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(LM 2017-040)

May 15, 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) requests listed in Attachment A.

These records, consisting of 52,241 pages, have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 11,965 pages restricted in whole or in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 40,276 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 Clinton's representative, Bruce Lindsey, 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 August 9, 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
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Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

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2011-0587-F	Dee Dee Myers	13,435	729	12,706

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1996. The Clinton Presidential records proposed for opening consist of Poneman's Chron files, which contain copies of NSC Records Management numbered documents that he received or worked on from 1993 through 1996. These records include correspondence with the public and with Congress, press materials, memoranda, briefing materials, and notes primarily regarding U.S. policy on the North Korean nuclear threat from 1993 through 1995. Also included are publications/newspaper clippings related to Korea.

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