



DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Report Under Public Law 119-38

AGENCY: Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice of report.

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice is publishing a report submitted to Congress concerning records released and withheld pursuant to Public Law 119-38.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Office of the Associate Attorney General, 202-514-9500.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Epstein Files Transparency Act (“the Act”), Pub. L. 119-38, 139 STAT. 656, requires the Department of Justice to publish a justification for redactions and classification of records related to its review and release of records, documents, communications and investigative materials that relate to various categories of materials. Through this Notice, pursuant to Section 2 of the Act, the Department is publishing a report submitted to the House and Senate Committees on the Judiciary describing all categories of records released and withheld; a summary of the redactions made, including the legal basis; and a list of all government officials and politically exposed persons named or referenced in the reviewed materials. The report is set forth below in the Appendix to this Notice.

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Appendix



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Re: Epstein Files Transparency Act – Section 3 Report to Congress

Section 3 of the Epstein Files Transparency Act (“the Act”) requires the Department of Justice, within 15 days of completing the release required under the Act, to submit to the House and Senate Committees on the Judiciary a report listing: “(1) All categories of records released and withheld; (2) a summary of redactions made, including legal basis; and (3) a list of all government officials and politically exposed persons named or referenced in the released materials.” *See* Sec. 3 (cleaned up).

Consistent with Section 3 of the Act, the Department provides the following information.

Categories of Records Released and Withheld

Categories of Records Released. In accordance with the requirements of the Act, and as described in various Department submissions to the courts of the Southern District of New York assigned to the Epstein and Maxwell prosecutions and related orders,¹ the Department released all “records, documents, communications and investigative materials in the possession of the Department” that “relate to” any of nine different categories:

¹ *See United States v. Epstein*, 19 Cr. 490 (RMD) (S.D.N.Y.) Dkts. 85, 86, 87, 88, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 97, 98, 99, 100; *United States v. Maxwell*, 20 Cr. 330 (PAE) (S.D.N.Y.) Dkts. 810, 811, 813, 819, 820, 823, 826, 839, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849.

(1) Jeffrey Epstein, including all investigations, prosecutions, or custodial matters; (2) Ghislaine Maxwell; (3) flight logs or travel records, including but not limited to manifests, itineraries, pilot records, and customs or immigration documentation, for any aircraft, vessel, or vehicle owned, operated, or used by Jeffrey Epstein or any related entity; (4) individuals, including government officials, named or referenced in connection with Epstein's criminal activities, civil settlements, immunity or plea agreements, or investigatory proceedings; (5) entities (corporate, nonprofit, academic, or governmental) with known or alleged ties to Epstein's trafficking or financial networks; (6) any immunity deals, non-prosecution agreements, plea bargains, or sealed agreements involving Epstein or his associates; (7) internal DOJ communications, including emails, memos, meeting notes, concerning decisions to charge, not charge, investigate, or decline to investigate Epstein or his associates; (8) all communications, memoranda, directives, logs, or metadata concerning the destruction, deletion, alteration, misplacement, or concealment of documents, recordings, or electronic data related to Epstein, his associates, his detention and death, or any investigative files; and (9) documentation of Epstein's detention or death, including incident reports, witness interviews, medical examiner files, autopsy reports, and written records detailing the circumstances and cause of death.

Sec. 2(a) (cleaned up).

Categories of Records Withheld. The only category of records withheld were those records where permitted withholdings under Section 2(c) and privileged materials were not segregable from material responsive under Section 2(a). As discussed in the Department's December 19, 2025, and January 29, 2026, letters to Congress (the Prior EFTA Letters), the privileges that applied to the withheld records were deliberative-process privilege, work-product privilege, and attorney-client privilege.

No records were withheld or redacted "on the basis of embarrassment, reputational harm, or political sensitivity, including to any government official, public figure, or foreign dignitary." Sec. 2(b)(1).

Summary of Redactions Made and Legal Basis

Consistent with the Act, the Department, in consultation with victim counsel and victims directly, engaged in an extensive process to identify and redact "segregable portions of records that (A) contain personally identifiable information of victim or victims' personal and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy; (B) depict or contain child sexual abuse materials (CSAM) as defined under 18 U.S.C. 2256 and prohibited under 18 U.S.C. 2252-2252A; (C) would jeopardize an active federal investigation or ongoing prosecution, provided that such withholding is narrowly tailored and temporary; and (D) depict or contain images of death, physical abuse, or injury of any person." See Sec. 2(c).

Although permitted by the Act, no materials were redacted or withheld on that basis that a record “contain[ed] information specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and are in fact properly classified pursuant to such Executive order.” *See* Sec. 2(c)(1)(E).

As described in detail in the SDNY-EFTA Orders and Submissions and the Prior EFTA Letters, the Department, as permitted by the Act, undertook an extensive process to redact victim names and victim personally identifiable information, including extensive engagement with victims and their counsel. This engagement is ongoing, and the Department remains steadfast in its commitment to protecting victims. The Department notes, and as discussed in the SDNY-EFTA Orders and Submissions, unredacted versions of these materials are available for inspection at the Department by members of Congress, and certain members of Congress have come to the Department to inspect unredacted materials.

As discussed above and in the Prior EFTA Letters, the Department redacted a limited amount of information covered by various privileges, including deliberative-process privilege, work-product privilege, and attorney-client privilege. The legal basis for these redactions and withholding is that these privileges are long-recognized and based in common law. *See* Fed. R. Evid. 501; *Trammel v. United States*, 445 U.S. 40, 47 (1980) (“In . . . enacting Rule 501, Congress manifested an affirmative intention not to freeze the law of privilege.”). Given the presumption against repeal of common-law principles, the Supreme Court has recognized that such “privilege[s] should not be held to have been abrogated or limited unless Congress has at least used clear statutory language.” *FBI v. Fazaga*, 595 U.S. 344, 355 (2022); *see Bassett v. United States*, 137 U.S. 496, 505–06 (1890) (“[B]efore any departure from the rule affirmed through the ages of the common law—a rule having its solid foundation in the best interests of society—can be adjudged, the language declaring the legislative will should be so clear as to prevent doubt as to its intent and limit.”); *see also Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta*, 597 U.S. 629, 642 (2022) (“Congress expresses its intentions through statutory text passed by both Houses and signed by the President.”).

List of All Government Officials and Politically Exposed Persons

Below is a list of all government officials and “politically exposed persons” named or referenced in the released materials. The term “politically exposed persons” was not defined in the Act, but consistent with Section 3 of the Act, Department reviewers were directed to notate “all government officials and politically exposed persons named or referenced” in any document, including videos and images, reviewed during this process.

This list includes (as directed by the Act) all persons where (1) they are or were a government official or politically exposed person and (2) their name appears in the files released under the Act at least once. Names appear in the files released under the Act in a wide variety of contexts. For example, some individuals had extensive direct email contact with Epstein or

Maxwell while other individuals are mentioned only in a portion of a document (including press reporting) that on its face is unrelated to the Epstein and Maxwell matters.²

Acosta, Alexander	Adelson, Miriam	Allen, Woody
Allred, Gloria	Andrew Mountbatten-Windsor	Arthur Edward Rory Guinness
Assange, Julian	Audrey, Strauss	Avakian, Stephanie
Babino, Vincent	Baldwin, Alec	Band, Doug
Bannon, Steve	Barak, Ehud	Barr, William
Becerra, Xavier	Belohlavek, Lanna	Berman, Geoffrey
Beyonce	Bezos, Jeff	Biden, Ashley
Biden, Hunter	Biden, Jill	Biden, Joe
Birger, Laura	Bistricher, David	Bistricher, Marc
Black, Leon	Blair, Tony	Blanche, Todd
Blinken, Antony	Boies, David	Bolton, John
Bondi, Pam	Bongino, Dan	Bono
Book, Lauren	Booker, Cory	Bowdich, David
Boyd, Stephen E.	Bradshaw, Ric	Branson, Richard
Brennan, John	Brockman, John	Brunel, Jean Luc
Buckley, Sean	Bull, Gerald	Bush Jr., George
Bush, George W.	Bush, Jeb	Byrne, Patrick
Calk, Stephen	Capone, Russell	Carlson, Tucker
Carper, Tom	Castro, Fidel	Cheney, Dick
Cher	Chomsky, Noam	Clayton, Jay
Clinton, Bill	Clinton, Chelsea	Clinton, Hillary
Clooney, George	Cobain, Kurt	Cohen, Michael
Colleran, Brian	Collins, Linda	Comey, James
Comey, Maureen	Conway, George	Copperfield, David
Cosby, Bill	Daza, Omar	De Niro, Robert
Dershowitz, Alan	Desantis, Ron	Diana, Princess of Wales
Diller, Barry	Donahue, Phil	Donaleski, Rebekah
Dupont, Kathleen	Economou, George	Egauger, Michael
Eisenberg, John	Elizabeth II	Ellison, Keith
Emmanuel, Rahm	Epstein, Jeffrey	Erben, Germann
Feinberg, Stephen	Ferguson, Sarah	Filip, Mark
Flynn, Michael	Foley, Mark	Fortelni, Marius
Friedland, Edward	Frost, Phillip	Garland, Merrick
Gates, Bill	Gates, Melinda	Geithner, Timothy
Giuliani, Rudy	Goldman, Dan	Graham, Lindsey
Haley, Nikki	Harris, Kamala	Harrish, Joshua
Hatch, Orin	Hawk, Rony	Heiss, Howard
Higgins, Tony	Ho, Stanley	Hoffman, Reid
Holder, Eric	Horowitz, Andreesen	Horowitz, Michael
Hosenball, Mark	Hoyer, Steny	Huckabee, Mike
Huckabee, Sarah	Hutner, Florence	Inge Rokke, Kjell
Iveagh, Clare	Jackson, Michael	Jagger, Mick
Jarecki, Henry	Jay Z	Jayapal, Pramila

² Any omissions from the list are unintentional and, as explained in the previous letters to Congress, a result of the volume and speed with which the Department complied with the Act. Individuals whose names were redacted for law-enforcement sensitive purposes are not included.

Jeffries, Hakeem
 Joplin, Janis
 Kennedy Jr., Robert F.
 Kline, Carl
 Kushner, Jared
 Lefkowitz, Jay
 Lew, Jack
 Lofgren, Zoe
 Lord Robert May
 Mace, Nancy
 Margolin, James
 Massie, Thomas
 May, Theresa
 Meadows, Mark
 Milikowski, Nathan
 Moe, Alison
 Mook, William
 Mulvaney, Mick
 Nadler, Jerry
 Netanyahu, Benjamin
 Obama, Michelle
 Oz, Mehmet
 Patel, Kash
 Pelosi, Nancy
 Phelan, John
 Podesta, Tony
 Pope John Paul II
 Presley, Elvis
 Prince Philip
 Quayle, Dan
 Ratner, Brett
 Recarey, Joseph
 Reynolds, Tom
 Rod-Larsen, Terje
 Romney, Mitt
 Rosenstein, Rod
 Roth, John
 Rowan, Marc
 Ruemmler, Kathy
 Sasse, Ben
 Schenberg, Janis
 Schumer, Amy
 Scott, Tim
 Sessions, Jeff
 Shappert, Gretchen
 Snowden, Edward
 Spacey, Kevin
 Stabenow, Debbie
 Starr, Kenneth
 Stordalen, Petter
 Sultan Ahmed bin Sulayem

Johnson, Hank
 Kasich, John
 Kerry, John
 Krisher, Barry
 Kyl, Jon
 Lefroy, Jeremy
 Lewinsky, Monica
 Loneran, Jessica
 Lutnick, Howard
 Mandelson, Peter
 Markey, Ed
 Maxwell, Ghislaine
 McCain, John
 Menendez, Robert
 Milken, Michael
 Monaco, Lisa
 Moskowitz, Jared
 Murdoch, Rupert
 Napolitano, Janet
 Newsom, Gavin
 Ocasio Cortez, Alexandria
 Papapetru, Sophia
 Paul, Ron
 Pence, Mike
 Plaskett, Stacey
 Pomerantz, Lara
 Pope, Susan
 Presley, Lisa Marie
 Pritzker, JB
 Raskin, Jamie
 Readler, Chad
 Reiter, Michael
 Rice, Susan
 Rogers, Matthew
 Roos, Nicolas
 Ross, Diana
 Routh, Timothy
 Rubenstein, Howard
 Ryan, Paul
 Scanlon, Mary Gay
 Schiff, Adam
 Schumer, Chuck
 Sekulow, Jay
 Shamir, Yitzhak
 Shea, Timothy
 Soros, Alex
 Spitzer, Eliot
 Staley, Jes
 Stoltenberg, Jens
 Straub, Glenn
 Summers, Larry

Jones, Alex
 Kendall Rowlands, John
 Khanna, Ro
 Kudlow, Larry
 Lady Victoria Hervey
 Leo, Leonard
 Lieu, Ted
 Lorber, Howard
 Lynch, Loretta
 Mao, Coreen
 Markle, Meghan
 Maxwell, Robert
 McFarland, Nicole
 Milano, Alyssa
 Mnuchin, Steve
 Monroe, Marilyn
 Mueller III, Robert s.
 Musk, Elon
 Nassar, Larry
 Obama, Barack
 O'Donnell, Rosie
 Parker, Daniel
 Pecorino, Joseph
 Pestana, Diego
 Plourde, Lee
 Pompeo, Mike
 Power, Samantha
 Prince Harry, Duke of Sussex
 Pritzker, Thomas
 Ratcliffe, John
 Reagan, Ronald
 Reno, Janet
 Richardson, Bill
 Rohrbach, Andrew
 Rosen, Jeffrey
 Rossmiller, Alexander
 Rove, Karl
 Rubio, Marco
 Salinger, Pierre
 Scarola, John
 Schlaff, Martin
 Schwarzman, Stephen
 Senatore, Adrienne
 Shapiro, Ben
 Siad, Daniel
 Soros, George
 Springsteen, Bruce
 Starmer, Keir
 Stordalen, Gunhild
 Streisand, Barbara
 Swalwell, Eric

Sweeney Jr., William
Thiel, Peter
Trump, Ivanka
Vance, JD
Warsh, Kevin
Williams, Damian
Wyden, Ron
Zucker, Jeff

Taylor Green, Marjorie
Thomas-Jacob, Carol
Trump, Melania
Villafana, Marie
Wexner, Abigail
Wolff, Michael
Yung, Mark
Zuckerberg, Mark

Thatcher, Margaret
Trump, Donald
Tucker, Chris
Walker, Richard
Wexner, Les
Woodward, Stanley
Zampolli, Paolo

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