



George W. Bush
Presidential Library

Inventory for FOIA Request 2017-0023-F

National Security Council Records on the April 2001 United States EP-3 Collision with a People's Republic of China Aircraft

Extent

215 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.

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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, 2025. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 11/17/2025

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2017-0023-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 2017-0023-F requested National Security Council records on the April 2001 United States EP-3 collision with a People's Republic of China aircraft dating from 03/15/2001 – 04/30/2001.

This FOIA primarily contains press guidance, draft statements, compiled or summarized informational bulletins, and email correspondence. This material was distributed by, or from within the electronic folders of, the National Security Council.

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 2017-0023-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 – George W. Bush Presidential Electronic Records.

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) processed in response to FOIA 2017-0023-F:

George W. Bush Electronic Records

ARMS contains 215 assets, of which 177 are released in full, 22 are withheld in part, and 16 are withheld in full.