

VIA EMAIL

(LW 2022-035)

April 25, 2022

The Honorable Dana Remus Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Ms. Remus:

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2020-0098-F	Communication between President Clinton and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright 1998-1999 related to Kosovo	81 pages	19 pages closed in whole or part	62 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records regarding communications between President Clinton and Madeleine Albright regarding the conflict in Kosovo from 1998 to 1999. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of NSC Cables and NSC Records Management number documents. The Cables include State Department communications regarding the formation of a monitoring group and task force to address the ongoing conflict in Kosovo. The NSC Records Management materials consist of travel arrangements and briefing materials for travel to the region on the part of Secretary Albright and President Clinton, as well as Presidential memoranda directing the Secretary on matters related to Kosovar refugee admissions and the UN War Crime Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.

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2020-0099-F	Communication between President Clinton and Secretary of Defense William Cohen regarding the conflict in Kosovo (1998-1999)	605 pages	10 pages closed in whole or part	for Opening 595 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for materials related to communication between President Clinton and Secretary of Defense William Cohen regarding the conflict in Kosovo between 1998 and 1999. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of correspondence, memoranda, executive orders, reports, and administrative paperwork. The records address operations of the Defense Department during the period, including call-up of military units for operations in Kosovo and the Annual Report to the President and Congress.

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2020-0240-F	All textual files of Holly Smith related to Japan	3 pages	0 pages closed in whole or part	3 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual files of Holly Smith related to Japan. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of 1 page (a preservation photocopy of the outside of an envelope), and 2 photographs. The first is of Ambassador Joseph Prueher with President Clinton. The second photograph is of Japanese Foreign Minister Yohei Kono and President Clinton.

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This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for "all staff and office [textual files only] of Phil Gordon related to European Security and Defense Identity (ESDI), European Security and Defense Policy (ESDP), or Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP)." The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of administrative paperwork, correspondence, speeches, reports, and memoranda all relate to the ESDI and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

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2020-0263-F	All textual NSC files of Richard Schifter related to Russia	295 pages	102 pages closed in whole or part	193 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual National Security Council (NSC) files of Richard Schifter related to Russia. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened include unclassified correspondence regarding western business and cultural and governmental interactions with Russia, a copy of the October 1993 World Bank report "Russia - Joining the World Economy," a copy of the December 1996 Southeastern Europe Cooperation Initiative (SECI) Statement of Purpose, and cables regarding SECI matters that relate to Russia.

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2020-0264-F	All textual NSC files of Richard Schifter related to Poland	106 pages	48 pages closed in whole or part	58 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual National Security Council (NSC) files of Richard Schifter related to Poland. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of memoranda, correspondence, reports, and notes related to the United States and international investment in Poland in 1994 and 1995. These records are especially related to USAID involvement in social sector restructuring and an ongoing housing initiative in Poland.

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2020-0266-F	Textual NSC files of Richard Schifter related to Ukraine.	112 pages	23 pages closed in whole or part	89 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual National Security Council (NSC) files of Richard Schifter related to Ukraine. The Clinton Presidential Records to be opened consist of briefing materials for President Clinton's meeting with Ukrainian President Leonid Kuchma on November 22, 1994. These include the briefing paper for President Clinton, talking points for the meeting, press guidance, drafts of President Clinton's public remarks, and schedule for the State visit. The file also contains a January 1994 letter from David Roth, director of Project Ukraine for the American Jewish Committee with Ukraine diplomacy suggestions.

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2020-0279-F	All textual NSC files of Bo Cutler related to international financial institutions	119 pages	70 pages closed in whole or part	49 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual files of W. Bowman (Bo) Cutter related to international financial institutions (IFIs). Bo Cutter served on the National Economic Council (NEC) from 1993 to 1996. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of one NEC file maintained by Cutter on International Financial Institutions. The file includes the communique from the 1995 G-7 Summit in Halifax, papers and talking points regarding U.S. involvement in the International Development Association, and material from the Department of the Treasury regarding global markets.

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2020-0285-F	Interagency Working Group for East Asia and the Pacific	167 pages	124 pages closed in whole or part	for Opening 43 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records related to the Interagency Working Group for East Asia and the Pacific. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of National Security Council Records Management System numbered documents regarding IWG meetings, papers, and consultations.

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2021-0018-F	Records relating to the White House visit of Neng-Hsiang Wang	8 pages	8 pages closed in part	for Opening 8 pages open in part

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This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for material related to the Attorney General's Department of Justice Weekly Reports that were sent to the White House Chief of Staff. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of the Attorney General's Department of Justice Weekly Reports that were sent to the White House Chief of Staff. These weekly reports include sections on key news, court cases and events in the upcoming week, hearings and legislation before Congress, regulatory action, and requests from the press. The week in review section discusses issues, events, speeches, testimony to Congress, and the Attorney General's schedule. These weekly reports also contain Freedom of Information Acts requests made to the Department of Justice.

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2020-0098-F	Communication between President Clinton and Secretary of State Madeleine Albright 1998-1999 related to Kosovo	81 pages	19 pages closed in whole or part	for Opening 62 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records regarding communications between President Clinton and Madeleine Albright regarding the conflict in Kosovo from 1998 to 1999. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of NSC Cables and NSC Records Management number documents. The Cables include State Department communications regarding the formation of a monitoring group and task force to address the ongoing conflict in Kosovo. The NSC Records Management materials consist of travel arrangements and briefing materials for travel to the region on the part of Secretary Albright and President Clinton, as well as Presidential memoranda directing the Secretary on matters related to Kosovar refugee admissions and the UN War Crime Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia.

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2020-0099-F	Communication between President Clinton and Secretary of Defense William Cohen regarding the conflict in Kosovo (1998-1999)	605 pages	10 pages closed in whole or part	for Opening 595 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for materials related to communication between President Clinton and Secretary of Defense William Cohen regarding the conflict in Kosovo between 1998 and 1999. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of correspondence, memoranda, executive orders, reports, and administrative paperwork. The records address operations of the Defense Department during the period, including call-up of military units for operations in Kosovo and the Annual Report to the President and Congress.

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2020-0240-F	All textual files of Holly Smith related to Japan	3 pages	0 pages closed in whole or part	3 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual files of Holly Smith related to Japan. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of 1 page (a preservation photocopy of the outside of an envelope), and 2 photographs. The first is of Ambassador Joseph Prueher with President Clinton. The second photograph is of Japanese Foreign Minister Yohei Kono and President Clinton.

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2020-0252-F	All textual files of Phil Gordon related to European Security and Defense Identity (ESDI), European Security and Defense Policy (ESDP), or Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP).	263 pages	107 pages closed in whole or part	156 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for "all staff and office [textual files only] of Phil Gordon related to European Security and Defense Identity (ESDI), European Security and Defense Policy (ESDP), or Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP)." The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of administrative paperwork, correspondence, speeches, reports, and memoranda all relate to the ESDI and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).

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2020-0263-F	All textual NSC files of Richard Schifter related to Russia	295 pages	102 pages closed in whole or part	193 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual National Security Council (NSC) files of Richard Schifter related to Russia. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened include unclassified correspondence regarding western business and cultural and governmental interactions with Russia, a copy of the October 1993 World Bank report "Russia - Joining the World Economy," a copy of the December 1996 Southeastern Europe Cooperation Initiative (SECI) Statement of Purpose, and cables regarding SECI matters that relate to Russia.

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2020-0264-F	All textual NSC files of Richard Schifter related to Poland	106 pages	48 pages closed in whole or part	58 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual National Security Council (NSC) files of Richard Schifter related to Poland. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of memoranda, correspondence, reports, and notes related to the United States and international investment in Poland in 1994 and 1995. These records are especially related to USAID involvement in social sector restructuring and an ongoing housing initiative in Poland.

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2020-0266-F	Textual NSC files of Richard Schifter related to Ukraine.	112 pages	23 pages closed in whole or part	89 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual National Security Council (NSC) files of Richard Schifter related to Ukraine. The Clinton Presidential Records to be opened consist of briefing materials for President Clinton's meeting with Ukrainian President Leonid Kuchma on November 22, 1994. These include the briefing paper for President Clinton, talking points for the meeting, press guidance, drafts of President Clinton's public remarks, and schedule for the State visit. The file also contains a January 1994 letter from David Roth, director of Project Ukraine for the American Jewish Committee with Ukraine diplomacy suggestions.

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2020-0273-F	All textual NSC files of John Schmidt related to European Security	35 pages	30 pages closed in whole or part	5 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual National Security Council [NSC] files of John Schmidt related to European Security and Defense Identity [ESDI], European Security and Defense Policy [ESDP], and Common Foreign and Security Policy [CFSP]. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of a November 1993 cable discussing the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe [OSCE] security model and communicating the draft decision of the Budapest Ministerial Council on a Common and Comprehensive Security Model for the 21st Century.

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2020-0279-F	All textual NSC files of Bo Cutler related to international financial institutions	119 pages	70 pages closed in whole or part	49 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for all textual files of W. Bowman (Bo) Cutter related to international financial institutions (IFIs). Bo Cutter served on the National Economic Council (NEC) from 1993 to 1996. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of one NEC file maintained by Cutter on International Financial Institutions. The file includes the communique from the 1995 G-7 Summit in Halifax, papers and talking points regarding U.S. involvement in the International Development Association, and material from the Department of the Treasury regarding global markets.

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2020-0285-F	Interagency Working Group for East Asia and the Pacific	167 pages	124 pages closed in whole or part	for Opening 43 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records related to the Interagency Working Group for East Asia and the Pacific. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of National Security Council Records Management System numbered documents regarding IWG meetings, papers, and consultations.

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2020-0483-F	Records relating to the Ramsar Convention or Ramsar Treaty	729 pages	0 pages closed in whole or part	729 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records related to the Ramsar Convention or Ramsar Treaty. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of emails pertaining to the Ramsar Convention or Ramsar Treaty. Specific items include environmental e-newsletters, President Clinton's March 1998 remarks to environmentalists in Botswana, materials preparing for the Botswana speech, and materials preparing for President Clinton's March 2000 speech in Bangladesh. The collection also includes email records of a large number of President Clinton's speeches regarding Africa as well as Cabinet weekly reports from Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service news releases, and Multilateral Environmental Agreement (MEA) talking points.

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2021-0018-F	Records relating to the White House visit of Neng-Hsiang Wang	8 pages	8 pages closed in part	for Opening 8 pages open in part

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for material related to Neng Hsiang Wang's visits to the White House. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of a White House Database entry concerning greeting cards sent to Neng Hsiang Wang, and White House Visitor Entry system concerning Wang's entrance into the White House.

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2021-0176-F	Records related to breakfast meetings between Alan Greenspan, Lawrence Summers, and Robert Rubin	434 pages	0 pages closed in whole or part	for Opening 434 pages

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for material related to breakfast meetings between Alan Greenspan, Robert Rubin, or Lawrence Summers. The Clinton Presidential records to be opened consist of email messages containing a reference to breakfast between Alan Greenspan, Robert Rubin, or Lawrence Summers. Emails also contain weekly reports from Robert Rubin to Erskine Bowles, White House Chief of Staff. These weekly reports include mention of Breakfast with Greenspan among scheduled activities for Rubin.

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