
President's Award for Distinguished Federal Civilian Service re: Harry K. Fukuhara  
[OA/ID CF01278]  
Report re: Impact of the Oil Supply Situation 8/14/90 [OA/ID CF01278]  
Claire [OA/ID CF01278]  
[Correspondence about the Uruguay Round, Border Control Task Forces, Fuel Prices, and  
Enterprise for the Americas Initiative] [OA/ID CF01278]  
Structural Impediments Initiative [OA/ID CF01278]  
International Economic Strategy [OA/ID CF01278]

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