## Extent

5 folders, approximately 132 pages

## Summary

The collection contains records on a telephone call that took place between President Clinton and Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto on December 16, 1997. Initially, December 15 had been proposed as the date of the call, but scheduling issues led to its postponement to the next day. The records in this collection consist of scheduling and logistical materials for the call.

## Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2021-0717-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 a telephone call between President Clinton and Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto of Japan on December 16, 1996. Initially, December 15 had been proposed as the date of the call, but scheduling issues led to its postponement to the next day. 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. At the time of the call, the ongoing Asian Economic Crisis was a central concern to both President Clinton and Prime Minister Hashimoto. The records processed in response this this FOIA case include scheduling and logistical materials for the call, found in both the National Security Council (NSC) Email and NSC Records Management Systems. For more information regarding President Clinton’s interactions with Prime Minister Hashimoto, as well as Korean President Kim Young-sam, concerning the Asian Economic Crisis, see FOIA 2007-1908-F.

**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).

**Processed by**

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

**Last Modified Date**

2023-02-22

**Container List**

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2021-0717-F:
Box 1
Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management System
NSC Email
Exchange-Record (Sept 97-Jan 01) [OA/ID 620000]
[Hashimoto and call...]
[12/15/1997 – 01/06/1998]
Exchange-Non-Record (Mar 97-Jan 01) [OA/ID 630000]
[Hashimoto and call...]
[12/15/1997 – 12/17/1997]
NSC Records Management System
[Hashimoto and call...]
9708425 [OA/ID 1659]
9708429 [OA/ID 1659]
9800094 [OA/ID 2008]