Extent

121 folders, approximately 8,565 pages

Summary

This collection concerns the term “earmark” as it pertains to communications about specific project funding between US Congressional Representative(s) and the President or a White House staff office. The records consist of briefing papers, drafts, emails, letters, memos, and routing forms. Topics include aircraft simulator procurement, bridge and highway construction, deficit reduction, foreign aid appropriations, nuclear research facilities, radioactive tailing cleanup, Saving America’s Treasures program, state and territory land and water conservation, tourism, and youth employment programs.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2007-0659-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about additional related materials. FOIA 2007-0659-F concerns the term “earmark” as it pertains to communications about specific project funding between or through US Congressional Representative(s) and the President or a White House staff office. The unclassified textual records consist of briefing papers, drafts, emails, letters, memos, and routing forms. Topics cover aircraft simulator procurement, bridge and highway construction, deficit reduction, foreign aid to the Ukraine, nuclear research facilities, radioactive tailing cleanup, Saving America’s Treasures program, state and territory land and water conservation, tourism, and youth employment programs. In addition, the National Security Council staff emails between February 1993 and December 2000 contain discussions of Congressional earmarks in foreign aid appropriations. Many of these earmarks were focused on foreign policy issues of importance to individual members of Congress, including Ukraine and other former Soviet Union countries, Kosovo, drug control, defense priorities, and democracy in East Timor.

During this Administration, the National Security Council emphasized that earmarks in foreign aid and defense appropriation accounts limited the President’s flexibility to conduct U.S. foreign policy.

Record Type

Textual

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in these collections areas— Clinton Presidential Records: White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files; Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files; Clinton Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System [Email]; Clinton Presidential Records: Tape Restoration Project [Email]; and Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cables, Emails, and Records Management Systems. 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. Staff and Office files were maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity. WHORM files are processed at the document level; whereas, 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. The Automated Records Management System (ARMS) is a database that contains email records of the Executive Office of the President. This system maintained unclassified Presidential email. The ARMS database is comprised of six sub-series of email records called "buckets." The buckets generally represent a specific White House office. The buckets are titled: NPR for National Performance Review, OPD for Office of Policy Development, POTUS for President of the United States, WHO for White House Office, CEA for Council of Economic Advisers, and Default for emails not associated with an office. The OPD bucket contains email created or received by an individual with an Office of Policy Development (OPD) White House user account.

The POTUS bucket was designated for email created and received by the President of the United States (POTUS). Please note that President Clinton never used his POTUS White House user account to send the few emails he wrote while in office. The WHO bucket contains email created or received by individual with an Executive Office of the President White House user account not identified as CEA, NPR, or OPD. The CEA bucket contains email created or received by an individual with a Council of Economic Advisors (CEA) White House user account. The Default bucket contains email created or received by unknown or un-recognized email accounts. Email found within the Default bucket often includes email created or received by offices or individuals outside the Executive Office of the President. ARMS email are arranged by topic, there-under by bucket, and there-under chronologically by creation date. The Tape Restoration Project (TRP) is a database consisting of restored emails from ARMS from July 1994 through June of 2000. The TRP is a database that contains email records of the Executive Office of the President. This system maintained unclassified Presidential record email. The TRP database is comprised of the same six sub-series of email as in ARMS. TRP email are arranged by topic, thereunder by bucket, and there-under chronologically by creation date. FOIA 2007-0659-F includes WHORM records from these subject codes: [FA] [Federal Aid] [FG001-07] [Federal Government-Appointments Granted-Presidential] [FG006-05] [Federal Government-Office of Management and Budget] [FI001-02] [Finance-Estimates, Budget] [FI004] [Finance-Budget-Appropriations] FO003-02] [Foreign Affairs-Mutual Security-Foreign Aid]

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Clinton Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC Chapter 22 as amended) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 USC 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

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Container List

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The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2007-0659-F:

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Clinton Presidential Records: WHORM: Subject Files

Category	Case Number
FA	276612
FG001-07	417124 [Meeting with Senator Chuck Robb]
FG006-05	146768

FI001-02	003033
FI004	202891
	274777
	407985
	408805
	409139
FO003-02	183000

Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files
Millennium Council
Brierton, Joan
Earmarks 2000 [OA 23095]
Earmarks 2001 [OA 23095]
Lovell, Ellen
Saving America’s Treasures Federal Appropriations 2000-Notes from Larry Reger-Heritage Preservation Attempt to Earmark [OA 21042]

Box 2
Clinton Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System [Email]
OPD [OA/ID 250,000]
[Earmarks]
[11/12/1993 – 12/09/1997]
[12/09/1997 – 04/24/2000]
[04/24/2000 – 12/22/2000]
WHO [OA/ID 500,000]
[Earmarks]
[02/22/1993 – 09/16/1997]
[09/17/1997 – 02/04/2000]
[03/22/2000 – 01/12/2001]
CEA [OA/ID 950,000]
[Earmarks]
[03/12/1997 – 01/10/2000]
Clinton Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System [Email] (Cont’d)
Default [OA/ID 1100000]

[Earmarks]
[10/28/1993 – 10/23/2000]
Clinton Presidential Records: Tape Restoration Project [Email]
OPD [OA/ID 250,000]
[Earmarks]
[08/26/1998 – 01/08/1999]
WHO [OA/ID 500,000]
[Earmarks]
[09/25/1998]

Box 3
Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cables, Emails, and Records Management System
NSC Emails
A1 – Record (Jan 93 – Sept 94)
[Earmark]
[02/12/1993 – 09/14/1993] [OA/ID 570000]
[09/20/1993 – 06/28/1994] [OA/ID 570000]
A1 – Non-Record (Apr 94 – Sept 94)
[Earmark]
[06/09/1994] [OA/ID 580000]
MSMail – Record (Sept 94 – Sept 97)
[Earmark]
[09/30/1994 – 12/13/1994] [OA/ID 590000]
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[01/05/1995 – 08/04/1995] [OA/ID 605000]
[09/13/1995 – 11/08/1995] [OA/ID 605000]
[01/18/1996 – 12/03/1996] [OA/ID 605000]
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Exchange – Record (Sept 97 – Jan 01) [Earmark]
[09/15/1997 – 09/25/1997] [OA/ID 620000]

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