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Photographs and Video of Henry Louis Gates, Jr. (22-40140-F)

Finding Aid Type
FOIA

Extent

11 assets / 2 video clips

Record Type
Photographs
Videos

Access

Collection is open to all researchers. Access to Barack Obama 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 Barack Obama's presidency are housed at 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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Related Collections

Records related to the "Beer Summit" Meeting, July 30, 2009"

- 22-16972-F [Segment 1]
- 22-16972-F.2 [Segment 2]

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 24-40140-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 24-40140-F requested all videos and photographs containing Harvard professor Henry Louis Gates, Jr.

This FOIA primarily contains photographs of President Barack Obama greeting Henry Louis Gates, Jr. and Lawrence Bobo in the Blue Room during a U.S.-Africa Leaders Summit dinner on August 5, 2014.

There is also video footage from the meeting between President Obama, Vice President Biden, Henry Louis Gates Jr., and James Crowley in the Rose Garden on July 30, 2009.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 24-40140-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 – Obama Presidential Electronic Records and 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 documents, folders, and electronic search results lists (SRLs) that were processed in response to FOIA 24-40140-F:

Audiovisual Records

- **Communications Agency, White House (WHCA)**
  - *White House Television*
    - Tape 701 - Photo Op Disc - 07/27/2009-08/02/2009 (2 clips; released in full): Meeting between President Obama, Vice President Biden, Dr. Gates, and Sgt. Crowley in the Rose Garden, July 24, 2009

Electronic Records

- *AV_24-40140-F* contains 11 photographs, of which 7 are released in full and 4 are withheld in full.