



## Inventory for FOIA Request 2014-0387-F

# Records on the Creation of the Suspected Policy of “Ideological Exclusion” Carried Out by the U.S. State Department

### Extent

60 folders, approximately 4,458 pages / 39 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 22, as amended) 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

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

### Processing by

Staff Archivists, 2023. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 07/11/2023

### Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2014-0387-F are a selective, not necessarily all inclusive, body of records responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

FOIA 2014-0387-F requested materials related to the formulation and implementation of the so-called policy of ideological exclusion carried out by the U.S. State Department during the administration of President George W. Bush.

This FOIA primarily contains memoranda and presentations on proposals to strengthen visa security rules after the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks, as well as discussion of whether visa oversight should remain with the State Department or the Department of Homeland Security; printed prototypes of a new student visa application website; meeting agendas and summaries of meeting discussions; drafts of homeland security legislation; and talking points and other communications-related information to address profiling concerns from foreign nations and foreign nationals residing in the United States. There are also daily briefing memoranda, correspondence sent to White House Chief of Staff Andrew (Andy) Card, news clips and case law, and White House draft responses to questions from media organizations. The electronic records include email correspondence and discussion about some individuals denied visas after the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks. Additional email includes research requests for case law and findings as well as Department of Homeland Security News Briefings.

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 2014-387-F are a systematic body of records responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

Records responsive to this FOIA were found in these collection areas – White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files, Staff Member Office Files, and George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records.

The White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) contains a variety of series created to organize and track documents and correspondence. The WHORM Subject Files and Alpha Files were compiled by staff in the White House Office of Records Management and are a series of documents assigned a letter/number combination and filed in a series of categories by subject. WHORM Subject Files and WHORM Alpha Files are processed at the document level.

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 textual folders processed in response to FOIA 2014-0387-F:

***George W. Bush Electronic Records***

ARMS contains 1 asset, which is released in full.

Exchange contains 37 assets, of which 31 are released in full, and 6 are withheld in full.

WHO Share contains 1 asset, which is released in full.

***George W. Bush Textual Records***

**Box 1**

**Records Management, White House Office of**

Subject Files

564601

Subject Files - CO129 (Islamic Republic of Pakistan)

549979

Subject Files - FG001-06 (Meetings with the President, Interviews, Appointments)

633167 – 659044

Subject Files - FG001-07 (Briefing Papers)

01/05/2002 [460696]

05/30/2002 [460843]

09/09/2002 [460997]

05/08/2003 [539737]

Subject Files - FG001-08 (Presidential Telephone Calls)

513262

Subject Files - FG006-03A (Chief of Staff, Office Files)

512564

522756

522773

522945

**Box 2**

Subject Files - FG006-03A (Chief of Staff, Office Files)

555040

578474

Subject Files - FG006-06 (National Security Council)

635310

Subject Files - FG006-27 (Office of Senior Advisor - Karl Rove)

508401

508431

508451

569634

Subject Files - FG017 (Department of Justice)

549954

Subject Files - IM (Immigration)

509138

542096

Subject Files - JL003 (Crime)

620142

Subject Files - PR013-08 (Opinions - Statements - Questionnaires - Articles)

637533

639560

Subject Files - SP203-50 (Departments of State and Homeland Security Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Notice)

551798

### **Staff Member Office Files**

Communications, White House Office of

Besanceney, Brian - Subject Files

Visa Policy

Counsel's Office, White House

Gonzales, Alberto - Subject Files

HSC (Homeland Security Council): Visa Policy

Mitnick, John - Subject Files

V: Visa Proposals

Ulliyot, Theodore (Ted) - Subject Files

NSEERS (National Security Entry-Exit Registration System)

### **Box 3**

Homeland Security Council

Allen, Michael - Legislative Files

[Title IV - Transportation Security; Title V - Border Security, Immigration & Visas;

11/20/2004]

[Title IV - Transportation Security; Title V - Border Security, Immigration + Visas;  
Table of Contents + Lone Wolf - 11/20/2004]

Allen, Michael - Subject Files

NSEERS (National Security Entry/Exit Registration System) Suspension

Visa – Immigration

Ausbrook, Keith - Meeting Files

02/18/2003 - HSC Deputy's Committee Meeting - NSEERS (National Security  
Entry/Exit Registration System)

Brien, Una - Subject Files

NSEERS (National Security Entry/Exit Registration System) Communication  
Strategy [1]

NSEERS (National Security Entry/Exit Registration System) Communication  
Strategy [2]

Leckey, Eric - General Files

Visa Processing

Naughton, Peter - Meeting Files

06/22/2004 - HSC DC (Deputies Committee) Meeting - Visa Policy

07/13/2004 - HSC PC (Principals Committee) Meeting - Visa Policy Issues

07/15/2004 - HSC Policy Time with POTUS - Visa Policy

07/29/2004 - HSC DC (Deputies Committee) Meeting – Visa Policy / Border /  
Trans / CIP (Critical Infrastructure) Screening

#### **Box 4**

Homeland Security Council

Peterman, D. Brian - Subject Files

Student Visas [1]

Student Visas [2]

Student Visas [3]

Policy Files - Visa Security

Binder - Non-Immigrant Travel Initiative (NITI) - June 2004 - HSC/BTS (Border  
Transportation Security) copy [1]

Binder - Non-Immigrant Travel Initiative (NITI) - June 2004 - HSC/BTS (Border  
Transportation Security) copy [2]

Rawson, Kimberly – Immigration and Visa Files

Visas - Miscellaneous [1]

Visas - Miscellaneous [2]

**Box 5**

Homeland Security Council

Rawson, Kimberly – Immigration and Visa Files

Visas - Miscellaneous [3]

Schreiber Hughes, Lisa Bobbie - Subject Files

Saudi Arabia - DHS Report - Visas [1]

Saudi Arabia - DHS Report - Visas [2]

Homeland Security, White House Office of

General Counsel

Visa Cases [1]

Visa Cases [2]

Visa Cases [3]

Visa Law Review

King, Stephen - Subject Files

Student Visa [1]

**Box 6**

Homeland Security, White House Office of

King, Stephen – Subject Files

Student Visa [2]

Press Office, White House

McClellan, Scott - Subject Files

Homeland Security VISAS

Public Liaison, White House Office of

DeLorenzo, Nina - Subject Files

NSEERS (National Security Entry-Exit Registration System)

# Container List for Previously Opened Folders, 2014-0387-F:

## Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files - CO129 (Islamic Republic of Pakistan)

549945

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## Staff Member Office Files

Counselor's Office

Gillespie, Edward (Ed) - Confidential Files

[NSC and Homeland Security Council PC Meeting, 02/08/2008, 0800577] 2014-0301-F

[PC Meeting, 02/12/2008, Summary of Conclusions, 0801040] 2014-0301-F

Domestic Policy Council

Bridgeland, John - Subject Files

Homeland Security: Visas and Immigration [1] 2018-0002-P

Homeland Security: Visas and Immigration [2] 2018-0002-P

Lefkowitz, Jay - Subject Files

[Immigration]: Meeting with Dr. Rice regarding Immigration 07/29/2003 2014-0036-P

2016-0230-F