VIA EMAIL

(LM 2018-071)

May 8, 2018

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 46,173 pages, have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 1,741 pages restricted in whole or in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 44,432 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 2, 2018, 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,

[Signature]

B. JOHN LASTER
DIRECTOR
Presidential Materials Division

Enclosure
ATTACHMENT A

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Case Number: 2018-0618-F

Topic: Records related to 8/30/1993 meetings with Secretary Aspin and others

Pages Processed: 39
Pages Restricted: 25
Pages Proposed for Opening: 14

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