



VIA EMAIL
(PA 2026-107)

August 20, 2026

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 systematic processing project listed in Attachment A.

These records, consisting of 479 pages, and 1,142 assets have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in five pages and four assets withheld in whole and four pages and 108 assets withheld in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 470 pages and 1,030 assets in whole and 4 pages and 108 assets 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 November 17, 2026, 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 (301) 957-8730.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kathleen Dillon McClure". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kathleen" being the most prominent.

KATHLEEN DILLON MCCLURE
DIRECTOR
Archival Operations Division

Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Material Processed</u>	<u>Material Restricted</u>	<u>Material Proposed for Opening</u>
2026-0174-P	Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena Records, per 2024 National Defense Authorization Act (Public Law 118-31)	479 pages; 1,142 assets	5 pages, 4 assets in whole; 4 pages, 108 assets in part	470 pages, 1,030 assets in whole; 4 pages, 108 assets in part

The George W. Bush Library has completed the systematic processing of records related to unidentified anomalous phenomena. The George W. Bush Presidential textual records proposed for opening are correspondence from the general public describing military experiences; invitations to attend UAP talks, conferences and events; and gifts of published books and articles written about space exploration. Most correspondence is labeled nonresponsive and gifts received routine White House replies. Additional textual records include memoranda from the National Security Council to Congress notifying of a Presidential determination under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act to waive a mandated annual reporting requirement on the Air Force installation near Groom Lake. These materials are from the White House Office of Records Management Subject Files. Electronic records proposed for opening consist of emails containing reports, drafts, statements, briefings, correspondence, guides, transcripts, presidential directives, and articles. NASA is the focus of several of these assets, including NASA vision and mission statements; NASA responses to public correspondence; reports regarding the International Space Station, Huygens, and Genesis space missions; lists of NASA executives; and synopses of NASA press conferences. Also present are materials generated by the Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) and the National Security Council (NSC), with particular attention given to NSC Director of Space Policy Gil Klinger. These assets include drafts of a proposed National Security Presidential Directive on space exploration, space policy in the wake of the *Columbia* disaster, space primer documents, themes for presidential remarks, briefings for President George W. Bush on the future of U.S. space exploration, cabinet report submissions, and Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests submitted to OSTP. There are miscellaneous items such as White House agency liaison reference guides, classification appeals, reports on unidentified objects involving aircraft, a 1995 Government Accountability Office (GAO) report on the search for Roswell records, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) strategic plans, transcripts of interviews with White House personnel, Congressional inquiries into unidentified flying objects, transcripts from news programs discussing former presidents, correspondence regarding the location of Area 51, Make A Wish Foundation and Kids Wish Network requests involving a question to the president about the existence of extraterrestrial beings, and defense analysis with discussion of ball lightning. Lastly, there are numerous emails containing commentary, speculation, conversation, and jest by White House personnel and other government employees on topics responsive to this request. These electronic records are from the Automated Records Management System (ARMS), Exchange Email, Exchange Email Restored – 33 Days, Exchange Email Restored – 40 Days, NSC Shared Drive, OA Shared Drive, and WHO Shared Drive Search and Access Sets.

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