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(LW 2024-018)

November 2, 2023

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

Dear Mr. Siskel:

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We are also concurrently informing former Vice President Gore's representative, Beth Geer, and 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 February 1, 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 request, 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
ACTING DIRECTOR
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Enclosure

ATTACHMENT A

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

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Beth Prichard Geer
Office of Al Gore
Suite 250
3810 Bedford Avenue
Nashville, TN 37215

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