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Inventory for FOIA Request 2016-0138-F

Speech Drafts of President George W. Bush's Address to Congress on September 20, 2001

Extent

18 folders, approximately 1,126 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 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.

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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, 2017. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released. Last Modified: 04/11/2025

Scope and Content

The materials in FOIA 2016-0138-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 2016-0138-F requested materials related to speech drafts of President George W. Bush's Address to Congress on September 20, 2001 limited to folders from the White House Office of Records Management and the Office of the Staff Secretary.

This FOIA primarily contains speech drafts, printed bound copies of the speech, news articles, printed emails consisting of press releases and a Q and A with Condoleezza Rice, and a memo to the record and emails relating to the removal of a speech draft from the White House for display at the George H. W. Bush Presidential Library.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 2016-0138-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 – White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files and Staff Member and Office Files.

WHORM Subject Files are processed at the document level.

The WHORM Subject File compiled by the White House Office of Records Management is comprised of a series of documents assigned a letter/number combination and filed in a subject category. A complete listing of the subject categories including a detailed description of each category is available in our research room and on our website at www.georgewbushlibrary.smu.edu

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

Staff Member and 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 documents and folders processed in response to FOIA 2016-0138-F:

Box 1

Records Management, White House Office of

Subject Files - SP230-01A (Address Before A Joint Session of the Congress)

491112

491112: Address to the Joint Session of Congress, 09/20/2001

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [1]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [2]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [3]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [4]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [5]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [6]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [7]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [8]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [9]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [10]

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [11]

Box 2

Subject Files - SP230-01A (Address Before A Joint Session of the Congress)

491112: Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001 [12]

491112: [Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001, Additional Drafts] [1]

491112: [Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001, Additional Drafts] [2]

491112: [Joint Session of Congress - 09/20/2001, Additional Drafts] [3]

Staff Member Office Files

Staff Secretary, White House Office of the

Miers, Harriet E. - Presidential Remarks

Joint Session of Congress - 9/20/2001 [758966]