

Clinton Presidential Library

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# Inventory for FOIA Request 2006-1019-F

# Records on Frank Fountain, President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board Member

### Extent

13 folders, approximately 346 pages

### Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Clinton 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.

### Copyright

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### Provenance

Official records of William Jefferson Clinton's presidency are housed at the Clinton Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

### **Processed by**

Staff Archivist, 2009. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

### **Scope and Content**

The materials in FOIA 2006-1019-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 request 2006-1019-F contains letters, emails and cables concerning Frank Fountain. Frank Fountain was a member of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board (PFIAB) during the Clinton Administration, serving as the Board's Assistant Director and Counsel. Before joining the PFIAB staff in 1995, Mr. Fountain spent 18 years with the Department of Defense. He served 11 of those years as a DOD lawyer and advisor to the Commander-in-Chief, US Central Command. Many of the records deemed responsive to this FOIA request came from personnel files and were closed for personal privacy.

The White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files contain one responsive file. CO068 includes letters of thanks from the President to individuals who contributed to the Intelligence Oversight Board's *Report to the President on the Guatemala Review*, including Frank Fountain.

In the White House Staff and Office Files, responsive documents can be found in the Security Office's records. However, most of these documents were withheld to protect personal privacy.

The Automated Records Management System (ARMS) Emails contain emails between Frank Fountain and other White House staff during his tenure as a member of PFIAB.

The NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management Systems contain additional records regarding Frank Fountain. The NSC Cables include records regarding Mr. Fountain's travels as a PFIAB member, including travel itineraries. The NSC Email system contains records regarding Mr. Fountain's work on the *Report to the President on the Guatemala Review*.

### System of Arrangement

Records that were responsive to this FOIA were found in four collection areas – Clinton Presidential Records: White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) Subject Files, Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files, Clinton Presidential Records: Automated Records Management System (ARMS) Email and Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management Systems. As policy, Staff and Office files are processed at the folder level, that is, individual folders 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. However, WHORM files are processed at the document level.

The White House Office of Records Management (WHORM) contains a variety of series created to organize and track documents and correspondence. The WHORM Subject file was compiled by the White House Office of Records Management and is a series of categories designated by a letter/number combination.

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

The Automated Records Management System (ARMS) is a database that contains email records of the executive office of the President. This system maintained unclassified Presidential email. The ARMS dataset is comprised of 6 sub-series of email records called "Buckets." The buckets include NPR, OPD, POTUS, WHO, CEA, and Default. ARMS emails are arranged chronologically by creation date.

The following is a list of folders processed in response to FOIA 2006-1019-F:

# Box 1

# **Clinton Presidential Records: WHORM Subject Files**

Category	Case Number
CO068	Scanned: 174269SS

# **Clinton Presidential Records: White House Staff and Office Files**

Security Office Fountain, Frank Walter [OA/ID CF 1883]

### **Clinton Presidential Records: ARMS Emails**

OPD [OA/ID 250,000] [Fountain and PFIAB...] [09/19/2000]

WHO [OA/ID 500,000] [Fountain and PFIAB...] [06/06/1995 - 09/18/2000] [09/22/2000 - 01/13/2001]

NSC [OA/ID 1,200,000] [Fountain and PFIAB...] [01/26/1999 – 05/16/2000] [05/30/2000 – 11/14/2000]

# Clinton Presidential Records: NSC Cable, Email, and Records Management Systems (RMS)

NSC Cables

January 1995-December 1996 [Fountain and PFIAB...] [09/12/1995 – 05/29/1996] [OA/ID 510000]

January 1997-December 1998 [Fountain and PFIAB...] [12/02/1997 – 08/31/1998] [OA/ID 520000]

January 1999-December 2000 [Fountain and PFIAB...] [01/04/1999 – 10/16/2000] [OA/ID 530000]

# NSC Emails

MSMail-Record (Sept 94-Sept 97) [Fountain and PFIAB...] [07/18/1995 – 07/11/1996] [OA/ID 590000]

Exchange-Record (Sept 97-Jan 01) [Fountain and PFIAB...] [02/21/1998 – 01/05/2001] [OA/ID 620000]

Exchange-Non-Record (Mar 97-Jan 01) [Fountain and PFIAB...] [09/09/1997 – 04/12/1999] [OA/ID 630000]

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