

# VIA EMAIL

(PA 2025-018)

January 30, 2025

The Honorable David Warrington Counsel to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Warrington:

In accordance with the requirements of the Presidential Records Act (PRA), as amended, 44 U.S.C. §§2201-2209, this letter constitutes a formal notice from the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to the incumbent President of our intent to open Biden Vice Presidential records in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests listed in Attachment A.

This material, consisting of 63 email messages, has been reviewed for the six PRA Presidential restrictive categories, including confidential communications requesting or submitting advice (P5) and material related to appointments to federal office (P2). These records were also reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions. As a result of this review, 26 email messages in whole and 22 email messages in part have been restricted. Therefore, NARA is proposing to open the remaining 15 email messages in whole and 22 email messages in part that do not require closure under 44 U.S.C. § 2204. A copy of any records proposed for release under this notice will be provided to you upon your request.

We are also concurrently informing former Vice President Biden's representatives, Robert Lenhard, James Garland, and Dana Remus, and President Obama's representatives, Anita Breckenridge, Bob Bauer, and Emily Blakemore, of our intent to release these records. Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a)(3)(A), NARA would normally release these records 60 working days from the date of this letter, which is April 25, 2025, unless the former President, former Vice President, or incumbent requests a one-time extension of an additional 30 working days. However, pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a)(3)(C), which extends the 60-day period for the first six months after the incumbent President first takes office, NARA will release these records on July 20, 2025 unless the former or incumbent President asserts a constitutionally based privilege, in accordance with 44 U.S.C. 2208(b)-(d). Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 2208(a)(1)(B), we will make this notice available to the public on the NARA website.

If you have any questions relating to this notification, please contact me at (202) 357-5091 or NARA Acting General Counsel, Hannah Bergman, at (301) 837-0344.

Sincerely,

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Anita Breckenridge, Robert Bauer, and Emily Blakemore Obama Foundation Office 1250 24<sup>th</sup> Street Washington, DC 20037

Dear Ms. Breckenridge, Mr. Bauer, and Ms. Blakemore:

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