Extent

37 folders, approximately 191 pages

Summary

This collection contains systematically processed materials from White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Code CO0010. This is the code that WHORM assigned to documents relating to the Commonwealth of Australia. The collection consists of correspondence related to state visits, policy matters, trade issues, and environmental issues.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains materials found in WHORM Subject Code CO010. This is the code the White House Office of Records Management assigned to documents relating to the Commonwealth of Australia. The United States and Australia have long had a close and productive diplomatic relationship, which continued throughout the Clinton Administration. President Clinton worked with two Governors General of Australia – Bill Hayden until 1996, and then Sir William Deane from 1996 to 2001. He also worked with two Prime Ministers – Paul Keating until 1996, and then John Howard for the rest of the Administration. The collection contains materials related to Prime Minister Keating’s visit to Washington, D.C in September 1993, as well as briefing materials the U.S. visit of Queensland Premier Peter Beattie in 2000. The files also include the President’s thank you notes for Governor General Dean and Prime Minister Howard during his state visit to Australia in November 1996. Much of the collection consists of correspondence from Australians, Americans, and NGOs offering thoughts on US-Australia policy. There are also letters from members of the Greek-Australian community specifically for George Stephanopoulos. This subject code also contains Congressional correspondence regarding U.S.- Australian trade issues, particularly on lamb and automotive leather, and a 1999 proposal to list Kakadu National Park on the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural

Organization’s (UNESCO) “In Danger” list. Lastly, there is material regarding the appointment of Dr. Donald Eric Russell as the Australian Ambassador to the United States in 1993.

Record Type

Textual

System of Arrangement

Records of this systematically processed series, CO010, were found in these collection areas— Clinton Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files and Clinton Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files CF. The White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) contains a variety of series created to organize and track documents and correspondence. The WHORM Subject file was compiled by the White House Office of Records Management and is a series of categories designated by a letter/number combination. This systematically processed case includes WHORM records from these subject codes: CO010 Australia.

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, 2023. 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 WHORM Subject Code CO010:
Please note that the single asterisk “*” indicates that the category is entirely processed and open.
Box 1
Clinton Presidential Records: WHORM: Subject File
Category Case Number
CO010* 034383-425435SS
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