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March 14, 2017

The Honorable Donald F. McGahn, II
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. McGahn:

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

These records, consisting of 108,019 pages, have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 1,323 pages restricted. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 106,696 pages. A copy of any records proposed for release under this notice will be provided to you upon your request.

We are concurrently informing former President Clinton's representative, Bruce Lindsey, of our intent to release these records. Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a)(3)(A), NARA would normally release these records 60 working days from the date of this letter, which is June 8, 2017, unless the former or incumbent President requests a one-time extension of an additional 30 working days. However, pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a)(3)(C), which extends the 60-day period for the first six months after the incumbent President first takes office, NARA will release these records on July 20, 2017 unless the former and incumbent President authorizes NARA to release these records earlier 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 July 20, 2017. Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a)(1)(B), we will make this notice available to the public on the NARA website.

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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

ATTACHMENT A

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