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April 30, 2024

The Honorable Ed Siskel
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Siskel:

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

This material, consisting of 128 electronic records, 2,551 photographs, and one video, 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). These records were also reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions. As a result of this review, 111 electronic records in whole have been restricted. Therefore, NARA is proposing to open the remaining 17 assets, 2,551 photographs, and one video 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 Obama's representatives, Anita Breckenridge, Bob Bauer, and Emily Blakemore 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 26, 2024, 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) 357-5091 or NARA General Counsel, Gary M. Stern, at (301) 837-3026.

Sincerely,

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KATHLEEN DILLON MCCLURE
DIRECTOR
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ATTACHMENT A

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23-51609-F	Photographs from President Obama's arrival to Raleigh-Durham Airport on November 2, 2016	101 assets	0 assets	101 assets

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23-67607-F	Photographs of Barack and Michelle Obama at Ollie Hayes' Pub in Moneygall, Ireland on May 23, 2011	193 assets	0 assets	193 assets

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24-01184-F	Photographs of President Obama's visit to Staten Island following Hurricane Sandy on November 15, 2012	1,573 assets	0 assets	1,573 assets

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for photographs from President Obama's visit to New York following Hurricane Sandy on November 15, 2012, - particularly photos from Staten Island. The Barack Obama Presidential Library electronic records proposed for opening include photographs of President Obama taking an aerial tour aboard Marine One and a walking tour to view storm damage from Hurricane Sandy; talking with residents on Cedar Grove Avenue during a walking tour; meeting with local officials, first responders, FEMA staff and families recovering from Hurricane Sandy, at a local FEMA Disaster Recovery Center; and delivering a statement to the press, all in Staten Island. These materials are from the White House Photo System – Presidential Search and Access Set.

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24-01274-F	Photographs of the tour group from Walter Reed at the White House on March 13, 2013	28 assets	0 assets	28 assets

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for photos of the tour group from Walter Reed at the White House on March 13, 2013, specifically photos showing the requester's family with the President. The Barack Obama Presidential Library electronic records proposed for opening include photographs of President Obama dropping by the tour group in the East Room, with the requester's family. These materials are from the White House Photo System – Presidential Search and Access Set.

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24-12374-F	Videos of President Obama walking between the first and second rooms with the intern group on April 16, 2013	1 videoclip	0 videoclips	1 videoclip

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24-14960-F	Photos taken on January 6, 2012, of President Obama visiting with the CFPB staff	18 assets	0 assets	18 assets

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for photos taken on January 6, 2012, of President Obama visiting with the Consumer Financial Protection Board (CFPB) staff. The Barack Obama Presidential Library electronic records proposed for opening include

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24-15343	Any photographs of President Obama involving his Spotify playlists	16 assets	0 assets	16 assets

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24-00001-P	Photographs from the Walter Reed group touring the White House on March 13, 2013	60 assets	0 assets	60 assets

The Barack Obama Presidential Library has completed the systematic processing of a segment of the White House Photo Office collection. The Barack Obama Presidential records proposed for opening include photographs of President Barack Obama dropping by a Wounded Warrior White House tour in the East Room on March 13, 2013.

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