



**VIA EMAIL**  
(LM 2016-098)

October 13, 2016

The Honorable W. Neil Eggleston  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Eggleston:

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 George H.W. Bush Presidential records in response to the systematic processing projects listed in Attachment A.

This material, consisting of 24,000 pages, has been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in a total of 10,975 restricted. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 13,025 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 Bush's representative, James W. Cicconi, 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 January 11, 2017, 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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B. JOHN LASTER  
DIRECTOR  
Presidential Materials Division

Enclosure

## ATTACHMENT A

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2015-0020-S	Nicholas Rostow files	24,000	10,975	13,025

The George Bush Library has completed the systematic processing of subject files maintained by Nicholas Rostow, Special Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs and Legal Adviser to the National Security Council. The Bush Presidential records proposed for opening are cover sheets, correspondence, press releases, printed material, remarks and reports. The cover sheets are routine and route other documents; the correspondence discusses issues such as guidance for talking to the press, procurement, proposed legislation, ethics, records management, and travel; and the press releases include presidential statements, press conferences, and fact sheets on topics such as the war in Iraq and the Citizens Democracy Corps. The printed material consists of newspaper clippings and articles about issues such as Iran-Contra, Noriega, ethics, foreign aid, the organization of the NSC, and combatting terrorism; and the remarks include signing statements and speeches on foreign and domestic issues from President Bush, and testimony by executive agencies before Senate and House committees. The reports are unclassified and discuss export guarantees.

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