## Extent

5 folders, approximately 286 pages

## Summary

This collection consists of records concerning the North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation (NAALC) during NAFTA negotiations conducted between March and August 1993 by the U.S. Trade Representative, Mickey Kantor. It contains memoranda, cables, emails, other correspondence, and international news reports.

## Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2018-0516-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related material. The researcher submitted a request for records concerning the North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation (NAALC) during NAFTA negotiations conducted between March and August 1993 by the U.S. Trade Representative, Mickey Kantor. Appointed the United States Trade Representative in 1993, Ambassador Mickey Kantor led the negotiations that created NAFTA and its supplemental agreements. The NAALC is a supplemental (or parallel) agreement reached in 1993 during negotiations for the North American Free Trade Agreement, a trilateral trade deal between the United States, Canada, and Mexico that replaced the US-Canada Free Trade Agreement enacted in 1989. The NAALC went into effect alongside NAFTA in January 1994. The NAALC and its companion, the North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation (NAAEC), were agreements concerning labor standards, designed to accompany the primary trade accord. The NAALC was designed to improve working conditions and living standards, encourage compliance with labor laws, and “provide the ability to invoke trade sanctions as a last resort for non-enforcement of labor law by a Party.”

**Record Type**

Textual

**System of Arrangement**

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in these collection areas— NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management Systems.

**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).

**Subject Headings**

North American Agreement on Labor Cooperation (1993 September 14)
North American Agreement on Environmental Cooperation (1993 September 13)
North American Free Trade Agreement (1992 December 17)

**Person Names**

Kantor, Mickey, 1939-

**Topical Subjects**

Labor unions
Labor laws and legislation

**Processed by**

Staff Archivist, 2018. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

**Last Modified Date**

2018-05-17

**Container List**

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2018-0516-F:
Box 1
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[Kantor and NAFTA]
[03/05/1993 - 07/22/1993]

[07/22/1993 - 08/20/1993]
NSC Email
A1-Record (Jan 93-Sept 94) [OA/ID 570000]
[Kantor and NAFTA]
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