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The Honorable W. Neil Eggleston
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Eggleston:

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 Bush Vice Presidential records in response to the systematic processing project listed in Attachment A.

This material, consisting of 26,500 pages, has been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in a total of 18,612 pages restricted. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 7,888 pages. A copy of any records proposed for release under this notice will be provided to you upon your request.

Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a), NARA will release the records 60 working days from the date of this letter, which is June 9, 2015, unless the former or incumbent President requests a one-time extension of an additional 30 working days or the incumbent President 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,

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>
2013-1221-S	National Narcotics Border Interdiction System (NNBIS)	26,500	18,612	7,888

The Bush Presidential Library has completed systematic processing of the files of the National Narcotics Border Interdiction System (NNBIS), 1983-1989. The Bush Vice Presidential records proposed for opening are cover sheets, correspondence, press releases, printed material, remarks, and reports. These materials consist of Office of the Vice President cover sheets and internal correspondence which route other documents; and other internal correspondence arranging NNBIS administrative matters, such as meetings, travel, drug war games, inter-agency cooperation on interdiction and law enforcement issues, and operational funding. There is also external correspondence, such as letters of appreciation from Vice President Bush to departing NNBIS personnel, and letters from private citizens providing unsolicited opinions on issues such as mandatory drug testing, legalization of drugs, and the military's role in interdiction. Additional materials are press releases which include statements by NNBIS on drug interdiction games, the objectives of NNBIS, and the general results of interdiction operations; and printed materials which contain newspaper clippings on issues such as drug testing, international cooperation to prevent trafficking, interdiction operations, and drug trafficking and interdiction in various Caribbean and Latin American countries. Finally, there are remarks by President Reagan and Vice President Bush at various functions related to drug interdiction; and unclassified reports which include NNBIS briefings and reports to Congress on interdiction operations and law enforcement strategy, Department of Defense papers on drug enforcement, and U.S. Customs Service reports on information gathering.

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