

VIA EMAIL

(LM 2018-137)

September 18, 2018

The Honorable Donald F. McGahn, II Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. McGahn:

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 Clinton Presidential records in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests listed in Attachment A.

These records, consisting of 43,795 pages, have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 8,393 pages restricted in whole or in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 35,402 pages. 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 Clinton's representative, Bruce Lindsey, 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 December 13, 2018, 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 request, please contact me at (202) 357-5144 or NARA General Counsel Gary M. Stern at (301) 837-3026.

Sincerely,

B. JOHN LASTER

DIRECTOR

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Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

<u>Case</u>	<u>Topic</u>	Pages	Pages	Pages Proposed
<u>Number</u>		Processed	Restricted	for Opening
2012-0854-F	Colombia and counter-narcotics	14,981	6,695	8,286
(segment 1)				

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records related to United States policy toward Colombia and counter-narcotics. The Clinton Presidential records proposed for opening include correspondence; memoranda; reports; emails; administrative paperwork; and transcripts of press briefings, press releases, speeches, and foreign press compilations. This material dates from 1994 to 2001. Included are a number of memoranda discussing US counter-narcotic policy in Colombia and along the Andean Ridge; correspondence and memoranda relating to recommendations about the certification and/or decertification of Colombia in their fight against illegal drugs; and documents related to the plan of the Government of Colombia, "Plan Colombia," as well as US support for the program. There are also discussions of counter-narcotic policy and programs in Colombia.

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2016-0920-F	Cuba (textual only)	16,513	1,656	14,857

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2018-0886-F	Strategic approaches to Community Safety	796	0	796
	Initiative			

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