Extent

4 folders, approximately 81 pages

Summary

The collection contains records concerning an Oval Office meeting that took place between President Clinton and former Japanese Prime Minister Ryutaro Hashimoto on January 25, 2000. As this was a private meeting, the National Security Council did not produce an official memorandum of conversation (memcon). The records in this collection consist of planning materials for the meeting located in the National Security Council Email and Records Management Systems.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2021-0723-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 related to an Oval Office meeting between President Clinton and former Japanese Prime Minsiter Ryutaro Hashimoto on January 25, 2000. Prime Minister Hashimoto had been the head of the Liberal Democratic Party (LDP) and had been elected to office in January of 1995, after the resignation of his predecessor Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama. After the LDP lost seats in the July 1998 election, Prime Minister Hashimoto resigned. The new LDP President, Foreign Minister Keizō Obuchi, succeeded him, though Hashimoto remained a member of the Japanese legislature. The resignation had meant that the former Prime Minister had to cancel a previously planned state visit in 1998. The January 2000 Oval Office meeting was more private, with only National Security Advisor Berger, Deputy National Security Advisor James Steinberg, and Secretary of Commerce Mickey Kantor attending alongside the President. Mr. Berger served as the notetaker, and no one produced an official memcon. The records processed in response to this FOIA case include materials regarding the planning for the meeting. These are located in the National Security Council (NSC) Email and NSC Records

Management Systems.

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.

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Container List

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2021-0723-F:
Box 1
Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management System (continued)
NSC Email
Exchange-Record (Sept 97-Jan 01) [OA/ID 620000]
[Hashimoto and meeting…]
[01/24/2000 – 02/23/2000]
Exchange-Non-Record (Mar 97-Jan 01) [OA/ID 630000]
[Hashimoto and meeting…]
[01/24/2000 – 01/31/2000]
NSC Records Management System
[Hashimoto and meeting…]
0000530 [OA/ID 4074]
0001299 [OA/ID 4078]