



Beer Summit (22-16972-F.2)

Finding Aid Type

FOIA

Extent

758 assets

Record Type

Electronic Records

Access

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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).

Processed by

Staff Archivists, 2024. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

Scope and Content Note

The materials in FOIA 22-16972-F.2 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 22-16972-F.2 requested materials related to briefing notes, transcripts, readouts, photographs, and any other records mentioning or related to the July 30, 2009, meeting between President Obama, Vice President Biden, Henry Louis Gates Jr., and James Crowley. This meeting has been referred to as the “Beer Summit.”

This FOIA primarily contains email correspondence containing West Wing Tour Guides created by staffers, letters and comments from the public, and media inquiries.

System of Arrangement

The materials in FOIA 22-16972-F.2 are a systematic body of documents responsive to the topic of the FOIA. Researchers should consult an archivist about related materials.

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.

Container List

The following is a list of documents, folders, and electronic search results lists (SRLs) that were processed in response to FOIA 22-16972-F.2:

Electronic Records

CEA contains 11 assets, of which 5 are released in full and 6 are withheld in full.

Email_Other contains 116 assets, of which 9 are released in full, 44 are withheld in part, and 63 are withheld in full.

Email_Presidential contains 325 assets, of which 14 are released in full, 16 are withheld in part, and 295 are withheld in full.

NSC contains 8 assets, of which 5 are released in full and 3 are withheld in full.

OA contains 19 assets, of which 15 are withheld in part and 4 are withheld in full.

SIP44 contains 2 assets, of which 2 are withheld in full.

WHO contains 2 assets, of which 2 are withheld in part.

WHO2 contains 275 assets, of which 97 are released in full, 12 are withheld in part, and 166 are withheld in full.