Extent

4 folders, approximately 136 pages

Summary

The collection contains records on a telephone call that took place between President Clinton and Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto on December 9, 1997 discuss the ongoing climate change negotiations in Kyoto. The records in this collection consist of email discussions regarding preparation and logistics for the call, a transcript of the press briefing afterwards, the scheduling proposal for the call, and transmittal materials for the resulting memorandum of telephone conversation (telcon).

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2021-0716-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related material. The collection contains records on a telephone call that took place between President Clinton and Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto on December 9, 1997. While the Japanese government had requested a call on December 1, it was postponed. Instead, the administration scheduled a call for December 9 to discuss the ongoing climate change negotiations in Kyoto. Prime Minister Hashimoto was the head of the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) and had been elected to office in January of that year, after the resignation of his predecessor Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama. After the LDP lost seats in the 1998 election, Prime Minister Hashimoto resigned. The new LDP President, Foreign Minister Keizō Obuchi, succeeded him. The records responsive to this case include National Security Council (NSC) email discussions regarding the preparation and logistics for the call, as well as the transcript of a press briefing that occurred just after the President’s conversation with Prime Minister Hashimoto. The scheduling proposal and transmittal materials for the telcon are located in the NSC Records Management files. Many of these

records related to this FOIA case are closed for national security reasons.

Record Type

Electronic Records
Textual

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in this collection area—Clinton Presidential Records: 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).

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Staff Archivist, 2022. 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 FOIA 2021-0716-F
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Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management System
NSC Email
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[Hashimoto and call…]
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Exchange-Non-Record (Mar 97-Jan 01) [OA/ID 630000]
[Hashimoto and call…]
[12/01/1997 – 12/09/1997]
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