

**VIA EMAIL** (LM 2019-072)

April 29, 2019

The Honorable Pat A. Cipollone Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Cipollone:

In accordance with the requirements of the Presidential Records Act (PRA), as amended, 44 U.S.C. §§2201-2209, this letter constitutes a formal notice from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to the incumbent President of our intent to open George W. Bush Presidential records in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests listed in Attachment A.

This material, consisting of 867 assets, has been reviewed for the six PRA Presidential restrictive categories, including confidential communications requesting or submitting advice (P5) and material related to appointments to federal office (P2), as they were eased by President George W. Bush on November 15, 2010. These records were also reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions. As a result of this review, 617 assets in whole and 59 assets in part have been restricted. Therefore, NARA is proposing to open the remaining 191 assets in whole and 59 assets in part that do not require closure under 44 U.S.C. § 2204. A copy of any records proposed for release under this notice will be provided to you upon your request.

We are also concurrently informing former President George W. Bush's representative, Freddy Ford, of our intent to release these records. Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a), NARA will release the records 60 working days from the date of this letter, which is July 24, 2019, unless the former or incumbent President requests a one-time extension of an additional 30 working days or asserts a constitutionally based privilege, in accordance with 44 U.S.C. 2208(b)-(d). Please let us know if you are able to complete your review before the expiration of the 60 working day period. Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a)(1)(B), we will make this notice available to the public on the NARA website.

If you have any questions relating to this notification, please contact me at (202) 357-5144 or NARA General Counsel Gary M. Stern at (301) 837-3026.

Sincerely,

B. JOHN LASTER

DIRECTOR

Presidential Materials Division

Enclosure

## **ATTACHMENT A**

Case Number	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Material</u>	<u>Material</u>	<b>Material Proposed</b>
		<b>Processed</b>	Restricted	for Opening
2018-0258-F[3]	Emails to or from Brett Kavanugh with	867	617 assets in	191 assets in whole;
	specific correspondents, or containing		whole; 59	59 assets in part
	specific keywords		assets in part	

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for emails sent and received by Brett Kavanaugh during specific time periods and regarding specific people or keywords. For this segment of the FOIA request, records include correspondence to or from Brett Kavanaugh that contain the term "National Security Agency" (dated January 20, 2001 to January 20, 2009). The George W. Bush Presidential electronic records proposed for opening are emails containing draft and final copies of fact sheets, final precedence lists for U.S. government officials, near-final draft copies of speeches, transcripts of speeches as delivered, draft Executive Orders with routine comments, published Committee reports and legislation, news articles, talking points, published reports, routine emails routing documents for comment, newsletters, draft Office of Science and Technology Policy budgets, published transcripts of Congressional committee meetings and testimony, written questions submitted to Brett Kavanaugh during his nomination to the United States Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit and final answers as submitted to Congress, and Questions for the Record and draft and final answers. These materials are from the Automated Records Management System (ARMS), Exchange Email, Exchange Email Restored – 33 Days, Exchange Email Restored – 40 Days, and RNC Personal Storage Table (PST) Search and Access Sets.

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