

Extent

6 folders, approximately 198 pages

Summary

This collection contains records of National Security Council director for Near East and South Asian Affairs Kenneth M. Pollack relating to the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC). The GCC is an intergovernmental alliance between Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates, which seeks to build political, economic, social, and cultural cooperation in the Arabian Peninsula region. The records in this collection consist of cables, memos, schedule proposals, publications and correspondence related to the GCC countries, though the great majority of records related to this FOIA request are closed for National Security.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 2025-1198-F are a selective body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related material.

The Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) is an intergovernmental alliance between the nations of Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and the United Arab Emirates, which seeks to build political, economic, social, and cultural cooperation in the region of the Arabian Peninsula. Formed in 1981, the GCC creates a common market, military alliance and influential political bloc for its member nations. Kenneth M. Pollack has served in several government roles, including Persian Gulf military analyst for the CIA, and with the National Security Council as Director for Near East and South Asian Affairs, and Director for Persian Gulf Affairs. He has published numerous books and articles regarding international relations in the Middle East.

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Record Type

Textual

System of Arrangement

Records that are responsive to this FOIA request were found in these collection areas—Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files.

Staff and Office files were maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity. Staff and Office files are processed at the folder level, that is, individual documents are not selected and removed from a folder for processing. While this method maintains folder integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of documents that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

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).

Organization Names

Gulf Cooperation Council

Processed by

Staff Archivist, 2026. 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 2025-1198-F:

Box 1

Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files

National Security Council Pollack, Kenneth

Bahrain [OA/ID 2582]

Kuwait [OA/ID 2582]

Oman [OA/ID 2582]

Qatar [OA/ID 2582]

Saudi [Arabia] [OA/ID 2582]

UAE [United Arab Emirates] [OA/ID 2582]