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**VIA EMAIL**  
(LW 2024-028)

November 30, 2023

The Honorable Ed Siskel  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Mr. Siskel:

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 25 pages and 398 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, 145 email messages in whole, and 6 pages and 99 email messages in part have been restricted. Therefore, NARA is proposing to open the remaining 19 pages and 154 email messages in whole and 6 pages and 99 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), NARA will release the records 60 working days from the date of this letter, which is February 26, 2024 unless the former President, former Vice President, or incumbent President requests a one-time extension of an additional 30 working days or if the former or incumbent President asserts a constitutionally based privilege, in accordance with 44 U.S.C. 2208(b)-(d). Please let us know if you are able to complete your review before the expiration of the 60 working day period. 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 General Counsel Gary M. Stern at (301) 837-3026.

Sincerely,

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KATHLEEN DILLON MCCLURE  
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## ATTACHMENT A

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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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