Extent

Approximately 2,961 photographs in color and black and white film processed from 35mm negatives.

Summary

This request consists of photographs of President Clinton’s trip to Chautauqua, NY in October of 1996, and his trip to the Presidential Debate in Hartford, CT on October 6, 1996. The photographs document President Clinton taping a Radio Address at the Chautauqua Institution, walking with Hillary Rodham Clinton, walking with Senator George Mitchell and Kirk Hanlin, playing golf with Erskine Bowles, et al., and speaking with advisors at the Athenaeum Hotel. Photographs also document President Clinton speaking with reporters and conferring with Mike McCurry, Leon Panetta, Joe Lockhart, Doug Sosnick, Erskine Bowles, Bob Squier, George Stephanopoulos, and Bruce Lindsey. This collection includes photographs of President Clinton and Senator Robert “Bob” Dole participating in the first Presidential debate at Bushnell Auditorium in Hartford, Connecticut, and the post-debate party at Union Station in Hartford, Connecticut.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2006-0190-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 request 2006-0190-F contains photographs from the White House Photograph Office pertaining to the President Clinton’s trip to Chautauqua, NY. in October of 1996, and Presidential Debate in Hartford, CT. on October 6th, 1996. The photographs document the President’s departure from Buffalo, NY via Marine One and the arrival at Chautauqua, NY. The President’s visit to Chautauqua begins with greeting guests and exploring the grounds of the Chautauqua Institution with Bruce Lindsey. President Clinton also greets the front desk personnel at the Athenaeum Hotel at Chautauqua. The photographs document

the President’s debate preparation at Elizabeth S. Lenna Hall at Chautauqua. President Clinton rehearses for his upcoming debate with Senator Robert “Bob” Dole. Senator George Mitchell plays the role of Sen. Dole in the practice sessions. Mike McCurry serves as moderator for the practice sessions. President Clinton is in continuous contact with his advisors; Harold Ickes, Mike Sheehan, George Stephanopoulos, Ann Lewis, Mark Penn, Rahm Emanuel, Don Baer, Erskine Bowles, Leon Panetta, Jack Quinn, Jane Sherburne, John Podesta, Bob Squier, Alexis Herman, Paul Begala, Vicki Radd, Gene Sperling, Bruce Lindsey, Sandy Berger, and others. The photographs show the President eating breakfast with Leon Panetta while TIME magazine photographer Diana Walker photographs them. The President tapes his weekly radio address at the Chautauqua Institution. Before and after the radio address taping the President confers with Terry Edmonds and Bruce Lindsey regarding the address. The President talks on the telephone and speaks with Sen. George Mitchell and Mike McCurry. The President departs the radio address session with Sen. Mitchell and greets visitors while walking the Chautauqua grounds. President Clinton and Hillary Rodham Clinton walk the Chautauqua grounds alone and greet visitors while they walk. President Clinton plays golf with Erskine Bowles and others at Chautauqua. The photographs include scenic views of the Lake and Hotel grounds. The photographs document President Clinton’s participation in a press briefing at a Chautauqua bookstore. While at the bookstore President Clinton browses through books and autographs copies of his book, “Between Hope and History” and Mrs. Clinton’s book “It Takes a Village and Other Lessons Children Teach Us.” President Clinton talks to a reporter at the bookstore counter and confers with Mike McCurry and others. President Clinton fields questions from reporters outside the bookstore at Chautauqua. The photographs document the first Presidential Debate for the 1996 Presidential campaign. The debate took place at Bushnell Auditorium in Hartford, CT. President Clinton debates Republican candidate Sen. Robert “Bob” Dole with Jim Lehrer of PBS as moderator. Hillary Rodham Clinton and Chelsea Clinton join the President on stage following the debate. Elizabeth and Robin Dole join Sen. Dole on stage after the debate. The photographs show the staff and advisors watching the debate on television in the holding room. President Clinton’s staff celebrates at the conclusion of the debate. President Clinton consoles with Mrs. Clinton and Chelsea Clinton following the debate. The President talks with staff and guests after the debate in the holding room of Bushnell Auditorium. The Clinton’s attend a Democratic National Committee (DNC) supporter’s party at Union Station in Hartford, CT. After the DNC party, President Clinton greets staff, friends,

and supporters at Hastings Hotel in Hartford.

Record Type

Photographs

System of Arrangement

Records that were responsive to this FOIA request were found in one collection area and one series— Clinton Presidential Records: Photographs of the White House Photograph Office and the series therein—Photographs Relating to the Clinton Administration. Processing is done at the Folder/Contact sheet level. While this method maintains folder/contact sheet integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of photographs that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Clinton 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 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).

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Freedom of Information Act restrictions.