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Photographs and Video of Elon Musk (22-16594-F)

Finding Aid Type
FOIA

Extent

541 assets / 7 video clips

Record Type
Photographs
Videos

Access

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Provenance

Official records of Barack Obama’s presidency are holdings of the Barack Obama Presidential Library and administered by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) under the provisions of the Presidential Records Act (PRA).

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Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 22-16594-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 22-16594-F requested all photos and videos of the businessman Elon Musk.

This FOIA primarily contains photographs of Musk’s visits to the White House on April 7, 2014 and May 21, 2015; President Obama and Elon Musk touring a 1 commercial rocket processing facility at Cape Canaveral Air Force Station, Florida, on April 15, 2010; and President Obama hosting a private dinner with scientific leaders in the Old Family Dining Room of the White House, on March 23, 2015. This FOIA also contains video footage shot by the White House videographer of the rocket processing facility tour on April 15, 2010.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 22-16594-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 – Obama Presidential Electronic Records, White House Communications Agency

The Executive Office of the President (EOP) instance of the Electronic Records Archive (ERA) contains electronic records created or received by Obama administration staff. These records are stored in Search and Access Sets (SAS) that represent their originating computer program, such as Exchange Email or the Worker and Visitor Entry System (WAVES). In addition to records captured from the White House’s electronic systems, EOP-ERA also contains records from the home and shared drives used by White House staff.

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 electronic search results lists (SRLs) that were processed in response to FOIA 22-16594-F:

Electronic Records

- *AV_22-16584-F* contains 541 photographs, of which all are released in full.

Audiovisual Records

- **Communications Agency, White House (WHCA)**
  - *Obama Administration Material*
    - Tape 1230, Clips 030 to 036 (7 clips): President Obama Tours SpaceX at NASA in Cape Canaveral, FL with Elon Musk, April 10, 2010