Extent

5 folders, approximately 26 pages

Summary

This collection consists of records related to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) arbitration case brought by S.D. Myers, Inc. against the Government of Canada in 1998. The case, S.D. Myers, Inc. v. The Government of Canada, was a NAFTA chapter 11 case brought before the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITL).This collection consists of Automated Records Management System Email, and National Security Council cables and emails. Email responsive to this collection consists of duplicates of a list serve concerning NAFTA. National Security Council records include Department of State cables related to meetings between S.D. Myers and the government of Canada. The collection also contains cables summarizing the state of the negotiations between Canada and S.D. Myers, Inc

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2016-0018-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request 2016-0018-F was for records related to the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) arbitration case brought by S.D. Myers, Inc against the Government of Canada in 1998. The case, S.D. Myers, Inc. v. The Government of Canada, was a NAFTA chapter 11 case brought before the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITL). Email responsive to this collection consists of duplicates of a list serve concerning NAFTA. National Security Council records include Department of State cables related to meetings between S.D. Myers and the government of Canada. The collection also includes cables summarizing the current, at that time, state of the negotiations between Canada and S.D. Myers, Inc. S.D. Myers, Inc is a Tallmadge, OH based

engineering company that specializes in electrical transformer repair and maintenance. The company had contracts to export used transformers to the United States for disposal of Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB). In 1995, Canada banned the export of PCB wastes. Claiming loss of business and income, Myers brought sought arbitration in 1998. The case worked through the courts finally being settled in 2004. The only direct involvement on the part of the United States was the filing of an Article 1128 submission in September 2001. Email responsive to this collection consists of duplicates of a list serve concerning NAFTA.

Record Type

Textual

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this request were found in these collection areas—Clinton Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System [Email] Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cables, Emails, and Records Management System. 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 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.

Access

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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, 2015. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

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Container List

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to 2016-0018-F:
Box 1

Clinton Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System [Email]
Default [OA/ID 1100000]
[SD Myers v. Canada]
[01/25/1995]
[01/22/1999]
Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cables, Emails, and Records Management System
NSC Cable
Jan 1995-Dec 1996 [OA/ID 510000]
[Myers, Canada]
[12/08/1995]
Jan 1997-Dec 1998 [OA/ID 520000]
[Myers, Canada]
[08/31/1998-11/12/1998]
Jan 1999-Dec 2000 [OA/ID 530000]
[Myers, Canada]
[04/01/1999]