PUBLIC INTEREST DECLASSIFICATION BOARD MEETING

Monday, April 27, 2009

AGENDA

LOCATION: The National Archives Building, College Park

TIME: 7:45 AM – 5:15 PM (Executive Session)

I. PIDB members meet at Archives I Meet in Archives I lobby	7:45-8:00
II. Van departs Archives I	8:15-9:00
III. Arrive at Archives II	9:00-9:15
IV. Overview of Declassification Activity at NARA Room 6350	9:15-10:00

Jeanne Schauble (lead) and Madeline Proctor

- What does NARA do when it receives classified records to get them on the public shelves?
- What constitutes archival processing?
- What constitutes declassification review?
- What constitutes the Kyl-Lott Review?
- Is there an acceptable level of risk?
- What lessons has NARA learned? (e. g. professional declassification training)

V. Examination of Classified Records

10:00-10:30

Room 6350

Neil Carmichael (lead) and Kris Johnson

- Examples of Exemptions
- Examples of Referrals

VI. Break 10:30-10:40

VII. Walking the Work Flow

10:40-11:30

Stacks - 6th Floor, Stacks - 4th Floor, Inter-Agency Referral Center (IRC), Room 3700

Neil Carmichael (lead), A.J. Daverede, and Meredith Wagner

- Archival processing and declassification review process
- Unprocessed records classified stack
- RG 342 (Stack 490) Kyl-Lott WWII Records
- RG 306 (Stack 490)
- Withdrawn items vault
- IRC Work Area (Room 3700)

VIII. NARA Reviewer Panel

11:30-12:15

Room 6350

NW Archivists: Joe Gillette, Ken Johnson, and Meredith Wagner NL Archivist: Maura Porter (Kennedy-RAC)

- Discussion with front line reviewers about the review processes and the daily challenges and issues of reviewing records
- NARA processing and review role in Remote Archives Capture (RAC) projects
- Discussion will be informal

IX. Lunch 12:15-1:00

A2 Cafeteria - on your own. Group will meet outside the Orientation Room 1000

X. NW Reference Briefing and Tour of Research Rooms

1:00-2:00

Cartographic Research Room 3050 and Library (CREST) Room 3000

Jim Hastings (lead), Steve Tilley, and Tim Nenninger

- Overview of research rooms
- Researcher data and statistics
- What records are of high interest to researchers and for what purposes? (e.g. Deck Logs)
- What records are researchers interested in, but can't access? (unprocessed, awaiting Kyl-Lott, additional declassification reviews, not yet accessioned, etc.)

XI. Electronic Records Overview

2:00-2:40

Room 6350 or Alternate Conference Room 5320

Margaret Adams (lead), Ted Hull, and John Powell

- Scheduling, Accessioning and Conceptualization
- Timing of accessioning
- Hardware/Software Issues

- Archival Processing
- Where can and where does declassification take place? How does that impact preparing electronic records for public access?
- Are there quality issues that NARA and agencies need to address? How does that process work?
- Care and Preservation
- Reference
- Discussion of AAD
- State Department cables
- What are researchers interested in?
- User feedback

XII. Break 2:40-2:50

XIII. Q & A and Discussion with Archives Staff

2:50-3:30

Room 6350

NW and NL Representatives: Steve Tilley, Tim Nenninger, Nancy Smith, and Ken Thibodeau

- FOIA/Special Access
- Reference
- Archival Processing
- \bullet IRC
- Presidential Records/RAC
- ERA

XIV. Welcome and presentation by the Assistant Archivist for Record Services -Washington, DC and the Assistant Archivist for Presidential Libraries 3:30-4:00

Room 6350

Michael Kurtz and Sharon Fawcett

• NARA Prioritization

XV. PIDB Discussion 4:00-4:30

Room 6350

XVI. Van departs Archives II

5:15

XVII. Van arrives Archives I