


REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY (See Instructions on reverse)		LEAVE BLANK	
TO GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE, WASHINGTON, DC 20408		JOB NO N1-299-89-4	DATE RECEIVED 10-12-89
1 FROM (Agency or establishment) Department of Justice 2 MAJOR SUBDIVISION Foreign Claims Settlement Commission 3 MINOR SUBDIVISION		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
4 NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER Jeanette Matthews		5 TELEPHONE EXT. 653-6155	DATE 10/31/89
6. CERTIFICATE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE		ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES 	

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposal of the agency's records, that the records proposed for disposal in this Request of 4 page(s) are not now needed for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified, and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, if required under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies, is attached

A GAO concurrence is attached, or is unnecessary

B DATE 10/6/89	C SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE 	D TITLE Admin. Officer
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7 ITEM NO	8 DESCRIPTION OF ITEM (With Inclusive Dates or Retention Periods)	9 GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10 ACTION TAKEN (NARS USE ONLY)
	<p>FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION - PANAMANIAN PROGRAM WNRC Accession 299-61-A-542, Boxes 94-95, 100-103</p> <p>The authority of the International Claims Commission (ICC), the predecessor of the FCSC, was based upon the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949 [Pub. L. 81-455, approved March 10, 1950, 64 Stat. 12, 22 USC 1621], as amended. Under section 4(a) of Title 1 [64 Stat. 13, 22 USC 1623(a)], the ICC was authorized to adjudicate claims of nationals of the United States for the nationalization or other taking of property included within the terms of any claims settlement agreement hereafter concluded between the United States and a foreign government (exclusive of governments against which the United States declared the existence of a state of war during World War II). The Panamanian program stemmed from a decision of the Panamanian Supreme Court in 1931 which declared that a large tract of land known as El Encanto, owned by several American citizens and American-owned corporations, was the property of the Republic of Panama. Under the Convention of October 11, 1950, the government of Panama, without admission of liability, agreed to pay to the United States \$400,000 in settlement of all claims of American citizens who had acquired land in El Encanto. The program was concluded on December 31, 1954.</p>		

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1.	<p>Background Materials. Boxes 94-95 (part). Correspondence, memoranda, reports, and legal documents relating to the Panmanian claims programs as a whole. Also includes Spanish and English versions of Panamanian materials such as court documents and newspaper articles.</p> <p>Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives upon approval of this schedule.</p>		
2.	<p>Claims Files. Boxes 94-95 (part), 100-103. Files created in the course of processing the claims of American nationals against the government of Panama. Included are correspondence, memoranda, reports, and originals and copies of the Proposed and Final Decisions. Background materials such as maps, photographs, birth and marriage certificates, and wills may also be included.</p> <p>Disposition: PERMANENT. Transfer to the National Archives upon approval of this schedule.</p> <p>NOTE: Boxes 96-99 of this accession, described as background material, were actually incorporated into a previous accretion into the central decimal file, 419.11, in Record Group 59.</p>		