## Extent

5 folders, approximately 112 pages

## Summary

This collection consists of records regarding visits by the foreign ministers of Japan between 1993 and 2001. It includes materials related to a meeting between President Clinton and Michio Watanabe in February 1993 as well as economic briefing materials for a meeting with Yōhei Kōno in February 2000.

## Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2020-0295-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related material. This collection contains records regarding visits by the foreign ministers of Japan between 1993 and 2001. The men who held this position during these years included: Michio Watanabe, Kabun Mutō, Tsutomu Hata, Koji Kakizawa, Yōhei Kōno, Yukihiko Ikeda, Keizo Obuchi, and Masahiko Kōmura. In addition to economic briefing materials for a meeting with Yōhei Kōno in February 2000, the collection also includes records related to a meeting between President Clinton and Michio Watanabe on February 11, 1993. Many of the records related to this FOIA case are closed for national security reasons.

## Record Type

Textual

## System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in these collection areas— Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files and Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management Systems. Staff and Office files were maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity. 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.

**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).

**Processed by**

Staff Archivist, 2022. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

**Last Modified Date**

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**Container List**

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2020-0295-F:
Box 1
Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files
National Economic Council
Brainard, Lael
Japan-Kono Meeting (2/00) [OA/ID CF 1363]
National Security Council
Asian Affairs
Smith, Holly
POTUS Photos with Ambassador [Joseph] Prueher and Foreign Minister [Yohei] Kono of Japan [OA/ID 2623]
Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management System
NSC Records Management System
[Watanabe and visit...]
9300181 [OA/ID 139]
9300355 [OA/ID 2263]
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