

Material at the George W. Bush Presidential Library Pertaining To The Iraq War

Introduction

This guide includes the principle files at the George W. Bush Presidential Library that contain material relating to the Iraq War that have been processed and are available for research. It is not definitive, however, and researchers should consult with the Library's archivists about other potentially useful files.

This guide identifies materials that have been opened for research through systematic processing or under a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request. Check the <u>George W. Bush Presidential Library website</u>, as it is constantly updated with new <u>finding aids</u> and <u>digitized content</u>. If records are available digitally, a link has been provided.

To keyword search digitized content from across the National Archives and Records Administration, visit the <u>National Archives Catalog</u>. To see material exclusively from the George W. Bush Presidential Library, perform an <u>Advanced Search</u> selecting *George W. Bush Library* as the Location of Archival Materials.

Preferred Citation for records of the George W. Bush Presidential Library: Type of document; names of sender and recipient, or title of document; date; folder title or White House Office of Records Management Subject Code and case number; box number; Collection Title and series/subseries, George W. Bush Presidential Library.

Staff Member Office Files (SMOF)

This collection consists of Presidential records from White House Staff Member Office Files (SMOF), 2001-2009, that served in the Administration of President George W. Bush. Each series is named after the individual staff member and/or office the office where they worked.

Box #

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Counsel's Office, White House

Kavanaugh, Brett - Subject Files

Vesting of Iraq Assets

Domestic Policy Council

Lefkowitz, Jay - Subject Files

Iraq 16

White House Office of Strategic Initiatives

Book Collection

The Bomb in My Garden: The Secrets of Saddam's Nuclear Mastermind. By Mahdi Obeidi and Kurt Pitzer

Materials processed under FOIA

These records are located in the White House Office of Records Management (ORM) or Staff Member Office Files (SMOF) materials. However, these records were processed as part of a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, as submitted by a researcher.

Entire FOIAs related to the Iraq War

2014-0042-F

Drafts of the 2002 State of the Union Address

2014-0043-F

Drafts of the Beginning of the Iraq War Speeches

2014-0044-F

Drafts of the May 1, 2003 Speech Delivered Aboard the USS Abraham Lincoln

2014-0080-F [1]

Records on the Possession of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) by Iraq

2014-0220-F

Records Sent to, Sent by, or Received by President George W. Bush regarding Drones, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV), Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC), and Targeted Killing between January 2004 and January 2009

2014-0227-F [1]

Records sent to, sent by, or received by President George W. Bush Regarding Iraq and Saddam Hussein, January 2001 – March 2003

2014-0250-F

Records regarding the invasion and subsequent fall of Baghdad to American troops on 04/09/2003

2014-0258-F

Records from the National Security Council related to President George W. Bush's First Meeting with Prime Minister Maliki on June 13, 2006

2014-0260-F

Records on the December 13, 2006 Meeting with the President George W. Bush and the Joint Chiefs of Staff

2014-0329-F

Notes from Prime Minister Tony Blair to President George W. Bush Concerning the Iraq War

2014-0457-F

Records on Iraq within the Condoleezza Rice Files between January 2001 and March 2003

2014-0487-F

National Security Council meeting minutes from January 2001 through December 2001

2014-0515-F

November 2006 memorandum written by Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs, Steven J. Hadley, and his staff on conditions Mr. Hadley found in Iraq during his visit in October 2006

2015-0235-F

Photographs of George W. Bush's Address to the Nation from the USS Abraham Lincoln May 1, 2003

2015-0273-F

Records Regarding National Security Council Principals Committee Meetings on Iraq, 02/01/2006 to 05/01/2008

2015-0274-F

Records regarding the Iraq surge from Deputies Committee Meetings of the National Security Council, 02/01/2006 – 05/01/2008

2015-0275-F

M-aterial Related to the Iraq Surge from the Office of the Executive Secretary between February 1, 2006 and May 1, 2008

2015-0276-F

Material Related to the Iraq Surge from the NSC Records Management Office between February 1, 2006 and May 1, 2008

2015-0277-F

Iraq Surge from the NSC – Iraq & Afghanistan collection, February 1, 2006 – May 1, 2008

2015-0279-F

Material Related to the Iraq Surge from the Office of the National Security Advisor between February 1, 2006 and May 1, 2008

2015-0288-F

Textual Records from the Office Files of Stephen Hadley Related to the Iraq Surge from February 1, 2006 to May 1, 2008

2016-0118-F

Photographs of President George W. Bush Watching Secretary of State Colin Powell's Address to the United Nations on February 5, 2003

2016-0140-F

Remarks at the United Nations General Assembly in New York City on November 10, 2001

2018-0319-F

Communications between President George W. Bush and General David Petraeus, May 2003 - December 2006

Individual Folders Processed under FOIA related to the Iraq War

Note: White House Office of Records Management (ORM) files are excluded from this list due to limitations in search capabilities. Additionally, physical box numbers are not included in this list. Consult the finding aid for each FOIA request to identify what box the folder is located in.

2014-0078-F [1]

Speechwriting, White House Office of

Hickey, James (Jim)

Iraq, Case Against Saddam, Torture, Speeches

2014-0215-F [1]

Staff Secretary, White House Office of the

Yanes, Raul - Speech Files

Remarks at CENTCOM Coalition Conference - 05/01/2007 [763741]

2014-0223-F

National Security Council - Combating Terrorism

Tidd, Kurt - Subject Files

WMD Terrorism Foreign Terrorist Organizations: Detention, Treatment, and Trial of Non-Citizens

2014-0225-F

Staff Secretary, White House Office of the

Kavanaugh, Brett – Speech Files

12/14/2003 – Press Statement – Saddam Hussein [765527]

Yanes, Raul – Speech Files

Statement by the President (Saddam Hussein Verdict) - 11/05/2006 [757591]

2014-0226-F [1]

National Security Council - National Security Advisor, Office of the

Crouch, Jack (J.D.)

JDC Chron 03/01/2005 - 04/18/2005: WMD Report

2014-0301-F

Counselor's Office

Gillespie, Edward (Ed) - Confidential Files

[US Government Policy for the Attribution of Weapons of Mass Destruction, 01/30/2008]

[Video Teleconference with US Embassy Baghdad's Ministerial Capacity Team Leaders, 11/14/2007, 0707991]

Video Gallery

This gallery consists of videos recorded by the White House Communications Agency (WHCA). Selections related to the Iraq War:

The President's Address to the Nation regarding 48-hour ultimatum to Saddam Hussein, March 17, 2003.

President's Address to the Nation announcing Operation Iraqi Freedom, March 19, 2003.

Online Resources

Archived White House website

In January 2009, the White House archived its website as a method of preserving the online presence of the Administration of President George W. Bush. The site is a resource for photographs, press releases, and other public records of the Bush Presidency. (NOTE: This site is no longer updated; some links may no longer work properly.)

Additional Related Materials not held at the George W. Bush Library

Library of Congress Iraq War 2003 Web Archive

National Archives Library Information Center (ALIC) on the War in Iraq

Published Sources

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Cheney, Richard B., and Liz Cheney. *In My Time: A Personal and Political Memoir.* New York: Threshold Editions, 2011.

Rice, Condoleezza. *No Higher Honor: A Memoir of My Years in Washington*. New York: Crown, 2011.

Rumsfeld, Donald. Known and Unknown: A Memoir. New York: Sentinel, 2011.

Tenet, George, and Bill Harlow. *At the Center of the Storm: My Years at the CIA*. New York: HarperCollins, 2007.