Inventory for FOIA 2014-0042-F

Records pertaining to the Meeting of the Gore-Stepashin Commission in July 1999

Extent
Two folders, approximately 150 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.

Copyright
Records in this collection that were prepared by officials of the United States Government as part of their official duties are in the public domain. Researchers are advised to consult the copyright law of the United States (Title 17, USC) which governs the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted material.

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, October 2014. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.
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 2014-0042-F.

This series contains records related to Vice President Gore’s meetings with various Russian prime ministers and consists of memoranda, question and answer documents, talking points, printed email, press releases, joint statements, and photocopied news articles. The bulk of the records are from 1999. The inclusive date range for these materials is 1996 to 1999.

Found within this material is press guidance on the economic and technological cooperation of the U.S. – Russia Commission and the Clinton Administration’s response to a Washington Post article on allegations of Russian corruption. There are also emailed news articles about the meeting of the U.S.-Russian Joint Commission in July 1999 and talking points for one of the Gore-Stepashin Commission sessions.

Also included within the materials processed for this request are memoranda related to Vice President Gore meeting with Prime Minister Sergey Kiriyenko in July of 1998 and press releases with joint statements given on the behalf of Vice President Gore and Prime Minister Kiriyenko regarding United States and Russia’s cooperation on various economic and technological initiatives.

Due to national security restrictions, about half of this collection remains closed.

System of Arrangement
Records responsive to this FOIA request were found in Gore Vice Presidential Records: White House Staff Member and Office Files.

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 folders processed in response to FOIA 2014-0042-F:

Box 1
Gore Vice Presidential Records: White House Staff Member and Office Files
National Security Affairs
Meeting Files
   Binder: U.S. – Russia Commission Meetings from September 1993 to July 1999 [Kiriyenko, Stepashin, Primakov] [1] [Box 042]
   Binder: U.S. – Russia Commission Meetings from September 1993 to July 1999 [Kiriyenko, Stepashin, Primakov] [2] [Box 042]