



VIA EMAIL

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June 6, 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 systematic processing projects listed in Attachment A.

These records, consisting of 72,422 pages, have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 2,282 pages restricted in whole or in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 70,140 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 30, 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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "B. John Laster". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "B".

B. JOHN LASTER
DIRECTOR
Presidential Materials Division

Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Pages Processed</u>	<u>Pages Restricted</u>	<u>Pages Proposed for Opening</u>
2016-0201-S	Josh Gottheimer	51,454	2,072	49,382

The Clinton Presidential Library has completed the systematic processing of the records of Josh Gottheimer, who was Special Assistant to the Director of Speechwriting and supervisor of the Speechwriting Office's internship program in 1998. Gottheimer was then the Presidential Speechwriter and Staff Director from 1999-2001. This material consists of draft and final copies of speeches written by Josh Gottheimer for President Clinton and Chief of Staff John Podesta, along with corresponding research, memoranda, and discussion notes. Gottheimer specialized in drafting speeches for sports events, videos, and radio addresses. There are also numerous speech drafts, memoranda, and notes from brainstorming sessions from the 1998-2000 State of the Unions that Mr. Gottheimer organized into binders. The records also include correspondence, memoranda, schedules and calendars of President Clinton, news clippings, articles, speech drafts and final copies, faxes, email, and notes.

<u>Case Number</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Pages Processed</u>	<u>Pages Restricted</u>	<u>Pages Proposed for Opening</u>
2017-0465-S	Eugenia Chough	20,968	210	20,758

The Clinton Presidential Library has completed the systematic processing of the records of Eugenia Chough, Assistant Director of the Domestic Policy Council from March 1999 through April 2000. These materials include correspondence files, meetings files, publication files, and subject files regarding domestic policy topics--primarily tobacco issues, welfare reform, and employment initiatives. Records consists of correspondence, memoranda, reports, publications, newspaper articles, and Ms. Chough's handwritten meeting notes. The bulk of the material pertains to interagency meetings and correspondence between Domestic Policy Council staff and employees of the Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of Labor, and Department of Agriculture. Specific topics covered in this collection include welfare reform employment programs and incentives, such as the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, Welfare to Work Partnership, fathers' employment, Medicaid, food stamps, child care, child support, Work Opportunity Tax Credit, Earned Income Tax Credit, and Charitable Choice. This material also includes records pertaining to the Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, youth smoking, tobacco industry litigation, and discussion of an excise tax on tobacco products.

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