

Extent

24 video recordings in BetacamSP format totaling approximately 563 minutes (9.38 hours) total run time

Summary

This collection consists of video recordings from the White House Television Office (WHTV) relating primarily to official visits between President Clinton and President Vaclav Havel of the Czech Republic during the Clinton Administration. Included are materials relating to State Arrival ceremonies, Bilateral Meetings, Joint Press Conferences, State Dinners, NATO events and ceremonies in Washington, DC and Prague, Czech Republic.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2017-0412-F are a selective body responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related material. FOIA request 2017-0412-F contains video recordings from the White House Television Office (WHTV) relating primarily to official visits between President Clinton and President Vaclav Havel of the Czech Republic during the Clinton Administration. Included are materials relating to State Arrival Ceremonies, Bilateral Meetings, Joint Press Conferences, State Dinners, NATO events and ceremonies in Washington, DC and Prague, Czech Republic. Materials range from April 21, 1993, which was President Havel's visit for the Holocaust Museum Reception and Meeting with Slovak, Albanian and Moldovan leaders at the White House, President Clinton's trip to Prague, Czech Republic for the NATO Summit, Meetings with Slovak & Polish leaders, visit to a local jazz club (includes a sax performance by President Clinton), a Prague street/bridge walking tour and a Jewish Cemetery tour in Prague on January 11 & 12, 1994, President Havel's State Visit to the White House, including Arrival Ceremony, State Dinner and Joint Press Conference (at the Department of State) on September 16, 1998 and NATO 50th Anniversary events including ceremony at Mellon

Auditorium and the White House in Washington, DC. On April 23, 1999. Key individuals in the video recordings include President William Jefferson Clinton, Hillary Rodham Clinton, President Vaclav Havel of Czech Republic, Lech Walesa of Poland, Madeleine Albright and Lou Reed. Lou Reed and his band perform the following songs at the State Dinner for President Havel: "Sweet Jane" and "Turning Time Around" Video recordings from April 21, 1993 are as follows: Meetings with Presidents of the Slovak Republic, Albania and Moldova at the White House Holocaust Museum Reception on the South Lawn of the White House Video recordings from January 11, 1994 & January 12, 1994 are as follows: Arrival Ceremony for President Clinton in Prague, Czech Republic Bilateral meeting with President Clinton and President Havel in Prague Dinner and Photo-Op with President Havel and others in Prague Joint Press Conference with President Havel in Prague President Clinton walking on Charles Bridge in Prague with President Havel, Madeleine Albright and others. During the walk President Clinton stops and does interviews with Dan Rather of CBS and Tom Brokaw of NBC President Clinton greets people and crowds on the streets of Prague President Clinton, President Havel and Madeleine Albright visit Reduta Jazz Club and President Clinton plays the saxophone with the club jazz band President Clinton, President Havel, Madeleine Albright and others dine at a local restaurant in Prague President Clinton tours a Jewish Cemetery in Prague President Clinton holds bilateral meetings with Polish and Slovak leaders in Prague President Clinton, President Havel and President Lech Walesa hold a press conference in Prague Video recordings from September 16, 1998 are as follows: State Arrival Ceremony for President Havel on the South Lawn President Havel and Mrs. Havel sign the official guest book in the Blue Room Video recordings from September 16, 1998 Continued... President Clinton escorts President Havel to the West Wing President Clinton and President Havel hold an expanded meeting in the Cabinet Room President Clinton and President Havel hold a Joint Press Conference at the Department of State President Havel arrive at the North Portico for the State Dinner in his honor President Clinton, Hillary Rodham Clinton, President Havel and Mrs. Havel pose for Official photo on the Grand Staircase and hold a receiving line in the Cross Hall State Dinner for President Havel, including remarks, toast and entertainment by Lou Reed and his band Video recordings from April 23, 1999 are as follows: President Clinton, President Havel and others participate at the 50th Anniversary of NATO at the Mellon Auditorium in Washington, DC President Clinton holds a 50th Anniversary of NATO dinner at the White House.

Record Type

Videos

System of Arrangement

Records that were responsive to this FOIA request were found in one collection and one series, Video Recordings of the White House Television Office and the series therein - Video Recordings Relating to the Clinton Administration. Processing was done at the individual item level. While this method maintains tape run time integrity for video, it frequently results in the incidental processing of video that is not wholly responsive to the subject area.

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).

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Container List

The following is a list of video recordings processed in response to FOIA 2017-0412-F:

Clinton Presidential Records: Video Recordings of the White House Television Office
Series: Video Recordings Relating to the Clinton Administration

White House Television Office Tape:

Master Tape # 00475 April 21, 1993

Master Tape # 00476 April 21, 1993

Master Tape # 00477 April 21, 1993

Master Tape # 01605 January 11, 1994

Master Tape # 01606 January 11, 1994

Master Tape # 01608 January 11, 1994

Master Tape # 01609 January 11, 1994

Master Tape # 01611 January 12, 1994

Master Tape # 01612 January 12, 1994

Master Tape # 08955 September 16, 1998

Master Tape # 08956 September 16, 1998

Master Tape # 08957 September 16, 1998

Master Tape # 08958 September 16, 1998

Master Tape # 08959 September 16, 1998

Master Tape # 08960 September 16, 1998

Master Tape # 08961 September 16, 1998

Master Tape # 09887 April 23, 1999

Master Tape # 09888 April 23, 1999

Master Tape # 09889 April 23, 1999

Master Tape # 09890 April 23, 1999

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