BARACK OBAMA
PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY

Photographs and Video from inside the White House on January 20, 2017 (25-12322-F)

Finding Aid Type
FOIA

Extent

701 assets / 4 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.

Copyright

Audiovisual records in this collection were prepared by officials of the United States government as part of their official duties are in the public domain. Researchers are advised to consult the copyright law of the United States (Title 17, USC) which governs the making of photocopies or other reproductions of copyrighted material.

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).

Processed by

Staff Archivists, 2025. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 25-12322-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 25-12322-F requested photos and videos from inside the White House on January 20, 2017.

This FOIA primarily contains photographs of President Obama visiting the Oval Office for the last time. There are photos of President Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama greeting President-elect Donald Trump and Melanie Trump upon their arrival and hosting an inaugural tea. There are also photos of the Obamas bidding farewell to the Ushers Office and Residence staff.

There is footage of President Obama and Vice President Biden separately walking along the Colonnade. There is also footage of The Obamas greeting the Trumps and the Bidens greeting the Pences upon arrival.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 25-12322-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 25-12322-F:

Electronic Records

- AV_25-12322-F contains 701 photographs, of which 700 are released in full and 1 are withheld in full.

Audiovisual Records

- **Communications Agency, White House (WHCA)**
  - *Master Control*
    - Tape 8270 - POTUS welcomes President-Elect Donald Trump and Mrs. Trump to the White House - 01/20/2017 (1 clip; released in full): President Obama Welcomes President-Elect Trump to the White House, January 20, 2017
  - *White House Television*
    - Tape 7830 - POTUS welcomes President-Elect Donald Trump and Mrs. Trump to the White House - 01/20/2017 (1 clip; released in full)
    - Tape 7833 - POTUS moves from Oval to the Residence - 01/20/2017 (2 clips; released in full): President Obama Walking Outside at the White House, January 20, 2017