



# **Correspondence between President Obama and Bill Gates (22-17620-F)**

## **Finding Aid Type**

FOIA

## **Extent**

9 folders, approximately 101 pages

## **Record Type**

Textual

## **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).

## **Processed by**

Staff Archivists, 2026. Previously restricted materials are added as they are released.

## **Scope and Content Note**

The materials in FOIA 22-17620-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 22-17620-F requested materials related to all written and email communications between former President Barack Obama and Bill Gates of Microsoft between 2009 and 2016.

This FOIA primarily contains letters, pamphlets, and brochures from Bill Gates to President Obama. Communications are primarily related to Bill Gates work at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

## **System of Arrangement**

The materials in FOIA 22-17620-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 –

WHORM Subject Files

Presidential Correspondence, Office of (OPC)

Staff Member Office Files are maintained at the folder level by staff members within their individual offices and document all levels of administration activity. Staff Member Office Files are processed at the folder level, that is, individual documents are not selected and removed from a folder for processing. While this method

maintains folder integrity, it frequently results in the incidental processing of documents that are not wholly responsive to the subject area.

WHORM Subject and WHORM Alpha Files are processed at the document level.

The WHORM Alpha File was compiled by the White House Office of Records Management and is a series of documents arranged by name of persons, organizations, or events.

The WHORM Subject File was compiled by the White House Office of Records Management and consists of a series of documents assigned a letter/number combination and filed in a subject category. A complete listing of the subject categories, including a detailed description of each category, is available [on the National Archives Catalog](#).

## Container List

The following is a list of documents, folders, and electronic search results lists (SRLs) that were processed in response to FOIA 22-17620-F:

## Textual Records

- **Records Management, White House Office of**
  - *Subject Files - ED (Education)*
- 1033475
- *Subject Files - FG001-06 (Meetings with the President)*
  - 1010593
  - 1037343
- *Subject Files - HE006 (Medicines - Drugs - Serums)*
  - 1072726
  - 1062014
- *Subject Files - MA026 (Freedom Awards (All))*
  - 1220577
- *Subject Files - PP010-03 (Election/Nomination/Primaries Messages Received)*
  - 1102136
- *Subject Files - SO003 (White House Luncheons)*
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- **Records Management, White House Office of - West Wing Collection**

- *Presidential Correspondence*
  - [HE006] 1062014 [Letter from Bill Gates, 06/07/2011]
- **Presidential Correspondence, Office of (OPC)**
  - *Gardarphe, Frederico "Rico" - General Files*
    - Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

## **Electronic Records**

## **Audiovisual Records**

## **Last Modified Date**

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