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Inventory for Systematic Review

Records on WHORM Subject File ND016 (Wars—Conflicts)

Extent

490 folders

Access

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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, January 2011. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Scope and Content

The materials are a systematically processed body of documents from the White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject File category ND016.

ND016 is a secondary subject category to ND (National Defense) and consists of letters of correspondence, memoranda, coversheets, notes, distribution lists, newspaper articles, informational papers, published articles, and reports from the public, the Congress, Bush administration officials, and other various federal agencies primarily regarding the Persian Gulf Crisis. There are letters sent by the members of a variety of interest groups, as well as Senators, Congressman, military members, and civilians expressing concerns and/or support for the actions taken by the Bush administration during Operation Desert Storm/Shield. Unsolicited advice and various viewpoints are routinely provided in these correspondences in hopes of influencing various policies with the ally coalition and Iraq, as well as Bush administration policies for future peace in the Middle East. Often letters are accompanied by informational papers, newspaper articles, and other case study reports in support of the idea being presented. There are often replies offered by various White House offices defending Bush administration policies and giving general thanks for letters of gratitude, concern and inquiry. The drafting of these replies among the various executive branch offices generates routine administrative paperwork, such as the mentioned above memoranda, coversheets, notes, and distribution lists. These replies were most often written by various members of the State Department and National Security Council and then were generated to White House Offices as robo letters to provide general, non-sensitive responses to the variety of issues related to various facets of the Persian Gulf War. While the vast majority of these records are related to the Gulf Crisis there are also minute remnants of records related to other prominent subjects such as Vietnam POWs/MIAs and the 1989 U.S. invasion of Panama.

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this systematic review were found in Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files.

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.

Bush Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files

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