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(LM 2021-026)

April 29, 2021

The Honorable Dana Remus
Counsel to the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20502

Dear Ms. Remus:

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 Clinton Presidential records in response to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request listed in Attachment A.

These records, consisting of 69 pages, have been reviewed for all applicable FOIA exemptions, resulting in 21 pages restricted in whole or in part. NARA is proposing to open the remaining 48 pages. 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 President Clinton's representative, Bruce Lindsey, 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 July 23, 2021, unless the former or incumbent President requests a one-time extension of an additional 30 working days or 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 request, please contact me at (202) 357-5144 or NARA General Counsel Gary M. Stern at (301) 837-3026.

Sincerely,

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B. JOHN LASTER
DIRECTOR
White House Liaison Division

Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

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2020-0139-F	Ambassador Mihai Botez	69	21	48

The researcher submitted a Freedom of Information Act request for all records regarding Mihai Horia Botez. Botez was the Romanian Ambassador to the United States from September 1994 until his death on July 11, 1995. The Clinton Presidential records proposed for opening include NSC Cables, Emails, and Record Management System numbered documents, including a cable regarding the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) meeting in 1994 (where Botez was named to the board), emails between NSC staff regarding meetings and visits with Botez and reacting to his death, correspondence regarding his appointment as ambassador in 1994, and a condolence message from Richard Schifter to Romanian Foreign Minister Melescanu following Botez's death in 1995. In addition, there are WHODB and WAVES White House visitor log entries related to Ambassador Botez's visits to the White House.

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April 28, 2021

Bruce R. Lindsey
William J. Clinton Foundation
1200 President Clinton Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201

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