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Video footage of President Obama's Facebook Town Hall, April 20, 2011 (22-16578-F)

Finding Aid Type
FOIA

Extent

39 video clips

Record Type
Videos

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Provenance

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Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 22-16578-F are a selective, not necessarily all-inclusive, body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

FOIA 22-16578-F requested all outtakes and rushes of President Obama taking questions from Facebook users in a Town Hall from Facebook's headquarters in Palo Alto, California, on April 20, 2011. Portions of the requested video were used in President Obama's "West Wing Week: 4/22/11", including footage showing Sheryl Sandberg and Mark Zuckerberg.

This FOIA primarily contains footage from the Obama Administration Material series shot by the White House videographer of the travel to Palo Alto and at the Palo Alto Facebook event on April 20, 2011; the White House TV footage of the Town Hall event; and the recorded CSPAN coverage of the Town Hall event.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 22-16578-F are a systematic body of documents 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 Communications Agency
White House Communications Agency records are processed at the folder/videotape level. While this method maintains folder/videotape integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of videotapes that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

Container List

The following is a list of video processed in response to FOIA 22-16578-F:

Audiovisual Records

- **Communications Agency, White House (WHCA)**
    - *Obama Administration Material*

        - Tape 1196 Palo Alto California Facebook 04/20/2011, 31 clips: Facebook Town Hall Behind the Scenes [FOIA #22-16578-F]
        - Tape 1197 Travel to Palo Alto California Facebook 04/20/2011, 3 clips: Travel to Palo Alto April 20, 2011 [FOIA #22-16578-F]
    - *Master Control*
        - Tape 2427 POTUS remarks at Facebook Town Hall 04/20/2011, 1 clip: Facebook Town Hall with President Obama C SPAN [FOIA #22-16578-F]
    - *White House TV*
        - Tape 2502 POTUS remarks at Facebook Townhall 04/20/2011, 2 clips: Facebook Town Hall with President Obama Main Camera [FOIA #22-16578-F]
        - Tape 2504 POTUS remarks at Facebook Townhall 04/20/2011, 2 clips: Facebook Town Hall with President Obama Side Camera [FOIA #22-16578-F]

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