

VIA EMAIL

(LM 2019-030)

February 5, 2019

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

Dear Mr. Cipollone:

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These records, consisting of 19,503 pages, have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 2,274 pages restricted in whole or in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 17,229 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 May 1, 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 request, please contact me at (202) 357-5144 or NARA General Counsel Gary M. Stern at (301) 837-3026.

Sincerely,

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DIRECTOR

Presidential Materials Division

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ATTACHMENT A

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