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Inventory for FOIA 2006-0003-F

Records pertaining to the HIV/AIDS Program for Africa Sponsored by the Export-Import Bank of the United States in July 2000 and the Protests Led by ACT UP

Extent

33 folders, approximately 3,600 pages

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Gore Vice Presidential records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA)(44 USC 22, as amended) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)(5 USC 552, as amended) and therefore may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

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Provenance

Official records of the Albert Gore, Jr. vice presidency are in the custody of the Presidential Materials Division in Washington, DC and are administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processed By

Staff Archivists, 2014. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Related Collections

FOIA 2006-0947-F, William J. Clinton Presidential Library.

Scope and Content

The materials in this series are a selective, not necessarily all-inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of FOIA request 2006-0003-F.

This series contains records related to the United States Government's involvement in providing affordable drugs to African nations, especially South Africa, to combat the AIDS epidemic. Content covered in the records include Vice President Gore's support for compulsory licensing and parallel imports of AIDS drugs in South Africa, the addition of South Africa to the United States Trade Representative (USTR) "watch list" for potential violations of intellectual property rights of pharmaceutical company patents related to AIDS drugs, and the Export Import Bank's announcement on July 19, 2000 of guaranteed loans to sub-Saharan African countries for the purchase of medicines and medical equipment to fight the spread of HIV/AIDS. Records in this series also highlight the activist group ACT-UP's protests at Gore 2000 campaign events in response to the pharmaceutical industry and USTR's involvement in delaying access to affordable AIDS drugs for South Africans.

In addition to these topics, there are documents processed within folders responsive to this FOIA request pertaining to the Clinton Administration's concerns and accomplishments related to the African-American and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) communities.

This series consists of email, memoranda, photocopied open letters, lists, agendas, remarks, talking points, press conference transcripts, and publications such as newsletters, fact sheets, photocopied news articles, policy memoranda, website printouts, and reports. Memoranda correspondents within the Clinton Administration include: Leon S. Fuerth, National Security Advisor for the Vice President; Greg C. Simon, Chief Domestic Policy Advisor for the Vice President; Carol H. Rasco, Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy; and Sandra L. Thurman, Director of the Office of National AIDS Policy. Other correspondents include Ralph Nader, members of Congress, and leaders of non-profit organizations such as Human Rights Campaign, Mothers' Voices, and AIDS Action.

The inclusive date range for this series of records is 1995 to 2000. The bulk of the materials are from 1999 to 2000.

System of Arrangement

Records responsive to this FOIA request were found in the following collections of Gore Vice Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System (ARMS) email and White House Staff Member and Office Files.

The Automated Records Management System (ARMS) is a database that contains the unclassified email records of the Clinton White House including the Office of the Vice President. The ARMS dataset is comprised of seven sub-series of email records called "buckets" including the VPO bucket which holds the Gore Vice Presidential email. ARMS email is arranged by search result category, and thereunder chronologically by creation date.

Staff Member and Office Files are the textual records created and/or maintained by White House staff members within their individual offices. These files document all levels of administration activity.

Staff Member and Office Files are processed at the folder level, and the documents within are maintained in their original order. Since the files are processed at the folder level, individual documents contained within these folders may not be wholly responsive to the subject area of this FOIA request.

The following is a list of documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2006-0003-F:

Box 1

Gore Vice Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System [Email]

VPO [OA/ID 70000]

[Export Import/ AIDS]

[02/17/2000 – 05/18/2000]

[06/09/2000]

[07/19/2000 – 07/26/2000]

[Ex Im/ AIDS and Africa]

[06/09/2000 – 07/22/2000]

[AIDS and Africa/ ACT UP]

[06/07/1999 – 06/23/1999]

[06/23/1999 – 06/29/1999]

Box 2

[06/29/1999 – 07/19/1999]

[07/20/1999 – 07/21/1999]

[07/21/1999 – 07/22/1999]

[07/26/1999 – 07/30/1999]

[08/02/1999 – 09/21/1999]

[09/21/1999 – 10/05/1999]

Box 3

[10/06/1999 – 12/06/1999]

[12/08/1999]

[01/05/2000 – 01/19/2000]

[01/21/2000 – 02/11/2000]

[02/16/2000 - 03/06/2000]

[03/13/2000 – 05/10/2000]

Box 4

[05/18/2000 – 05/22/2000]

[06/01/2000 – 07/19/2000]

[06/09/2000]

[06/29/2000 – 07/26/2000]

[AIDS and Africa and Drugs]
[06/16/1999 – 06/30/1999]
[06/30/1999 – 01/09/2000]

Box 5

[01/10/2000 – 05/01/2000]
[05/06/2000]

Gore Vice Presidential Records: White House Staff Member and Office Files

Office of Chief of Staff and Administration

Public Liaison Files

Papers: Fact Sheet What Has Been Reported AIDS Drugs for South Africa [OA/ID 00832]

Rachael Sullivan and Kate Murphy Files

AIDS [OA/ID 00963]

South Africa / AIDS [OA/ID 00965]

Office of Counsel

[Staff Member Unknown] Files

AIDS in Africa Report [OA/ID 01119]

[Floppy Disc] (1) Update, (2) address, (3) AIDS – Blue Box [OA/ID 01160]

Office of Domestic Policy

David Beier Files

AIDS in Africa [OA/ID 01017]

AIDS: General [OA/ID 01017]

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