Extent

2 SRLs, 65 assets

Summary

This researcher consists of electronic records related to Harold James Nicholson. This collection contains press, news clippings, and press transcripts.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2020-0406-F (Segment 2) are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related material. The researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records related to Harold James Nicholson. Electronic assets responsive to this request are almost exclusively press, summaries of television news reports, or transcripts of televised news reports and interviews such as Fox News' Meet the Press or CNN's Late Edition. Harold James Nicholson was arrested for espionage on November 18, 1996. Nicholson, a 16-year employee of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), was apprehended by the Federal Bureau of Investigation at the airport. He was, at that time, the highest-ranking CIA employee arrested for espionage. Nicholson pleaded guilty to spying for the Russians in 1997 and was sentenced to 23 years in prison. In 2009, Nicholson was again arrested and convicted of conspiracy to commit espionage by recruiting his son Nathaniel to spy for the Russians.

Record Type

Electronic Records

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in these collection areas— Clinton Presidential Records: (SAS) Automated Records Management System [Email] and Clinton Presidential Records: (SAS) Tape Restoration Project [Email]. The Executive Office of the President (EOP) subsystem of the Electronic Records Archive (ERA) contains electronic records created or received by Clinton Administration officials. These records are stored in Search and Access Sets (SAS) that represent their originating computer program. The Automated Records Management System (ARMS) is a database that contains email records of the Executive Office of the President. This system maintained unclassified Presidential email. The Tape Restoration Project (TRP) is a database that contains restored emails from the Automated Records Management System (ARMS) from July 1994 through June of 2000.This system maintained unclassified Presidential email.

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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Container List

The following Search and Access Sets were processed in response to FOIA 2020-0406-F (Segment 2):
Clinton Presidential Records: EOP ERA Search and Access Sets (SAS)
(SAS) Automated Records Management System [Email] contains 63 assets.
(SAS) Tape Restoration Project [Email] contains 2 assets.