



George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum

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Inventory for FOIA Request 2017-0211-F

Records on the Assassination of Benazir Bhutto

Extent

20 folders, approximately 1,627 pages / 524 assets

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to George W. Bush Presidential Records is governed by the Presidential Records Act (PRA) (44 USC 2201) and the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) (5 USC 552, as amended) and therefore records may be restricted in whole or in part in accordance with legal exemptions.

Copyright

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Provenance

Official records of George W. Bush's presidency are housed at the George W. Bush Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

Processing by

Staff Archivists, 2019. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 07/08/2020

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2017-0211-F are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult the archivist about related materials.

FOIA 2017-0211-F requested materials related to the assassination of Benazir Bhutto. This request is limited to textual records from the National Security Council and electronic records sent or received by Elliot Abrams, David Addington, Dan Bartlett, Scott Bloch, Josh Bolten, Jack Crouch, Rudy Fernandez, Steve Hadley, Joe Hagin, John Hannah, Elisabeth Millard, and Meghan O'Sullivan that were created between December 27, 2007 and January 20, 2009.

This FOIA primarily contains maps, briefings, testimony, and emails. Textual records include written testimony from Deputy Secretary of State John Negroponte given to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on February 28, 2008. Electronic records consist exclusively of emails

including newsletters from various non-governmental organizations, press releases, transcripts, and compilations of news headlines and news articles. Also included are early reports on Bhutto's injury and death, updates regarding the political situation in Pakistan immediately following Bhutto's death, Department of State press guidance, and a letter from Congressman Duncan Hunter regarding Pakistan.

It should be noted that many of the documents in this FOIA have been closed due to National Security classification and/or exemptions of the Freedom of Information Act.

Please note that a portion of classified records related to this request has not yet been processed. Additional records will be provided as they become available.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2017-0211-F are a systematic body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

Documents responsive to this FOIA were found in these collection areas – Staff Member Office Files and George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records.

Staff Member Office Files are maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity.

Staff Member Office Files are processed at the folder level, that is, individual documents are not selected and removed from a folder for processing. While this method maintains folder integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of documents that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

The Executive Office of the President (EOP) instance of the Electronic Records Archive (ERA) contains electronic records created or received by President George W. Bush. These records are stored in Search and Access Sets (SAS) that represent their originating computer program, such as Exchange Email or the Worker and Visitor Entry System (WAVES). In addition to records captured from the White House's electronic systems, EOP-ERA also contains records from the home and shared drives used by White House staff.

The following is a list of electronic search results lists (SRLs) and folders processed in response to FOIA 2017-0211-F:

George W. Bush Electronic Records

Exchange contains 524 assets.

George W. Bush Textual Records

Box 1

Staff Member Office Files

National Security Council – Records and Access Management

PRS Originals

0709110

0800851

Homeland Security Council

Bagnal, Joel – Confidential Files

Pakistan PC

National Security Council – Counterproliferation Strategy

Allen, Michael

Pakistan Nuke, Post Bhutto

National Security Council – Iraq and Afghanistan

Wolff, Terry

Pakistan

National Security Council – National Security Advisor, Office of the

Hadley, Stephen (Steve)

Pakistan, March 2008

National Security Council – Records and Access Management

Memcons and Telcons

Telcon with President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan, 01/08/2008

Telcon with President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan, 02/12/2008

Presidential Memoranda

[Pakistan, 11/2008-12/2008]

Pakistan, 7749

National Security Council – Regional Affairs

Ansley, Judith

Pakistan: DC Pre-Brief, JFJ Office, 9:00-9:30 AM, 01/02/2008

Pakistan: Deputies Committee Meeting, WHSR, 12:45-1:30 PM, 01/03/2008

National Security Council – South and Central Asian Affairs

Goel, Anish

Pakistan [Folder 2] [1]

Pakistan [Folder 2] [2]

Pakistan [Folder 2] [3]

Pakistan [Folder 2] [4]

Pakistan [Folder 2] [5]

Pakistan [Folder 2] [6]

Pakistan [Folder 4]: PCs/DCs/NSCs [1]

Pakistan [Folder 4]: PCs/DCs/NSCs [2]

Container List for Previously Opened Folders:

Counselor's Office

Gillespie, Edward (Ed) - Confidential Files

[PC Meeting, 05/06/2008, 0802965]

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**National Security Council - Records and Access Management
Memcons and Telcons**

Telcon with President Pervez Musharraf of Pakistan, 12/27/2007

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