## Extent

13 folders, approximately 196 pages

## Summary

The collection contains letters and press concerning possible nominations for the position of Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from within the ranks of the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. Letters, memoranda, and notes within the collection regard decisions, requests, and statements concerning the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. Memoranda from within the collection concern the designation of acting Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff by nature of the military.

## Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2009-1053-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials. The National Security Act of 1947 established the Joint Chiefs of Staff (or JCS) in order to provide a formal structure of joint command for the armed forces. With passage of the 1986 Department of Defense Reorganization Act (or Goldwater-Nichols Act), the JCS no longer possessed operational command. After 1986, the JCS served in an advisory capacity to the President and the Secretary of Defense. During the Clinton Administration, General John Shalikashvili served as the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from October 1993 to September 1997. General Hugh Shelton served as the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from October 1997 to September 2001. This collection consists of White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files concerning the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Departments of the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. The collection contains letters and press concerning possible nominations for the position of Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff from within the ranks of those Departments. Letters, memoranda, and notes in the collection discuss the decisions, requests, and statements concerning

the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the Departments. Included are memoranda on the designation of acting Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff by those Departments.

**Record Type**

Textual

**System of Arrangement**

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in this collection area – Clinton Presidential Records: White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files. The White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) contains a variety of series created to organize and track documents and correspondence. The WHORM Subject file was compiled by the White House Office of Records Management and is a series of categories designated by a letter/number combination. WHORM files are processed at the document level. FOIA 2009-1053-F includes WHORM records from these subject codes: FG013-04 Joint Chiefs of Staff FG014 Department of the Army FG015 Department of the Navy FG016 Department of the Air Force.

**Access**

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Clinton Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 U.S.C. Chapter 22, as amended) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 U.S.C. 552, as amended) and therefore records may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

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**Provenance**

Official records of William Jefferson Clinton’s presidency are housed at the Clinton Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

**Processed by**

Staff Archivist, 2013. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

**Last Modified Date**

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**Container List**

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2009-1053-F:
Box 1
Clinton Presidential Records: WHORM Subject File
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FG013-04 013086SS
FG013-04 027014
FG013-04 032768
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FG013-04 064967SS
FG013-04 088812SS
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FG013-04 224120
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FG015 045583

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FG016 087093
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