

Inventory for FOIA Request 2020-0202-F

Letters to Congress Related to the Temporary Transfer and the Subsequent Resumption of the Powers and Duties of the President

Extent

2 folders, approximately 89 pages

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, 2022. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 08/04/2022

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2020-0202-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 2020-0202-F requested letters to Congress related to the temporary transfer and the subsequent resumption of the powers and duties of the President on June 29, 2002 and July 21, 2007.

This FOIA primarily contains correspondence, memoranda, press releases, web pages and fax cover sheets. Included in these records are letters from President George W. Bush to Senators Robert Byrd and Dennis Hastert transferring the powers and duties of the President to the Vice President and subsequently resuming those powers and duties in accordance with Section 3 of the 25th Amendment as well as a draft timeline of events on the 28th and 29th of June 2002.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2020-0202-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 and Staff Member Office Files.

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 following is a list of folders processed in response to FOIA 2020-0202-F:

George W. Bush Textual Records

Box 1

Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files – FG002-01 (Presidential Powers) 454207

Staff Member Office Files

Counsel's Office, White House Gonzales, Alberto

06/29/2002 – 25th Amendment President Bush – Medical Procedure

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