

<u>VIA EMAIL</u> (PA 2025-149)

September 24, 2025

The Honorable David Warrington Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Warrington:

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 W. Bush Presidential records in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request listed in Attachment A.

These records, consisting of 383 pages have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 22 pages restricted in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 361 pages in whole and 22 pages in part. 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 George W. Bush's representative, Freddy Ford, 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 December 22, 2025, 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, Matt Dummermuth, at (202) 357-5145.

Sincerely,

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DIRECTOR

Archival Operations Division

Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

Case Number	<u>Topic</u>	Material	<u>Material</u>	Material Proposed
		Processed	Restricted	for Opening
NW 78134	Memoranda of Telephone Conversations and Memoranda of Conversations between President George W. Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin	383 pages	22 pages in part	361 pages in whole; 22 pages in part

This researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request for records related to memoranda of telephone conversations and memoranda of conversations between President George W. Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin. The George W. Bush Presidential textual records proposed for opening are memoranda of conversation (memcons) and memoranda of telephone conversation (telcons) between President George W. Bush and Russian President Vladamir Putin. The two leaders discuss such topics as the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, NATO expansion, strategic arms reduction, the Iranian and North Korean nuclear programs, conflict in the Middle East, Russian relations with Ukraine and Georgia, and terrorist attacks affecting each country. Additionally, they cover economic issues such as energy production, trade, U.S. export of meat to Russia, potential Russian membership in the World Trade Organization, the growth of China, and relations with the European Union. Other individuals speaking in these conversations include Secretary of State Colin Powell, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, National Security Advisor/Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, National Security Advisor Stephen Hadley, U.S. Trade Representative Ambassador Susan Schwab, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs Igor Ivanov, Russian Minister of Foreign Affairs Sergey Lavrov, Russian Minister of Defense Sergey Ivanov, and Russian Minister of Economic Development and Trade German Gref. Please note that individual documents were processed for this FOIA request. These materials are from the National Security Council.

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