

<b>REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY</b> <i>(See Instructions on reverse)</i>		LEAVE BLANK (NARA use only)	
TO NATIONAL ARCHIVES and RECORDS ADMINISTRATION (NIR) WASHINGTON, DC 20408 1 FROM (Agency or establishment) Department of State 2 MAJOR SUBDIVISION Bureau of European and Canadian Affairs 3 MINOR SUBDIVISION Geographic Offices		JOB NUMBER <b>NI-59-99-9</b>	
		DATE RECEIVED <b>04/09/2001</b>	
		NOTIFICATION TO AGENCY	
4 NAME OF PERSON WITH WHOM TO CONFER		In accordance with the provisions of 44 U S C 3303a the disposition request, including amendments, is approved except for items that may be marked "disposition not approved" or "withdrawn" in column 10	
5 TELEPHONE			
Marrisa Braden		DATE <b>6-6-01</b>	
261-8339		ARCHIVIST OF THE UNITED STATES <i>John W. Paul</i>	

6 AGENCY CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached \_\_\_\_\_ 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, under the provisions of Title 8 of the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,

is not required;  is attached; or  has been requested.

DATE	SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE	TITLE
4/4/2001	<i>Margaret G. Peppe</i>	Department of State Records Officer

7 ITEM NO	8 DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION	9 GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION	10 ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)
1	See attached		

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## Bureau of European and Canadian Affairs

### Geographic Offices

#### 1. Country/Subject Files.

a. Information arranged by TAGS/Terms, subject, country or organization that documents the offices' guidance and instructions on policy developments.

(1) Official Files.

DISPOSITION: Cut off annually. Transfer to RSC when 3 years old or sooner if no longer needed for current operation for transfer to WNRC. Destroy when 25 years old.

(2) Electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications.

DISPOSITION: Destroy/delete within 180 days after recordkeeping copy has been produced.

**NOTE: This disposition may be applied to records with terminal dates pre-dating 1990 only after NARA review.**

b. Non-substantive correspondence, memorandums and related papers that do not establish, discuss or define foreign policy or set precedent.

(1) Official Files

DISPOSITION. Cut off annually. Destroy when 3 years old.

(2) Electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications.

DISPOSITION: Destroy/delete within 180 days after recordkeeping copy has been produced.

#### 2. Chronological Files.

Extra copies of documents of outgoing communications of all types, arranged chronologically without regard to subject. The official record copy is filed in the program file.

DISPOSITION: Destroy when 1 year old, or sooner if no longer needed for current operation.

#### 3. Special Collections

Program files on important events, crisis or high profile issues that were kept because of their informational value when corresponding blocks of records were retired. File includes reports, clippings, telegrams, memorandums and related material.

a Official Files.

DISPOSITION: Permanent Transfer to RSC when 10 years old or sooner if no longer needed for current operation for transfer to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives when 25 years old.

b Electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications.

DISPOSITION: Destroy/delete within 180 days after recordkeeping copy has been produced.

**4. Briefing Books.**

Briefing books generated for meetings, committees, working groups, transition teams, Congressional hearings and planning groups.

a. Master set

(1) Official Files.

DISPOSITION: Permanent. Transfer to RSC when 5 years old or sooner in no longer needed for current operation for transfer to WNRC. Transfer to the National Archives when 25 years old.

(2) Electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications.

DISPOSITION. Destroy/delete within 180 days after recordkeeping copy has been produced.

b. Duplicate set

DISPOSITION: Destroy when 1 year old or sooner if no longer needed for current operation.

**5. Biographic Files.**

Background information maintained on political leaders, foreign ministry officials, and military leaders. File includes reports, telegrams, newspaper articles, memoranda, and information from other agencies and posts.

a. Official Files.

DISPOSITION: Periodically review and screen file. When no longer needed for current operation offer to INR/B.

b. Electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications.

DISPOSITION: Destroy/delete within 180 days after recordkeeping copy has been produced.

## **6. Daily Activity Reports.**

Summary of activities/reports generated in-house daily and submitted to the Front Office.

### a. Official Files.

DISPOSITION: Destroy when 1 year old.

### b. Electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications

DISPOSITION: Destroy/delete within 180 days after recordkeeping copy has been produced

## **7. Task Force/Working Group Files.**

Files accumulated during a Task Force consisting of activity logs (chronology of events), news tickers, press guidance and releases, memorandums, incoming and outgoing telegrams, issue papers, contact lists, schedules and minutes of meetings and other related documents.

### a. 7th Floor Task Force/Working Group.

#### (1) Official Files.

DISPOSITION: After ascertaining that the disbandment report containing all substantive happenings and activities on a day-by-day, shift-by-shift basis is received by the Executive Secretariat (S/S-IRM), destroy 1 year after conclusion of Task Force. S/S-IRM is responsible for the historical record.

#### (2) Electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications.

DISPOSITION: Destroy/delete within 180 days after recordkeeping copy has been produced.

### b. Bureau Level Working Group.

Administrative material consisting of information on staffing, schedules, telephone contact lists, schedules of meetings and other information of a non-substantive nature. Substantive material consisting of telegraphic traffic including other agency telegrams, the activity log (chronology of events), press guidance and releases, memorandums, papers and/or briefing material.

#### (1) Official Files.

DISPOSITION: Permanent. Transfer to the RSC 1 year after conclusion of Working Group. Transfer to WNRC 5 years after conclusion. Transfer to the National Archives when 25 years old.

(2) Electronic version of records created by electronic mail and word processing applications.

DISPOSITION: Destroy/delete within 180 days after recordkeeping copy has been produced