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Inventory for FOIA 2016-0038-F

Records related to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's Visit to the White House on September 11, 2006

Extent

5 folders, approximately 476 pages; 472 email messages; and 241 photographs

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Cheney Vice Presidential records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC 22, as amended) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 USC 552, as amended) and therefore may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal restrictions and exemptions.

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Provenance

Official records of the Richard Cheney vice presidency are in the custody of the Archival Operations Division in Washington, DC and are administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processed By

Staff Archivists, November 2022. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Related Collections

FOIA 2016-0049-F, George W. Bush Presidential Library

Scope and Content

The materials in this series are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of records responsive to the topic of FOIA case 2016-0038-F.

This series contains scheduling materials related to Margaret Thatcher's final visit to the United States in September 2006. During her visit, Thatcher participated in September 11th commemorative events and attended a Heritage Foundation dinner given in her honor, which Vice President Cheney also attended.

The textual records include calendars, schedules, scheduling memoranda, scheduling recommendations, printed emails with scheduling comments and details, and printed background information for meetings and events. There are documents regarding Rove's speaking engagement honoring Thatcher at the Heritage Foundation on September 12, 2006 including the invitation, scheduling details, and background research on Thatcher. The bulk of this material is dated 2006.

There are additional textual records of the Scheduling Office for September 2006 which do not relate to Margaret Thatcher document Vice President Cheney's meetings with: President Tadic of Serbia, former Prime Minister of Israel Netanyahu, Israel Foreign Minister Livni, Crown Prince of Bahrain Shaikh Salman bin Hamad al-Khalifa, Prime Minister Kaczynski of Poland, President Musharraf of Pakistan, President Talabani of Iraq, President Karzai of Afghanistan, German Minister of the Interior Dr. Wolfgang Schaeuble, Vice President of Indonesia Kalla, President of Kazakhstan Nazarbayev, Senator Kit Bond, Senior Vice President and Director of Programs with the Smith Richardson Foundation Dr. Marin Strmecki and the Wyoming Travel and Tourism Board. Other scheduled events documented within this series pertain to Vice President Cheney's attendance at a portrait unveiling ceremony for Congressman Thomas, a swearing-in ceremony for Mark Rosenker, and a rally for the Michigan National Guard. There are also records related to Vice President Cheney's remarks at a National Automobile Dealers 2006 conference and a business roundtable, and a Senate Chairman Dinner at the Naval Observatory. These documents are dated May to September 2006.

The email messages are dated August 21, 2006 to September 13, 2006 and detail preparations for the following September 11th commemorative events which included Margaret Thatcher as an attendee: a Service of Prayer and Remembrance at St. John's Episcopal Church and a Moment of Silence on the South Lawn at the White House. Other email messages document preparations for Vice President and Second Lady Lynne Cheney to attend the Heritage Foundation's dinner on September 13, 2006 honoring Baroness Thatcher. Correspondents for these email messages were primarily White House staff within the offices of Scheduling and Advance, Cathi Smith, Director of Special Events at the Heritage Foundation, and Katie Wilson at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

The photographs were taken by White House photographer David Bohrer on September 11, 2006 and depict the Moment of Silence event on the South Lawn of the White House as well as a meeting of Margaret Thatcher with Vice President Cheney in the White House Map Room. Other individuals depicted in the Map Room greeting Thatcher include Second Lady Lynne Cheney, Liz Cheney, Mary Cheney, Phil Perry, and Heather Poe.

System of Arrangement

Records responsive to this FOIA request were found in Cheney Vice Presidential Records: White House Staff Member and Office Files; the Cheney Vice Presidential Electronic Records collection which includes email messages and electronic files; and the Vice Presidential images collection of the White House Photo Office.

Staff Member and Office Files are the textual records created and/or maintained by White House staff members within their individual offices. These files document all levels of administration activity. Staff Member and Office Files are processed at the folder level, and the documents within are maintained in their original order. Since the files are processed at the folder level, individual documents contained within these folders may not be wholly responsive to the subject area of this FOIA request.

Records responsive to this FOIA request were found in the Cheney Vice Presidential Electronic Records collection which includes email messages and electronic files. These records are maintained in the Executive Office of the President instance of the Electronic Records Archive (EOP ERA) which contains electronic records created or received by the administration of President George W. Bush. These electronic records are born-digital files and are primarily .eml, .pdf, .wpd, and .doc files.

The responsive electronic records retrieved from EOP ERA are saved in search results lists (SRLs) and are arranged chronologically by creation date.

The Vice Presidential images collection from the White House Photo Office are maintained in the Executive Office of the President instance of the Electronic Records Archive (EOP ERA) which contains electronic records created or received by the administration of President George W. Bush.

The White House Photo Office assigned each image a unique number based on its roll and frame numbers. Identifying numbers for the Vice Presidential photographs begin with "V" in order to distinguish them from the Presidential photographs taken by White House photographers. Images are reviewed and released at the item level in contrast with textual records which are reviewed at the folder level. The responsive images retrieved from EOP ERA are saved in search results lists (SRLs) within the system.

The following is a list of folders, email messages, and photographs processed in response to FOIA 2016-0038-F:

Cheney Vice Presidential Records: White House Staff Member and Office Files

Office of Scheduling

Elizabeth (Pearce) Kleppe Files

9/13/06 Heritage Foundation Dinner Honoring Lady Thatcher – Washington, D.C.

[OA/ID 00748]

Binder: September 2006 Daily Schedules [1] [OA/ID 00790]

Binder: September 2006 Daily Schedules [2] [OA/ID 00790]

Binder: September 2006 Daily Schedules [3] [OA/ID 00790]

Binder: September 2006 Daily Schedules [4] [OA/ID 00790]

Cheney Vice Presidential Records: Electronic Records

2016-0038-F exchange email

This SRL contains 472 responsive email messages.

Cheney Vice Presidential Records: White House Photo Office Vice Presidential Photographs

2016-0038-F photos

This SRL contains 241 responsive photographs.

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